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# **User Manual**

Thermal Flow Sensors

Model	Connector/System
1461	Thermistor Flow sensor for Respironic Alice® 5
1462	Thermistor Flow sensor for Sandman™ Express (SD 20)
1463	Thermistor Flow sensor for Sandman™ Pocket™



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## Thank you for purchasing a SleepSense® sensor

#### Description

Comprising of three thermistors, (heat sensitive resistors), the respiration flow sensor is placed under the patient's nose and produces a signal that is directly proportional to the temperature changes of air inhaled and exhaled during respiration. The sensor generates a small analog electrical voltage that provides a clear, reliable indication of respiration airflow. The sensor should be connected to the appropriate channel on the recorder.

## Indications for use

SleepSense sleep-lab sensors provide a qualitative measure of sounds, respiratory-effort, flow, body position or limb movements, for recording on an approved data acquisition system. They are intended for use on children and adult patients who are screened during sleep disorder studies at a sleep laboratory or the patient's home.

## **Applying the Sensor**

The respiration flow sensor is placed on the patient's upper lip, under the nostrils.

The sensors are delicate and must be handled with care.

### Positioning the Sensor

- Bend the sensor body into a soft curve, to fit onto the patient's upper lip. Position the sensor's black beads under the nostrils and away from the face.
- Align the tip of the oral prong with the center of the mouth. Bend the prong to the desired position.
- Draw the wires on either side of the sensor over the patient's ears and use the clasp under the chin to secure the wires in place.



#### **Recommendations:**

- Tape the wire on both cheeks to reduce strain and enhance reliability.
- Check that clear, strong signals are being transmitted before leaving the patient.

## Cleaning the Sensor

- Wipe the sensor and cable with a non-corrosive (to plastic) cleanser to clean before use.
- Make sure the complete sensor assembly is thoroughly dry before reusing it.
- To sterilize the sensor, follow standard gas sterilization protocols.
- Do not autoclave or soak the sensor system in disinfectants.

#### **Technical Specifications:**

For a complete list of technical specifications please contact us or visit our website.

Description:	Flow sensor (3 thermistors)
Cable:	White PVC insulation lead wire
Recommended filter settings:	As recommended in the system's instructions
Operating conditions:	5°C (40°F) – 40°C (104°F)
Storage temperature:	-20°C (-4°F) – 60°C (140°F)
Operating and storage humidity:	5% 95% (Non-condensing)

### **Warnings and Precautions**

- SleepSense sensors are for professional use only.
- SleepSense sensors are for sale by or on the order of a physician only.
- SleepSense sensors may be used only in conjunction with an approved recording system.
- SleepSense sensors are only intended for use on healthy skin.
- Discontinue use if sensor shows signs of wear, damage, or exposed metal.

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