

## K4500 FEATURES

- Multifunction instrument
- Graphical three-line displays
- Data capture up to 1400 readings
- Minimum/maximum/average values
- User defined screens
- Compact, rugged design
- High accuracy
- Wide operating range
- Precision jewel mounted impeller
- User-replaceable impeller
- Fast response temperature sensor
- Easy to read back-lit display
- Olive drab version has red backlight
- Hard cover protects impeller
- Language selection
- Runs from 2 AAA batteries
- Data upload (with optional PC interface)

## K4500 FUNCTIONS

- Wind Speed
- Wind direction
- Crosswind
- Headwind / tailwind
- Heading (true and magnetic)
- Temperature
- Wind Chill
- Relative humidity
- Heat index
- Dew point
- Wet bulb temperature
- Barometric pressure
- Altitude
- Density altitude
- Time & Date



Kestrel 4500 with optional Vane Mount



K4500NV

actual size  
(A4 page)

The Kestrel 4500 Pocket Weather Tracker is a complete weather instrument, offering all the features of the Kestrel 4000 with instant and accurate measurement of wind speed, temperature, humidity and barometric pressure and numerous other derived functions.

In addition, the Kestrel 4500 has a built in digital compass. This allows you to track and log wind direction as well as wind speed. The wind direction is displayed in degrees and cardinal compass points. By setting a reference target or runway heading, the Kestrel 4500 will automatically calculate crosswind, headwind and tailwind when measuring the wind speed. The digital compass can also be used to display forward heading with reference to either magnetic or true north.

At the touch of a button environmental conditions are clearly shown in digital or graphical form. Individual functions can be displayed in three different formats: current, minimum/maximum/average and chart. There are also three user screens, which can be customised to simultaneously display the three most appropriate functions for the application.

Combined with the optional Vane Mount and Mini Tripod, the Kestrel 4500 becomes a complete weather station. This is ideal for use in remote locations for short term weather monitoring, being extremely light-weight and portable.

For those with after dark requirements, the Kestrel 4500NV (with an olive drab case) is available with a low intensity red backlight to preserve night vision.

The Kestrel 4500 can be set up to log data automatically (as well as manually) at programmable intervals, in order to display a history of weather information. Graphs display up to 1400 data points and the value, time and date of capture point can be shown. The stored data can also be uploaded to a PC, for analysis/storage with the optional Kestrel Interface and Communicator software.

High precision jewel bearings and a lightweight impeller provide accurate air flow measurements and the ability to operate at speeds as low as 0.4 m/s. The impeller is user-replaceable in case of damage, also ensuring high accuracy levels are maintained for life. An integral flip-open hard cover protects the impeller when not in use.

The Kestrel 4500 is powered by two easily replaceable, AAA batteries and has two power saving modes to prolong battery life. All text can be displayed in one of five languages: English, French, Italian, Spanish or German.

Every Kestrel 4500 is individually calibrated before it leaves the factory and comes with a free Certificate of Conformity.



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**TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION**

<b>Physical</b>	Dimensions	127mm x 45mm x 28mm		
	Weight	102g		
<b>Display</b>	Lanyards	0.2m and 0.5m (for wrist and neck)		
	Case colour	Options of yellow or olive drab for NV version		
	Display type	Dot matrix LCD with electro-luminescent backlighting		
	Display update	1 second		
	Data logging	Programmable 2 second to 12 hour intervals, 1400 data points with graphical display. Manual data capture. Data upload with optional PC interface.		
	Functions	Wind speed (current, maximum and average)	Wind direction	Calculated Dew Point
		Crosswind		Barometric pressure
		Headwind / tailwind		Altitude
		Temperature		Density altitude
		Wind Chill equivalent temperature		Wet bulb temperature
		Relative Humidity		Digital compass
		Heat Index		Time and date
Speed units		kt, m/s, km/h, mph, ft/min, Beaufort Force (B)		
Direction units	°, cardinal points			
Temperature units	°C, °F			
Pressure units	mbar, inHg, hPa, psi			
Altitude units	m, ft			
Date and time display	dd/mm/yy, mm/dd/yy, 12 hour, 24 hour			
<b>Performance</b>	Speed (1 sec response)	Operational range	0.4m/s to 60m/s (0.8 to 135.0mph)	
		Specification range	0.4m/s to 40m/s (0.8 to 89.0mph)	
		On axis accuracy	± 3% of reading or ± 0.1 m/s. (Some loss of accuracy from bearing wear may occur with sustained operation at or near maximum speed)	
		Off -axis response	-1% @ 5°, -2% @ 10°, -3% at 15°	
		Calibration drift	<1% after 100hrs operation at 7m/s	
	Wind Direction / Forward Heading (1 sec response)	Resolution	0.1 kt, m/s, km/h, mph. 1 FPM below 1999 FPM, 10 FPM above 2000 FPM. 1 Beaufort (0 to 12)	
		Operational range	360°	
		Specification range	0 to 360°	
		Accuracy	±5°	
	Temperature (1 sec response)	Resolution	1°, 16 points	
		Operational range	-45.0°C to +125.0°C	
		Specification range	-29.0°C to +70.0°C	
		Accuracy	±1°C	
	Relative Humidity (1 min response)	Resolution	0.1°	
		Wind chill accuracy	±1.0°C (from wind speed and temperature)	
		Operational range	0% to 100%	
		Specification range	5% to 95% non-condensing	
		Resolution	0.1%	
		Accuracy	±3% (when unit allowed to equilibrate to external temperature)	
		Calibration drift	±2% over 24 months (correctable)	
	Barometric Pressure (1 sec response)	Dew point accuracy	±2°C (above 20% relative humidity)	
		Heat index accuracy	±2°C (between 21.1°C and 54.4°C)	
		Operational range	10 to 1100 mbar at 25°C	
		Specification range	750 to 1100 mbar at 25°C	
		Resolution	0.1 mbar	
	Wet bulb temperature accuracy	Accuracy	±1.5 mbar (max error over range 0°C to 70°C: ±2.0 mbar)	
		Calibration drift	Typically ±1 mbar per year (correctable)	
		Operational range	±2°C (between 0°C and 37.8°C)	
Specification range		±2°C (between 0°C and 37.8°C)		
Altitude (1 sec response)	Density altitude accuracy	±75m (between 0°C and 37.8°C)		
	Operational range	-2000m to +9000m (-6000 ft to +30,000 ft)		
	Specification range	-2000m to +6000m at 25°C		
	Accuracy	±15m (max error out of spec range: ±30m)		
<b>Sensors</b>	Resolution	1m or 1ft		
	Impeller	Diameter 25mm. High precision axle and jewel (sapphire) bearings. User replaceable impeller assembly		
	Temperature	Thermally isolated, hermetically sealed precision thermistor		
	Relative Humidity	Polymer capacitive sensor, mounted externally in thin-walled chamber		
	Pressure	Monolithic piezo-resistive silicon based sensor with second-order temperature correction		
	Compass	2-axis solid state magneto-resistive sensor. Declination/variation adjustable for true north readout. Self calibration routine		
<b>Environmental</b>	Sealing	Electronics enclosure IP67 [Water resistant]		
	Shock	Drop tested (MIL-STD.810F - unit only)		
	Temperature	Operating range: -10°C to +55°C (for LCD readability and batteries) Storage range: -30°C to +60°C		
	EMC	CE marked		
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Battery	2 off AAA alkaline, included, user replaceable		
	Battery Life	400 hours of use, average, ± depending on backlight use		
	Auto switch off	Selectable to remain switched on or switch off 15 or 60 minutes after last key press		
	Wind chill equivalent temperature calculation	Utilises the (US) NWS Wind Chill Temperature (WCT) Index, revised 2001, with wind speed adjusted by a factor of 1.5 to yield equivalent results for wind speed measured at 10m above ground		
	Heat Index calculation	Steadman, from temperature and relative humidity		
	Certification	Wind speed, temperature, pressure and humidity measurements are tested during manufacture. A certificate of conformity (C of C) is included with each Kestrel. Calibration certificates are available for an additional fee.		
Guarantee	5 years			

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