FLIR Scout TKX



USER MANUAL



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Modification of this device without the express authorization of Teledyne FLIR, LLC. may void the user's authority under FCC rules to operate this device.

Note 1: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation.

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- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that of the receiver
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SECTION 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 SCOPE

This manual covers the FLIR Scout TKx Series and all applicable components. It is recommended that this manual be read and understood to optimize camera operation.

1.2 INTRODUCTION

FLIR's Scout TKx Series thermal handheld camera gives the user the ability to see clearly in total darkness, providing a wealth of information during any nighttime activity. The design is rugged enough to withstand the demands of outdoor use. It uses FLIR's proprietary Digital Detail Enhancement[™] image processing and employs a fixed focus lens. It has four external buttons for unit operation and an internal menu to configure options. See Operating the Camera and Using the Menu System sections for more details on buttons and menu options.

Scout TKx SERIES FEATURES:

- Rugged design
- 160 × 120 VOx Lepton® Microbolometer
- 20° horizontal field of view
- 640 × 480 LCD Display
- Palm sized, light weight design (6 oz)
- Snapshot capture and Internal storage for up to 1000 images
- Video recording up to 4 hours of video
- Internal rechargeable Li-lon battery
- USB cable for battery charging and image download

THE SCOUT TKx SERIES CAMERA ALLOWS THE USER TO:

- See wildlife and difficult terrain in reduced visibility conditions or total darkness
- See through smoke, dust, and light fog
- Search for missing pets
- Scan sidewalks, parking lots, and other public areas in the dark

DETECTION I see something.



RECOGNITION It's a four-legged animal





I can tell it is a dog.



1.3 REGISTER YOUR SCOUT TKx

You can register your camera online at: https://customer.flir.com/ProductRegistration

1.4 CAUTIONS

- To assure proper charging, the camera should be turned off throughout the charging cycle
- Only charge the camera's battery when the temperature is from 0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F), otherwise battery damage could occur
- Do not disassemble the camera enclosure. Disassembly can cause permanent damage. The battery is not user replaceable
- Do not point the camera at high-intensity radiation sources such as the sun, lasers, or arc welders
- Do not leave fingerprints on the camera's infrared optics. Clean only with low pressure fresh water and a lens cloth

SECTION 2. GETTING STARTED

2.1 UNPACKING AND INSPECTING

The FLIR Scout TKx Series camera is available with the features, options, and accessories described in this manual. Refer to the packing list enclosed with your camera to determine the actual contents of your camera package.

In addition to the camera the following items are included in the camera package:

- FCC Declaration of Conformity
- CE Declaration of Conformity

2.2 CHARGING THE CAMERA

The camera's battery should be fully charged prior to use. Note: The battery is not user replaceable.

TO CHARGE THE CAMERA'S BATTERY:

- 1. Lift the cover from the USB port.
- 2. Plug the cable provided with the FLIR Scout TKx into the camera's USB port.
- 3. Plug the opposite end of the cable into a USB power source.

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The indicator LED flashes while charging. The color of the Indicator LED is determined by the level of charge.

FLASHING LED COLOR	LEVEL OF CHARGE
Red	<10%
Amber	10-20%
Green (Long Flash)	>20%
Green (Short Flash)	100%

During normal operation, the color of the indicator LED shows the battery's level of charge.

LED COLOR	LEVEL OF CHARGE		
Red	<10%		
Amber	10-20%		
Green	>20%		





USB Cable



SECTION 3. OPERATING THE CAMERA

3.1 CAMERA BUTTONS

3.1.1 DIOPTER ADJUSTMENT

the viewfinder.

This section details the use of the camera's buttons.



3.1.3 DISPLAY BRIGHTNESS BUTTON

Press the Display Brightness Button to open the display brightness selection screen. The display brightness can only be adjusted while the display brightness selection screen is displayed. There are eight brightness levels which can be selected. The graph on the left-hand side of the display brightness selection screen shows the current brightness.



Display brightness selection screen



While looking through the eyepiece, adjust the position of the diopter lever to optimize the sharpness of the image in

3.1.2 POWER BUTTON

The Power Button performs the following functions:

	CAMERA STATE	SHORT PRESS	LONG PRESS
(O)	Camera OFF	Turns Power ON	N/A
	Camera ON	Access User Menu	Turns Power OFF

While in the display brightness selection screen the buttons have the following functionality:

BUTTON	SHORT PRESS	LONG PRESS	
	Accesses User Menu	Turns Power OFF	
	Increases the display brightness by one increment	Quickly increases the display brightness	
	Exits the brightness selection screen	N/A	
	Decreases the display brightness by one increment	Quickly decreases the display brightness	

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3.1.4 COLOR PALETTE BUTTON

The color palette button is used to select the color palette that is applied to the image.

Press the color palette button to open the color palette selection screen. Color palettes can only be changed while the color palette selection screen is active. The graph on the left side of the color palette selection screen displays the name and color gradients of the current palette.

Note: The color palette selection screen automatically exits after three seconds of inactivity.



Color palette selection screen

THE SCOUT TKx HAS 9 USER SELECTABLE COLOR PALETTES.

BLACK HOT

Hot objects appear black. Scenes appear more lifelike than White-Hot, especially at night.



InstAlert[™]

The hottest things in the image are colored while everything else is greyscale.



WHITE HOT

Most commonly used palette. Hot objects appear white. Good for scenes with either high or low contrast.



GRADED FIRE 1

The hottest things in the image are colored with a gradient of color, and everything else is greyscale.



GRADED FIRE 2

Similar to Graded Fire 1 but has more grey levels colorized at the top.





IRON

Iron simulates the glow of things that are heated to visible incandescence, like an iron in the fire.





LAVA

Lava simulates the glow of hot lava against a cold surface. The colors are in strong color contrast.





RAIN

Well-suited for low contrast scenes.



COLOR WHEEL

Similar to rain but has even more contrast since the base colors are opposites in the color wheel.



While in the color palette selection menu the buttons have the following functionality:

BUTTON	SHORT PRESS	LONG PRESS	
	Accesses User Menu	Turns Power OFF	
	Moves up through the color palette options by one increment	Quickly moves up through the color palette options	
	Exits the color palette menu	N/A	
	Moves down through the color palette op- tions by one increment	Quickly moves down through the color palette options	

3.1.5 SNAPSHOT BUTTON

The snapshot button is used to capture images and to record video. Up to 1000 pictures and up to 4 hours of recorded video can be stored in the camera's internal memory at one time

The Gallery (accessible via the user menu) can be used to view captured images and recordings. Note: Recordings cannot be played back in the photo gallery, the first frame is displayed in the gallery. See User Menu section for details.

3.1.5.1 TAKING A PICTURE

Perform a short press of the snapshot button to capture a single image. The camera icon will be displayed briefly.

If the snapshot button is pressed before the previous image has been saved, the new snapshot image is buffered. The snapshot buffer can hold up to six images at a time. When the snapshot buffer is full, a "Please wait..." warning is displayed.



Snapshot Buffer Full Message

The FLIR Scout TKx has internal storage for up to 1000 images. When the image storage space is exhausted, a "Gallery full" warning is displayed.

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	Gallery full.	
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Image Storage Full Message

3.1.4.2 RECORDING VIDEO

To record a video, press and hold the snapshot button. A movie camera icon and elapsed time counter will be shown while a video is recording.

To end recording and save the video to the camera's internal storage, press the snapshot button.





Recording icon with elapsed time counter

The FLIR Scout TKx has internal storage for up to four hours of video. When the video storage space is exhausted, a "Video media full" warning is displayed.

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	Video media full.	
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Recording Capacity Exceeded

3.2 BATTERY METER

The following image explains the battery meter when operating on battery or external power.



SECTION 4. USER MENU

4.1 USER MENU

To access the user menu, press the power button while the camera is operational. The user menu screen will be displayed.

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User Menu

The following items are available in the user menu:

- Battery: Turns the battery meter on/off in the display.
- Date/Time: Turns the date/time on/off in the display.
- 24 Hour: Changes the time display between 12 hour (AM/PM) and 24-hour mode.
- Buttons: Enables/disables on-screen button display for navigation.
- User-selectable auto power off. The options are 5 min (default), 10 min, 20 min, or never.
- Set Clock: Used to set the date and time.
- About: Displays the camera's software version and serial number.
- Gallery: Accesses the camera's snapshot and video browser.

While in the user menu the buttons have the following functionality:

BUTTON	SHORT PRESS	LONG PRESS	
()	Exits the user menu	Turns Power OFF	
	Moves up through the menu by one increment	Quickly moves up through the menu	
	Selects Current Item	N/A	
Moves down through the menu by one increment		Quickly moves down through the menu	

4.1.1 BATTERY INDICATOR

This selection is used to toggle the battery indicator on/off in the display.

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EXIT	BATTERY	ON		
	DATE/TIME	OFF		
	24-HOUR	OFF		
	BUTTONS	ON		
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Battery Indicator icon on/off

4.1.2 DATE/TIME

This selection is used to toggle the date and time on/off in the display.

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EXIT	BATTERY	ON	
	DATE/TIME	ON	-
	24-HOUR	OFF	
	BUTTONS	ON	
SEL	AUTO-OFF	5 Min.	
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Date & Time Stamp On/Off

4.1.3 TWENTY-FOUR HOUR

When the date/time stamp is enabled in the display, this option toggles the time display between 12 hour (AM/PM) and 24-hour mode.



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24-Hour Clock Enabled

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4.1.4 BUTTONS

The user can enable/disable the reference button actions from the display. The button functions shown on the screen match the actions generated by pressing the camera's buttons.



On-Screen button functionality

4.1.5 AUTO POWER OFF (APO)

The user can set the amount of time that the camera can be active without any user interaction prior to shutting off. The options are 5 minutes (Default), 10 minutes, 20 minutes, and never.



Set length of time for auto shutoff

4.1.6 SET THE CLOCK

Pressing the snapshot button with the Clock option highlighted will bring up the set clock dialogue box.



4.1.6 SET THE CLOCK continued

The button actions listed below can be used to set the date and time:

BUTTON	SHORT PRESS	LONG PRESS
	Exits the set clock dialog box	Turns Power OFF
	Increases the value of the highlighted item by one increment	Quickly increases the value of the highlighted item
	Moves to the next item	N/A
	Decreases the value of the highlighted item by one increment	Quickly decreases the value of the highlighted item

4.1.7 ABOUT

Pressing the snapshot button with the About option highlighted will bring up the About dialogue box. This displays the software loaded into the camera as well as the serial numbers of the camera and sensor. Press any button to exit.



Access information about your specific camera

The only software that can be updated by the end user is the "Camera" software. See Software Update section for details. The about dialogue box provides the following information.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Camera: VX.XX.X	Current version of camera's software
Sensor: VX.X.XX	Current version of Lepton core software
Battery: VX.XX.X	Current version of battery management software
Loader: VX.XX.X	Current version of system bootloader
Camera SN: XXXXXX	Scout TKx's serial number
Sensor SN: XXXXXX	Lepton core's serial number
SOC: MA21XX	Processor Type

4.1.8 GALLERY

Pressing the snapshot button with the Gallery option highlighted will launch the snapshot and video gallery.



Select Gallery in user menu to view snapshots

4.1.9 DELETE IMAGE/VIDEO INDIVIDUALLY

The button operation while in the individual image/video delete dialog box is as follows:

BUTTON	SHORT PRESS	
٢	Exits the Gallery	
	Cancels the deletion	Delete?
	Deletes Selected File	₩ 54 OF 228
	Cancels the deletion	PIC_0120.JPG 22-APR-2016 9:49 PM

Deleting Images one at a time

4.1.10 DELETE ALL IMAGES/VIDEOS

The button operation while in the delete all images/video dialog box is as follows:

BUTTON	SHORT PRESS	
	Exits the Gallery	
	Cancels the deletion	
	Brings up a question box delete all?	54 OF 227
	Cancels the deletion	PIC_8121.JPG 22-APR-2016 9:49 PM

Deleting All Images and Videos

If you confirm the deletion a final confirmation dialog box will be shown. The button operation in the final delete all images/video dialog box is as follows:

BUTTON	SHORT PRESS	
	Exits the Gallery	
	Cancels the deletion	All data will be lost. Continue?
	Deletes all images and videos	54 OF 227
	Cancels the deletion	PIC_0121.JPG 22-APR-2016 9:49 PI

Confirmation for deleting ALL images and videos

The Gallery provides a convenient way to review the images and video recording files that have been saved to the camera's internal storage.



Images appear to the left as thumbnails

The button operation while in the Gallery is as follows:

BUTTON	SHORT PRESS	LONG PRESS
٢	Exits the Gallery	Turns Power OFF
	Scrolls up through images by one increment	Quickly scrolls up through images in the Gallery
	Brings up a dialog box to delete the current image/video	Brings up a dialog box to delete all of the camera's images/videos
	Scrolls down through images by one increment	Quickly scrolls down through images in the Gallery



CONFIRM DELETE OF ALL IMAGES/VIDEOS

SECTION 5. MAINTENANCE

5.1 SOFTWARE UPDATE

When available, software updates for your FLIR Scout TKxx can be found at https://flir.custhelp.com/app/account/ fl_downloads.

5.1.1 Software Update Procedure

To update your camera's software:

- 1) Click on Software and Firmware at https://flir.custhelp.com/app/ account/fl_downloads
- 2) Use the product category dropdown to locate Scout TKxx and download the software update.
- 3) Fully charge* the FLIR Scout TKx
 - *The software update procedure cannot be performed while the battery is low. If the battery is too low to complete the software update, the charge battery message will be displayed.



Warning dialogue box for low battery during update

- 4) Turn on your FLIR Scout TKx
- 5) Connect your FLIR Scout TKx to your computer using the USB cable provided
- 6) Locate and open the drive named "FLIR" on your computer
- 7) Copy the latest software files to the folder labeled "UPDATE" on the drive named "FLIR". After the file has finished copying, press the Power Button twice and remove the USB cable from the computer
 - Note: The USB cable must be removed within three seconds of the first button press.

8) During the software update the messages below are displayed through the eyepiece:



First Update status reading in Scout TKx eyepiece



Loading bar progression in Scout TKx eyepiece



Loading bar progression in Scout TKx eyepiece

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Loading bar progression in Scout TKx eyepiece

9) It will take approximately 5 minutes for the software to load. The camera will restart when the process is complete



Notification screen of a successful load and pending restart to finish software update

5.2 BATTERY SERVICE AND REPLACEMENT

If the battery will not hold a charge and requires replacement, please contact FLIR Systems for details on returning the unit for service. For instructions on charging the battery refer to Section 2.3 Charging the Camera.

5.3 CLEANING THE Scout TKx

Wipe the housing with a damp cloth as needed. Use a highquality lens wipe to remove dirt or smudges from the lens and display window. Do not use abrasives or solvents to clean the housing, lens, or display window.

5.4 OVER TEMPERATURE PROTECTION

The camera has built in over temperature protection to prevent damage to the electronics. When an over temperature condition is detected, the image below is displayed for ten seconds before the Scout TKx shuts down. After a thermal shutdown, the Scout TKx will not turn on until the camera's interior has returned to a safe operating temperature.



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6.1 CURRENT SPECIFICATIONS CHART

The table below contains the latest product specifications for the FLIR Scout TKx; however, with all of our products as they evolve and are further developed these specifications are subject to change without notice.

Scout TKx PRODUCT FEATURE	PARAMETERS
Start up	<10 seconds
Detector Type	160 × 120 VOx Lepton [®] Microbolometer
Thermal Sensitivity, Waveband	7.5–13.5 μm
Field of View (H \times V)	$20^{\circ} \times 16^{\circ}$
Image Processing	FLIR Proprietary Digital Detail Enhancement™
Media Storage	1000 images and 4 hours of video
USER INTERFACE	
Display	640 × 480 pixel LCD
Refresh Rate	<9 Hz
Color Palettes	User Selectable: WhiteHot/BlackHot/InstAlert™/ Graded Fire/Iron/Lava/Rain/Color Wheel
POWER	
Battery Type	Internal Li-Ion Cell
Battery Life (Operating @ 20°C)	Up to 7 hours
USB Port	Micro-USB
ENVIRONMENTAL	
Ingress Protection Rating	IP-67, Submersible
Operating Temperature	-20°C to 40°C (-4°F to 104°F)
Storage Temperature	-40°C to 60°C (-40°F to 140°F)
Drop	1.2 m (3.93 ft)
PHYSICAL	
Weight	184 g (6.5 oz)
Size	$14.9 \times 5.5 \times 5.5$ cm (5.9 $\times 2.2 \times 2.2$ in)
Country Of Origin	USA

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