

Direct/Residual Shear Apparatus



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Unpacking

Initial inspection should include checking for physical damage during shipping and obvious external damage to the product.

Package contents are defined by your packing list. Each Loader is configured according to customer specifications. In your inspection, make certain that the contents of your shipment match the documentation provided by your packing list.

Place unit on a flat, smooth surface and use leveling feet (supplied) and a bubble level to ensure that the unit is level side-to-side and back-to-front.

Installation and Equipment Setup

Electrical Connections

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Power Switch

The Power Switch is located on the upper right hand corner of the back of the machine, above the electrical cord inlet. The Fuse Compartment is located between the electrical cord inlet and the Power Switch. The HM-5560 uses a 10 amp fuse. To begin operation, attach the supplied electrical cord, plug it in and press the Power Switch.

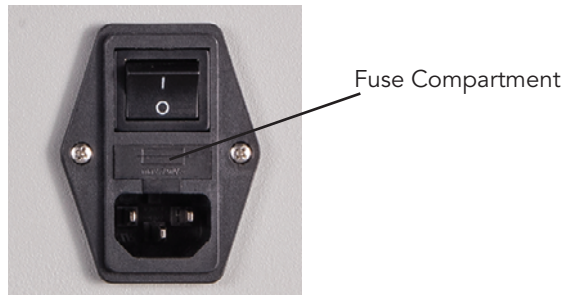


Fig. 1 Power Switch

Air Connection

A constant supply of clean, dry air is required for operation. The air connection is located in the rear of the base cabinet, see photo below. The air connection is 1/4" (6mm) OD. Insert tubing (supplied) into the quick-connect until it bottoms out, and make sure the connections are tight.



Air Connection

The inlet air pressure should not exceed 150psi (1000 kpa). Minimum air pressure should be set at least 20psi higher than expected operating pressure. For a maximum vertical operating load of 10kN (2000 lb), the pressure required would be 95psi.

See pages 23-24 for more information about air supply accessories for your HM-5560.

Instrumentation Connections and Setup

HM-5560 Rear Instrumentation Panel



Above is a photo of the rear instrumentation panel of the HM-5560.

Network (1)

Ethernet input for connecting machine to a local area network (LAN) and/or the internet.

USB Power (2)

The USB Power port is used for powering a wireless access appliance for those who want to use a wireless LAN setup.

Instrument Inputs (3)

The panel features four (4) inputs for connecting instrumentation to the machine. Each input represents a separate channel, and has been assigned and calibrated to a specific instrument for use with your HM-5560.

Below are photos of an instrumentation input and the instrumentation plug. Install the plugs into the inputs by lining up the guide at the bottom of the plug with the slot at the bottom of the input.



Instrumentation Input



Instrumentation Plug

Once you have installed the instrumentation into the correct inputs, your rear panel should look like this:

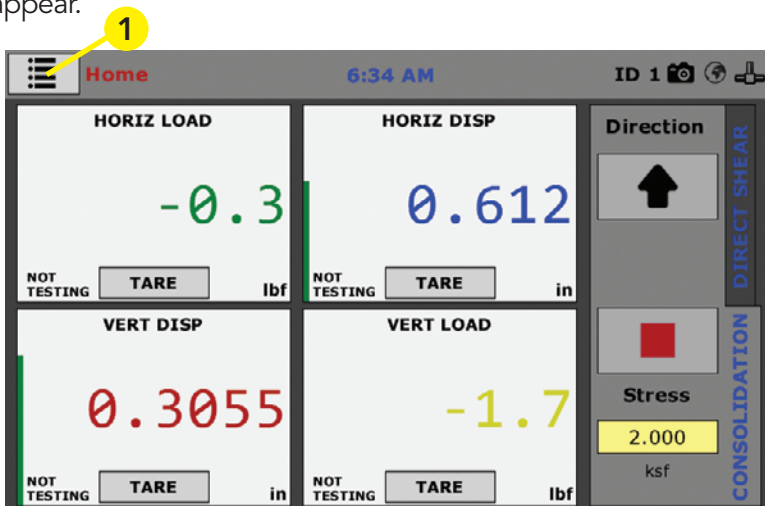


Initial Set Up

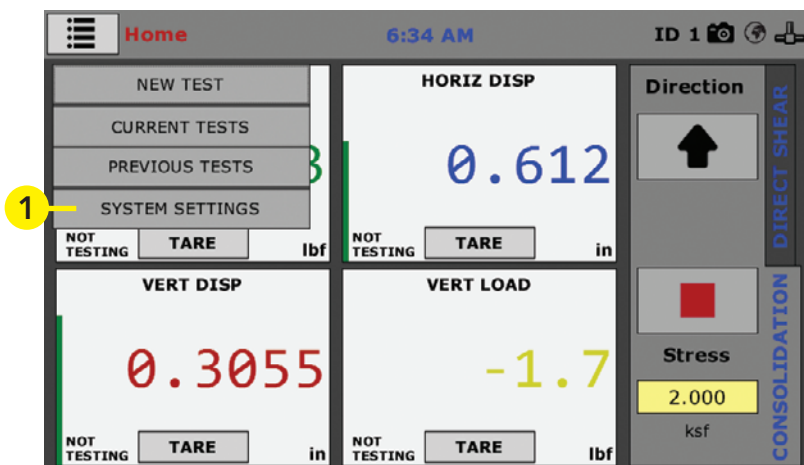
Remember, your HM-5560 Direct/Residual Shear Machine includes all the necessary instrumentation, which is already calibrated and assigned to an Input and will not need calibration, however you should confirm that the instrumentation has been set up and calibrated, that you have plugged them into the correct channel, and that you check with your QC/QA program to set up a frequency of calibration schedule.

DO NOT RECALIBRATE!

When your HM-5560 is first turned on, the screen below will appear.

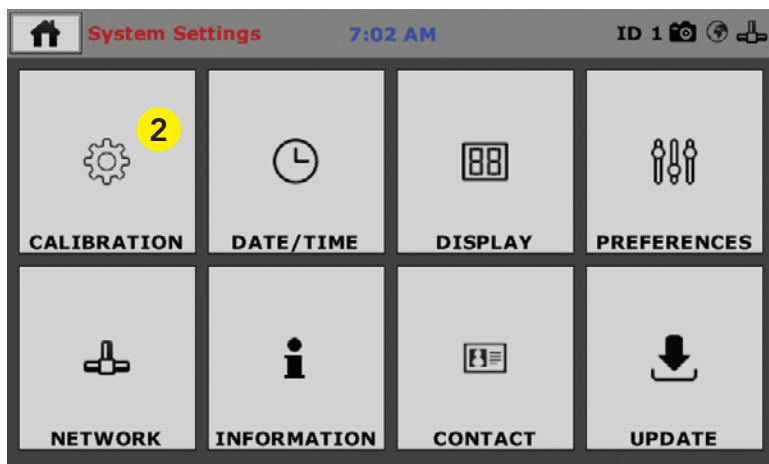


From this screen, to confirm your machine instrumentation has been calibrated, navigate to the Calibration section by clicking the Menu icon in the top left corner of the screen (1). When you click on this button, you will see a drop-down menu appear, see below.

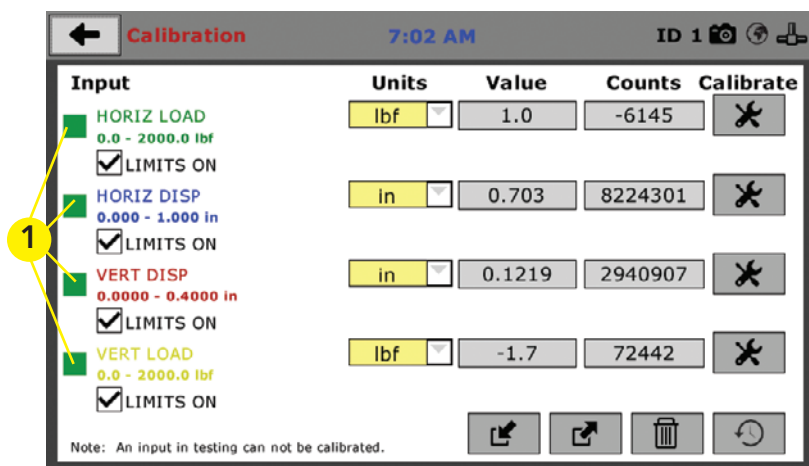


Navigate to the bottom of this drop-down menu and click on System Settings (1). You will see the following screen.

Initial Set Up — Calibration



Click on the Calibration tab in the top left corner (2). You will see the following screen.



Calibration Input Screen

The Calibration Input Screen (above) is used to monitor and calibrate instrumentation and assign them to specific channels of the HM-5560. The Calibration Input Screen provides a summary of the calibration status of each channel. At this time, verify the calibration information.

A green box at the left of a channel indicates that the channel has instrumentation assigned to it and that it is calibrated and ready for use (1).

Calibration Input Screen, cont.

The screenshot shows the 'Calibration' screen with a table of input channels. Callout 1 points to the 'LIMITS ON' checkbox for the first channel. Callout 2 points to the 'Units' dropdown menu. Callout 3 points to the 'Value' field. Callout 4 points to the 'Calibrate' button (marked with an 'X').

Input	Units	Value	Counts	Calibrate
HORIZ LOAD 0.0 - 2000.0 lbf <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LIMITS ON	lbf	1.0	-6145	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HORIZ DISP 0.000 - 1.000 in <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LIMITS ON	in	0.703	8224301	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
VERT DISP 0.0000 - 0.4000 in <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LIMITS ON	in	0.1219	2940907	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
VERT LOAD 0.0 - 2000.0 lbf <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LIMITS ON	lbf	-1.7	72442	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Note: An input in testing can not be calibrated.

Each channel has a "Limits On" check box (1). Use the Limits On to keep the machine from exceeding the sensor limits of the instrumentation. By selecting this option, before the test can exceed the limits of the sensors, all tests will stop running and the motor will stop to avoid damaging connected instrumentation.

Note: An input cannot be calibrated during testing.

Units (2)

In this field, a calibrated instrument will display the units that were chosen for use at the time of calibration. This field can also be used to automatically toggle conversion of units between lb.-in. and SI units if the need arises.

Value (3)

This field displays the current calibration value. This value should already be set with 3 decimal point accuracy (1) below. If the instrument is not calibrated, the unit will read "N/A."

This screenshot is similar to the one above but with callout 1 pointing to the 'LIMITS ON' checkbox for the first channel.

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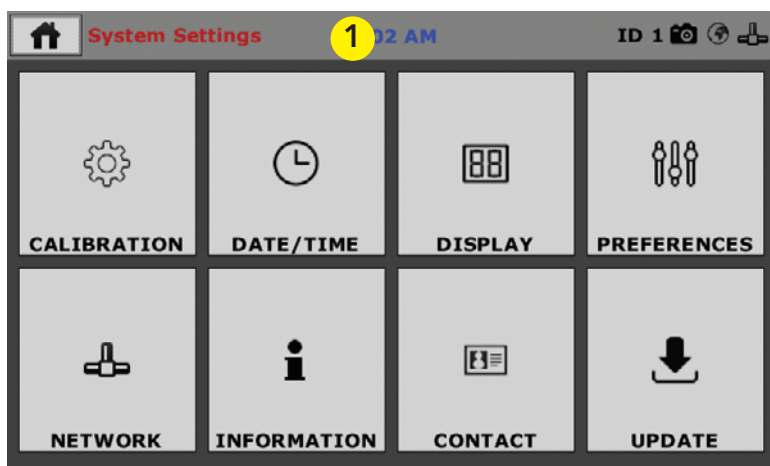
For the HM-5560, values for vertical and horizontal loads will be set at 10.000kN (2000.0 lb), for vertical displacement this value will be set at 10.000mm (0.4000") and for horizontal displacement this value will be set at 25.000mm (1.000")

Export Calibration via USB (4)

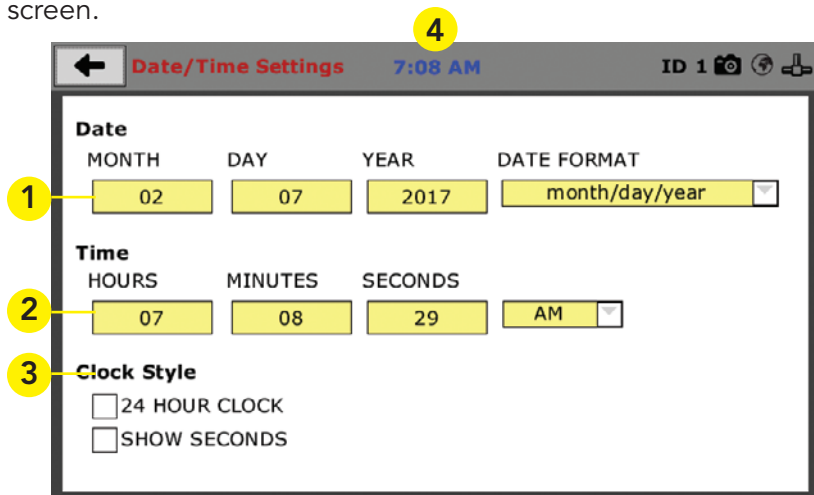
Press this button to select calibrations to export via USB. It is a good practice to export all your calibrations to a thumb drive. In case of a problem this practice allows you to recover your calibration data quickly.

Initial Set Up — Date and Time

To set up Date and Time settings, return to the System Settings screen and click on the Date/Time Panel. (1)



Click on the Date/Time tab (1). You will see the following screen.



Date (1)

Set the month, day, year, and date display format.

Time (2)

Set the hours, minutes, seconds, and am/pm.

Clock Style (3)

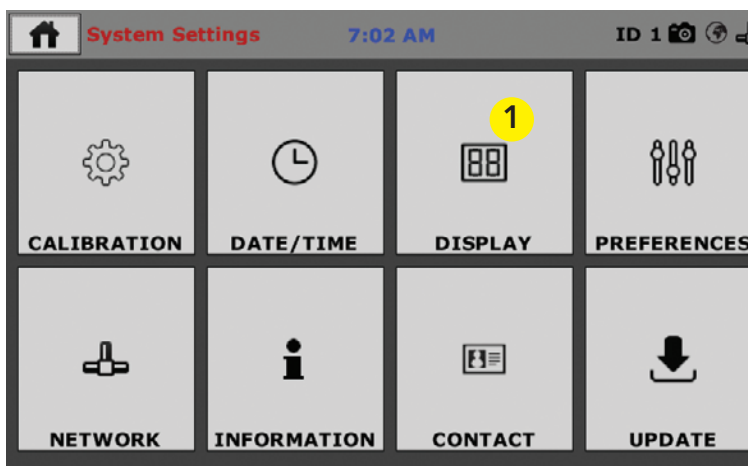
Select a clock view, either a 24-hour or 12-hour clock, as well as the option to show seconds or not.

Clock (4)

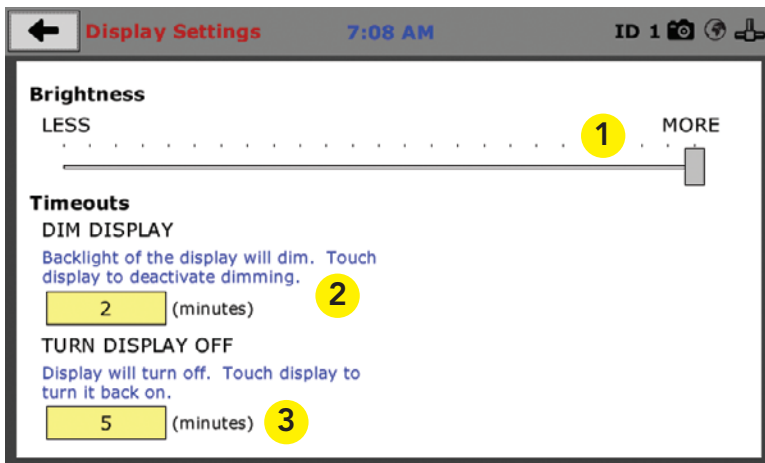
The current time is displayed and is located on every controller screen. Clicking on the time from any screen, you will be taken to the Date/Time Settings Screen.

Initial Set Up — Display

To set up Display settings, return to the System Settings screen and click on the Display Panel. **(1)**



Click on the Display tab **(1)**. You will see the following screen.



Brightness (1)

Slide the gray bar to the left or right to adjust brightness.

Dim Display (2)

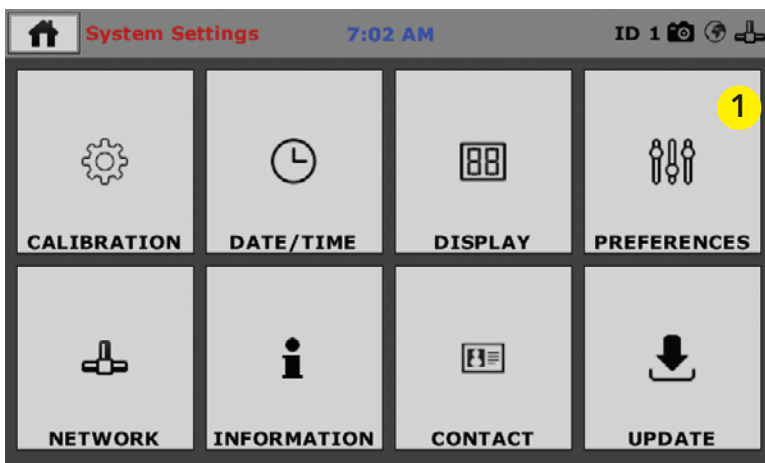
The backlight of the display will automatically dim to save power. Click the yellow box to change the number of minutes before the display goes dim. After the time has elapsed, touch the display to deactivate dimming.

Turn Display Off (3)

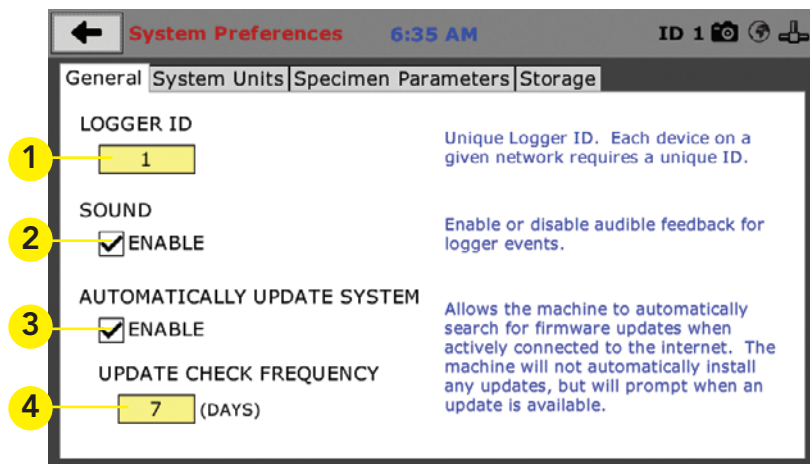
The display will automatically turn off to save power. Click the yellow box to change the number of minutes before the display powers off.

Initial Set Up — Preferences

This screen is accessed by clicking on the "Preferences" button. (1)



Click on the Preferences tab (1). You will see the following screen.



Preferences – General Tab

The Preferences panel is comprised of four (4) tabs and defaults to the General tab, see above.

Logger ID (1)

Each machine that is connected to your network requires a unique Logger ID. These numbers can be assigned any number between 1-245. In most cases, if you are setting up a new machine it has been given the Logger ID 1. This would show in the Logger ID field. (1). If this number conflicts with another machine's Logger ID, one of the machines will have to be changed to another Logger ID.

Sound (2)

Checking this box enables or disables audio feedback for logger events.

Automatically Update System (3)

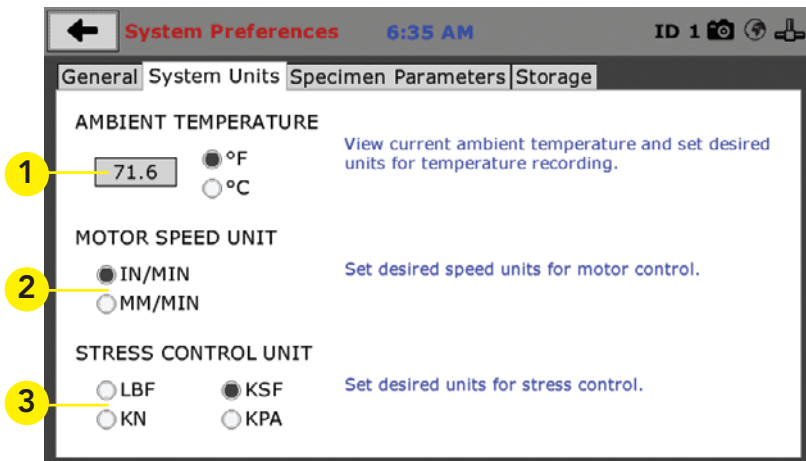
Checking this box allows the machine to automatically search for firmware updates when actively connected to the Internet. The machine will not automatically install updates; it will prompt when an update is available.

Update Check Frequency (4)

The number placed in this box represents the frequency (how many days) the machine checks for updates.

Preferences – System Units Tab

This screen is accessed by clicking on the "System Units" Tab under System Preferences.



Ambient Temperature (1)

This field displays the current ambient temperature and allows you to select desired units (Fahrenheit or Celsius) for temperature recording.

Motor Speed Unit (2)

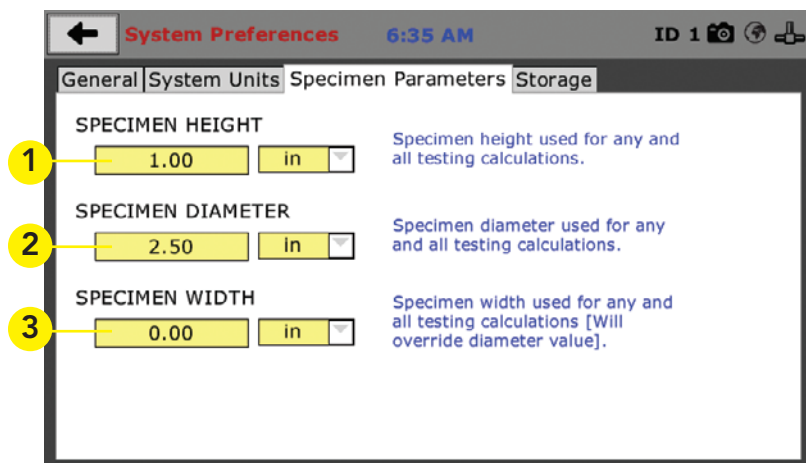
Click on the desired units you want to use for motor control (in/min or mm/min).

Stress Control Unit (3)

Click on the desired units you want to use for stress control (LBF, KN, KSF OR KPA).

Preferences – Specimen Parameters Tab

This screen is accessed by clicking on the Specimen Parameters Tab under System Preferences.



Specimen Height (1)

This field allows you to set the specimen height that will be used for all testing calculations.

Specimen Diameter (2)

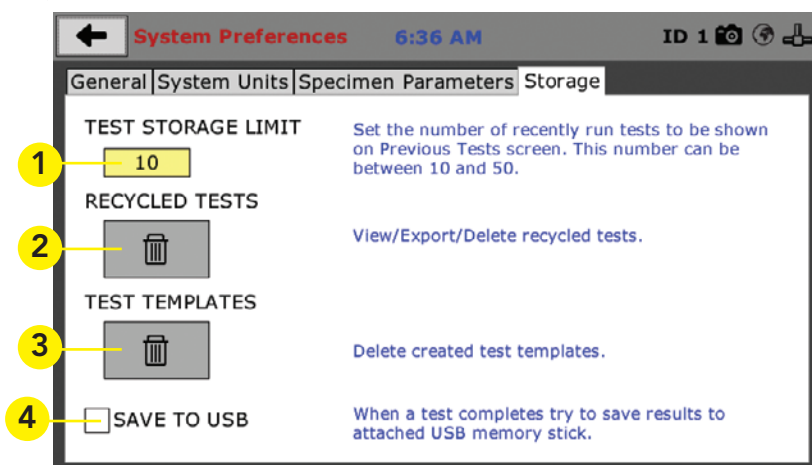
This field allows you to set the specimen diameter that will be used for all testing calculations.

Specimen Width (3)

This field allows you to set the specimen width that will be used for all testing calculations.

Preferences – Storage Tab

This screen is accessed by clicking on the Storage Tab under System Preferences.



Test Storage Limit (1)

This field allows you to set the number of previously run tests to be available on the "Previous Tests" screen. This number can be between 10-50.

Recycled Tests (2)

This refers to previously run tests that are not displayed in the "Previous Tests" window. These tests are not deleted; they are recycled for later use. Select this button to view/export/delete recycled tests.

Test Templates (3)

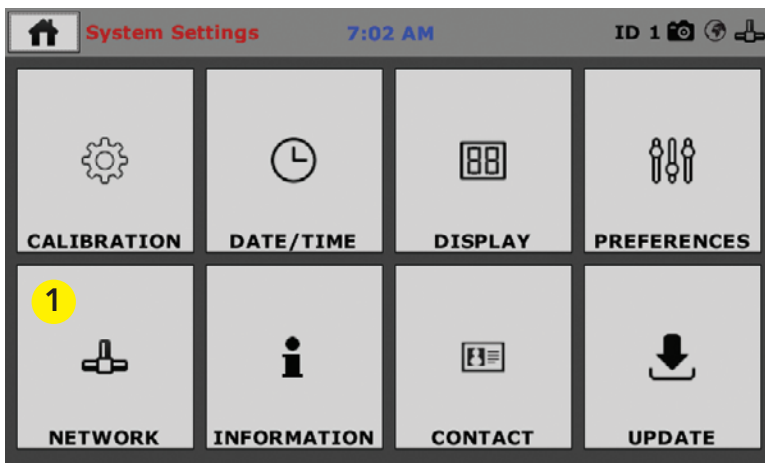
Select this button to delete test templates that have been created, but are no longer desired.

Save to USB Check Box (4)

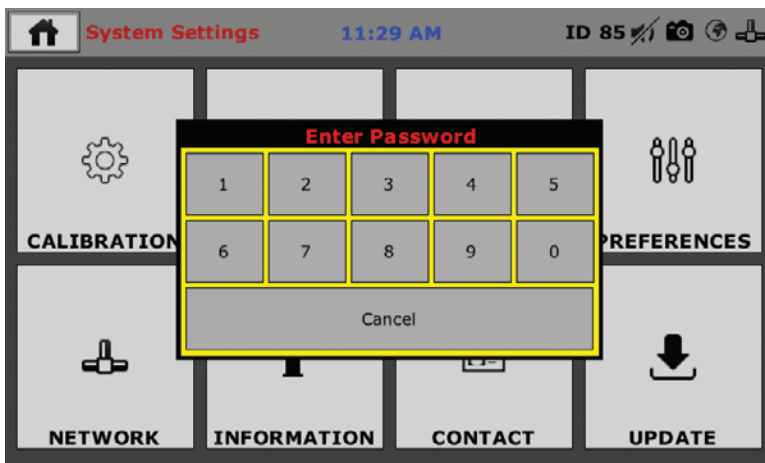
Checking this Box saves the results of a test to USB thumb drive inserted into the front USB slot on the machine.

Initial Set Up — Network

To set up Network settings, return to the System Settings screen and click on the Network panel. (1)



A password is required to access the Network Settings. That password is: **27604**.



The screenshot shows the 'Network Settings' screen. At the top, there is a back arrow, the title 'Network Settings', the time '7:09 AM', and icons for 'ID 1', a camera, a globe, and a printer. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column contains 'DHCP' with a checked 'ENABLED' box (callout 1), 'IP Information' (callout 2), and a list of fields: 'IP ADDRESS' (192.168.20.32), 'SUBNET MASK' (255.255.255.0), 'GATEWAY' (192.168.20.1), 'DNS SERVER 1' (12.127.17.71), and 'DNS SERVER 2' (12.127.16.67). The right column contains 'Local Status' (CONNECTED, callout 3) and 'Internet Status' (CONNECTED, callout 4). A note at the bottom right reads: 'Note: Please check with your IT department if you are having trouble with any connections.'

Network Settings Screen

The screen above is the Network Settings screen, it provides information on your IP information and network status.

DHCP (1)

Check this box to enable/disable the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP). If enabled, your machine will pick up IP information from your router. If disabled, you will need to manually enter the network information for a static IP, please consult your network administrator for this.

IP Information (2)

This information will be filled in automatically if the DHCP is checked, otherwise you will have to manually supply this information. The IP address must be unique for each machine.

Local Status (3)

This indicates the status of the local network connection, Connected or Disconnected.

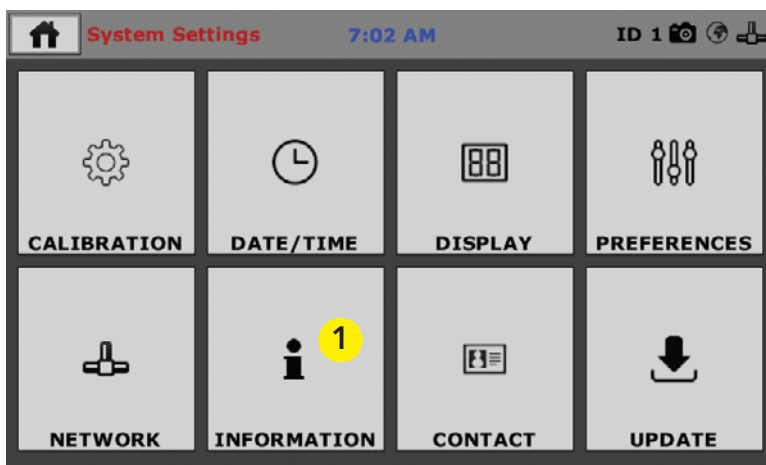
Internet Status (4)

This indicates the status of your Internet connection, Connected or Disconnected.

Note: If you are experiencing issues with any connections, please contact your IT department for assistance.

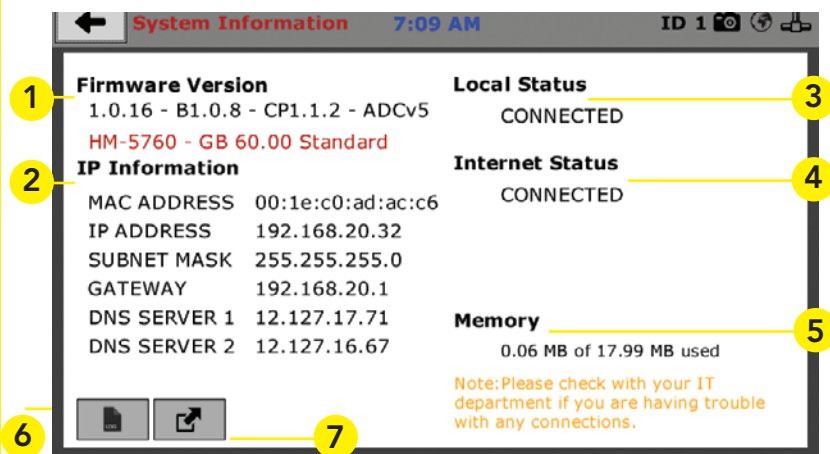
Initial Set Up — Information

Clicking on this panel provides a view of the current status of the machine. (1)



System Information

Below is a view of the System Information screen. It provides a current status of the machine.



Firmware Version (1)

The current version of the machine firmware is shown here. If you contact product support, you will need to supply this information.

IP Information (2)

This information will be filled in automatically if DHCP is checked, otherwise you will have to manually supply this information. The IP address must be unique for each machine.

Local Status (3)

This indicates the status of the local network connection, Connected or Disconnected.

Internet Status (4)

This indicates the status of your Internet connection, Connected or Disconnected.

Memory (5)

This indicates the current status of how much available memory is being used by the machine

Factory Screen (6)

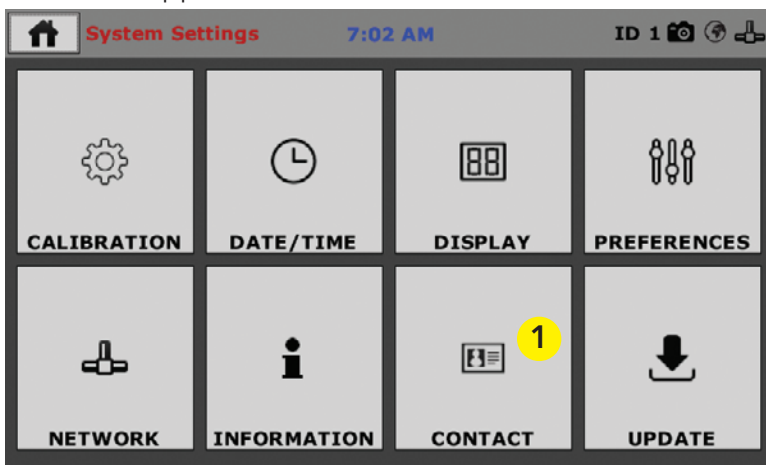
This is for Humboldt use only.

Export Log File (7)

This button exports a log file from the machine to a USB thumb drive. Be sure to insert a thumb drive before exporting the file or you will receive an error. This file can be helpful in trouble shooting by Humboldt Support.

Initial Set Up —Contact

Clicking on this panel provides contact information for Humboldt Support and Service(1)



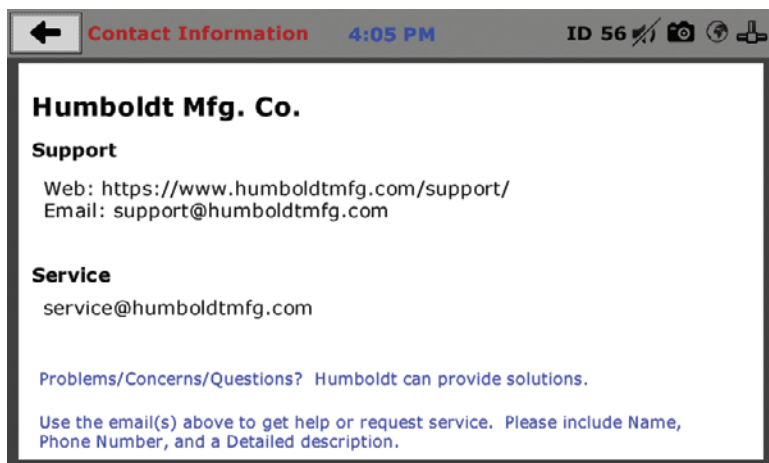
Contact Information

Below is a view of the Contact Information screen showing contact information for Humboldt Support and Service.

For quickest response go to this link on our website:

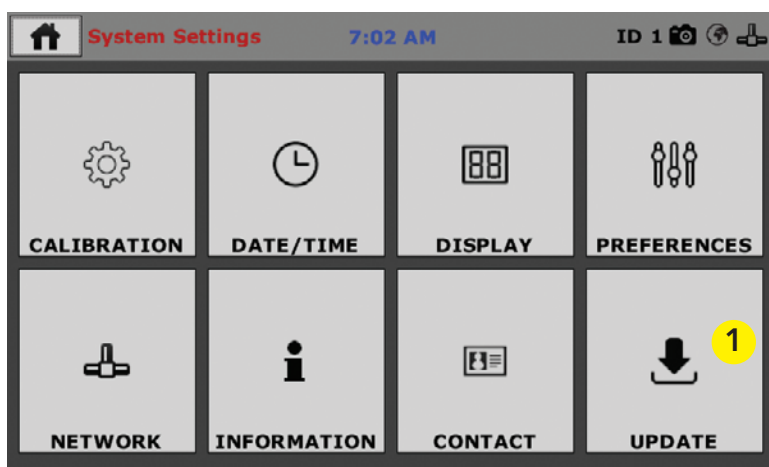
<https://www.humboldtmfg.com/support> and fill in the support form. This will provide us with the necessary information to assist you and you will be added to the next position in the support cue.

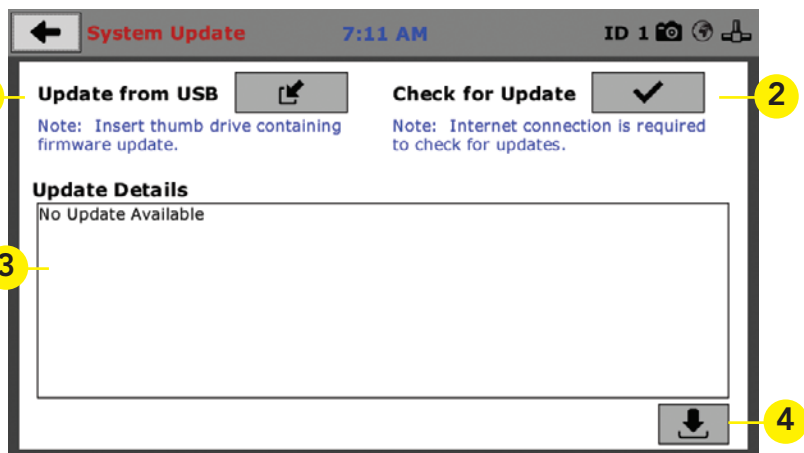
You can also email Humboldt Support at support@humboldtmfg.com or Humboldt Service at service@humboldtmfg.com. Please include contact information and a detailed description of your reason for contact.



Initial Set Up — Update

Clicking on this panel provides information on checking for Updates, performing panel updates and an update history for the machine. (1)



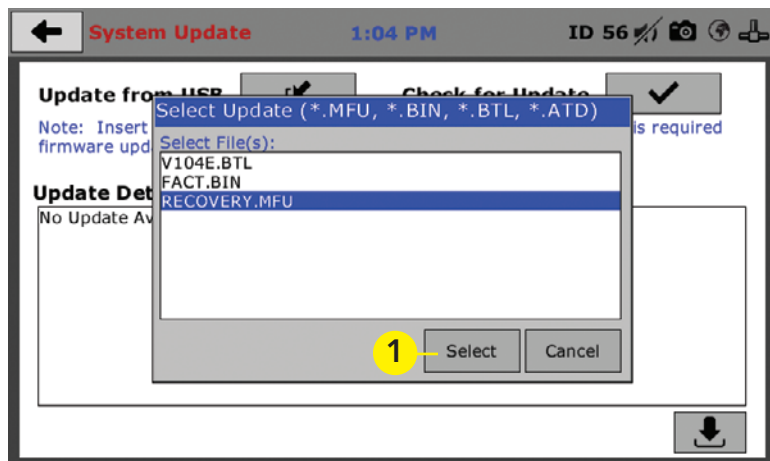


Update from USB (1)

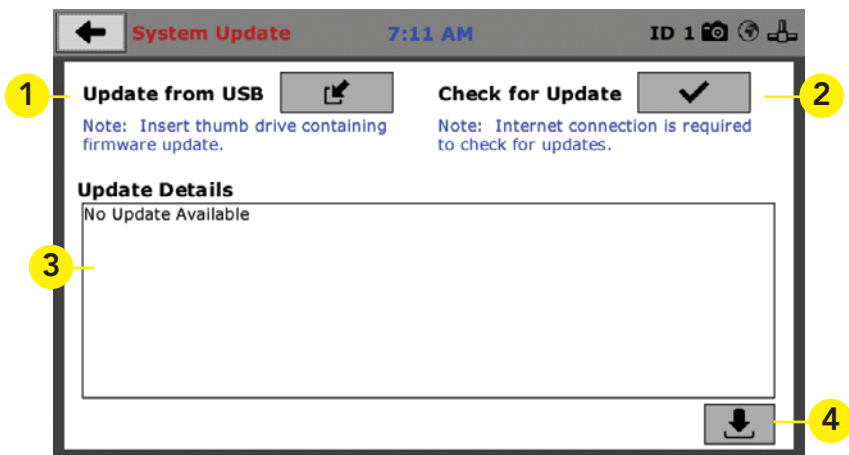
If your HM-5560 is not connected to the internet, Software updates for your machine can be downloaded from the Humboldt website Support Area using a computer. To access the Software Update area, go to: <https://www.humboldtmgf.com/support/software.php>.

Once on this page, click on the Elite Series Firmware tab. You will see a list of Humboldt Elite Series machines. Click on the HM-5560 Current Version link and the firmware update will begin to download to your computer. Once the download is complete. Load the file onto a USB thumb drive and insert the thumb drive into the USB port on the front of the HM-5560. With the USB thumb drive inserted into the USB port, click on Update from USB (1).

A window will open and you will see a list of Updates. Select a file to use for your update and click the Select button.



The update process will begin. This may take several minutes. Your HM-5560 may reboot several times during the update, do not turn off or reset machine during this process.



Check for Update (2)

If your HM-5560 is connected to the internet, you can have the machine check automatically for updates, which can be found under System Settings – Preferences button. How often the machine checks for updates can be customized under Preferences. However, you may click on the Check for Update button (2) to force an immediate check for updates.

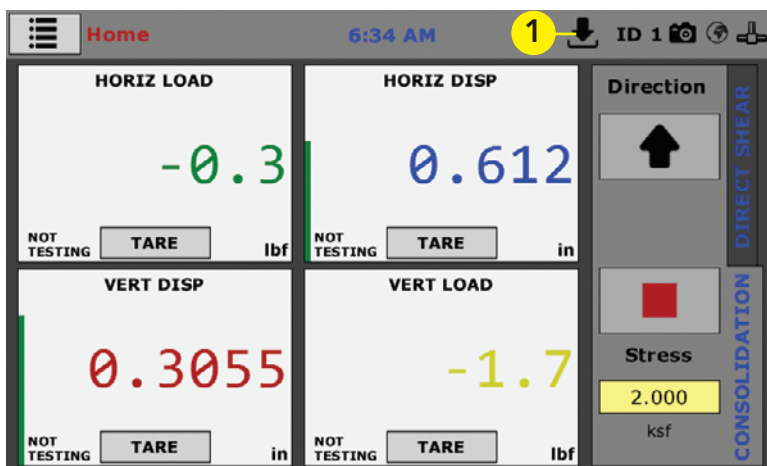
Update Details (3)

If you have chosen to have the HM-5560 check for updates automatically, this box will display a running list of updates currently available for your machine, but, which have not been installed.

Download Updates (4)

Clicking this button will download updates for your machine and automatically install them. To accomplish this, the machine must be connected to the internet. Machine will install, turn-off and restart. Wait until installation is complete and the window indicates: Ready for Testing.

You can tell that there is an update available by the appearance of the following icon in the window header (1), see next page.



Operation from a Computer and NEXT Software

This manual covers the setup and operation of the HM-5560.3F Pneumatic Direct/Residual Shear Apparatus in Stand-alone Mode only. For information on operating your load frame with Humboldt's NEXT Software and a computer, please refer to the Humboldt NEXT software manual.

Equipment Setup



Installation and Equipment Setup

Electrical Connections

The HM-5560 is equipped with an internal digital switching power supply, which allows it to be used with most power configurations throughout the world. The unit is supplied with an IEC electrical cord with a standard 110V plug.

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Power Switch

The Power Switch is located on the upper right hand corner of the back of the machine, above the electrical cord inlet. The Fuse Compartment is located between the electrical cord inlet and the Power Switch. The HM-5560 uses a 10 amp fuse. To begin operation, attach the supplied electrical cord, plug it in and press the Power Switch.



Fuse Compartment

Power Switch

Air Connections

A constant supply of clean, dry air is required for operation. The air connection is located in the rear of the base cabinet, see photo below. The air connection is 1/4" (6mm) OD. Insert tubing (supplied) into the quick-connect until it bottoms out, and make sure the connections are tight.

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Air Connection

It is highly recommended that you use some type of refrigerant or desiccant dryer and regulator in your machine setup. Humboldt offers the following items for this purpose.

Refrigeration Dryer, 115V 60Hz 1ph

HM-4221

Compressed air quality is often overlooked in many labs. Compressed air contains condensate which, when cooled, will turn into water, causing extensive damage to both the compressed air network and testing equipment. Refrigeration dryers actively remove this condensate to achieve near perfectly dry compressed air. The benefits are notable: less system downtime, reduced costs and maintenance, and improved test equipment life. This refrigeration dryer, thanks to its PlusPack heat exchanger and the most compact dimensions on the market, will prove a major asset in your lab. Dryer uses a 1/2" NPT-F pipe size and nominal flow is: 10 SCFM, 17 Nm³/hr and 0.3 Nm³/min. based on an ambient and inlet temperature of 100°F (38°C) and a working pressure of 100 psig (7 bar)



HM-4221

Desiccant Dryer

HM-4222

Ideal for drying small volumes of air at the point of use. Convenient in-line mounting saves space. ISO Class 2 dryer. Max. operating pressure is 150 psig. and max operating temperature is 125°F. Total capacity is 4400 ft³, Female NPT inlet/outlet size is 0.25 NPTF, bowl size is 1.75 lbs, Height 11 Inches, Width 4.625", Includes one charge of desiccant



HM-4222



HM-4223

Filter/Regulator

HM-4223

One-piece, Filter/Regulator, 0-125 psi (0 - 8.6 bar) with standard filtration of 5 micron. Height is 9.77 and width is 2.36. Bowl material is polycarbonate and includes sight glass and pressure gauge.

Also, you will need a source of compressed air. Humboldt offers the following air compressors.

Compressor, 120V 50/60Hz HM-4220
Compressor, 220V 50/60Hz HM-4220.4F

When operating under full load this exceptionally quiet compressor offers a tremendously low noise level of 40 db/A. Each compressor is built with quality in mind, and comes equipped with powder-coated air tank, pressure switch, 1-micron air filter, regulator, and pressure gauges for completely automatic and trouble free operation.



HM-4220

High-Vacuum Pump, 120V 60Hz H-1763A
High-Vacuum Pump 230V 50/60Hz H-1763A.4F

Direct-drive two-stage rotary sliding vane high vacuum pump features gas ballast and trap to reduce risk of oil being sucked into the system. Produces free air displacement 85L per minute (3 cu. ft. per minute) and maximum vacuum 29-30". Operating temperature is 30 to 170°F (-1.11 to 76.6°C). Has 0.25" OD intake ports for 0.25" ID tubing. Dimensions: 11.25" x 15.5" x 6.5" (28.6 x 39.4 x 16.5cm).



H-1763A

Shear & Consolidation Installation Kit HM-4168
Kit designed to provide fittings, connectors, tubing and tools to complete a triaxial set up installation. Kit includes items in the table below. All items can be purchased individually as well.



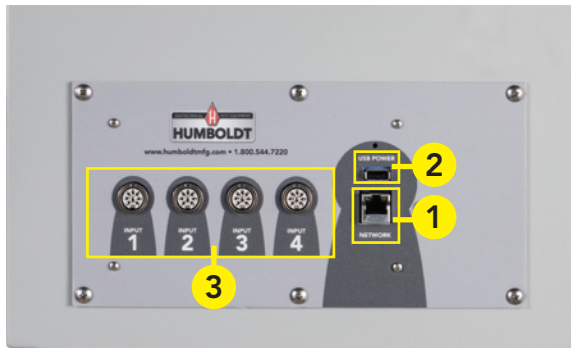
HM-4168

Shear & Consolidation Kit Components	
.25" OD Tubing, 100ft.	HM-4196.25
.375" to .25" Reducer Bushing (3)	HM-4150.77
Cutter, Flexible Tubing (1)	HM-000058
Thread Tape, PTFE (1)	HM-000059
Wrench, Adjustable, 6" (1)	HM-000064
Union T Fitting, .25" (5)	HM-4150.45
Quick Valve Coupling, .25" (2)	HM-4150.72
Regulator Elbow, .25" (3)	HM-4150.44
Tube Fitting T, 6mm OD (5)	HM-003175
Push-to-Connect Tube Fitting Coupler, .25" OD (4)	HM-003176

Determining compressor size requirements, based on your lab needs can be discussed with your Humboldt representative.

Instrumentation Connections and Setup

HM-5560 Rear Instrumentation Panel



Above is a photo of the rear instrumentation panel of the HM-5560.

Network (1)

Ethernet input for connecting machine to a local area network and/or the internet.

USB Power (2)

The USB Power port is used for powering a wireless access appliance for those who want to use a wireless LAN setup.

Instrument Inputs (3)

The panel features four (4) input channels for connecting instrumentation to the machine. Each input represents a separate channel, and has been assigned and calibrated to a specific instrument for use with your HM-5760.

Below are photos of an instrumentation input and the instrumentation plug. The instrumentation plugs have been numbered and should be installed in the corresponding numbered input. Install the plugs into the inputs by lining up the guide at the bottom of the plug with the slot at the bottom of the input channel. Ignore the locking collar on the plugs they are not required for this application.

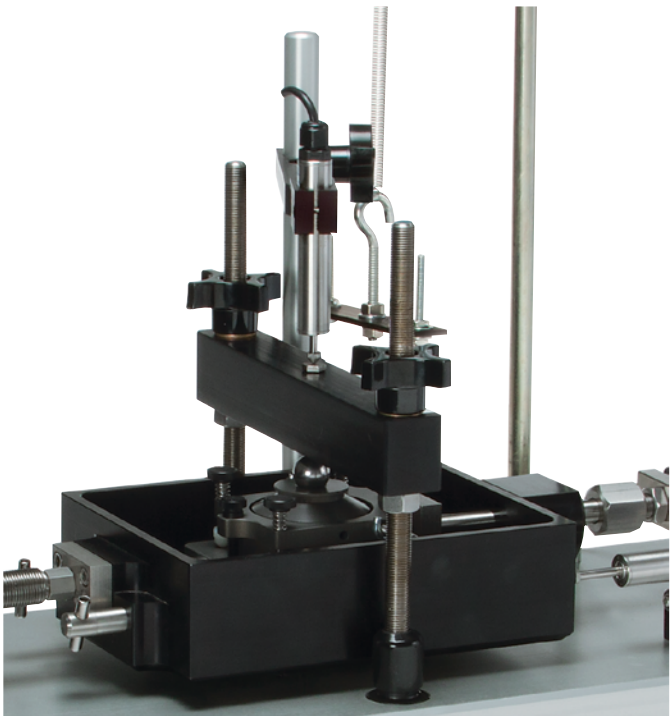


Once you have installed the instrumentation into the correct inputs, your rear panel should look like this:



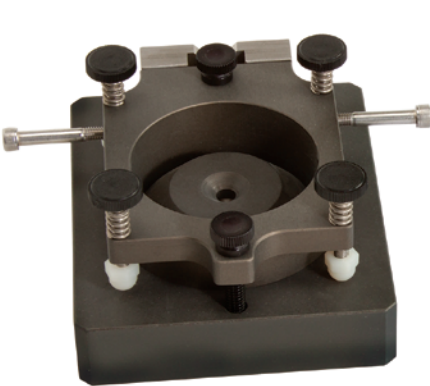
Test Deck Setup

Below is a how your HM-5560 should be set up for operation. When you receive your unit, your instrumentation should already be mounted in place. It has been tied down with plastic ties for shipping so you should remove these ties before operation. You may have to make small position adjustments to the instrumentation for optimal operation.



Shearbox Assembly

Shearbox assemblies are not included with the HM-5560 Direct Shear Machine, but are required. They are available in both round and square configurations in several sizes, see below. You, most likely, ordered at least one for use with your HM-5560.



HM-2701.25D



HM-2701.60S

Shearbox Assemblies	
Round	Model
2.0"	HM-2701.20D
2.42"	HM-2701.24D
2.5"	HM-2701.25D
4.0"	HM-2701.40D
50mm	HM-2701.50D
60mm	HM-2701.60D
100mm	HM-2701.100D

Shearbox Assemblies	
Square	Model
2.0"	HM-2701.20S
2.42"	HM-2701.24S
2.5"	HM-2701.25S
4.0"	HM-2701.40S
50mm	HM-2701.50S
60mm	HM-2701.60S
100mm	HM-2701.100S

Shearbox assemblies include: sample shearbox, (2) porous plates, (1) loading pad, and (1) grid plate. All shearboxes feature mounting screws for use with the ASTM D3080-compliant counter-balance device.

Shearbox Replacement Screws

Replacement screws for shearboxes are available:
Thumbscrew, Metal, Black Head HM-003274
Thumbscrew, Plastic HM-003275

Sample Prep

Please refer to ASTM D3080 for instructions on sample preparation. Humboldt offers the following items to aid in sample preparation.

Accessory	Model
Cutter	HM-2702.XXS/D
Dolly tamper	HM-2703.XXS/D
Porous plate	HM-2704.XXS/D
Calibration disk, square	HM-2755.XXS
Calibration disk, round*	HM-1220.XX.4
Replacement Pressure Ball	HM-001076
5/8" 440 Stainless Steel	

* Can be used for shear boxes and consolidation cells.



Part Numbers ending in .XX require a size code to be entered referring to the sample size to be tested.
For direct/residual shear samples, sizes are: .20 = 2.0"; .242 = 2.42"; .25 = 2.5"; .40 = 4.0"; .50 = 50mm; .60 = 60mm, and .100 = 100mm. **NOTE:** use "S" for square and "D" for round samples.

Shearbox Placement

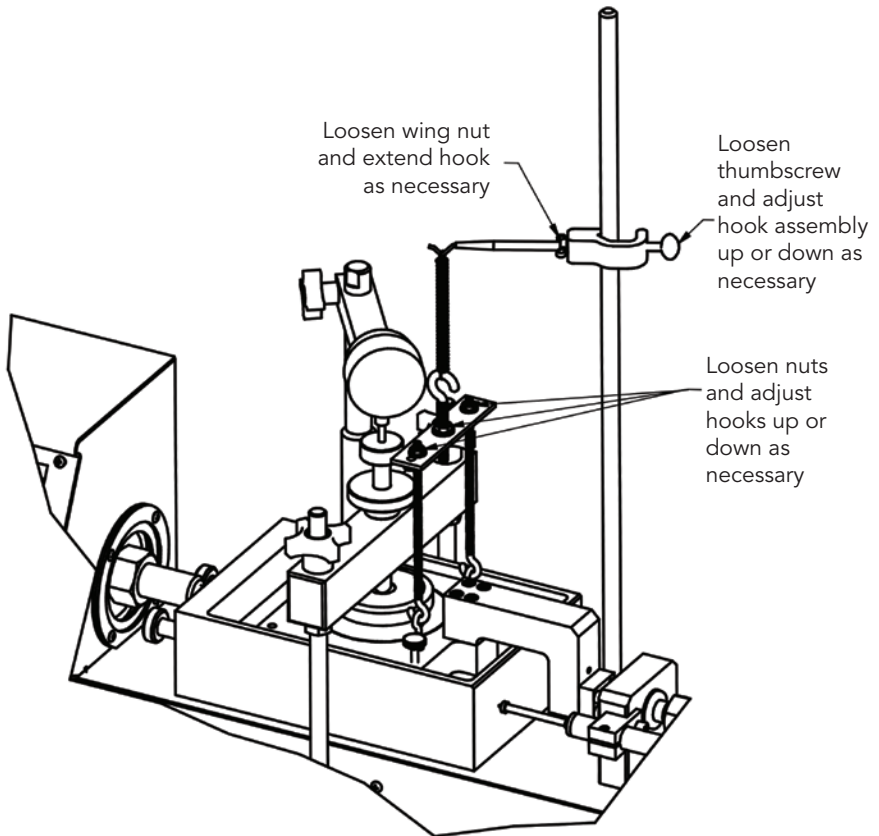
Once you have prepared your sample and are ready to place the shearbox into the HM-5560, place the shearbox into the reservoir/carriage and slide it as far to the right as it can go. Refer to the photo on page 30 for placement. Once the shearbox is placed into the reservoir/carriage, tighten the two large screws located on the left of the reservoir/carriage to secure the shearbox in place. Make sure that the horizontal load cell butts up to the shearbox and tighten all adjustment screws.

Once the shearbox is in place, attach the counter-balance device for ASTM D3080 compliance to the long steel screws on the right side of the shearbox. Remove the plastic screws from the shearbox and using the metal screws separate the shear box halves to approximately the diameter of the maximum-sized particle in the test specimen or 0.025". (0.64 mm). Once this is completed, adjust the counter-balance device as necessary to apply a counter force for the purpose of counteracting the weight of the top half of the shear box. To adjust:

1. Coarse adjustment is accomplished by raising or lowering the support hook assembly. To do so, loosen the thumbscrew on the support hook and adjust the position of the hook. Tighten the thumbscrew again to secure the support hook.

2. Fine adjustment is accomplished by loosening the nuts that secure either the hooks on the hanger bar and adjusting the hooks up or down. When the adjustment is complete, tighten the nuts to secure the hooks.

Once this is completed unhook the spring from the hook supporting the hanger bar and load your test specimen into the shearbox. When this is complete, reattach the spring to the hook supporting the hanger bar. At this point you would be ready to test.



Humboldt recommends using this guide to familiarize yourself with the operation of your HM-5560 Direct Shear machine's operation, before doing actual testing. We also suggest you use some insignificant samples or samples made specifically for setup purposes before testing real samples.

Calibration of Instrumentation

The HM-5560 Direct/Residual Shear Machine includes all necessary instrumentation. All instrumentation included with this unit has been calibrated and assigned to specific channels for use. These channels are marked on the corresponding instrumentation and the correct calibration information will appear in the channel calibration parameters, once you have installed the instrumentation to the correct inputs.

DO NOT RECALIBRATE!

How to Perform a Calibration

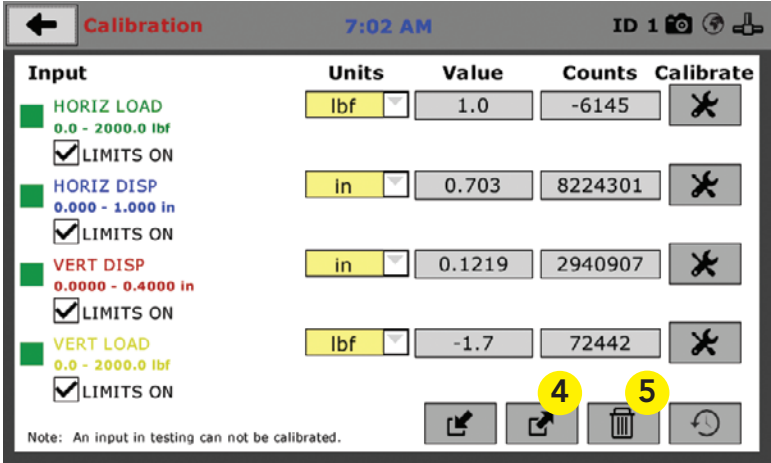
All instrumentation included with this unit has been calibrated and assigned to specific channels for use. Humboldt recommends and standard lab practice dictates that your HM-5560 should be calibrated periodically. For most, this period is usually a year, though other rules may apply to the frequency of calibration.

To perform a calibration, it will be necessary to either hire a calibration service to come in to calibrate your machine or have the necessary calibration equipment to perform this service.

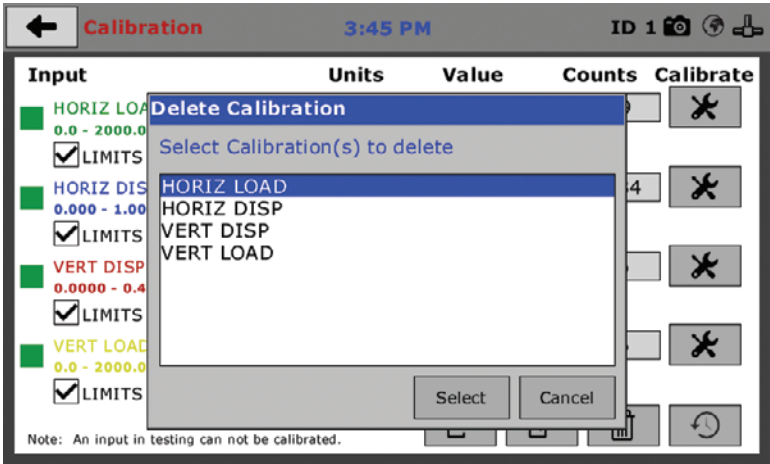
To begin a calibration, it is always a good idea to save the current calibration settings. If you have already saved these settings to a USB thumb drive or your computer, this step can be skipped.

Export Calibration via USB (4)

Press this button to select calibrations to export via USB. It is a good practice to export all your calibrations to a thumb drive. In case of a problem this practice allows you to recover your calibration data quickly.

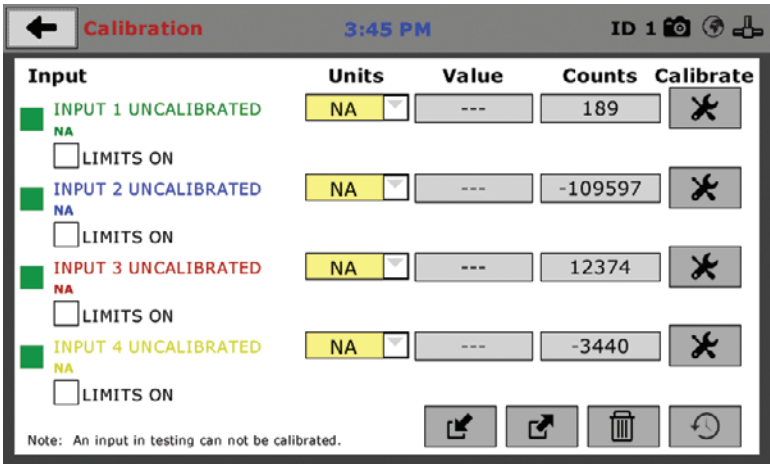


Once your calibrations have been saved, click on the trash can icon (5) to begin to erase all four (4) Input calibrations. When you press the trash can icon, this screen will appear.



On this screen select an Input calibration to delete, one at a time, and then press the Select button. The channel will be deleted. Do this for all four (4) channels.

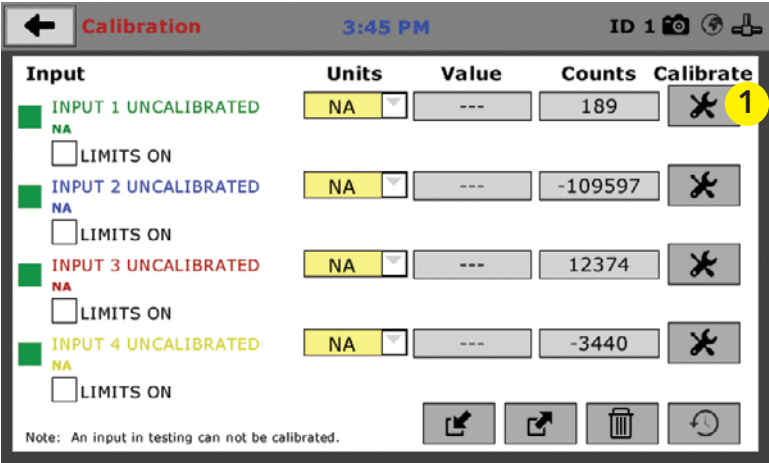
Once all Input calibrations have been cleared, your Calibration window should look like the one below with no Inputs calibrated.



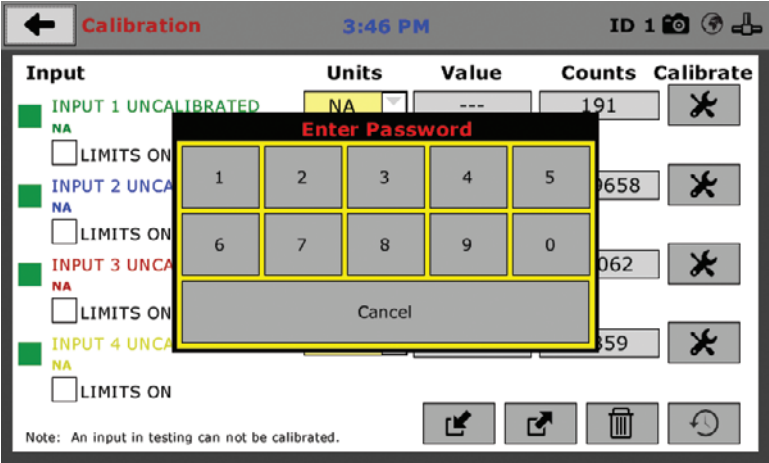
The four Inputs of the HM-5560 have been programmed so that Input One (1) is always set to be Horizontal Load. Input Two (2) is programmed to be Horizontal Displacement. Input Three (3) is programmed to be Vertical Displacement and Input Four (4) is programmed to be Vertical Load.

Calibrating your instrumentation to the appropriate Input requires a separate device, which can provide precise and specific loads or displacement, and, which has been certified to be accurate. The calibration process involves plugging the instrumentation into the HM-5560 while placing the instrumentation into the certified calibration device, which provides a specific set load or displacement.

Once this has been done, click the Calibrate button next to the appropriate Input (1).



A pop-up window will appear requiring you to enter the password, which is **22234**.



Upon filling in the password, you will see this screen, Tab 1 Sensor Details of the Calibration settings.

The screenshot shows the 'Input 1 Calibration' screen with the following fields:

- 1. SENSOR DETAILS** (selected tab)
- Select Connected Sensor:** Please choose the instrumentation type that is connected.
- 1 TYPE:** HORIZONTAL LOAD
- 2 CAPACITY:** 0 kN
- 3 FS OUTPUT:** 0 mV/V

On Tab 1, the Sensor Type (1) will default to Horizontal Load. For Capacity (2), fill in the maximum capacity of the sensor and choose either lbf or kN. For FS output (3), refer to the calibration sheet, which came with the instrument you are using and enter it here and then choose mV/V. Below are typical calibration sheets with the FS Output information highlighted in orange.



Humboldt Calibration Certificate

Model	HBM-2300 020
Full scale Output	3.0000mV/V
NTEP#	06-080
Serial#	216907
Capacity	2,000 lb
Date	01/20/2017
Zero Balance	1.00% FS
Rated Excitation	10 Vdc
Compensated Temp. Range	14 to 104 °F (-10°C to 40°C)
Insulation Res.	>1,000 Megohms at 50V DC
Barometric Effect	Nil
Input Resistance	385± 15Ω
Output Resistance	350± 3Ω
Minimum Dead Load	40Lb
Visin	0.080Lb
Safe overload (150%)	150% of capacity
Ultimate Overload (300%)	
Wiring Code	
Red	+ Excitation
Green	+ Output
Black	- Excitation
White	- Output

Caution: Cutting cable will affect the Full Scale Output calibration and voids warranty!

Data obtained utilizing standards traceable to the National Institute of Standards & Technology.

Humboldt Mfg. Co.
Test Report & Data
 Linear Displacement Sensor 3500 Full Bridge balance output
 Model HBM-2310.10 Serial No. 15889

Test Results

Test Volts	5.00	Volts Sensitivity @ 25mm	6.880 mV/V
Displacement	25.69 mm	Non Linearity	0.04% Full Scale

Test data is based on best fit line (except case for zero)

Input Volts 2-10 AC or DC

Wiring Connections

Excitation +	Pin No.	Signal +	Pin No.
Red	1	Green	4
Blue	2	Yellow	5

Pin No. - Only when factory filled with DRV plug

Operational Notes

- The outer case must not be distorted when clamping the sensor, a full diameter clamp is strongly recommended.
- The sensor is not recommended for use in hostile or extreme environments without protection.
- Special tools are required to remove the plunger lip (anvil). This Anvil forms the mechanical stop for the extent of the plunger travel and must only be removed under controlled conditions that prevent the spindle being depressed into the body of the sensor.

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Once this is complete, click on the Right Arrow in the bottom right-hand corner of the screen to save these settings. You will be taken to Tab 2, Limits.

Input 1 Calibration 10:17 AM ID 1

1. SENSOR DETAILS 2. LIMITS 3. MULTI POINT 4. NAME

Select Calibration Limit:
This is the maximum calibrated limit of the sensor. This value should also contain the number of significant digits.

1 CALIBRATION LIMIT 0 kN

2 ☒ LIMITS ON

CALIBRATION METHOD
Please select to calibrate based on full scale output or multi-point curve.

3 ☐ Per FS Output ☒ Multi-Point Curve

Navigation arrows: Left Arrow, Right Arrow

On Tab 2, in the Calibration Limit field (1), enter the maximum calibrated limit of the sensor. This value should contain the number of decimal points you require for degree of accuracy, up to 5 points. Limits On (2), should be checked if you don't want the machine to apply a load greater than the Calibration Limit (1). Calibration Method (3) determines whether this calibration will be based only on the maximum load capacity of the sensor or upon a multi-point curve of up to a maximum of 10 points.

If you choose Per FS Output (not a recommended calibration method) it will base your calibration on the maximum load capacity of the sensor vs. zero load capacity of the sensor. If you choose this method and click on the Right Arrow in the bottom right-hand corner of the screen. You will be prompted to remove any load on the sensor and click on Done (4) when you have done so.

Input 1 Calibration 3:49 PM ID 1

1. SENSOR DETAILS 2. LIMITS 3. MULTI POINT 4. NAME

Select Connection
Please choose the connection type

TYPE HC

CAPACITY

FS OUTPUT

Channel Configuration
Please fully unload the attached sensor to allow for optimum configuration of this channel.

Done Cancel

Navigation arrows: Left Arrow, Right Arrow

If you choose Multi-Point (Recommended calibration method) Curve and click on the Right Arrow in the bottom right-hand corner of the screen, you will be taken to Tab 3.

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Input 1 Calibration

10:18 AM

ID 1

1. SENSOR DETAILS

2. LIMITS

3. MULTI POINT

4. NAME

Create Multi-Point Calibration:
Please note a minimum of 2 points are required for a successful calibration.

POINT	APPLIED	A/D COUNTS
0	0	0
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	0	0
4	0	0
5	0	0
6		
7		
8		
9		
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Entry Method

☒ QUICK CLICK

☐ MANUAL ENTRY

Calibration

5 Point

Set Point

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On Tab 3 you will be able to set the number of points you want to use for your calibration. You can choose 1-point, 5-point, 10-point or Custom, which allows you to use any number of points up to a total of 10. In the example on the previous screen shot above, a 5-point calibration has been chosen.

With your instrumentation sensor placed in a calibration frame and the sensor plugged into the an Input on the HM-5760. You will set the "0" point at 0 with no load applied to the sensor. The "5" point will be set with the maximum load capacity of the sensor applied. Points "1" through "4" are usually determined by spacing them out evenly between the no load reading and the maximum load reading. As an example, if you have a sensor with a 1,000 lb maximum force capability, you would set the "0" point at "0" and the "5" point at 1,000. Points "1" through "4" would typically be set at: "1" 200; "2" 400; "3" 600; "4" 800 and "5" 1000. Or, divide the maximum load number by the number of points, in this case 5, which works out to 200 point increments between points. See below.

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Input 3 Calibration

5:03 PM

ID 1

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1. SENSOR DETAILS

2. LIMITS

3. MULTI POINT

4. NAME

Create Multi-Point Calibration:

Please note a minimum of 2 points are required for a successful calibration.

POINT	APPLIED	A/D COUNTS
0	0.00000	834
1	0.40000	40511
2	0.80000	79998
3	1.20000	107513
4	1.60000	837
5	2.00000	191003
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		

Entry Method

☒ QUICK CLICK
 ☐ MANUAL ENTRY

Calibration

5 Point

Set Point

☒ 1

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Each point would be chosen by clicking on the corresponding point row above. The load would be applied to the sensor and an A/D Counts reading would appear. To set the point, click on the Set Point button (1). This would be repeated until all points have been set. In the example above, Point 3 is being calibrated and is ready to have the Set Point button (1) clicked. Point 4 still needs to be calibrated.

Once all Points have been calibrated, click on the Right Arrow in the bottom right-hand corner of the screen. You will be taken to Tab 4.

On Tab 4, you will be asked to name the calibrated Input.

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Input 3 Calibration

3:23 PM

ID 1

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1. SENSOR DETAILS

2. LIMITS

3. MULTI POINT

4. NAME

Select Input Name:

Please create a name for the input (Max 25 characters).

NAME

DEFAULT NAME [INPUT 3 VERT DISP]

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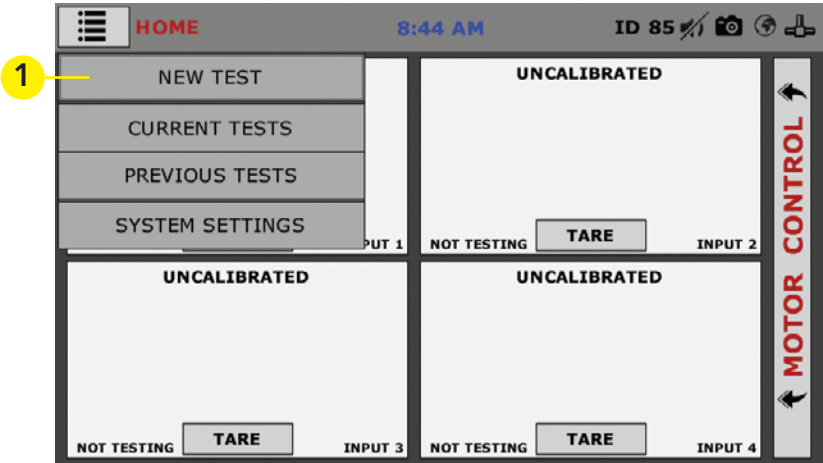
The screen will provide a default name, but you can name the Input anything you'd like. Once you've named the Input, click on the disk icon in the lower, right-hand corner (1). This will save it. Use this method for calibrating any additional Inputs necessary.

Test Setup



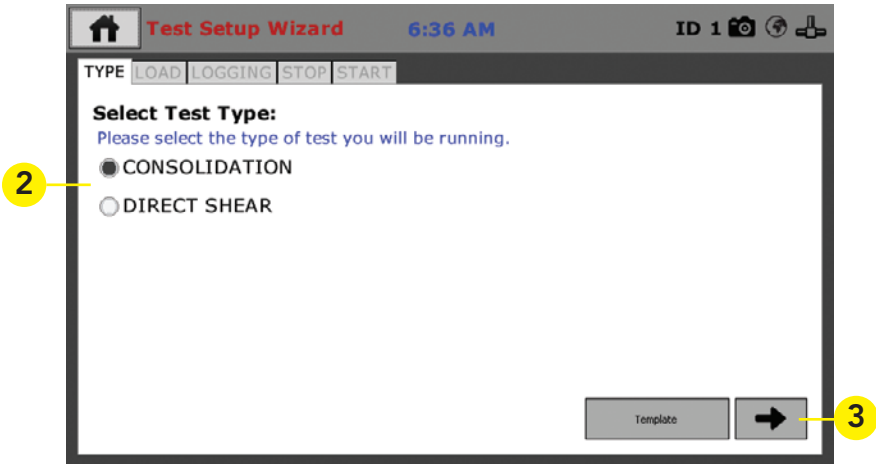
Test Setup — Consolidation

To begin a new test, Click on the Menu icon in the top left corner of the screen (1). When you click on this button, you will see a drop-down menu appear, see below. Click on NEW TEST (1).



Test Setup Wizard – Select Test Type

Clicking on NEW TEST (1) above brings up the Test Setup Wizard. On the first screen of the Wizard, you can select the type of test you want to perform — Consolidation or Direct Shear (2) and click on the arrow button in the bottom right-hand corner (3)



Template

If you are just beginning to use your new machine, there will be no templates, which have been saved, so at this point, clicking on the template button will provide no templates to choose from. To create templates, you essentially save a completed test as a template. Once you have completed some tests and save them as templates, they will then show up when you press the template button. This can allow

you to quickly repeat tests with the same parameters, as well as a fast way to create new tests by choosing a template and then changing some of the parameters.

Vertical Load Regulator

Prior to setting your target load in the Setup Wizard, apply your vertical load using the regulator on the right-side of the front panel

A precision Fairchild regulator is used to set and maintain the air pressure to the pistons, which provides load to the sample. Select the load required from the load setting table.

NOTE: THE CONSOLIDATION LOAD PAD, POROUS STONE, STAINLESS STEEL BALL HAVE NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THE LOAD SETTING CALIBRATIONS.

High Load/Low Load Selector Valve

This valve has two positions. The LOW LOAD POSITION is used for loads up to 100 lbs (5kgf). The HIGH LOAD position is used for loads up to 2000 lbs (1000kgf).

Load Valve

This valve is actuated by 90 degree rotation of the handle. When open, it allows air to flow from the regulator to the pistons (HIGH or LOW LOAD) selected. This is switched to open after setup is complete in the Test Setup Wizard in the Consolidation phase. See page 49 for when to perform this step.

Applying the vertical load is accomplished by setting the precision regulator to the required pressure per the calibration chart supplied with the purchase of the HM-5560.3F. Load settings are verified on the pressure readout accurate to 0.25%. Sample loads are obtained by the use of two pneumatic pistons. This concept increases the accuracy and sensitivity of light load settings. A small diameter rolling diaphragm piston is capable of applying loads up to 100 lbs.

Vertical Pressure Setting

The fourth channel on the display is your applied load and is used for setting the vertical load on the sample and collecting the data for Shear and Consolidation stages. Select the required load from the table provided with calibration sheets (See the pressure setting table for the proper load setting). There is a pressure transducer calibrated to channel 4 reading to a single decimal. It is a precision instrument with 0.25% accuracy.

Consolidation of the Test Sample

At this time, select a seating load per the load setting table. Set the high/low load selector valve to LOW (and the load valve to LOAD). Adjust the pressure regulator to the desired seating load per the load setting table. This sets the stage for the consolidation phase of the sample with the application of the desired overburden pressure or some other normal pressure.

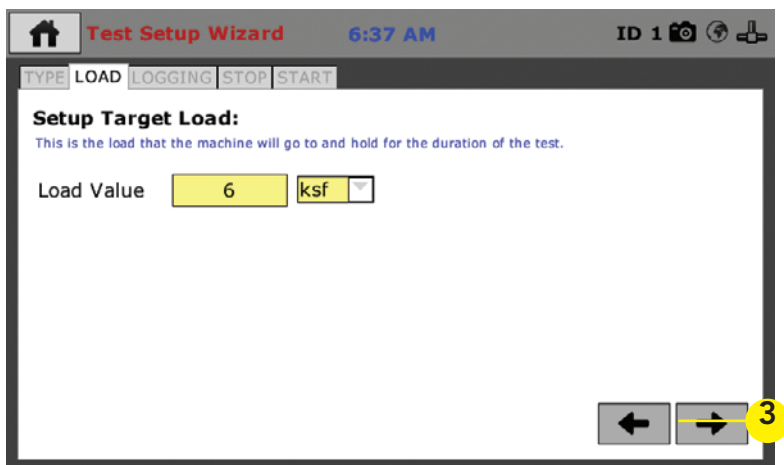
Turn the LOAD valve to the OFF position and adjust the regulator to the desired normal load per the load setting table.

NOTE: IF THE LOAD IS OVER 100 LBS (5kgf). YOU WILL NEED TO SWITCH THE LOAD SELECTOR VALVE TO "HIGH LOAD".

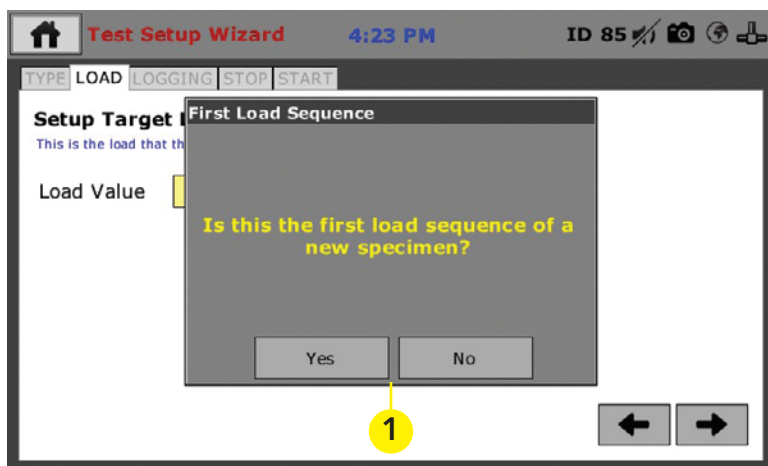
Test Setup Wizard – Setup Target Load

The screenshot displays the 'Test Setup Wizard' interface. The title bar includes a home icon, the text 'Test Setup Wizard', the time '6:37 AM', and 'ID 1' with camera and help icons. Below the title bar are tabs: 'TYPE', 'LOAD' (selected), 'LOGGING', 'STOP', and 'START'. The main content area is titled 'Setup Target Load:' with a subtitle 'This is the load that the machine will go to and hold for the duration of the test.' It features a 'Load Value' field with the number '6' and a unit dropdown menu showing 'ksf'. Two yellow circles with numbers '1' and '2' point to the '6' and the unit dropdown respectively. At the bottom right are left and right arrow buttons.

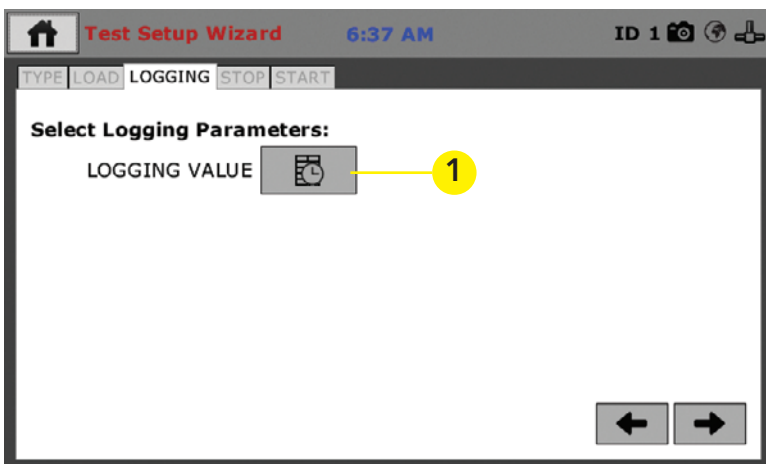
In the previous screen, we chose Consolidation for the Test Type, so this value is the Load Value for a consolidation test. Click on the Load Value field (1) and a pop-up menu will appear. Use this menu to type in the value you want to use for the Load Value. Click the check mark in the lower right-hand corner of this pop-up menu to choose the value and you will be returned to the screen above. You can then choose the type of unit by clicking on the right-side pop-up field (2). Your choices here are: kN, lbf, kPa and ksf. Choose one, and, to continue, press the Right Arrow in the lower, right-hand corner of the screen (3).



When you click on the Right Arrow in the lower, right-hand corner of the screen (3). You will get a pop-up window asking if this is the first load sequence of a new specimen, as shown below.

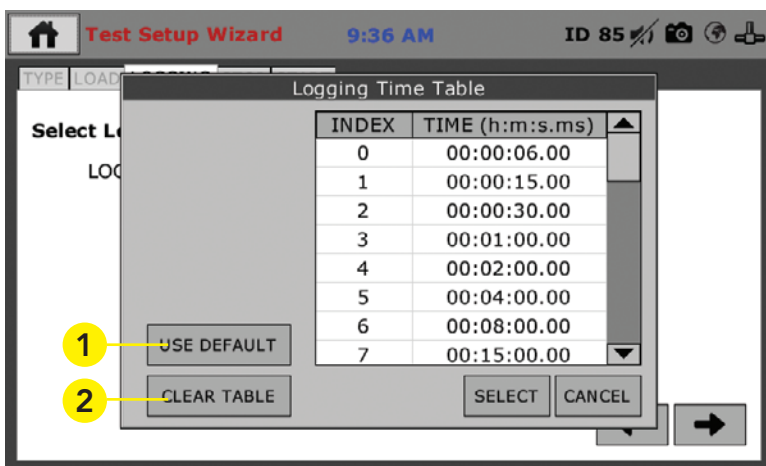


Choose Yes or No. (1). You will see the screen below. if you choose yes, the vertical displacement will be tared (zeroed) at the beginning of the test.



Test Setup Wizard – Select Logging Values

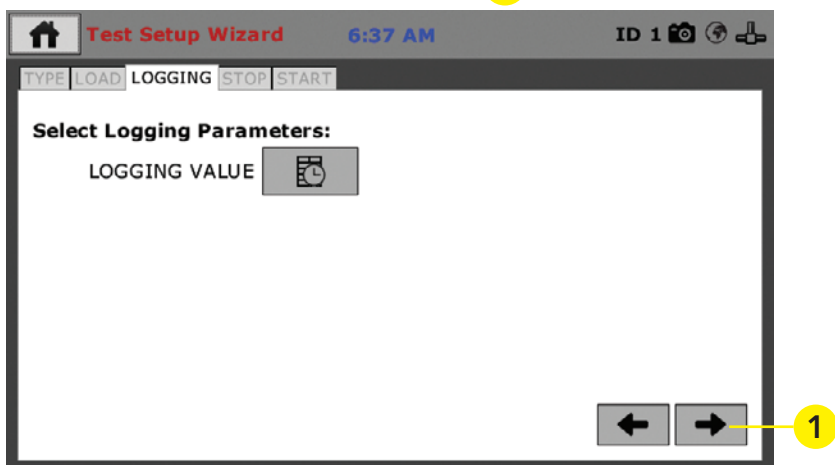
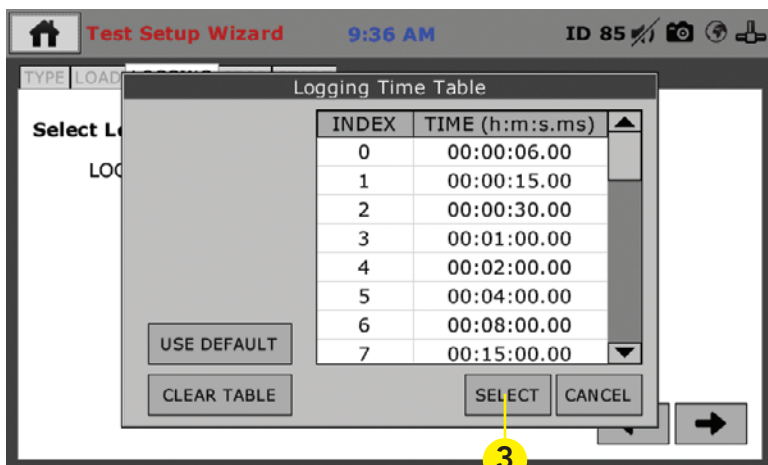
Click on the Logging Value Icon (1). A new pop-up window will appear entitled Logging Time Table, see below.



For most people, who are following ASTM D2435, BS:1377:5, AASH-TO T216, UNE 103-405, if you choose yes the vertical misplacement will be tared (zeroed) at the beginning of the test testing procedures, click on Use Default (1) and the machine will fill in the Time Table per the ASTM standard.

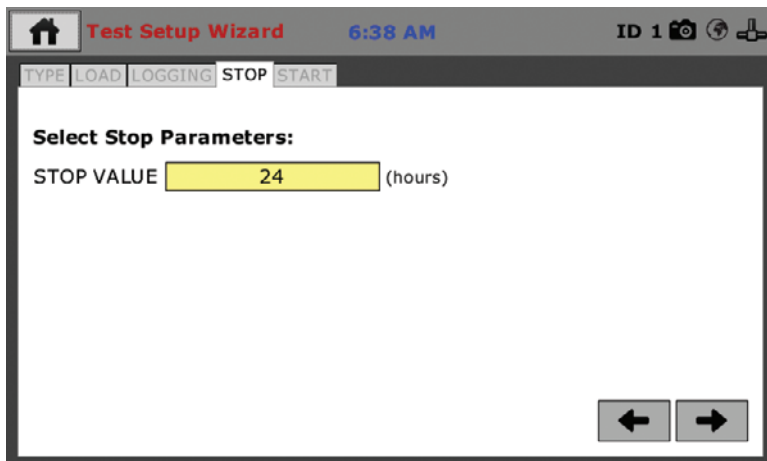
For those who want to use different parameters, you can either click on Use Default (1) and change the values to suit your application, or, click on Clear Table (2) and fill in the blank table with your values.

Once you are satisfied with the completed table, click on the Select button (3) to use the Table. You will be returned to this screen.

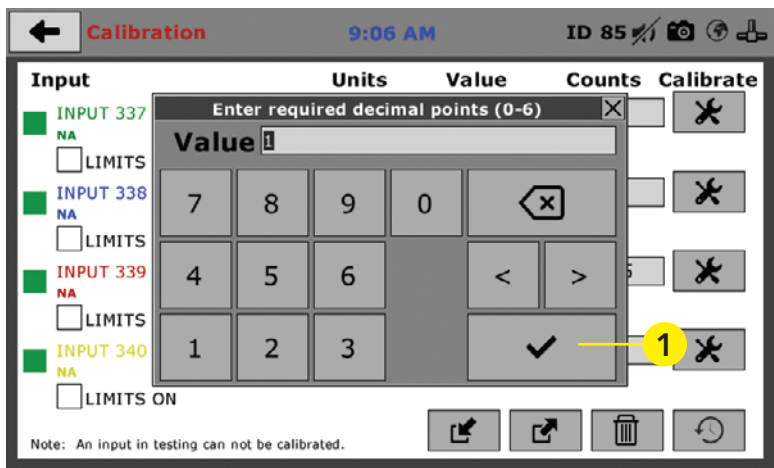


To continue with your chosen values, click on the Right Arrow (1) in the lower right-hand corner.

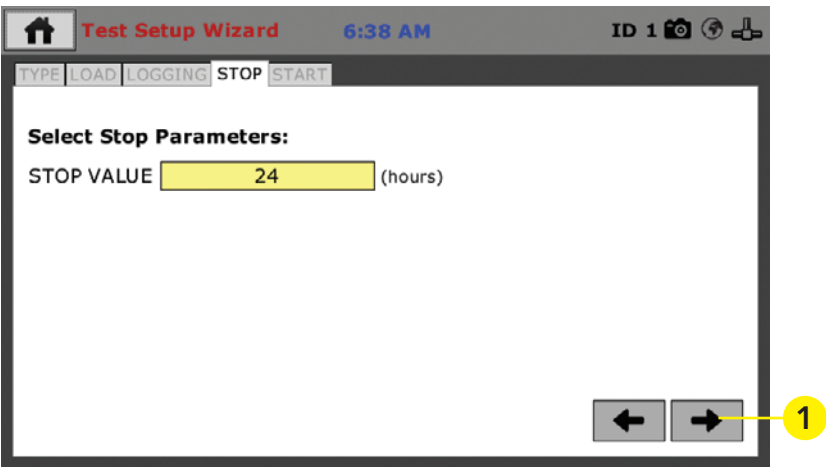
Test Setup Wizard – Select Stop Parameters



Next you need to select the Stop Parameters for the test. To choose the Stop Value Parameter, Click on the yellow field and select a time period from the pop up window that appears.



To save your Stop Value, click on the check mark (1) in the lower, right-hand corner of the pop up window. You will return to the original screen.

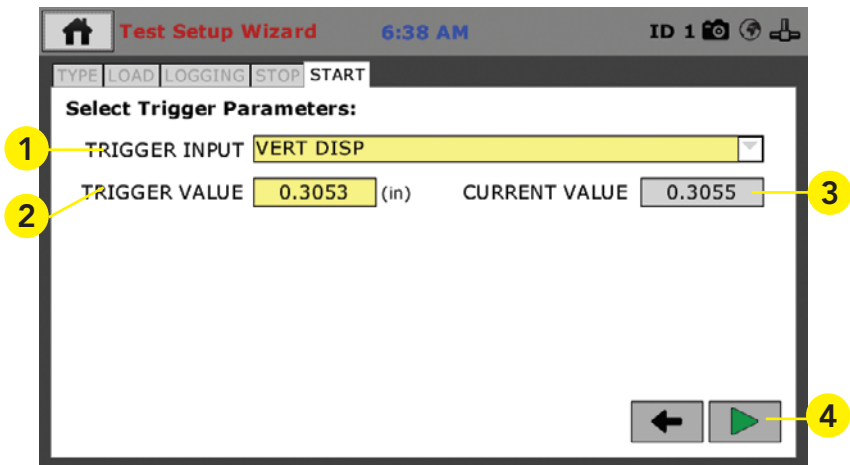


To proceed, click on the Right Arrow in the lower, right-hand corner of the screen.

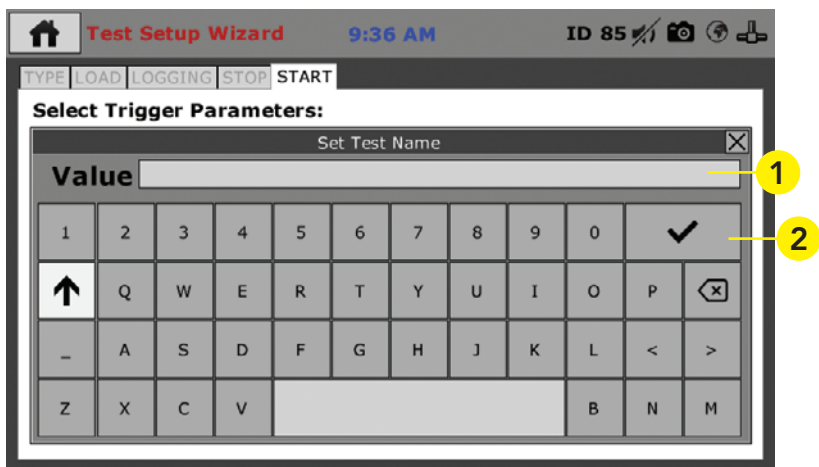
Test Setup Wizard – Select Trigger Parameters (Start Tab)

On this screen (see below), if you have attached instrumentation for a consolidation test and it has been calibrated, that device should show up automatically in the Trigger Input field (1). The Trigger Value

(2) and Current Value (3) should also be automatically filled in for that device. The automatic Trigger Value will always read slightly lower than the Current Value. In this case, by default, the Trigger Value is automatically set .002 lower than the Current Value. If you choose, you can manually alter the Trigger Value here.



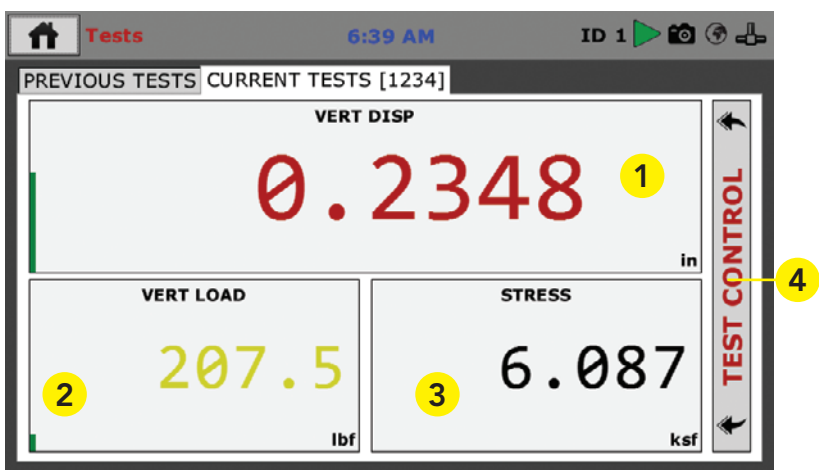
Once completed, press the Green Arrow at the bottom right-hand corner of the screen (4). You will then see the screen below.



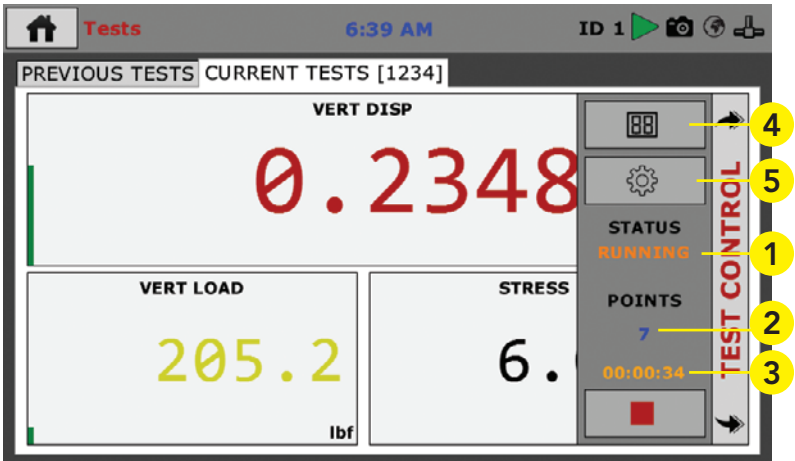
In the Value Field, create a name for your test (1). Press the check mark button (2) to save your test name. You will hear an extended beep sound indicating your test name has been saved.

Consolidation Load desired should have already been set (but not applied) at the beginning of "Test Setup Wizard - Setup Target Load" on page 43. The load valve is now turned to LOAD and load is applied to the sample.

Now, upon pressing the green button again you will be taken to the Current Test Screen (below) and your test will begin automatically.



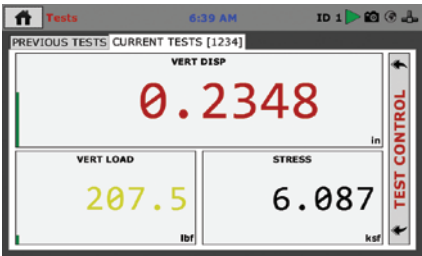
You can monitor your test from this window, which allows you to view the Vertical Displacement (1), the Vertical Load (2) and the Stress (3), or for additional information, click on the Test Control bar on the right of the window (4), which will reveal the additional panel shown below.



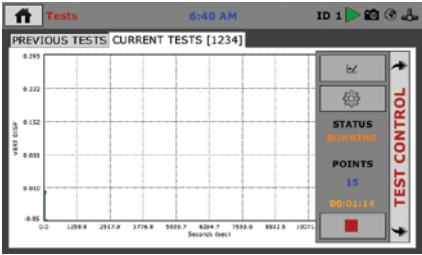
From this new panel you are given the Current Status of your test, in this case, Running (1). You can also see the number of points currently read (2) and the current duration of the test (3).

In addition, by clicking on the Test View button (4) you can toggle through three different views of the current test. These views are:

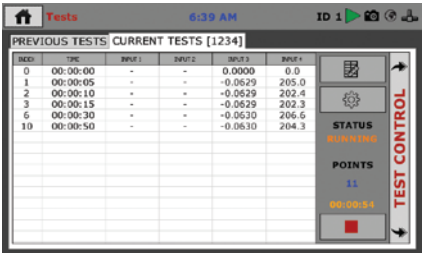
Selection View



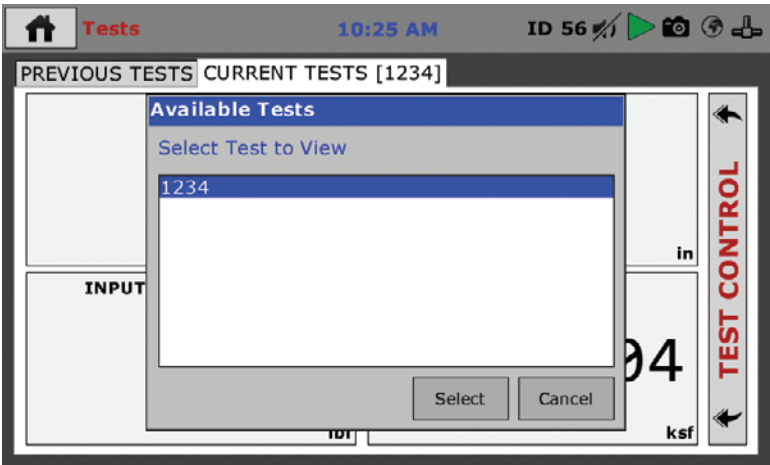
Graph View



Tabulation View



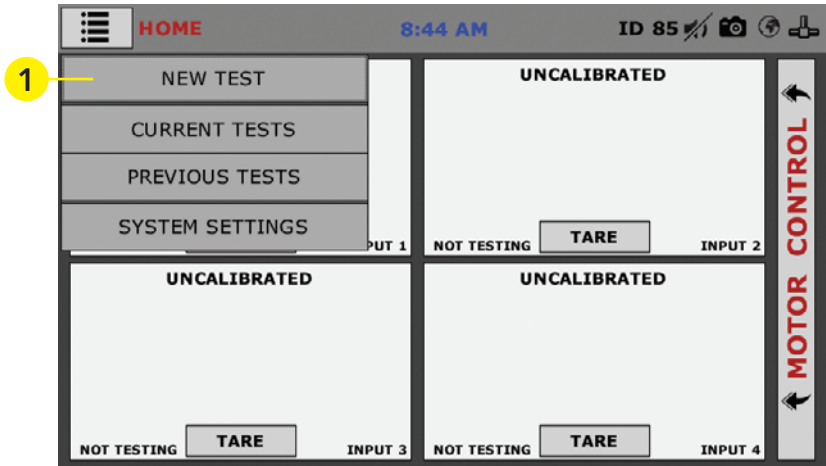
By clicking on the Test selection button (5) when you also have the Current Tests tab selected, you can view all currently running tests.



Choosing a test from the list of currently running tests, allows you to monitor that test in all views. This allows you to view the status of all your running tests one at a time.

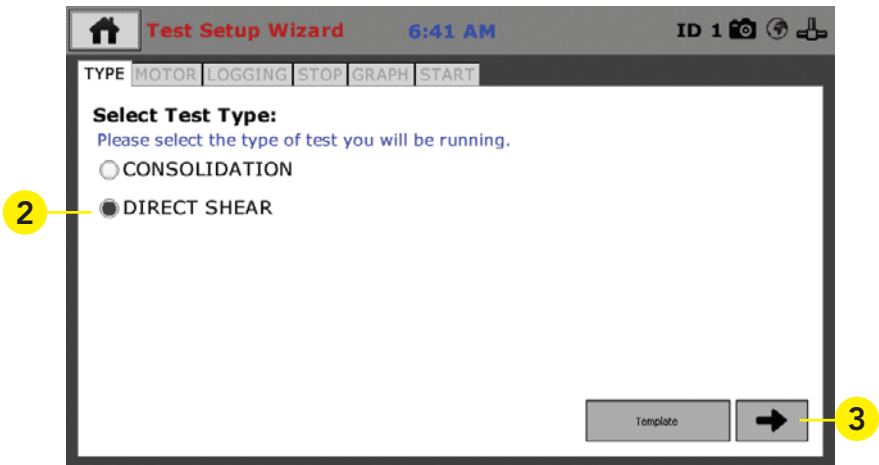
Test Setup — Direct Shear

To begin a new test, Click on the Menu icon in the top left corner of the screen (1). When you click on this button, you will see a drop-down menu appear, see below. Click on NEW TEST (1).



Test Setup Wizard – Select Test Type

Clicking on NEW TEST (1) above brings up the Test Setup Wizard. On the first screen of the Wizard, you can select the type of test you want to perform — Consolidation or Direct Shear (2) and click on the arrow button in the bottom right-hand corner (3)



Template

If you are just beginning to use your new machine, there will be no templates, which have been saved, so at this point, clicking on the template button will provide no templates to choose from. To create templates, you essentially save a completed test as a template. Once

you have completed some tests and save them as templates, they will then show up when you press the template button. This can allow you to quickly repeat tests with the same parameters, as well as a fast way to create new tests by choosing a template and then changing some of the parameters.

Test Setup Wizard – Select Motor Condition

Test Setup Wizard 6:41 AM ID 1

TYPE MOTOR LOGGING STOP GRAPH START

Select Motor Condition:
Please choose the speed for testing. The use of motor is not required.

☐ NO MOTOR CONTROL
☒ MOTOR CONTROL

Select Motor Parameters:

1 DIRECTION RIGHT

2 SPEED 0.05 in/min

3 ☐ RETURN HOME

← →

On this screen you need to select a Motor Condition. In almost all applications you will choose Motor Control. When Motor Control is selected, the Motor Parameters choices appear. Direction (1) choose either Right or Left Motor Direction. Next, enter a Speed (2).

Test Setup Wizard 10:17 AM ID 56

TYPE MOTOR LOGGING STOP GRAPH START

Select Motor Condition:
Please choose the speed for testing. The use of motor is not required.

☐ NO MOTOR CONTROL
☒ MOTOR CONTROL

Select Motor Parameters:

DIRECTION

SPEED

☐ RETURN HOME

← →

Set Motor Speed

Value 0.05

7 8 9 0

4 5 6 . < >

1 2 3

✓

When you click on the Speed field a value picker will open. Type in a speed and click on the Check box in the lower, right-hand corner of the picker to select. You can also check the Return Home check

box (3) if you want the machine to return to the Home position after the test. Once completed click on the Right Arrow in the lower, right hand corner of the screen, to continue.

Test Setup Wizard – Select Logging Parameters

Test Setup Wizard 6:42 AM ID 1

TYPE MOTOR LOGGING STOP GRAPH START

Select Logging Condition:
Please choose how you would like the test to record data.

☐ INTERVAL LOGGING ☐ INTERVAL LOGGING TABLE

☒ LINEAR TIME INTERVAL ☐ ELAPSED TIME TABLE

Select Logging Parameters:

LOGGING VALUE (sec)

← →

For Logging Condition (1), you have four (4) choices: Interval logging, Linear Time Interval Logging Table and Elapsed Time Table. Choose the one that best fits your application needs. In this example Linear Time Interval has been chosen and to complete this setup, a logging value must be entered into the Logging Value field. Click on the field and a pop-up window will appear. Enter the value and click on the check mark in the lower, right-hand corner of the window to save.

Test Setup Wizard 10:18 AM ID 56

TYPE MOTOR LOGGING STOP GRAPH START

Select Logging Condition:
Please choose how you would like the test to record data.

☐ INTERVAL LOGGING ☐ INTERVAL LOGGING TABLE

☒ LINEAR TIME INTERVAL ☐ ELAPSED TIME TABLE

Select Logging Parameters:

LOGGING VALUE (sec)

← →

Set Logging Value

Value

7 8 9 0

4 5 6 . < >

1 2 3 -

← →

Test Setup Wizard – Stop Conditions

Test Setup Wizard 6:42 AM ID 1

TYPE MOTOR LOGGING **STOP** GRAPH START

Select Stop Condition:
Please choose how you would like the test to stop.

☐ GREATER THAN ☒ **DISTANCE (RIGHT)** ☐ PERCENT STRAIN
☐ LESS THAN ☐ DISTANCE (LEFT) ☐ PERCENT STRESS DROP
☐ TIME DELAY ☐ PERCENT DROP ☐ OPERATOR STOP

Select Stop Parameters:

2 STOP INPUT **HORIZ DISP**

3 STOP VALUE **0.25** (in)

← →

To set the Stop Condition for your test, select one condition from the list of nine (9). Distance (Right) has been chosen for our example here. Then choose the appropriate input device to coincide with your choice from the Stop Input field (2). Also, add a value in the The Stop Value field (3), by clicking on it and using the pop-up window to enter a value. Click the Check Mark in the lower right-hand corner to save the value.

Test Setup Wizard 6:42 AM ID 1

TYPE MOTOR LOGGING **STOP** GRAPH START

Select Stop Condition:
Please choose how you would like the test to stop.

☐ GREATER THAN ☒ **DISTANCE (RIGHT)** ☐ PERCENT STRAIN
☐ LESS THAN ☐ DISTANCE (LEFT) ☐ PERCENT STRESS DROP
☐ TIME DELAY ☐ PERCENT DROP ☐ OPERATOR STOP

Select Stop Parameters:

STOP INPUT **HORIZ DISP**

STOP VALUE **0.25** (in)

Enter required decimal points (0-6)

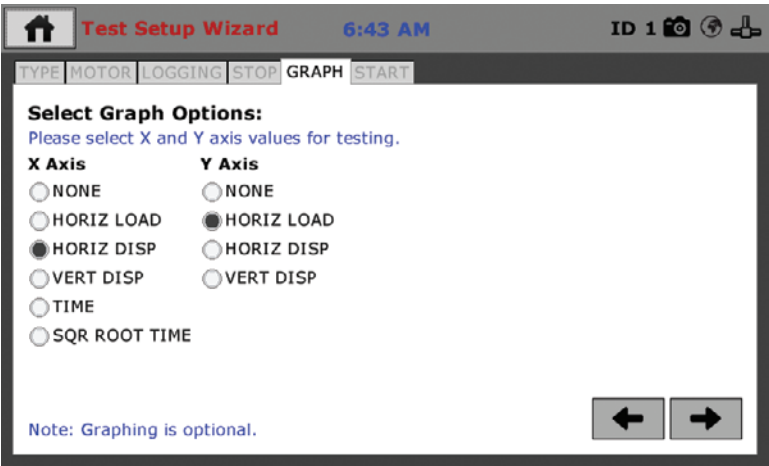
Value **1**

7 8 9 0 X
4 5 6 < >
1 2 3 ✓

← → 1

Click the Arrow (1) in the lower, right-hand corner of the window to continue the Setup process.

Test Setup Wizard – Graph Conditions



To set the Graph Options for your test, select one option for the X and one option for the Y axis from this list. In our example here the Horiz Disp and Horiz Load have been chosen. Then choose the appropriate input device to coincide with your choice from the Stop Input field (2). Also, add a value in the The Stop Value field, by clicking on it and using the pop-up window to enter a value. Click the Check Mark in the lower right-hand corner to save the value.

Operation from a Computer and NEXT Software

This manual covers the setup and operation of the HM-5560.3F Pneumatic Direct/Residual Direct Shear Apparatus in Stand-alone Mode only. For information on operating your load frame with Humboldt's NEXT Software and a computer, please refer to the Humboldt NEXT software manual.

Sample Removal and Clean-Up

Put the motor drive in reverse (towards the home position) and stop when zero (0) load is reached on the load cell. Remove the sample at this time and inspect per ASTM D 3080-98. The vertical load is now reduced to zero (0) by adjusting the pressure regulator to zero (0) psi. The apparatus is taken down in reverse order as assembled. The sample is extracted and weighted in order to determine the dry density and water content at failure. The water chamber is returned to the home position by using the drive motor. Cover the roller bearing slide assembly to prevent dust and dirt from entering the bearings.

HM-5560.3F Specifications

The Humboldt HM-5560 Direct/Residual Shear apparatus is a fully-automated system utilizing pneumatic loading to apply vertical loads to a sample eliminating the need for loading weights used in dead weight-type systems.

The microprocessor-based system features a stepper-motor drive system and a 7" touch-screen display that allows the operator to control and monitor all test functions.

Like all Elite Series machines, the HM-5560 is built around Humboldt's integral, 4-channel data logger with touch-screen control, which allows the HM-5560 to be used as a standalone device capable of full test control and data logging. It can also be controlled by a networked computer at any location with access to the network.

The HM-5560 is supplied complete with two 2,000 lbf (10kN) capacity load cell; 1" (25.4mm) horizontal strain transducer, a 0.4" (10.2mm) vertical strain transducer and Humboldt's NEXT Direct Shear software module. Shear box assemblies and related accessories are not included and should be ordered separately.

HM-5560 Specifications:		Controller Specifications:	
Horiz. movement	1" (25.4mm) maximum	Display (Resistive Touch)	7" (178mm) VGA (480 x 800)
Horiz. shear force	2,000 lbf (10kN)	Real-time test data	Graphic and tabulation
Vertical load	2,000 lbf (10kN)	Processor	Dual 32-bit ARM
Speed range	0.00001 to 0.49999 in/min.	RAM	64MB
	(0.00001 to 12.99999 mm/min.)	Memory, non-volatile	4GB
Voltage	110/220 VAC 50/60HZ	Analog to digital converter	24 bit
Current	6.5 amps	Data acquisition	4 Channels
Analog to digital	24 bit	Logging speed	up to 50 readings per second
Data storage	3000 readings	Multi-test storage	1000
Data collection rate	50 readings per second	Points per test	3000
Ethernet connection	for network connectivity	USB port (front)	export data, import/export calibration data, WiFi
Dimension (W x D x H)	30" x 15.5" x 22" (L x D x H)	USB port (back)	provides external power for wireless access point
	(760 x 394 x 558mm)	Ethernet connection	for network connectivity
Weight	140 lb (64 kg)	Emergency stop	Large button
		24-bit differential analog to digital converter	4
		Ambient temperature sensor	1
		Limit switches	2
		Firmware Update	Ethernet or flash drive

General Warnings

Safety Warnings

Operators should take care to operate this machine under maximum load restrictions. The machine is programmed at the factory to provide safety shutdown if the upper or lower maximum travel is exceeded, as well as if the upper instrument calibration is exceeded.

Electrical Warnings

Typically, there is no reason for the operator to open the machine. However, if the customer's engineers attempt to change settings to the circuit board connected to the back panel, the machine must first be unplugged. Unplugging the internal connection to the back panel circuit board while the machine is under power will result in permanent damage to the circuit board.

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Unpacking

Initial inspection should include checking for physical damage during shipping and obvious external damage to the product.

Package contents are defined by your packing list. Each Loader is configured according to customer specifications. In your inspection, make certain that the contents of your shipment match the documentation provided by your packing list.

Place unit on a flat, smooth surface and use leveling feet (supplied) and a bubble level to ensure that the unit is level side-to-side and back-to-front.

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