



THUNDERBIRD

Instruction Manual

T40



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Whats In this box

T40 Indicator + 2000KG Load bars (pair) Mouting Bracket 240V Charging adapter

Specifications

Operating Tempreture - -20°C to +70°C Battery charge temperature - -0°C to +50°C Environmental Protection Rating – IPX4 Weight - Indicator: 0.9kg / System weight: 20.1kg Estimated battery operating time – 30 Hours To ensure optimum performance, it is recommended that the internal battery is charged for a minimum of 10 hours before first time use.

- 1. Connect the power adapter at the base of the unit and plug the T40into a power outlet. The charging icon will display on the screen.
- 2. When the charge shows 100%, the T40is ready to use with or without the power adapter.

Important Information

- Charging of the T40 should be in a cool (+10°C to +30°C) place.
- If the T40 is to be stored for an extended period, this should be in a cool dry place (– 20°C to 25°C, humidity 45% to 85%) with a fully charged battery. The T40 should be charged until full every 6 months.
- Always charge the battery indoors.

Note

- When the T40 is in use, the battery icon will display and show remaining charge.
- When using the scale and the charge level falls below 5% the battery icon will flash. You will have about 60 minutes to complete the weighing session before the T40 must be charged.
- Charging outside the recommended temperature range will reduce charging performance. When charging above 40°C, the charging time is increased.
- If charging temperatures have been exceeded, charging will stop until the unit cools down. The charge indication will stop in this condition.
- If a battery error occurs the battery indicator will flash all the segments. Return the Weigh Scale to a Thunderbird Authorised Service Centre for battery replacement.



When the battery level drops to 0%, three beeps will sound and shut down.

Understanding your indicator



Set the weight unit.

Turn on the T40 indicator. To change the weight unit, press and hold down the MODE button for 3 seconds. A beep will sound when the weight unit changes between kgs and lbs.

Selecting the weighing mode

Press the **Mode** button to select a weighing mode.

Weighing Modes		
AUTO (Automatic)	In Automatic mode the T40 will automatically start weighing the animal. When the scale has determined an accurate weight, it will lock on to the measurement and display it on the screen. This mode is recommended for yards that are well set up and allow the animals to flow smoothly. The T40 defaults to AUTO mode when switched on.	
MANUAL	Manual mode allows the operator to decide when the measurement is made by pressing the Weigh button to lock the weight. Manual mode is recommended for yards that do not allow the animals to flow smoothly or where the animals are disruptive. The operator has greater control over the weighing session. Press the Mode button once to enable Manual mode.	
FINE	Fine mode is recommended for weighing small static loads such as fleeces or produce. In Fine mode, the Weigh Scale uses finer weight increments and zero tracking is automatically switched off. In Fine mode, the weight is displayed when placed on the platform and displays zero when the load is removed. Press the Mode button twice until FINE briefly appears on the screen, then 0.0kg/lb displays.	

Installing the T40 Indicator

The T40is supplied with a mounting bracket kit, for mounting on steel or wood. Mounting kit contains:

- Moulded bracket
- 2 x U-bolts
- 4 x Tech screws 65mm
- 4 x M10 nuts
- 4 x M10 Bolts 20mm for load bar





Installing on a steel surface

To mount the bracket on either a vertical or horizontal pipe, use the U-bolts, bolts and nuts supplied.

- 1. Select a location that provides a solid, level and well drained surface.
- 2. Ensure the load bars and platform are well secured and clear of any obstructions.
- 3. Ensure the platform does not rock or move and fill with spacers if required.
- 4. Either bolt the load bars to the concreate pad or locate them on studs set into the concrete.It is important that the load bars and platform sit flat without any rocking or twisting.
- 5. Connect the load bar cables to the T40indicator.

A beep will sound indicating a successful connection of the load bars.

WARNING – DO NOT WELD THE LOADBARS OR ANY STRUCTURE THAT THEY ARE ATTACHED TO. Load bars contain sensitive electronic devices which will be damaged by welding.

Damaged caused from welding, will not be warranted.

Weighing

There are 2 ways to use the T40 scale. It can be used on its own, or in conjunction with the Thunderbird Data Management mobile application. Use the application if you wish to record your session when weighing animals.

Before Weighing

- 1. Check the load bars are connected to the T40 Indicator
- 2. Turn on the T40 Indicator using the Power Button.
- 3. Check the weight displayed is ZERO. If not, press the TARE button.

- The Thunderbird Data Management app is used to record live sessions and control the T40 indicator
- Use your mobile device to control your weighing sessions.
- After weighing your animals, you have the capability to sync your data and transfer the session direct to NLIS or send information to a CSV file. Where you can manage transfers, as well as monitoring your animals' weights and weight gains
- Download the app from Google Play or App Store.



Open the app and follow the prompts to sign up and create an account.

Start a weighing session -

Thunderbird Data Management Application



Note

If you have previously connected to the T40with your mobile device and come within range of the T-40, it will automatically connect.

Understanding the weighing screen



Starting a weighing session on the T40

If you are weighing animals without the Thunderbird Data Management app, once the scale is turned on and weight displayed in zero, you can start weighing your animals. Refer to **weighing animals** below.

NOTE – If you are using the scale only, animal weights are not recorded.

Weighing animals

- 1. Load the first animal onto the platform. Ensure the animal is entirely supported by the platform no hooves on the ground or resting against other objects.
- 2.

In AUTO mode	 the T40 will automatically start weighing. When the weight becomes stable it will lock and remain on screen until the next animal enters. For App users: type in a VID number (if you want to record this. Tap the Actions button > Add VID.
In Manual mode	 press the Weigh button to start weighing. When the weight becomes stable it will lock and remain on screen until the animal leaves the platform. For App users: type in a VID number, tap Actions. button > Add VID.

- When the weight locks, there will be a beep from the scale to indicate the weight has been recorded / read.
- In either weigh mode, you can re-weight an animal by pressing the **weigh** button to secure the new weight.

Weighing small static loads

Press the mode button until **FINE** appears on the screen. **FINE** is displayed for 2 seconds and then the 0.0kgs displays.

- 1. Place the load onto the platform.
- 2. The weight displays on the scale and / or the app if using.
- 3. The app does **NOT** record the weight. You will need to write this down if desired.
- 4. Remove weight from scale.

When the weighing session is complete, the recorded session on the mobile app will need to be concluded by 'finishing' the session. This data is stored on the mobile data base.

Sending data to NLIS

- **1.** Go to the **sessions** screen on the app.
- 2. Select the session you would like to transfer to the NLIS data base by selecting the tick box.



Zero Tracking

During a weigh session, small amounts of debits such as mud can accumulate on the weighing platform. After each animal leaves the platform, the scale compensates for the small number of debris left, by automatically zeroing the weight.

Care and Maintenance

The T40 system is robust and designed for typical livestock environments, Propper care and maintenance can extend its life.

Below recommendations to keep the T40 in good condition:

- Do not expose the T40 to excessive temperatures or fire. (Below -20°C or above +70°C).
- Do not submerge the T40 in any liquid.
- Store in a cool, dry place. Avoid storing in direct sunlight.
- After use, clean with a damp cloth. Take care not to scratch the display.
- If storing the T40 for a long time, store with the battery fully charged.
- If battery fluid comes in contact with -

Eyes - flush the affected area with water for at least 15 minutes. Ensure adequate flushing by separating the eyelids with fingers. Call a physician.

Skin - immediately flush with water and/or soap.

 This Weigh Scale contains a Lithium battery which is not user replaceable. The lithium battery must be replaced by a trained professional using a Thunderbird approved battery. Return the unit to a Thunderbird Authorized Service Centre for battery replacement.

Thunderbird warrant all scale indicators and load cells against defective workmanship and faulty materials for 2 years from the date of purchase. We undertake, at our option, to replace or repair free of charge each product, or part thereof, on condition that it is returned to our factory, freight prepaid, and found on examination to be suffering from material or constructional defect. We cannot be held responsible for any repair other. than those carried out by us or our authorized agent. A photocopy of your proof of purchase and a request for warranty must also be returned with the item. This warranty is void if the product is subject to improper use or handling, incorrect power input voltage, load cells found to have electrical damage caused by welding, damage through contact with chemicals, flooding, fire, explosion, excessive heat, lightning strikes, insect damage, moisture damage or damage to external wiring. Any warranty on load cells will become void if they are found to have been subject to excessive weight, or failure caused by corrosion due to excessive buildup of manure and moisture.

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