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Terraillon Thermometer

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Until recently apart from trips to hospitals the only thermometers that I have used were the glass ones with mercury in them that went under the tongue. Then last year in a roundup of medical devices one that went in the ear so much quicker, but still not perfect, here something that takes only a second to use and will work even with a wriggling child.

It is 13.5cm from base to head, widest at the head end where it is 4.5cm wide and 3.5cm thick. It is creamy white in colour and with a grey area on the front around the 2.6x2cm display.

It arrived on the hottest day of the year and like most people when I opened the box I just went ahead and pressed the on button on the unit the display immediately said 35.4 which I thought was strange so I put it close to my forehead and it then beeped and said 36.3 at that point my brain cell kicked in and I realised the first figure you get is the temperature where you are and only the figure after the beep is your body temperature.

So before RTFM I had established that the unit came with batteries and after removing the slide off portion of the back I knew they were two 'AAA' batteries.

There are two buttons on the front the top one turns the unit on and gives the area temperature put it near to your forehead and press it again and you hear a beep look at the display and it is backlit (for seven seconds) with your body temperature, after the backlight goes out the reading shows without backlight for another thirty seconds before turning off.

The lower button the memory will show the last nine readings.

Now to RTFM it is in seven languages with eight pages in English.

There are two areas on the working end of the unit, the lower one – circular – infra red, the rectangular one above the sensor.

There is a descriptive display to show what and when the display shows all are very logical.

By default the display will be in Celsius but a five second press of the memory button will change this to Fahrenheit for those who prefer it.

Once you have a reading the area around the 'on' button shows either red or green and you can set this according to preference so even with limited vision it can be clear if there is a fever or not.

The old mercury thermometers were very hard to read – even for those with 20-20 vision – and the 'in ear' ones need to be placed accurately so this sort is not only more convenient in my tests they give an accurate result very quickly.

If you are trying to get a reading on a baby or young child they do not even need to be woken to get the reading. If you trying to get one on yourself it is quick and easy and it can be done while on the phone to a medical professional.

This is a nice easy to use unit with a clear easy to read display.

The Terrailon Thermo Distance device is available from the first link below for 36 Euros.

https://www.amazon.fr/dp/B06X9DPKHY/ref=sr_1_1?s=hpc&ie=UTF8&qid=1499167314&sr=1-1&keywords=thermo+distance+terraillon

<http://terraillon.com/fr/ma-sante/thermo-distance>

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