

Upload Instructions for Air Quality Monitor

This guide explains how to upload the provided Arduino code to your board and set up the hardware.

1. Required Components

- Arduino board (Uno, Nano, Mega, etc.)
- DHT11 temperature & humidity sensor
- MQ135 air quality sensor
- SSD1306 OLED display (128×64, I2C)
- Jumper wires and breadboard

2. Wiring

Connect the components as follows:

Component	Pin	Arduino Pin
DHT11	VCC	5V
DHT11	GND	GND
DHT11	OUT	Digital 8
MQ135	VCC	5V
MQ135	GND	GND
MQ135	AOUT	Analog A0
OLED	VCC	5V
OLED	GND	GND
OLED	SDA	A4 (SDA)

Component	Pin	Arduino Pin
OLED	SCL	A5 (SCL)

Note: If using a different Arduino model, check the correct I2C pins (e.g., for Mega: SDA = 20, SCL = 21).

3. Software Setup

Install Arduino IDE

- Download from arduino.cc
- Install and open the IDE

Install Required Libraries

Go to **Sketch → Include Library → Manage Libraries** and install:

- DHT sensor library by Adafruit (version \geq 1.4.4)
- Adafruit GFX Library by Adafruit
- Adafruit SSD1306 by Adafruit

4. Prepare the Code

1. Copy the complete code from the provided file.
2. In Arduino IDE, create a new sketch (**File → New**).
3. Delete any default text and paste the copied code.
4. Save the sketch (e.g., **AirMonitor**).

5. Upload to Arduino

Select Board and Port

- **Tools → Board** → choose your Arduino model (e.g., "Arduino Uno").

- **Tools → Port** → select the correct COM port (Windows) or /dev/cu... (Mac/Linux).

Compile and Upload

- Click the **Verify** button (checkmark) to compile. Fix any errors if they appear (usually missing libraries).
- Click the **Upload** button (right arrow). Wait for “Done uploading” message.

6. Verify Operation

Serial Monitor

- Open **Tools → Serial Monitor** (set baud rate to **9600**).
- You should see calibration messages and then periodic readings:

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text

Calibrating MQ135, keep sensor in clean air...
MQ135 baseline set to: 312
Temp: 24.5 C | Humidity: 55.0 % | Air: 320 (baseline: 312)
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OLED Display

- After a brief “Calibrating...” message, the display should show:
 - Temperature, Humidity, Air quality value (with deviation from baseline)
 - Status line: “OK ✓” or “BAD AIR X” (depending on air quality)

7. Troubleshooting

Problem Possible Solution

OLED not found	Check I2C address (default 0x3C). Use an I2C scanner sketch to verify. If address is 0x3D, change <code>OLED_ADDRESS</code> in code.
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Problem	Possible Solution
DHT read fails	Verify wiring (pin 8). Ensure sensor is 5V compatible. Try adding a $10\text{k}\Omega$ pull-up resistor on data line.
MQ135 values erratic	Allow sensor to warm up for 2-3 minutes. Adjust baseline by increasing <code>CALIBRATION_SAMPLES</code> or adding a warm-up delay.
Upload fails	Check that correct board and port are selected. Try pressing the Arduino's reset button just before uploading.

8. Customization

- **Air quality threshold:** In `updateDisplay()`, change `diff > 100` to a value that matches your environment.
- **Reading interval:** Modify `READING_INTERVAL` (in milliseconds).
- **I2C pins:** If using non-default pins, add `wire.begin(SDA, SCL);` in `setup()` with your pin numbers.