

## Battery Life, Removal and Replacement

Battery life is dependent on battery use. With heavy use probably 9 months to 1 year. With light use, probably 2 years or more. If you accidentally leave the switch on, the battery should last about 4 weeks.

When the battery begins to fail, you will notice the power on zero point drifting off of zero. You can re-zero it, but it will still slowly drift off center again. This is the warning that the battery is nearing the end of its life.

To change the battery, remove the plastic cover on the side of the instrument. You may find a fingernail is sufficient; you can also use a fingernail file to "pop" one edge. Carefully slide out the battery so that you don't put strain on the wires attached to the battery. Sometimes, it is useful to remove the battery snap from the battery and then use a small needle nose pliers to grasp a terminal on the battery and maneuver it out. Then replace the battery and plastic cover. The plastic cover should snap in place as it was when you removed it.