

# Leica DISTO™ D1

The original laser distance meter



- when it has to be **right**

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Geosystems

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# Overview

The Leica DISTO™ is a laser distance meter operating with a class 2 laser. See chapter Technical data for scope of use.



1 Display

2 ON/ Measure

3 Clear/ OFF

## General

Accuracy with favourable conditions *	2 mm / 0.08 in ***
Accuracy with unfavourable conditions **	3 mm / 1/8" ***
Range with favourable conditions *	0.2 - 40 m / 0.6 - 120 ft ***
Range with unfavourable conditions **	0.2 - 30 m / 0.6 - 100 ft ***
Smallest unit displayed	0.1 mm / 1/32 in
Laser class	2
Laser type	635 nm, <1 mW
∅ laser point   at distances	6/30/60 mm   10/ 50/ 100 m
Protection class	IP54 (dust- and splash water protected)
Auto. laser switch off	after 90 s
Auto. power switch off	after 180 s
Bluetooth® Smart	Bluetooth® v4.0
Range of Bluetooth® Smart	<10m
Battery durability (2 x AAA)	up to 10000 measurements
Dimension (H x D x W)	115 x 43.5 x 23.5 mm   4.53 x 1.71 x 0.93 in
Weight (with batteries)	87 g/ 3.07 oz
Temperature range Storage   Operation	-25 to 70°C/ -13 to 158°F   -0 to 40°C/ 32 to 104°F

\* favourable conditions are: white and diffuse reflecting target (white painted wall), low background illumination and moderate temperatures.

\*\* unfavourable conditions are: targets with lower or higher reflectivity or high background illumination or temperatures at the upper or lower end of the specified temperature range.

\*\*\* Tolerances apply from 0.05 m to 5 m with a confidence level of 95%.

With favourable conditions the tolerance may deteriorate by 0.10 mm/m for distances above 5 m.

With unfavourable conditions the tolerance may deteriorate by 0.15 mm/m for distances above 5 m.

## Technical data

### Functions

Distance measuring	yes
Permanent measuring	yes
Beep	yes
Illuminated display	yes
Bluetooth® Smart	yes

## Introduction

The safety instructions (see Safety Instructions) and the user manual should be read through carefully before the product is used for the first time.

The person responsible for the product must ensure that all users understand these directions and adhere to them.


The symbols used have the following meanings:

### **WARNING**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation or an unintended use which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

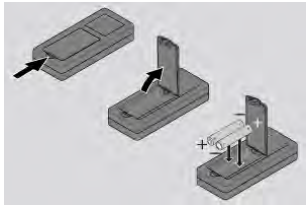
### **CAUTION**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation or an unintended use which, if not avoided, may result in minor injury and/or appreciable material, financial and environmental damage.

 Important paragraphs which must be adhered to in practice as they enable the product to be used in a technically correct and efficient manner.

## Insert batteries

To ensure a reliable use, we recommend using high quality Alkaline batteries. Change batteries when battery symbol is flashing.



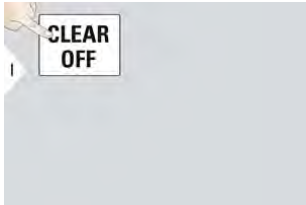
## Switching ON/OFF



Device is turned OFF.



## Clear



Undo last action.



Leave actual function, go to default operation mode.

## Message Codes

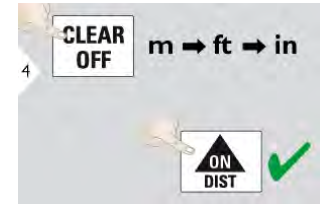
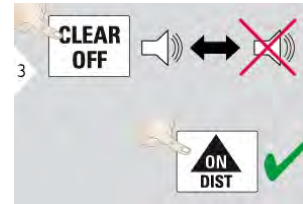
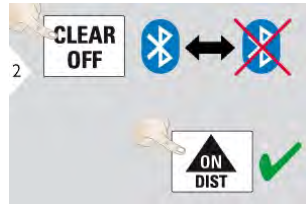
- i** If the message "i" appears with a number, observe the instructions in Message Codes section. Example:



## Settings



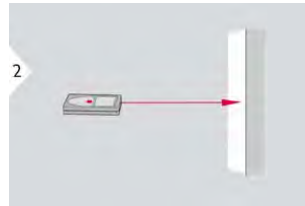
Press both keys simultaneously.



Switch between the following units:

0.000 m  
0'00" 1/16  
0.0000 m  
0.000 in  
0.00 ft  
0 in 1/16

## Measuring single distance



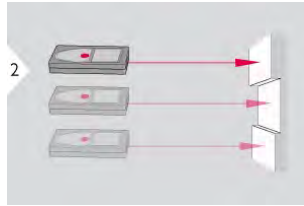
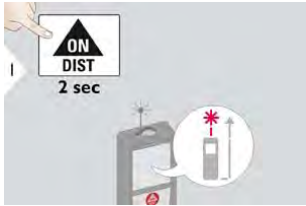
Aim active laser at target.



surfaces the measuring time increases.

**i** Target surfaces: Measuring errors can occur when measuring to colourless liquids, glass, styrofoam or permeable surfaces or when aiming at high gloss surfaces. Against dark

## Permanent measuring



The last value measured is displayed in the main line.



Stops permanent measuring.

## Bluetooth® Smart

DISTO™ sketch. Use App for Bluetooth® data transfer.

**i** Bluetooth® Smart is always active when the device is switched on. Connect the device with your smart-phone, tablet, laptop.. Measurement values will be transferred automatically right after a measurement. The efficient and innovative Bluetooth® Smart module (with the new Bluetooth® standard V4.0) works together with all Bluetooth® Smart Ready

devices. All other Bluetooth® devices do not support the energy saving Bluetooth® Smart Module, which is integrated in the device.

**i** We provide no warranty for free DISTO™ software and offer no support for it. We accept no liability whatsoever arising from the use of the free software and we are not obliged to provide corrections nor to develop

upgrades. A wide range of commercial software can be found on our homepage. Apps for Android® or iOS can be found in special internet shops. For more details, see our homepage.

## Message Codes

No.	Cause	Correction
204	Calculation error	Perform measurement again.
220	Hardware error	Contact your dealer
240	Data transfer error	Connect device and repeat procedure
252	Temperature too high	Let device cool down.
253	Temperature too low	Warm device up.
255	Received signal too weak, measuring time too long	Change target surface (e.g. white paper).
256	Received signal too high	Change target surface (e.g. white paper) .
257	Too much background light	Shadow target area.

\* If other message codes are displayed frequently even the instrument has been switched off and on, please contact your dealer .

- Clean the device with a damp, soft cloth.
- Never immerse the device in water.
- Never use aggressive cleaning agents or solvents.



## Warranty under PROTECT by Leica Geosystems

### Lifetime Manufacturer's Warranty

Warranty coverage for the entire usage time of the product under PROTECT according to Leica Geosystems International Limited Warranty and PROTECT General Terms & Conditions set out under [www.leica-geosystems.com](http://www.leica-geosystems.com). Free of charge repair or replacement of all products or any parts under PROTECT that suffer defects as a result of faults in materials or workmanship.

### 3 Years No Cost

Additional services should the product under PROTECT become defective and require servicing under normal conditions of use, as described in the user manual, at no additional charge.

To receive the "3 Years No Cost" period, the product under PROTECT must be registered at [myworld.leica-geosystems.com](http://myworld.leica-geosystems.com) within 8 weeks of the purchase date. If the product under PROTECT is not registered, a "2 years No Cost" period applies.



The person responsible for the instrument must ensure that all users understand these directions and adhere to them.

## Symbols used


The symbols used have the following meanings:

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## Permitted use

- Measuring distances
- Data transfer with Bluetooth®

## Prohibited use

- Using the product without instruction
- Using outside the stated limits
- Deactivation of safety systems and removal of explanatory and hazard labels
- Opening of the equipment by using tools (screwdrivers, etc.)
- Use of accessories from other manufacturers without express approval
- Carrying out modification or conversion of the product
- Deliberate dazzling of third parties; also in the dark
- Inadequate safeguards at the surveying site (e.g. when measuring on roads, construction sites, etc.)
- Deliberate or irresponsible behaviour on scaffolding, when using ladders, when measuring near machines which are running or near parts of machines or installations which are unprotected
- Aiming directly in the sun

## Hazards in use

### WARNING

Watch out for erroneous measurements if the instrument is defective or if it has been dropped or has been misused or modified. Carry out periodic test measurements. Particularly after the instrument has been subject to abnormal use, and before, during and after important measurements.


### CAUTION

Never attempt to repair the product yourself. In case of damage, contact a local dealer.

### WARNING

Changes or modifications not expressly approved could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

## Limits of use

-  Refer to section Technical data. The device is designed for use in areas permanently habitable by humans. Do not use the product in explosion hazardous areas or in aggressive environments.

## Areas of responsibility

### **Responsibilities of the manufacturer of the original equipment:**

Leica Geosystems AG  
Heinrich-Wild-Strasse  
CH-9435 Heerbrugg  
Internet: [www.leica-geosystems.com](http://www.leica-geosystems.com)

The company above is responsible for supplying the product, including the User Manual in a completely safe condition.

The company above is not responsible for third party accessories.

### **Responsibilities of the person in charge of the instrument:**

- To understand the safety instructions on the product and the instructions in the User Manual.
- To be familiar with local safety regulations relating to accident prevention.
- Always prevent access to the product by unauthorised personnel.



## Disposal

### CAUTION

Flat batteries must not be disposed of with household waste. Care for the environment and take them to the collection points provided in accordance with national or local regulations.

The product must not be disposed with household waste. Dispose of the product appropriately in accordance with the national regulations in force in your country. Adhere to the national and country specific regulations.

Product specific treatment and waste management can be downloaded from our homepage.

## Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)

### **WARNING**

The device conforms to the most stringent requirements of the relevant standards and regulations. However, the possibility of causing interference in other devices cannot be totally excluded.

### **Japanese Radio Law Compliance**

This device is granted pursuant to the Japanese Radio Law 電波法. This device should not be modified otherwise the granted designation number will become invalid.

## FCC statement (applicable in U.S.)

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital instrument, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications.

However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna
- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subjected to the following two conditions:

- This device may not cause harmful interference, and

- this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

## FCC Radiation Exposure Statement

The radiated rf output power of the instrument is below the FCC radio frequency exposure limits for portable devices according to KDB 447498.

## ISED Statement (applicable in Canada)

This device complies with Industry Canada's license-exempt RSSs. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

## Radio Frequency (RF) Exposure Compliance Statement

The radiated rf output power of the instrument is below the Health Canada's Safety Code 6 exclusion limit for portable devices (radiated element separation distance between the radiating element and user and/or bystander is below 20 cm).

## Use of the product with Bluetooth®

### WARNING

Electromagnetic radiation can cause disturbances in other equipment, in installations (e.g. medical ones such as pacemakers or hearing aids) and in aircraft. It can also affect humans and animals.

#### **Precautions:**

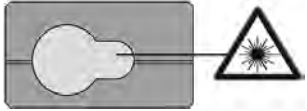
Although this product conforms to the most stringent standards and regulations, the possibility of harm to people and animals cannot be totally excluded.

- Do not use the product near petrol stations, chemical plants, in areas with a potentially explosive atmosphere and where blasting takes place.
- Do not use the product near medical equipment.
- Do not use the product in airplanes.
- Do not use the product near your body for extended periods.

## Laser classification

The device produces visible laser beams, which are emitted from the instrument: It is a Class 2 laser product in accordance with:

- IEC60825-1 : 2014 „Radiation safety of laser products“



Pulse duration

> 400 ps

Pulse repetition frequency

320 MHz

Beam divergence

0.16 x 0.6 mrad

## Laser Class 2 products:

Do not stare into the laser beam or direct it towards other people unnecessarily. Eye protection is normally afforded by aversion responses including the blink reflex.

### WARNING

Looking directly into the beam with optical aids (e.g. binoculars, telescopes) can be hazardous.

### CAUTION

Looking into the laser beam may be hazardous to the eyes.

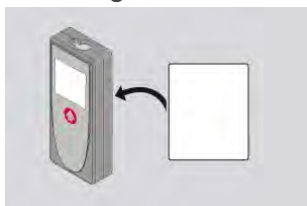
Wavelength

620 - 690 nm

Maximum radiant output power for classification

< 1 mW

## Labelling



Subject to change (drawings, descriptions and technical data) without prior notice.

