

TDxFLx[®] System

Operator's Quick Reference Guide

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- Control Values
- Result Tapes
- Reagent Lot Number
- Maintenance Log

INTRODUCTION

The TDxFLx® System Operator's Quick Reference Guide is provided as part of our customer commitment to provide quick and easy access of information to experienced TDxFLx® System operators. Refer to the TDxFLx® System Operations Manual and TDx®/TDxFLx® Systems Assays Manual for detailed instructions. If inconsistencies exist between this guide and other TDxFLx® documentation, the TDxFLx® System Operations Manual and TDx®/TDxFLx® Systems Assays Manual will have precedence.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- ROAD MAP
- ASSAY PARAMETERS & KEY FUNCTIONS
- PROCEDURE SUMMARY

ROAD MAP

SYSTEM MONITOR	DIAGNOSTIC TEST	ASSAY PROTOCOLS
1. SYSTEM STATUS 1.1 DATE 1.2 TIME 1.3 LIQ C	1. MAINTENANCE 1.1 EXERCISOR 1.2 LIFETEST	1. GENTAMICIN 2. TOBRAMYCIN 3. AMIKACIN 4. PHENYTOIN
1.4 PHO C 1.5 AIR C 1.6 REV	2. SPEC CHECKS 2.1 TEMP CHECK 2.2 PHOTO CHECK 2.2.1 GAIN	5. PHENOBARBITAL 6. PRIMIDONE 7. NETILMICIN 8. VALPROIC ACID
2. SYSTEM CONTROL 2.1 BEEP 2.2 LOCK 2.3 RST SPL	2.3 PIPE CHECK 3. CALIBRATION 3.1 TEMP CAL	9. CARBAMAZEPINE 10. DIGOXIN 11. QUINIDINE 12. PROCAINAMIDE
2.4 BAUD 2.5 P BIAS 2.6 THM OFF 2.7 AIRSET	3.2 BOOM CAL 3.2.1 RPK ST 3.2.2 RPK P 3.2.3 PRD CUP	13. NAPA 14. LIDOCAINE 15. THEOPHYLLINE
2.8 PAPER 2.9 STORAGE 2.10 CMP MDE 2.11 CUP SIZ	3.2.4 PRD SRM 3.2.5 CAR STR 3.2.6 CAR STC 3.3 CRSL CAL	16. VANCOMYCIN 17. FREE VALPROATE 18. CY A/METAB (WB) 19. DIBEKACIN
3. SYSTEM PARAMS 3.1 CAR HM 3.2 RBM HM 3.3 SERM PT	3.4 PHOTO CAL 3.4.1 GAIN 3.4.2 INTENS 3.4.3 HV COEF 3.4.4 POL	20. STREPTOMYCIN 21. KANAMYCIN 22. METHOTREXATE 23. CY A/METAB (P/S) 24. ETHOSUXIMIDE

3.4 PREDIL 3.5 CUVETTE 3.6 POP PT

3.7 TRA PT

3.8 ANTIPT

3.9 WASTE

3.10 DAC 3.11 RDAC 3.12 CAR RBR 3.13 CAR CBR 3.14 ZBM HM

3.5 ZBOOM CAL 3.6 U.D. BOOM CAL 3.7 4 POT-BOOM CAL

3.8 TURBO CRSL CALIB 3.9 3.10 AUTO BOOM CAL

3.11 TEST NOT DEFINED 3.12 RESET POINTERS 3.13 RGT CRSL CAL 3.14 BUFER RUN

3.15 BATCH BUFFER RUN

27. DIGITOXIN

30. ACETAMINOPHEN

31. SALICYLATE

32. FREE CARB

33. TOTAL T3

34. GLUCOSE

35. BUN

25. DISOPYRAMIDE

28. FLUOXETINE 29. T-UPTAKE

26. FREE PHENYTOIN

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ROAD MAP

SYSTEM MONITOR (continued)	DIAGNOSTIC TEST (continued)	ASSAY PROTOCOLS (continued)
3.15 4POP PT 3.16 4TRA PT 3.17 4ANT PT 3.18 4WSH PT 4. RECALL DATA 4.1 REPRINT DATA 4.2 DISPLAY DATA 4.3 RECALL CAL DATES 4.4 REAGENT TABULATN 5. ACTIVATE ASSAY 5.1 ASSAY NUMBER 5.2 U.D. QC PARAMS 6. IDENTIFICATION 6.1 SERIAL# 6.2 ASSAY CATEGORIES 6.3 OP ID# 6.4 PBR # 6.5 RGT LOT 6.6 PAT ID 6.7 T PRINT 6.8 TOT T3 6.9 EXP DATE 6.10 COLLATE 6.11 DTE FMT 6.12 TST CNT 6.13 LOADLST 6.14 SPL LST 7. THYROID FEATURES 7.1 LO NORM	4. HAND CONTROLS 4.1 REVOLVER 4.2 PHOTOMETER 4.3 PUMPER 4.4 BOOMER 4.5 TEMP HNDLR 4.6 BARCODE CHK 4.7 REAGENT CAR 5. BOARD TESTS 5.1 REPEAT RUN 5.1.1 SINGLE RUN 5.2 COMPUTER BOARD 5.2.1 PROM TEST 5.2.2 RAM TEST 5.3 MEMORY BOARD 1 5.3.1 PROM TEST 1 5.3.2 NOVRAM TEST 1 5.4.1 LONG PRINT TEST 5.4.2 SHORT PRINT TEST 5.5.4 SHORT PRINT TEST 5.5.5 I/O BOARD 5.5.1 UART TEST 5.5.3 WASTE CUP TEST 5.6.1 KEYBOARD TEST 5.6.2 DISPLAY TEST 5.6.2 DISPLAY TEST 5.7 MTR BOARD	36. CHOLESTEROL 37. URIC ACID 38. AMYLASE 39. CREATININE 40. ETHANOL 41. IRON/TIBC 42. HDL CHOLESTEROL 43. LACTIC ACID 44. TOTAL ESTRIOL 45. AMPHET-CLASS U 46. CORTISOL 47. LDH 48. METHADONE U 49. COTININE 50. CYA (WB) 51. FLECAINIDE 52. NORCLOMIPRAMINE 53. CRP 54. 5-HIAA (URINE) 55. CLOMIPRAMINE 56. TRICYCLICS S 57. AMPHET/METH U 58. BARBITURATES U 59. COCAINE METAB U 60. CANNABINOIDS U 61. PCP U 62. OPIATES U 63. BENZODIAZEPINE U 64. BARBITURATES S 65. BENZODIAZEPINE S 66. FREE ESTRIOL
7.2 HI NORM 7.3 CALC % 7.4 F.T.I.		67. DIGOXIN NXT 68. HALOPERIDOL 69. THC S 70. IGA
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ROAD MAP

SYSTEM MONITOR (continued)

- 8. UNIT DOSE PARAMS 8.1 UD RBM
 - 8.1 UD RBM 8.2 UD CAR
 - 8.3 UD POP 8.4 UD TRA
 - 8.4 UD IRA 8.5 UD ANTI
 - 8.6 UD SH A 8.7 UD SH P
 - 8.8 UD PUNC 8.9 UD WAIT
 - 8.9 UD WAIT 8.10 UD R B
 - . SHARED PACK OPTS
 - 9.1 ESTRL 9.2 PHEN
 - 9.3 CARB 9.4 VALPR
 - 9.4 VALPR 9.5 CHOLES
- 10. TDxFLx PARAMS 10.1 RCRSL HM
 - 10.2 WPOP RBM 10.3 WTRA RBM
 - 10.4 WANT RBM 10.5 WDG BRCD
- 10.6 WSTE ZBM 10.7 RGNT ZBM
- 11. PANELS
- 11.1 PANEL 1 11.1.1. P1.1
 - 11.1.3. P1.3 11.1.4. P1.4

11.1.2. P1.2

- 11.1.5. P1.5 11.1.6. P1.6
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- Repeats thru 11.9 Panel 9

DIAGNOSTIC TEST (continued)

- 6. SPECIAL TESTS
- 6.1 MEM BD NOVRAM 6.2 FACTORY SET
 - 6.2 FACTORY SET
 6.3 DISPENSE CHECK
 - 6.4 TURBO CF ENTRY
 - 6.5 ZERO CALIB CURVE 6.6 PRINT ALL PARAMS
 - 6.7 F.T. CALC
 - 6.8 PROBE DECONTAM 6.9 PANEL REPORT

- ASSAY PROTOCOLS (continued)
- 71. IGG
- 72. IGM
- 73. TRANSFERRIN 74. TOTAL DOXEPINS
- 75. ISEPAMICIN
- 76. APRINIDINE
- 77. MAO ACTIVITY
- 78. MEGX
- 79. T4 80. NORFLUOXETINE
- 81. PROPOXYPHENE U 82. AMITRIPTYLINE
- 83. NORTRIPTYLINE
- 84. DESIPRAMINE85. IMIPRAMINE
- 86. CY A (P/S) 87. ARBEKACIN
- 88. FLM 89. ASSAY 89 ____ 90. ASSAY 90
- 91. ASSAY 91 _ 92. ASSAY 92
- 92. ASSAY 92 93. ASSAY 93
- 94. ASSAY 94 95. ASSAY 95
 - 96. ASSAY 96 _ 97. ASSAY 97
 - 98. ASSAY 98

ASSAY PARAMETERS & KEY FUNCTIONS

Assay Parameters

XX.1. SPL VOL XX.2. SPL REP XX.3. LOLIM XX.4. HII IM XX.5. CAL VOL XX.6. CALREP XX.7. CONC A XX.8. CONC B XX.9. CONC C XX.10. CONC D XX.11. CONC E XX.12, CONC F XX.13. UNITS XX.14. CRV FIT XX.15, MX DEV XX.16. MN POLA XX.17. MN SPAN XX.18. MODE XX.19. GAIN XX.20, MX BKG XX.21. MN TR XX.22. BA DTE XX.23. BA TME XX.24. RA DTE XX.25. RA TME XX.26. UD DTE XX.27. UD TME

For some assays, XX.3 is BKG FAC XX.4 is THRSHI D The system status keys are used to change the status for the analyzer. The three keys are:

- RUN Starts assay or calibration runs, diagnostic tests and system calibration procedures.
- **PRIME** Cycles buffer through the dispense system.
- **STOP** Cancels the current operation.

KEY	FUNCTION
PRINT	Generates hardcopy and advances paper.
EDIT	Allows changes in parameters.
STORE	Stores new values in memory.
ASSAY	Access to the Assay menu.
TEST	Access to the Diagnostic Test menu.
SYSTEM	Access to the System Monitor menu.
CLEAR	Removes a value from display if an error is made during entry (before pressing STORE).
DISPLAY	Displays information in the software.
NEXT	Goes to the next parameter.

The numeric keys are used to enter data on the display panel when the software displays a prompt.

Turn features on and off

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1 = ON

0 = OFF

PROCEDURE SUMMARY

Print Assay Parameters

Press ASSAY XX (select assay)
PRINT

Reagent Loadlist

Press SYSTEM 6.13 EDIT

To print, press 1 STORE STOP
To not print, press 0 STORE STOP

Sample Loadlist

Press SYSTEM 6.14 EDIT

To print, press 1 STORE STOP
To not print, press 0 STORE STOP

Activate Assay

Press SYSTEM 5.1 RUN

- Enter assay number XX and press STORE
- Enter activation code on activation letter and press STORE
- Display shows Assay Activated READY
- Print Assay Parameters and compare to activation letter.
- Calibrate assay.

Recall Calibration Dates

Press SYSTEM 4.3 RUN

For Batch, press 0 STORE

For Unit Dose, press 1 STORE

For Random Access, press 2 STORE

From ASSAY XX STORE

To ASSAY XX STORE

Edit Assay Parameter

Press ASSAY XX.XX (select parameter)

EDIT

(enter value)

STORE STOP

Buffer Run

Edit Door Lock:

Press SYSTEM 2.2 EDIT 0 STORE

STOP

Random Access

TEST 3.14 RUN

Enter Assay #s for all wedges

Press RUN

Batch

TEST 3.15 RUN

Enter Assay # and press **STORE**

Printout Options

Press SYSTEM 6.10 EDIT

To collate by location, press **0**To collate by patient ID, press **1**To collate by assay, press **2**

Press STORE STOP

Reprint Results

Press SYSTEM 4.1 RUN

Tests Used/Tests Left

Press SYSTEM 6.12 DISPLAY

- To display # of tests used per reagent pack, press EDIT 0 STORE STOP
- To display # of tests left per reagent pack, press EDIT 1 STORE STOP

Clean/Soak/ Decontaminate the Probe

Load a sample carousel with cuvettes in locations 1 & 2. Pipette 3 mL of 1% bleach in cuvette #1 and 3 mL of DI water in cuvette #2.

Press TEST 6.8 RUN

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FEATURES

- FEATURES & BENEFITS
- PANELING

TDxFLx REV 2.0/2.1 FEATURES & BENEFITS

Features	Benefits	For Additional Information:
Multiple tests from one sample aliquot	 True random access processing Saves keystrokes and eliminates manual pipetting, thereby saving time and labor costs More cost-effective operation 	TDxFLx® System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation
TDx® System like "Batch" mode operation for one wedge-pack	 Time and labor savings Eliminates test request for each sample Reduces keystrokes during load-up 3 step operation – just like TDx[®] System 	TDxFLx® System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation
Enhanced barcode scanner capabilities: Code 3 of 9, Interleaved 2 of 5, Code 128 barcode symbologies, as well as Codabar	 Scanning in patient IDs (PAT ID) saves much time and labor Reduces manual data input errors Cost effective operation 	TDxFLx [®] System Operations Manual Section 1.0 System Description
Display "Tests Used" or "Tests Left"	 Eliminates confusion surrounding tests used or remaining in a reagent pack Provides better reagent inventory information Ensures more efficient use of reagent packs in subsequent runs More user friendly 	TDxFLx® System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation

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TDxFLx REV 2.0/2.1 FEATURES & BENEFITS

Features	Benefits	For Additional Information:
Random Access Panel Programming	 Ideal for CAP or proficiency panels Ability to pre-program up to 9 customized panels Reduces operator keystrokes for random access runs 	TDxFLx® System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation
Identify controls via scanner	 Assists in better quality control tracking and regulatory requirements Reduces errors by identifying control name, location, and result on printout 	TDxFLx [®] System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation
Automated boom calibration and probe positioning	 Similarity/continuity of procedures between TDxFLx[®] and IMx[®] Systems Reduces operator steps in boom calibration User-friendly operation 	TDxFLx® System Operations Manual Section 4.0 Diagnostic Checks
Option to print/not print reagent loadlist	 Initiates sample processing sooner Reduces number of operator prompts More user friendly 	TDxFLx® System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation
Option to print patient I.D. (PAT ID) on sample loadlist	 Allows the operator to better track specimens on the sample carousel Reduces risk of load-up errors 	TDxFLx [®] System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation

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TDxFLx REV 2.0/2.1 FEATURES & BENEFITS

Features	Benefits	For Additional Information:
Dilution protocol for wedge assays	Eliminates manual dilution and mathematical errors	TDxFLx [®] System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation
Option to print sample loadlist, at the beginning of a random access run	 Reduces the number of prompts to the operator Saves keystrokes (no need to reply yes/no) Initiates sample processing sooner Customizes TDxFLx[®] set-up configuration 	TDxFLx® System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation
Auto-probe decontamination procedure	 Saves time and labor Reduces "hands-on" maintenance time Reduces exposure to biohazardous materials 	TDxFLx® System Operations Manual Section 5.0 Maintenance
Multiple printout capability: results are configured by sample, test or carousel location	Customized to individual lab preferences More user friendly	TDxFLx® System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation
Recall calibration dates for random access assays	Allows for easier quality control tracking Documents last calibration dates for CLIA and other regulatory requirements	TDxFLx® System Operations Manual Section 3.0 Operation

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REV 2.0/2.1 PANELING

Panel Programming

Panel Programming is used to define a panel and is performed in System 11.

Press 1) SYSTEM 11.X

(X corresponds to the panel number, selecting from 1–9)

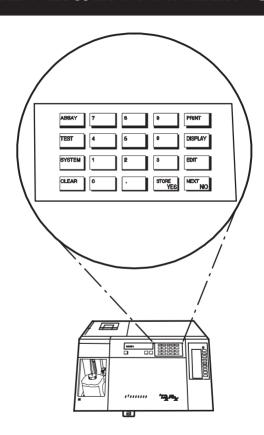
- 2) **EDIT**
- 3) NEXT
- 4) ASSAY # (2-digit number. Example: 04 for Phenytoin to add an assay to the panel)

or

CLEAR (to delete assay)

- 5) STORE
- 6) Repeat steps 3 through 5 until all assays needed have been entered (maximum of 8 assays).
- 7) **STOP**

DO NOT SKIP ANY ASSAY LOCATIONS WITHIN A PANEL



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Panel Printing

Press TEST 6.9 RUN

The system prints a listing of panel locations, assay names, and assay numbers for all panels. The following displays at the completion of the routine:

DONE

Press **STOP** to return to the following display:

READY

Verify printout is correct.



REV 2.0/2.1 PANELING

Initiating Panel Testing

- Pipette sample into only the first position of a panel. Place empty sample cartridges and cuvettes behind the first sample cartridge for each additional test ordered.
- Pipette enough sample to accommodate all tests defined in the panel. Use the following table to determine the minimum sample volume.
- Do not exceed sample volume of 500 μL.

Sample Volumes for Panel Testing

Number of Tests per Panel	Minimum* Sample Volume (μL)
2	140
3	200
4	260
5	320
6	380
7	440
8	500
*Maximum Sample Volume is 500 µL	

Testing Procedure

Place the loaded reagent and sample carousels into the instrument.

Press RUN

After the System has identified the reagents, the following displays:

LOC X ASSAY # __ _

Press * (PANEL) KEY

The following displays:

LOC X PANEL # __ _

Select the desired panel. Enter the appropriate panel number (1–9) to select a programmed panel or enter 0 to select a panel consisting of the assays matching the wedge reagent packs loaded on the reagent carousel.

Press STORE

The following displays:

LOC X ASSAY # __ _

Repeat procedure until all samples on the carousel are entered. When complete:

Press Run

OPERATION

- RANDOM ACCESS
- BATCH

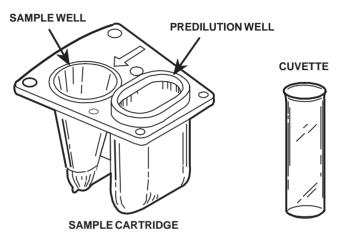
RANDOM ACCESS

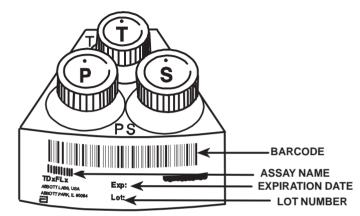
- RANDOM ACCESS CAROUSEL
 & CONSUMABLES
- RANDOM ACCESS RUN CAROUSEL SETUP
- RANDOM ACCESS REAGENT HANDLING

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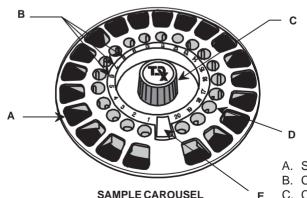
RANDOM ACCESS PROCESSING

RANDOM ACCESS CAROUSEL & CONSUMABLES

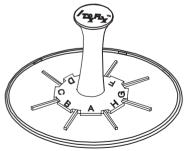




RANDOM ACCESS REAGENT PACK



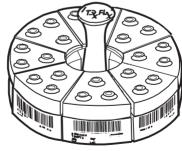
- A. Sample Cartridge Positions
- B. Carousel Position Numbers
- C. Carousel Lock Mechanism
- D. Cuvette Positions
 - E. Carousel ID Position



UNLOADED

CAROUSEL

REAGENT

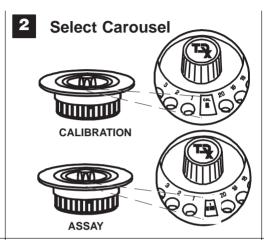


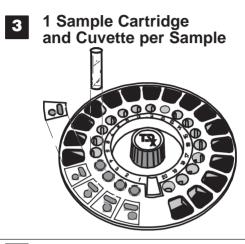
LOADED

RANDOM ACCESS RUN CAROUSEL SETUP

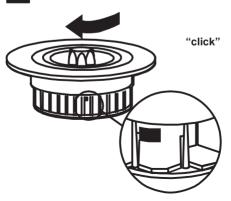
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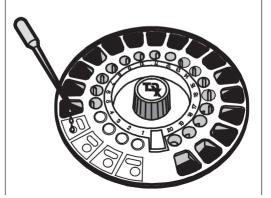




4 Lock Carousel

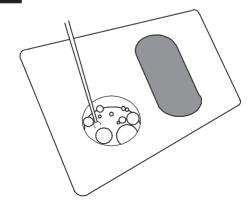


5 Pipette Sample



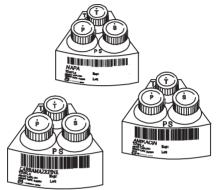
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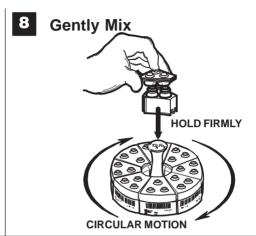
6 Remove Bubbles

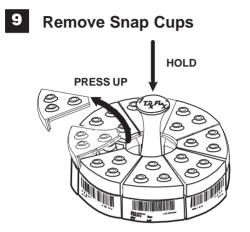


RANDOM ACCESS REAGENT HANDLING

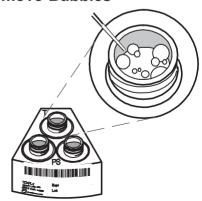
7 Select Wedges



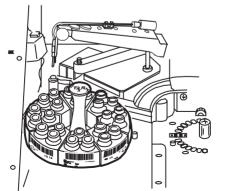




10 Remove Bubbles

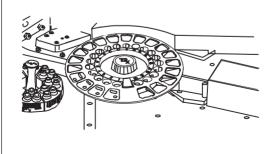


Place Reagent Carousel into TDxFLx® Analyzer

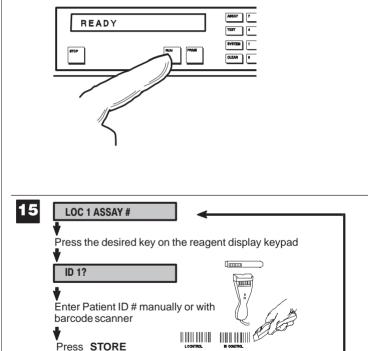


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Place Sample Carousel into TDxFLx® Analyzer



RANDOM ACCESS PROCESSING



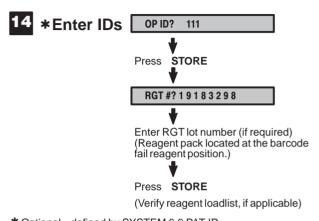
NO

Press RUN

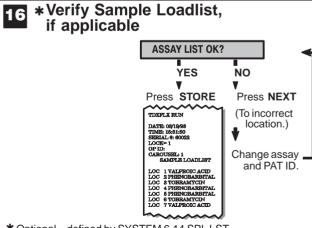
Are all samples entered?

YES

Press RUN



* Optional - defined by SYSTEM 6.6 PAT ID



* Optional – defined by SYSTEM 6.14 SPL LST 3-5

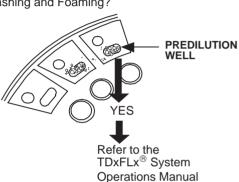
RANDOM ACCESS PROCESSING

Complete the Run

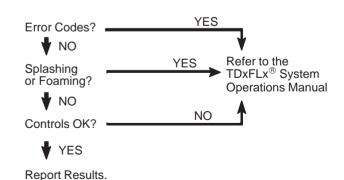


Check Carousel

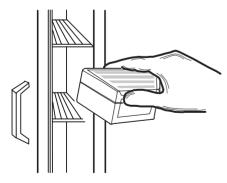
Splashing and Foaming?



Review Results



Store Reagents



Discard sample cartridges/cuvettes.

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BATCH

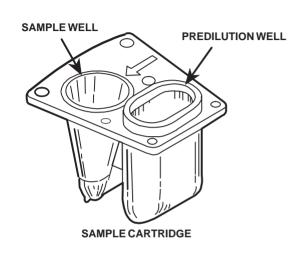
- BATCH CAROUSEL AND CONSUMABLES
- BATCH RUN CAROUSEL SETUP
- BATCH REAGENT HANDLING
- BATCH PROCESSING
- "BATCH" OPERATION USING SINGLE WEDGE
- CALIBRATION
- DIGOXIN II PRETREATMENT PROCEDURE

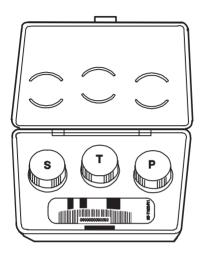
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BATCH CAROUSEL AND CONSUMABLES

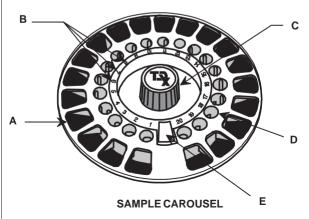
CUVETTE

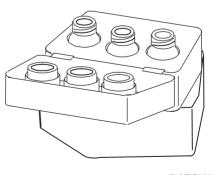
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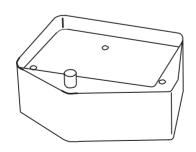




BATCH REAGENT PACK





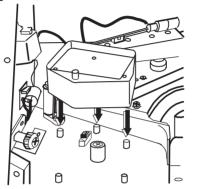


BATCH PACK ADAPTER

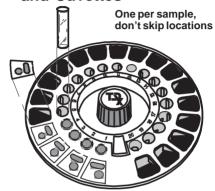
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BATCH RUN CAROUSEL SETUP

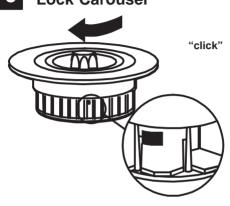
1 Install Batch Pack Adapter



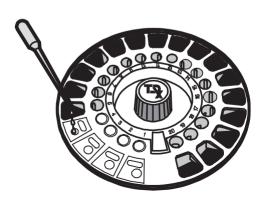
Load Sample Cartridges and Cuvettes



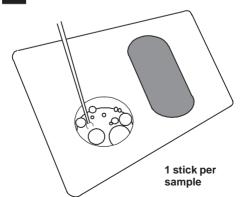
3 Lock Carousel



4 Pipette Sample

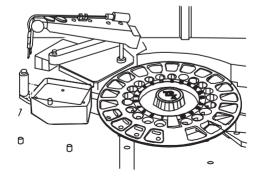


5 Remove Bubbles



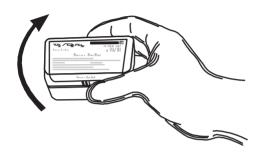
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Place Carousel into TDxFLx® Analyzer

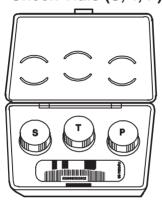


BATCH REAGENT HANDLING

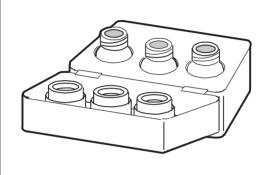
7 Mix Gently 3 Times



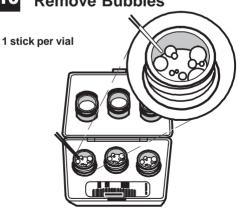
8 Check Vials (S, T, P)



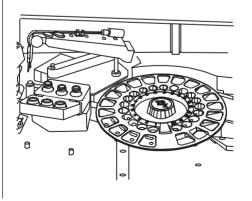
9 Remove Caps



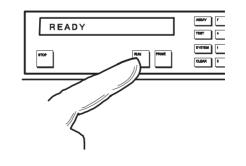
10 Remove Bubbles



Position Reagents



12 Press RUN

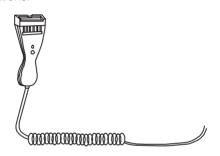


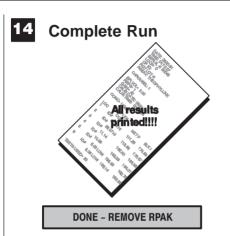
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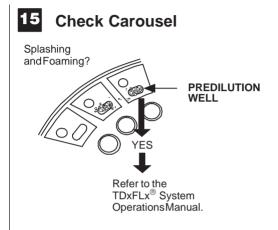
BATCH PROCESSING



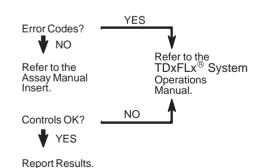
Use the barcode scanner to identify control locations.



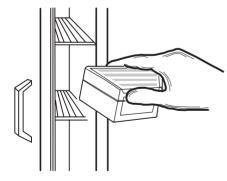










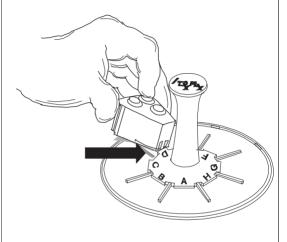


Discard sample cartridges/cuvettes.

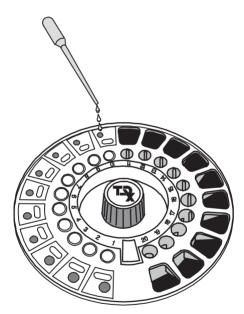
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"BATCH" OPERATION USING SINGLE WEDGE WITH REV 2.0/2.1

Place Reagent Wedge Pack on Carousel

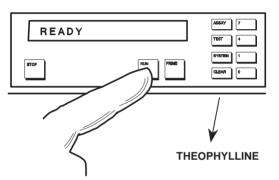


Load 20-Position Sample Carousel



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3 Press RUN



- All samples processed for the same assay
- One keystroke only

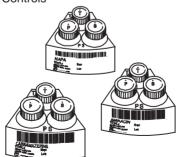
CALIBRATION

Recommendations

- 1. Calibrate one assay at a time
- 2. Calibrators in duplicate
- 3. Single replicates of controls

Materials Needed

- Reagent Carousel or Batch Pack Adapter
- Reagent Pack (Random Access or Batch)
- Calibration Sample Carousel
- Sample Cartridges
- Cuvettes
- Calibrators
- Controls





RANDOM ACCESS

Procedure (Refer to Basic Run)

- Mix reagent and place into instrument.
 (Refer to Random Access or Batch Reagent Handling.)
- 2. Set up sample carousel and place on centerpost.
- 3. Press RUN
- 4. Enter IDs (if desired).

VERIFY LOADLISTS IF APPLICABLE.

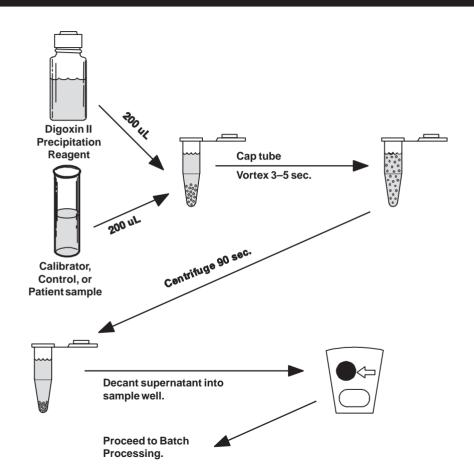
- When the run is complete, check the carousel for splashing and foaming.
- 6. Review results:
 - Control values
 - RMSE
 - PERRs
 (Refer to the Assay Manual Insert for expected ranges.)
- 7. Dispose of the consumables.
- 8. Return the reagents to the recommended storage conditions.

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DIGOXIN II PRETREATMENT PROCEDURE

Materials Needed

- Centrifuge Tubes
- Pipette 0-200 μL
- Sample Cartridges
- X SYSTEMS® Cuvettes
- Digoxin II Reagent Pack
- Precipitation Reagent
- Batch Pack Adapter



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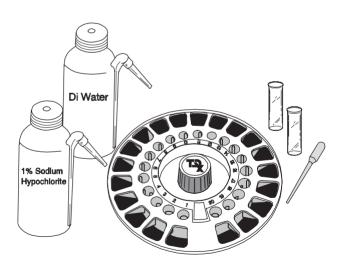
SPECIAL PROCEDURES

- AUTOMATED PROBE DECONTAMINATION
- AUTOMATED PROBE POSITIONING
 & BOOM CALIBRATION
- REAGENT CAROUSEL CALIBRATION
- DILUTION PROTOCOL
- BARCODE OVERRIDE

AUTOMATED PROBE DECONTAMINATION

Materials Needed

- Sample Carousel
- 2 Cuvettes
- 1% Sodium Hypochlorite
- Deionized Water
- Pipet



Procedure

- Insert cuvettes into positions 1 and 2 on the sample carousel.
 Lock the carousel.
- Pipet 3 mL of 1% sodium hypochlorite into position 1.
- Pipet 3 mL of deionized water into position 2.
- Put the sample carousel into the instrument.

Press TEST 6.8 RUN

The following will display:

PROBE DECONTAM
TIME LEFT: XX:XX
15 minute countdown
PROBE DECONTAM
Prime
DONE

Press STOP

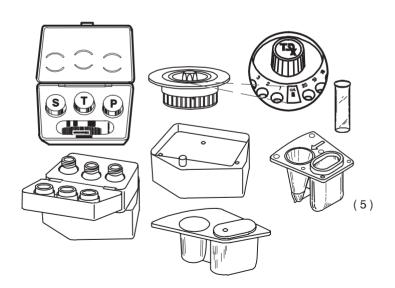
Remove the carousel and discard the cuvettes. The following will display:

NOTE: If the STOP key is pressed anytime during the decontamination process the system will rinse with DI water, prime with buffer and return to the [READY] state.

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Materials Needed

- Batch-pack Adapter
- Calibration Carousel
- Probe-positioning Cartridge
- 3-pot Reagent Pack
- 5 Sample Cartridges
- 1 Cuvette



Procedure

1. Load the calibration carousel as follows:

Position 1 Empty Sample Cartridge and Cuvette
Position 2 Probe-Positioning Cartridge
Position 5 Empty Sample Cartridge
Position 10 Empty Sample Cartridge
Position 15 Empty Sample Cartridge
Position 20 Empty Sample Cartridge

Lock the carousel.

- 2. Install the batch pack adapter.
- 3. Remove the vial caps from the 3-pot reagent pack, and place the reagent pack in the analyzer.
- Place the carousel into the instrument. Leave the access door open.

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STEP	OPERATOR ACTION	SYSTEM RESPONSE
А	Press TEST 3.10 RUN	AUTO BOOM CAL
		 Boom seeks home. Carousel rotates. Barcode reader finds the edge of the carousel label holder. Carousel rotates. Barcode reader locates carousel barcode. Carousel rotates. Boom moves home. Probe stops over "P" vial. ADJUST POSITION
		ADJUST POSITION
В	Adjust the left-to-right positions of the boom arm for all locations. Press "." (right) 0 (left) When the correct position is obtained:	The boom moves left or right, records the position, and moves the boom to the next position.
	Press STORE	
	Repeat left-to-right adjustment for: "T" vial "S" vial Waste/Wash Station Sample Well	Moves to: "T" vial "S" vial Waste/Wash Station Sample Well Probe drops down to the bottom of the sample well.
	Verify that position is correct.	Carousel moves to position 2 probe-positioning cartridge.
	Press STORE	Probe moves to predilution well position.

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STEP	OPERATOR ACTION	SYSTEM RESPONSE	
С	Press 6 (down) repeatedly. DO NOT force the probe into the cartridge opening.	The probe moves down in step increments.	
	IF POSITION CORRECT: Press STORE Proceed to step D.	The program records the Dilution Well System 3.4 parameter. The probe moves to the cuvette position.	
	IF POSITION INCORRECT LEFT-TO-RIGHT: Press "." (right)		
	Return to the beginning of Step C.	The probe moves up to the right or left.	
	IF POSITION INCORRECT FRONT-TO-BACK: Refer to the following procedure.		
	Front-to-Back Probe Positioning		
	 Support the underside of the boom assembly to avoid damaging the probe tip. Loosen the thumbscrews on top of the boom arm 1/8 to 1/4 turn. 		
	Move the probe holder in or out of the boom arm as needed to position the probe in the probe-positioning cartridge opening.		
	 Supporting the underside of the boom arm, hold the probe and tighten the two knurled thumbscrews to secure the probe. 		
	4. Press STOP and repeat the positioning procedure beginning with Step A.		
	THUMBSCREWS		

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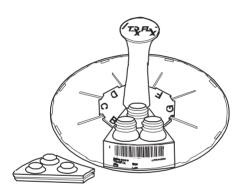
STEP	OPERATOR ACTION	SYSTEM RESPONSE
D	Adjust probe position. Press "." (right) (left)	The carousel records Cuvette Position (Sys 3.5)
	STORE	DISPENSING
		5 aliquots of 50 μL each are dispensed from the dilution well of cartridge 1 to the sample wells of cartridges 1, 5, 10, 15 and 20.
Е		Z-BOOM LEVEL = XXX
		Probe dips into each of the 5 sample wells verifying that each LLS is 172 or 173. If the LLS at each sample well does not equal 172 or 173 after 5 tries, then "BOOM OUT OF SPEC" is reported.
	IF BOOM CAL PASSES: Remove the carousel and discard the waste.	BOOM CAL PASSED
		Report is printed. Stores all previously recorded values.
		READY
	IF POOM ON TAIL O	OR
	IF BOOM CAL FAILS: Refer to the TDxFLx® System Operations Manual, Section 6.0	BOOM OUT OF SPEC
	Printed Error Codes for corrective action.	Report is printed.

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REAGENT CAROUSEL CALIBRATION

Materials Needed

- Reagent Carousel
- Wedge Reagent Pack



Procedure

The Reagent Carousel Calibration procedure stores the correct positions for the movement of the probe and the reagent carousel. The positions are determined for the S vial (SYSTEM 10.4) and the reagent barcode reader (SYSTEM 10.5). Other positions are calibrated from these two.

Press SYSTEM 10 PRINT

- 1. Select a reagent carousel.
- 2. Remove the lids or snap cap from a reagent wedge and place it into position A on the reagent carousel.
- 3. Place the reagent carousel into the instrument and leave the access door open.

NOTE: The Boom Calibration procedure must be performed before Reagent Carousel Calibration.

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REAGENT CAROUSEL CALIBRATION

TASK	OPERATOR ACTION	SYSTEM RESPONSE
4. Begin the carousel calibration.	Press TEST 3.13 RUN	SYS 3 PARAMS OK?
CAROUSEL5. Verify that boom calibration has been performed.	Press STORE NOTE: If Boom Calibration has not been performed, press STOP.	The reagent carousel rotates. The probe is positioned over the S vial.
6. Center the probe over the S vial.	Move the probe: Press 0 (left) or "" (right) Move the carousel: Press 1 (clockwise) or 2 (counterclockwise) When centered: Press STORE	Continues with the barcode adjustment. The reagent carousel rotates. The reagent wedge is positioned in front of the reagent barcode reader.

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REAGENT CAROUSEL CALIBRATION

TASK	OPERATOR ACTION	SYSTEM RESPONSE
7. Position the reagent barcode with the reagent barcode reader. Position the reagent barcode with the reagent barcode reader.	Press "•" (counterclockwise) Repeat until the red light appears on the edge of the wedge. • Adjust the carousel: Press 0 (clockwise) or "•" (counterclockwise) When the red light is reflecting on the edge of the wedge NOT on the barcode label: Press STORE	ADJUST POSITION The carousel moves in steps in front of the barcode reader. RED LIGHTS BARCODE READER
Print the SYSTEM 10 parameters and keep for reference.	Press SYSTEM 10 PRINT	

NOTE: The boom and reagent carousel positions cannot be verified by running another boom calibration. Doing so would recalibrate rather than verify. To check these positions, perform a random access buffer run, TEST 3.14.

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DILUTION PROTOCOL

Dilution protocol is only available for some assays. Refer to the specific assay manual insert for dilution instructions.

	TASK	OPERATOR ACTION	SYSTEM RESPONSE
1.	Print assay parameters.	Press ASSAY XX PRINT	A list of the assay parameters prints.
2.	Edit the sample volume to the desired sample volume.	Press ASSAY XX.1 EDIT #.# (new sample volume) STORE STOP	SPL VOL #
3.	Perform assay.	Setup carousel for the assay run.Press RUN.	Assay name displays.
4.	Return sample volume to the original value.	Press ASSAY XX.1 DISPLAY IF CORRECT: Press STORE IF INCORRECT: Press EDIT #.# (original sample volume) STORE STOP	SPL VOL #

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DILUTION PROTOCOL

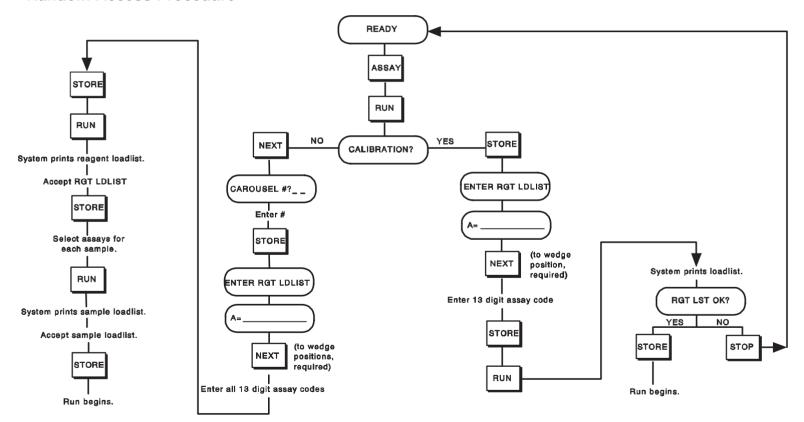
Dilution Notes

- 1. When the run is completed, the polarization and concentration values are multiplied by the dilution ratio and printed.
- 2. If RST SPL (SYSTEM 2.3) has been set to 1, the sample volume will automatically return to the original value at the completion of the Dilution Protocol. (This feature is not available with HDL Cholesterol or CRP.)
- 3. Dilution Protocol cannot be used with the following assays:
 - Amphetamine/Methamphetamine II
 - Cannabinoids
 - Cortisol
 - Cyclosporine and Metabolites Serum
 - Cyclosporine and Metabolites Whole Blood
 - Cyclosporine Monoclonal Whole Blood
 - Digitoxin
 - Digoxin II
 - MEGX (Research Use Only)
 - Methotrexate
 - Methotrexate II
 - Quinidine
 - T-Uptake
 - T-4
 - Total and Free Estriol
 - Tricyclic Antidepressants
 - Unit Dose assays

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BARCODE OVERRIDE

Random Access Procedure



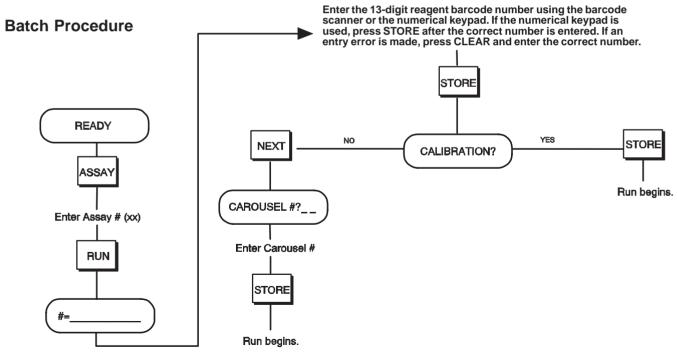
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BARCODE OVERRIDE

Barcode Override is used when the barcode reader fails to read the barcode. There are two reasons that the system may be unable to read either a carousel or reagent pack barcode label:

- The barcode label is dirty or damaged.
- The barcode reader is dirty or damaged.

Until the proper troubleshooting procedures can be performed, the Barcode Override Procedure can be used to continue processing the run.



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MAINTENANCE

DAILY

- Inspect and Wash Probe
- Inspect Valve Block/Syringes
- Clean Waste/Wash Station
- Empty Waste Container

WEEKLY

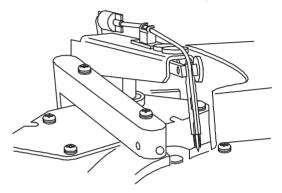
- Photo Check
- Dispense Water Wash
- Air-Fan Filter Cleaning
- Clean Waste Container and Carousels

MONTHLY

- Pipet Check
- Temperature Check
- Diluent Syringe Wash
- Precision Dispenser Calibration

DAILY

Inspect Probe/Electrode Assembly

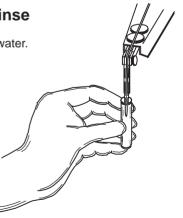


2 Wash Probe



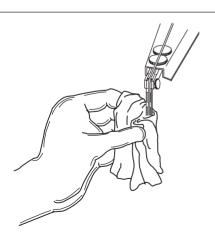
3 Swirl To Rinse

Fill a cuvette with DI water. Do not bump probe.



4 Dry

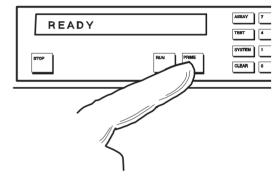
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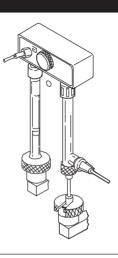
DAILY

5 Prime

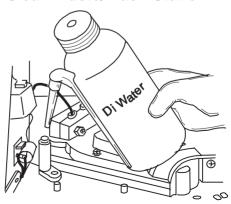
Press **PRIME** key 3 times.



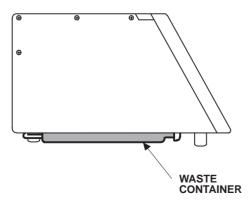
Inspect Valve Block/Syringes



7 Clean Waste/Wash Station



8 Empty Waste Container



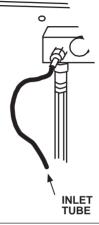
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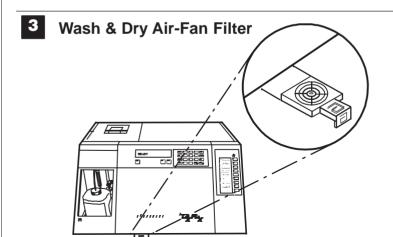
1 Photo Check

- Remove Fluorometric Standards Function Test Set from storage container, lock and place into analyzer.
- · Close door.
- Press RUN or TEST 2.2 RUN.
- Record results.

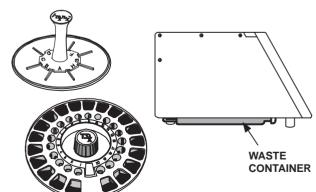


- Place inlet tube into distilled or deionized water reservoir. Prime 5 times.
- Place inlet tube into the buffer container. Prime 5 times.









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MONTHLY

DILUENT

Pipet Check

- Select sample carousel.
- Insert 20 sample cartridges and cuvettes into carousel. Lock cuvettes into place.
- Invert pipe check solution 2-3 times to mix. Pipette minimum of 75 µL pipe check solution into sample wells in sample
- Lock carousel and place into analyzer. Close door.
- Press **TEST 2.3 RUN**. Do not terminate test with **STOP** key or open access door until display returns to READY.
- Record results.

cartridges.

- Place 20 empty cuvettes into carousel. Lock cuvettes into place.
- Place carousel into analyzer. Close door.

Temperature Check

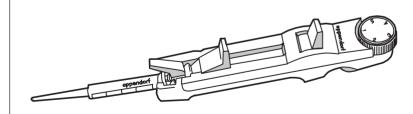
- Press TEST 2.1 RUN.
- Record results

* Diluent Syringe Wash

- Remove the diluent syringe from the analyzer and pull the plunger out of the inside of the syringe barrel.
- Moisten a lint-free tissue with deionized water and wipe the white tip of the plunger.
- Place a finger over the LUER-LOK® end of the syringe and fill the barrel with deionized water to rinse out the interior. Repeat this step several times.
- Assemble the syringe and replace on the analyzer.
- * Refer to TDxFLx® System Operations Manual

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* Check Accuracy of Precision Dispenser



* Refer to TDxFLx® System Operations Manual 5-4