MSHA Course of Instruction
Certified Person; Sampling - CPDM
Dust Rule Outline

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Dates of Implementation

- Effective February 1, 2016
  - DOs, ODOs and Part 90 Miners must be sampled quarterly with a Continuous Personal Dust Monitor (CPDM)
    - 15 valid representative samples collected on consecutive normal production shifts required from each DO and ODO every calendar quarter. ODOs shall be sampled after DOs are completed and, if more than one type of ODO is present on the MMU, each is sampled during separate time periods
  - 5 valid representative samples on consecutive work days from each part 90 miner required each calendar quarter
  - The District Manager may require additional groups of 15 valid representative samples when information indicates the operator has not followed the approved ventilation plan for an MMU

- Effective August 1, 2016
  - Respirable coal mine dust standard for underground and surface - 1.5 mg/m³
  - For a Part 90 Miner and Intake Air - 0.5 mg/m³
General Sampling

- Sampling is full shift, portal-to-portal
- When sampling shifts longer than 12 hours, the CPDM must be switched out before the start of the 13th hour
- Miners expected to wear CPDM must be trained on CPDM prior to wearing it and retrained every 12 months
  - The importance of monitoring dust concentrations and properly wearing the CPDM
  - Clip-on sample inlet assembly should be attached to the miner’s lapel or pocket
  - Inlet is not to be obstructed by clothing
  - How to display information screens and what the information is
  - How to start and stop second sampling runs
- Operator must keep record of the training for 24 months after completion of the training
  - Includes: date of training, name of miner, and subject trained
Duties – Certified Person; Sampling

- Program the CPDM for compliance sampling
- Ensure the miner(s) being sampled are properly wearing the CPDM at all times
- Monitor concentrations and status conditions at mid-shift or more frequently
  - Assure sampling device is in correct location
  - Assure CPDM is operating properly
  - Assure work environment remains in compliance with applicable standard
- Transmit compliance samples to MSHA electronically within 24 hours of the end of each sampling shift
  - Also note any samples that were not taken on a normal work shift


Duties – Certified Person; Sampling

(Continued)

- Shall provide each part 90 miner a paper record of the sample run within an hour after the start of the miner’s next work shift (90.210(c))

- Must check CPDM within 3 hours before the sampling shift to assure operational readiness (70.205)
  - If not in proper working order, arrange for or conduct appropriate procedures to put CPDM into working condition
  - *In the event that a unit were to fail the preoperational check during the pre-shift warm-up period, the operator would either use another CPDM for sampling, or notify the District Manager orally and in writing that sampling will not occur because a CPDM is not available

- Checks Includes:
  - Required cleaning
  - Installation of a new filter

* Responsibility of the operator which the certified person; sampling or maintenance and calibration can complete
Duties – Certified Person; Sampling - CPDM

(Continued)

- Except for Part 90 Miners, within 12 hours of the end of a sampling shift post the dust data card with the mine ID number, shift length, location sampled, equivalent concentration reported, and status conditions encountered (if any are recorded by the CPDM) *(70.211(c))*
  - Do not post dust data card for part 90
- Dust data card posted must remain posted until an MSHA report covering these respirable dust samples is received*
- Ensure that the data transmitted to MSHA is kept for at least 12 months*

* Responsibility of the operator which the certified person; sampling or maintenance and calibration can complete
Duties – Certified Person; Sampling

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- Upon request from the District Manager (DM), the operator must submit the date and time any sampling required by the rule is scheduled to start. This information must be submitted at least 48 hours before the scheduled sampling* (70.201(f))

- Regarding the transmission of samples by the certified person to MSHA, all samples collected are to fulfill regulatory requirements unless the sample has been identified in writing to the District Manager prior to the sampling shift as a sample to be used for some other purpose

* Responsibility of the operator which the certified person; sampling or maintenance and calibration can complete
Duties – Certified Person; Sampling

Not permitted to perform calibrations
(is allowed to perform flow audit, not flow calibration)

Not permitted to open CPDM case

.msha file must not be altered in any way and shall be maintained for at least 12 months (70.210(f))

Certification in sampling with the CPDM is required in order to collect samples with CPDM (70.202(a))
Duties – Certified Person; Maintenance and Calibration - CPDM

(Continued)

- Performs maintenance and calibrations as recommended by the manufacturer (70.204)
- Permitted to open CPDM case for maintenance

NOT permitted to perform sampling with the CPDM
To be certified in sampling or maintenance and calibration, you must complete the MSHA course of instruction and pass the exam for the respective certification.

Persons certified in sampling or maintenance and calibration must be recertified every 3 years by passing a MSHA examination (70.203(c)).

MSHA may revoke the certification if there is a failure to properly carry out the required sampling procedures (70.203(d)).

Both Sampling and Maintenance and Calibration certified persons may clean the CPDM including the flow line, grit pot, and mass transducer.

This course DOES NOT certify for sampling using the Coal Mine Dust Personal Sampling Unit (CMDPSU).
ECV
(Excessive Concentration Value)

Accounts for margin of error between true dust concentration and observed dust concentration measurement. The appropriate chart for instrument, number of samples and standard must be utilized (Table 70-1 is one Example).

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**DWP**  
*(Designated Work Position)*

- A position designated for sampling at a surface coal mine or a surface work area of an underground coal mine *(71.206)*
- Samples must be taken for the entire shift (including travel to and from the DWP being sampled) *(71.201(b))*
- If the DWP is assigned to a piece of equipment, the sampling unit’s inlet must be maintained within 36 inches of the operator’s normal working position *(71.206(f)(1))*
- Sample locations may be changed by the District Manager *(71.208)*
If notified by MSHA that any valid representative sample taken from a DWP exceeds the applicable standard, the operator must sample the DWP each normal work shift until 5 valid representative samples are taken (71.206(g))

- Within 15 calendar days of notification
- Start the sampling on the first normal work shift after receipt of notification
If a sample taken on a DWP meets or exceeds the ECV, the operator must take immediate corrective action to reduce exposure to at or below the applicable standard.

Upon notification of a citation for a violation due to sample(s) exceeding the ECV, the operator must begin sampling the environment of the affected DWP on consecutive normal work shifts within 8 calendar days after the date the citation is issued:

- Must collect 5 valid representative samples
- All 5 samples must be ≤ the applicable standard for termination of a citation
DWP (Continued)

- If an MSHA sample exceeds 50% of the applicable standard in effect for a surface occupation, a new DWP may be established by the District Manager.

- DWPs are assigned four-digit numbers by MSHA to identify the portion of the mine that is affected, followed by a three-digit occupation code describing the location to which a miner is assigned to perform his or her regular duties (71.2)
Noncompliance

Operator Sampling

- Based on:
  - 2 or more of 5 valid respirable dust samples from a DWP, DA or Part 90 miner are $\geq$ ECV 70.209, 71.206, 90.207
  - 3 or more of 15 valid respirable dust samples from a DO or ODO are $\geq$ ECV
  - “Or” the average for all valid respirable dust samples in a sampling set are $\geq$ ECV (average of 5 or 15)

MSHA Sampling

- A single valid respirable dust sample $\geq$ ECV (single sample)
Part 90 Miners

- A representative sample collected on a part 90 miner should reflect typical dust concentrations in the miner’s environment as he performs his normal work duties (90.201(b))

- After the 20th calendar day following receipt of notification from MSHA that a part 90 miner is employed by the mine, the operator must take 5 valid representative dust samples for the part 90 miner within 15 days (90.206)

- Part 90 Miner samples submitted must include the Part 90 Miner’s MIIN
A citation for the overexposure of a part 90 miner will be terminated when a mine operator has complied with one of two conditions; A: Reducing exposure, B: Transfer (90.207)

A: If the operator chooses to reduce the exposure of the miner:
- Implement proposed corrective action
- Within 8 calendar days after the citation is issued, begin sampling consecutive work days until 5 valid respirable dust samples are collected
- The equivalent concentration of each of the 5 valid respirable dust samples is at or below the applicable standard

B: If the operator chooses to transfer the miner:
- Notify the District Manager and collect 5 valid representative samples within 15 calendar days
- The equivalent concentration of each of the 5 valid respirable dust samples is at or below the applicable standard. These 5 respirable dust samples will be used for determination of citation abatement
DOs and ODOs

- DO and ODO identification numbers are four-digit numbers assigned by MSHA
  - Designated Occupations (DOs) are occupations on an MMU that have been determined to have the greatest respirable dust concentration
  - Other Designated Occupations (ODOs) are occupations on an MMU that are designated for sampling as required by 30CFR Part 70 in addition to DOs
- 15 valid representative samples are required every quarter for each DO and ODO (70.208)
- Sampling of each ODO on an MMU with a CPDM must begin after fulfilling the sampling requirements for DO sampling
- When required to sample more than one ODO type, each ODO type must be sampled over separate time periods during the quarter
For each operator sample ≥ ECV
  - Make approved respirators available (70.208)
  - Immediately take corrective action to lower respirable dust levels to at or below the applicable standard
  - Make record of corrective actions taken
    - Certified by mine foreman or equivalent no later than the end of the mine foreman's or equivalent officials next regularly scheduled working shift
    - In secure book or electronically
    - Retained at a surface location at the mine for at least 1 year
  - Available for inspection by MSHA
DOs and ODOs (Continued)

- For each MSHA sample $\geq$ ECV
  - Actions same as with an operator’s sample plus
  - Begin sampling within 8 calendar days, after the date of a citation being issued, the environment of the affected occupation in the MMU
  - Continue sampling on consecutive normal production shifts until 5 valid representative samples are taken
  - The citation shall be terminated when
    - Each of the 5 valid respirable dust samples are $\leq$ the applicable standard
    - The operator has submitted revised dust control parameters as part of the ventilation plan applicable to the MMU in the citation and the changes have been approved by the district manager
    - The revised parameters shall reflect the control measures used by the operator to abate the violation
DAs
*(Designated Area)* (70.209)

- Assigned a four-digit identification number by MSHA
- Samples are not based on the amount of material produced
- Each DA is sampled on consecutive production shifts until 5 valid respirable dust samples are collected
- For each sample > ECV (operator)
  - Make approved respirators available
  - Immediately take corrective action to lower respirable dust levels to at or below the applicable standard
- Make record of corrective actions taken
  - Certified by mine foreman or equivalent no later than the end of the mine foreman's or equivalent officials next regularly scheduled working shift
  - In secure book or electronically
  - Retained at a surface location at the mine for at least 1 year
  - Available for inspection by MSHA
DAs

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Upon issuance of a citation for excessive dust – sequential actions to be taken:

- Make approved respirators available
- Immediately take corrective action to lower respirable dust levels to at or below the applicable standard
- Make record of corrective actions taken
- Certified by mine foreman or equivalent no later than the end of the mine foreman's or equivalent officials next regularly scheduled working shift
- In secure book or electronically
- Retained at a surface location at the mine for at least 1 year
- Available for inspection by MSHA

Within 8 calendar days after the date the citation is issued, sample the environment of the affected DA on consecutive normal production shifts until 5 valid respirable dust samples are collected
DAs

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- The citation shall be terminated when
  - Each of the 5 valid respirable dust samples are < the applicable standard
  - The operator has submitted revised dust control parameters as part of the ventilation plan applicable to the DA in the citation and the changes have been approved by the district manager
  - The revised parameters shall reflect the control measures used by the operator to abate the violation
MMU Sampling

- DO and ODO sampling must be conducted on consecutive normal production shifts. A normal production shift is a shift during which the amount of material produced by an MMU is at least 80 percent of the average production recorded by the operator for the most recent 30 production shifts or all of the production shifts if fewer than 30 shifts of production data are available (70.2)
  - The 30 shift average is a running average. The most recent production shift must be used in determining the 30 shift average
- Intake air for an MMU must meet the intake air standard anywhere within 200 feet outby the working faces of each section
- DOs on an MMU are required to be sampled before sampling ODOs
Quartz

- The maximum concentration of respirable quartz dust that a miner can be exposed to is 100 micrograms per cubic meters or (100 µg/m³) as measured with an approved device and expressed in terms of equivalent concentration based on MSHA sample.

- A reduced standard will be established if respirable quartz dust exceeds 100 µg/m³ (0.100 mg/m³).

- A reduced respirable dust standard due to quartz overexposure is determined by dividing the number 10 by the percent quartz.
  - Ex: Sample is 20% quartz, new reduced standard is 10/20 or 0.5 mg/m³.

- When the dust standard is changed, the new standard becomes effective 7 calendar days after notification from MSHA.
Normal Production Shift

A normal production shift is a shift on which the amount of material produced by an MMU is at least equal to 80% of the most recent 30-shift average production or all of the production shifts if fewer than 30 shifts of production data are available.

- Any sample, regardless of production, that exceeds the applicable standard by at least 0.1 mg/m³ will be used for compliance determination

All samples are valid unless voided by MSHA
CPDM Outline

- PDM3700 Overview
- PDM3700 Features
- Charging
- Programming – Software version 7.52 or higher
- Sampling Screens
- Status Codes
- Troubleshooting
- Cleaning and Changing Filters
- Downloading and Transmitting Data
- Items to Remember
What is the PDM3700?

- An accurate, wearable personal dust monitor for miners that incorporates near real-time particulate monitoring that measures respirable coal mine dust mass concentration, shift exposure, and accumulated exposure in real time. This real-time measurement of respirable dust particles will permit the user to take actions to lower total dust exposure.

- The mass measurement is a filter-based direct mass monitoring instrument using proprietary Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance (TEOM) and momentum compensation technologies.

- Approved by the Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to collect respirable coal mine dust samples.
Description of PDM Operation

- Continuously draws air through a body mounted inlet and uses a cyclone to separate respirable fractions of dust which enter the instrument.

- Dust is deposited on a tapered element oscillating microbalance (TEOM) filter that changes in frequency as more dust is accumulated on the filter. The change in frequency permits near real time measurement of the respirable dust concentration of the work environment of the miner wearing the unit.

- Suitable for area monitoring of respirable dust in mg/m$^3$. Reports cumulative information to the miner in numeric and graphical formats.

- Provides end-of-shift exposure (shift-average exposure) and can help identify operations with highest dust generation.
Features

- There are two types of primary programming
  - **Programming of the PDM with the use of a PC.** This programming is used for compliance sampling. This type of programming cannot be stopped or altered once the PDM starts up unless the PDM is reconnected to a PC
  - **Manual programming of the PDM.** This type of programming can be used for engineering or informational sampling purposes

- A primary sampling program entered manually into the PDM can be started and stopped at will for targeted measurements of respirable dust concentrations

- At the end of the sampling run, a person certified in sampling with the CPDM can download detailed respirable dust exposure and other environmental information to a PC for further analysis
Features

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- Built-in sensors help detect possible tampering, track ambient pressure, temperature, humidity, filter differential pressure, and tilting
- Computer-controlled pump maintains volumetric flow rate at 2.2 liters per minute at mine temperature and pressure
- No miner intervention required to operate
- Certified intrinsically safe by MSHA
Features
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- Run time of 12 hours providing unit is connected to charger during warm up
- Battery recharging time of 6 hours
- Heated internal sample line removes excess moisture
- Measures concentration of respirable dust without regard to composition
- Display has bright, large characters for easy readability
Main System Components

- Sample inlet assembly
- Sample line
- Block with Flow Sensor orifice, Temp and RH sensors
- Grit pot
- Battery
- Foam spacer
- Cyclone
- Display and buttons
- Air heater (behind)
- Pump
- Sample Filter
- TEOM Mass Transducer
The CPDM unit is a device designed to provide a continuous readout of respirable coal mine dust concentrations during the work shift.

Only current approved CPDM unit is the PDM3700.
General Information

- Provides near real-time analysis
  - Last 15-minute average for short samples
  - Last 30-minute average for full-shift samples

- Digital readout
  - Flow control system maintains operating flow at 2.2 lpm and total filter loading to 6 inches Hg (Uses Higgins Dewell instead of 10-mm Dohr-Oliver dust cyclone)

- Weighs approximately 4.4 lbs

- Stores sample data for future download and analysis

- Includes label certifying approval from MSHA/NIOSH
Advantages & Limitations

Advantages

- Immediate response
- Quick evaluation of dust control changes
- Ability to find dust generation problem areas quickly
- PDM unit MSHA approved as intrinsically safe
- Can be used as an engineering tool

Limitations

- Does not sample for quartz
Charging PDM Unit

Charger Lights

- **Red**
  - Solid: Charging
  - Flashing: Problem with charger or connection

- **Green**
  - Solid: Fully charged
  - Flashing: 80% charged minimum

Keep PDM unit on charge when not in use. If PDM unit is not used within 3 months, run down PDM unit and recharge. Do not charge in environment below 32°F (0°C) or above 176°F (80°C)
Opening WinPDM

- Use of WinPDM software requires Windows operating system

- Click button on top left corner of screen

- Choose connection type COM1 and click “OK” (when using USB adapter multiple COM ports are presented)
Programming the PDM Unit

Computer-programmed Start

- Program PDM unit from computer:
  - 30 MIN CONC, CUM1, CUM2 measurements are available
  - Required method for compliance sampling
  - Can only be stopped by computer or when allotted sampling time ends

9-Pin RS232 port and cable
PDM Unit and Computer Connections

- Connect PDM unit to charging unit

- Connect charging unit to serial port on computer with RS232 Cable or via a RS232/USB adapter (use of USB adapter requires loading of the driver software)
Information to Get Started

2 Buttons

A is the “wake up” button (blank screen)

B is the “scroll” button

When not programmed the PDM displays idle screen: serial number and firmware version
Programming the PDM Unit

Manual Start

- Manual start from PDM unit:
  - 30 MIN CONC, CUM1, CUM2 measurements are available
  - Can be set to any amount of time in 15 minute increments
  - Can be stopped when desired
Warm-up Time

- PDM unit will automatically start a warm-up period of up to 35 minutes prior to **ANY** sampling type’s start time
- Keep PDM connected to charger during warm up to insure 12 hour sample time
- During warm-up period, the PDM will display the wearer ID and the time remaining until sampling starts
- The ambient temperature of the PDM warm-up location should be as close as possible to the ambient temperature of the location where the sampling period will end

If the PDM has been running recently, the warm-up period may be shorter than 35 minutes
Program PDM Unit from Computer

- Connect PDM unit to charging unit
- Connect charging unit to personal computer
- Open WinPDM software
- Choose a connection type
  - Note “Connected To PDM” message and Serial #
- Click “Program Shift” in upper left

WinPDM will only run on a Windows operating system
Program PDM Unit from Computer

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- Enter all data that can be filled in such as:
  - Wearer ID, Mine ID, Mine Name, Company Name, MMU DA/SA, etc.
- Click “OK”
- Click “Done”

Note: the Shift Concentration Limit is the applicable standard

PDM unit can now **only** be stopped by a computer or designated run time.
Programming – Notes

- Expected temperatures are based on the temperature of where the PDM will begin and end sampling, not the expected mine temperature
- By default the PDM reports dust concentrations as an MRE equivalent
- When programming for ODO sample enter 4 digit ODO identification number for MMU value
- The wearer ID can be the miner’s MIIN, company's employee number or whatever other means the mine has to identify the employee (The SSN MUST NOT be entered as the wearer ID)
Program PDM Unit Manually

Not to be used for compliance sampling

Start

- Press A and B together
- Press A to start sampling
- Press B to increase duration time
  - Initially 15 minutes on CPDM screen
  - Keep pressing B to increase duration time
- Press A to start sample

Stop

- Press A and B together
- Press A to stop sampling

PDM unit can be turned off at any time.
First Sample Screen
(Default screen for programmed start)

30 Min Conc: Average concentration for the past 30 minutes
Cum1 Conc: Average concentration from the beginning of the shift (updated every minute)
Shift Concentration Limit

Shift Limit:  (applicable standard)
Shift concentration limit for the full-shift sample

Percent of Limit:  Percentage of exposure of the full-shift limit
Bar Graph Screen
(Press B)

- 30-minute average for each bar
- New bar added every 30 minutes

PDM must operate for 30 minutes before bar graphs are available
Sample Duration Screen

(Press B)

Elapsed Time: From start of sample

Program Time: For entire sample
Start Second Sample
(short term sample)

- Press A and B together

(A) RESET SAMPLE 2
(B) MORE OPTIONS...

- Then press A to begin second sample
Second Sample Screen

**TIME:** Total time the second sample has been running

**15 Min:** Average concentration from second sample for the past 15 minutes

**Cum2:** Average concentration from the beginning of the second sample
Blinking “S”
(Upper Right Corner)

- Indicates a status condition encountered
- “S” remains for sample duration
- “S” restarts blinking if new status condition is logged
View Status Codes

Press \( \text{A} \) and \( \text{B} \) together

(A) RESET SAMPLE 2
(B) MORE OPTIONS...

Press \( \text{B} \) until you see

(A) VIEW STATUS
(B) MORE OPTIONS...

Press \( \text{A} \) to view status
# PDM3700 Firmware Status Codes

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Troubleshooting
( Diagnostic Failure during Warm-Up Period )

- View cause of failure
  - Press A and B together
  - Press B twice to scroll until “View Failures” option is displayed
  - Press A to view failures

- Flashing “DIAGNOSTIC FAILURE” will stop if condition causing failure is corrected before end of warm-up period

PDM MUST NOT be operated in an area of the mine where permissible electrical equipment is required, if the case is cracked, one or more screws are missing or the MSHA approval label is missing or illegible.
View Failures

Press A and B together

(A) RESET SAMPLE 2
(B) MORE OPTIONS...

Press B until you see

Press A to view failures
Troubleshooting
(Diagnostic Failure at end of Warm-Up Period)

- Sample run will not start
- Identify diagnostic failure
  - Press A to wake up
  - Press B to scroll and identify diagnostic failure
- Attach PDM unit to charger and start WinPDM program
- Start “Instrument Diagnostics”
  - First series of tests with pump and heaters off
  - Second series of tests with pump and heaters on
## Troubleshooting

(Diagnostic Failures along with WinPDM Instrument Diagnostics)

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Maintenance and Calibration

The following slides discuss procedures involved in verifying the calibration of the PDM3700 and maintaining the consistent operation of the hardware. In addition to regularly scheduled maintenance, the unit may require other maintenance as necessary, including replacing the battery, or other procedures.

- “Daily or after each use” - If a unit is not used on any given day the daily maintenance will not be required
- The term “or as necessary” refers to any condition that may occur that would require additional maintenance or calibrations to be conducted on the unit or any condition that would cause the mine operator to question the reliability of the unit to perform as approved;
  - Examples:
    - Status codes referring to any potential maintenance or calibration issue
    - Unit’s charge not lasting a full shift
    - Unit is damaged

These are only a few examples of what might cause a mine operator to question the reliability of the unit. The mine operator must determine on a case by-case-basis whether a condition requires additional maintenance and/or calibration of the unit.

The manufacturers requirements for maintenance and calibration are minimums. The mine operator may conduct addition maintenance and calibrations any time there is a need.
Maintenance and Calibration

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Daily

- Charge the internal battery pack before each use, or as necessary
- Clean the grit pot after each use, or as necessary
- Clean the mass transducer area and sample flow lines after each use, or as necessary
- Replace the TEOM filter after each use, or as necessary

These maintenance procedures can be conducted by either a person certified in sampling or a person certified in maintenance and calibration.
Maintenance and Calibration

(continued)

Monthly

- Perform a flow audit once per month, or as necessary
- Clean the cyclone and inlet tubing once per month, or as necessary

The flow audit may be performed by either a person certified in sampling or a person certified in maintenance and calibration. The cleaning of the cyclone and inlet tubing may ONLY be performed by a person certified in maintenance and calibration.
Maintenance and Calibration

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Annual

- K0 audit once a year, or as necessary
- Tilt audit once a year, or as necessary

These audits must be conducted by a person certified in maintenance and calibration
Changing Filters

(Removal)

1. Locate the TE handle on the left side of the PDM3700 and slide the handle all the way to the right to unlock the mass transducer and then pull the mass transducer out of the unit.

2. Carefully insert the lower fork of the filter exchange tool into the filter change notch so that the filter disk is between the lower fork and the upper tab of the filter exchange tool. The tines of the lower fork should straddle the hub of the filter base.

3. Gently pull straight up from the tapered element (TE) lifting the filter from the TE.

Do not twist or tilt the filter exchange tool from side-to-side while removing the filter from the TE. This will damage the TE.

Filter change notch
Changing Filters

(Installation)

1. Clean the exchange tool with canned air or a clean cloth. Use it pick up a new TEOM filter from the box of filters, so that the filter disk lies between the fork and the upper tab of the tool, and the hub of the filter lies between the tines of the fork. Do not touch the filter with your fingers.

2. Lightly place the hub of the filter onto the tip of the tapered element, then slide the tool toward the notch and remove.

3. Turn the tool upside down, place the bottom of the spring loaded filter exchange tool on top of the filter and apply downward pressure until the filter tool stops.

4. Rotate the mass transducer 90° and press again. Repeat 2 more times, rotating the transducer 90° and applying the filter tool each time.

5. Install the mass transducer back into the PDM3700 unit.
Cleaning PDM Unit

- The manufacturer requires the use of standard commercial canned air for cleaning a PDM
  - If using anything else, ensure the air is purified and free of any oil mist, such as compressor generated
- Isopropyl alcohol is suggested when cleaning anything that requires an alcohol swab
Cleaning PDM Unit

(Continued)

Remove
- Mass transducer
- TEOM filter
- Grit pot

Spray compressed (canned) air inside (daily):
- Grit pot
- Sample inlet
- Cyclone Nozzle
- Housing of mass transducer, but not the connecting port
- Bell where mass transducer is installed (bell-shaped inlet)
Cleaning PDM Unit
(Continued)

- Bell-shaped inlet: **OK TO SPRAY**
- Filter loading pressure sensor: **DO NOT SPRAY**
  - This will damage the sensor and disable PDM
Cleaning CPDM Unit

(Continued)

Wipe with alcohol:

- Mass transducer
- Bell-shaped inlet
- Grit pot

Manufacturer requires that components listed above be cleaned daily or after each use
Cleaning the Sample Inlet Assembly, Sample Line, and Mass Transducer

(Daily)

1. Disconnect the sample line from the inlet assembly. Use care to ensure that the tubing does not break during removal.

2. Remove the mass transducer from the PDM3700 unit and remove the TEOM filter from the mass transducer.

3. Use canned air then an alcohol swab to clean all surfaces of the mass transducer.

4. Use canned air and an alcohol swab to clean the bell-shaped inlet inside the PDM3700 unit and then direct a stream of air through the bell-shaped inlet.

5. Use silicone lubricant to lightly coat O-rings on bell-shaped inlet and return tube.
6. Direct a stream of air through the end of the sample line removed from the sample inlet assembly and through the sample inlet on the sample inlet assembly (bracket).

- Disassembly of the sample inlet assembly
  a. Loosen screws on rear of bracket
  b. Open sample inlet assembly bracket
  c. Slide out sample inlet assembly
  d. Remove sample inlet cap using tool provided
  e. Clean sample inlet
Cleaning the Sample Inlet Assembly, Sample Line, and Mass Transducer

(continued)

(Daily)

7. Install a new TEOM filter onto the mass transducer and install the mass transducer into the PDM3700 unit.

8. Reassemble the sample inlet and reattach the sample line to the sample inlet.

9. Install the sample line onto the base of the sample inlet assembly (instrument inlet).

Make sure to inspect the O-ring in the top of inlet for damage.
Flow Audit
(Monthly)

- Flow Audits are to be performed once a month or as necessary
- Verifies the flow rate is within the accepted range
  - 2.2 ±2.5% (2.145 – 2.255) lpm (Manufacturer’s specification)
- 30 CFR Part 74 requires that a CPDM’s flow rate be within 5% of the calibrated flow for 95% of samples up to 12 hours in duration
Flow Audit

(Continued)
(Monthly)

- Materials needed for Flow Audit
  - Flow meter
  - Flow audit inlet tubing adapter (if necessary)
Flow Audit Steps

(*Monthly*)

1. Disconnect the sample line from the sample inlet assembly (inlet bracket).

2. Install one end of the tubing adapter (if necessary to connect) into the sample line from the inlet assembly (bracket) and the other end of the tubing adapter into the tubing that is attached to the flow meter.

3. Connect the PDM3700 unit to the charger and make sure the charger is connected to your PC.

4. Open the WinPDM software and connect to the instrument.
Flow Audit Steps

(Continued)
(Monthly)

5. Start a sample run on the PDM3700 unit. This programmed sample is for the purposes of the flow audit only. The sample run is programmed and when the audit is complete, the run can be terminated.

6. Wait 10 minutes to allow the flow rate to stabilize, then check the flow rate readings on the flow meter.

7. Ensure that this value matches the 2.2 lpm flow rate set point for the PDM3700 unit. If the flow meter reading is within the acceptable criteria of ±0.055 lpm, end the sample run, remove the tubing adapter and reinstall the sample line. If the flow meter is not within your acceptance criteria, a flow calibration must be performed.

If flow is outside acceptable range, a person certified in maintenance and calibration should perform a flow calibration.
Downloading Data

- Create or locate folder to store downloads.
- Connect PDM unit to charging unit.
- Connect charging unit to computer
- Open WinPDM software
- Choose a connection type
- Click “Download Sample”
- Highlight desired sample
- Click “Download” and select download location.
- Save status file if available
- Save data file
- Click “Done”

If the sampling period is being ended early, ensure the charger is turned off. Failure to turn off the charger could effect the PDM data.
The filename will contain the PDM’s serial number, the date the sample was taken, the mine ID number, the word “STATUS” and the vendor instrument code.

.msha files are the only file extensions to be submitted for compliance.

Status code files do not need to be submitted. Status codes are included in the .msha file as well as .csv files (MSHA will evaluate status code entries to determine if the sample is valid – simply having a status code does not determine if sample is valid or not).
When the download Graph Screen appears, the Shift Tonnage dialog box will appear. You must enter tonnage for the shift along with the 30 shift average tonnage. WinPDM will not allow you to move forward without entering values for these two entries.

- If multiple units used for sample enter the serial numbers.
- After entering tonnage, you can view various graphs of the logging parameters that were recorded during the sample run.
- After you have viewed the data, select the “Print Dust Data Card” button. Select the “Print” button to print a paper record of the sample run.
- To save the data from the sample run, select the “Save .csv” or “Save .msha” button as appropriate. The save as screen will display. Accept the file name that the software provides for that data. Select the “Save” button.
# Dust Data Card

## Data Card Information

### Sample Information
- **Date:**
- **Location:**
- **Sample ID:**

### Sampling Details
- **Sampling Duration:**
- **Sample Type:**
- **Sampling Method:**

### Graphical Data

1. **Graph 1:**
   - **Title:** 
   - **X-axis:**
   - **Y-axis:**
   - **Data Points:**

2. **Graph 2:**
   - **Title:** 
   - **X-axis:**
   - **Y-axis:**
   - **Data Points:**

### Additional Notes
- **Notes:**
- **Remarks:**

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**Thermo Scientific WinPDM**

[Image of software interface with data card and graphs]
Transmitting Data

- Go to MSHA’s website at www.msha.gov
- Go to the On-line Tools and click on CPDM Sample Transmission
  - Follow the instructions
Connect to Sample File Transmission Website

CPDM Sample File Transmission Outreach

This program should be used to test data file transmission from the CPDM to MSHA. This will allow MSHA and operators to become familiar with transmitting this data. No data transmitted will be used for enforcement purposes.

If you have trouble transmitting or have transmission questions you may contact MSHA’s Help Desk by Email at desk.help@dol.gov or by calling (877) 778-6055.

Please send MSHA your comments and feedback on this outreach effort to zzMSHA-CoalHealth@DOL.GOV by email or by calling (202) 693-9500.

- Coal Mine Respirable Dust CPDM Samples
- Coal Mine Respirable Dust CPDM Samples Dashboard
Log in, Select Files, Submit/Transmit
Items to Remember

- **Use appropriate software**
  WinPDM 7.52 (or higher) software should be installed on the computer. Version 7.7 (or higher) firmware should be installed on the PDM unit. All computer versions (Software or Firmware) should be the most up-to-date, only the manufacturer can install or upgrade the firmware.

- **Wipe down connectors**
  Always wipe down the connectors on the PDM unit and charging bracket to obtain a good connection. Using an isopropyl alcohol soaked cotton swab is recommended.

- **Never use acetone to wipe down or clean any PDM part.**
Items to Remember

(Continued)

- **Install mass transducer properly**
  
  Firmly press the mass transducer into the unit while securing the latch and then check to make sure the mass transducer does not slide out of the PDM unit

- **Program accurate computer information**
  
  Make sure your computer’s date and time are accurate when programming the PDM unit by computer, since the PDM unit uses this information to start sampling (this is important when there are time zone changes and daylight savings time changes)
Items to Remember

(Continued)

Note the mass transducer has a separate serial number that should be recorded along with the date the K0 audit was performed on it. A K0 audit is recommended by the manufacturer to be performed at least annually.
Items to Remember

*(Continued)*

- **Running a Manual Start**
  (Manual start, instead of programming by computer)

- **PDM unit remembers last programmed information**
  This can affect information such as time, temperature, etc. If information needs changed, program the PDM unit to run a sample ahead of time

- **Locked PDM unit screen**
  Connect the PDM unit to charger and computer, and run the WinPDM software to unlock the PDM unit
If inlet is immersed in water

Note: this procedure may reduce the damage to the mass transducer, however the success will depend on time and contamination level (not covered by warranty).

- Remove and empty by shaking the mass transducer of water immediately. Reinstall mass transducer
- Run clean water through the PDM unit as soon as possible (Do not immerse the PDM unit into water). Running clean water through the inlet may not be possible when in a mine
- Remove and empty the mass transducer once again and reinstall
- Next, let the PDM unit run for a long time (many hours) to work the water through and dry the PDM unit (the unit may run while on the charging unit)

As soon as possible use canned air to spray out the mass transducer and sample path
Items to Remember

(Continued)

- PDM Serial Number will be displayed on the top display panel by pressing the button while the PDM is charging
MSHA Website

www.msha.gov