

How robust is XR20-W?

Overview

XR20-W has been tested to ensure that the product remains operational after factors it would experience through transportation, set up and use. In addition the design has completed lifetime testing on mechanical components that may experience wear.



Transportation

Renishaw is confident that the product will function and remain in calibration after the stresses that it might encounter in air and ground transportation.

To make sure that it is able to be transported by air, XR20-W has been tested in extreme storage temperatures, pressures and humidity, all of which may be experienced in an aircraft hold. Units can be stored between -20°C and 60°C.

To ensure XR20-W withstands freight handling or road transportation it has been tested for vibration and shock whilst in its carry case. These tests require full accuracy to be maintained by the unit, and no structural damage to the exterior of the carry case. If damage has occurred to the internal foam then this must be replaced to ensure product safety in the future.

Setup and use

The XR20-W unit has been through a variety of tests to make sure that it performs during set up and use:

Tests in extreme operational temperatures, pressures and humidity have checked that XR20-W functions within specification in the working environments stated below:

- Operating temperature: 0°C to 40°C
- Altitude: up to 2000m
- Humidity: up to 95%
- To protect against battery damage the XR20-W rotary axis calibrator will not power up when operated below 0°C and above 40°C.

The XR20-W unit has been impact and vibration tested. The unit should remain calibrated after short drops up to 125mm, impacts during setup and vibrations typical to a machine environment. Beyond this, the XR20-W may remain functional but its accuracy is not guaranteed. Under these circumstances the unit will need to be returned to Renishaw for recalibration.

The product has been tested against coolant splashes and drips to check that it can operate in a manufacturing environment. The unit remains safe after all splash tests. Continued submersion will result in fluid ingress into the unit. It will then need to be returned for repair and recalibration. Please note that any substance on the optics can cause a loss of signal strength, making calibration more difficult.

The following recommendations are made for cleaning the optics:

Clean the optics only when necessary. The emphasis should be on handling and storing the optical components so that they don't become dirty or smeared, rather than frequent cleaning.

- · Do not touch the optical surfaces
- Do not use in contaminated atmospheres
- · Store securely when not in use

To clean the lens:

- Wipe only with non-abrasive lens tissue or cloth, for example spectacle cleaning cloths.
- Use cleaning fluid suitable for spectacles or similar (do not use acetone).
- Clean the optics using a gentle wiping action. Never use a scrubbing action.



Lifetime testing

XR20-W has an expected lifetime of 6 years of standard working use (9000h). To ensure that it meets this lifespan, XR20-W has been tested for deterioration during use as well as all of the tests detailed previously. Deterioration testing has taken place on all user interfaces that experience wear by completing the estimated number of cycles that it would experience during 9000h use.

Calibration is recommended by Renishaw every 3 years over the life of the product, based on typical use of the equipment in a typical environment and the need for performance remaining within published specifications. However, there are several factors that may generate the need for more or less frequent calibrations including:

- · Environmental conditions
- · Frequency and duration of use
- · Harsh treatment of the equipment during storage, transportation or use
- · Level of accuracy required by the user
- · The requirements of company QA procedures and/or national/local regulations

Ultimately it is for you to determine the appropriate calibration period after taking into account your own operational environment and performance requirements.



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