

## KEY FEATURES

Battery Life: Up to 1 year, depending on interval

Splash resistant and wire free design for placement anywhere within cultivation area

CO<sub>2</sub> measurements are temperature, humidity, and pressure compensated

Out of box operation with GrowFlux apps & dashboard; access to data through API (requires subscription)

### CO<sub>2</sub> Detector:

Range: 0-10,000 PPM

Accuracy: ± 60 PPM

Detection technique: non-dispersive infrared (NDIR)

Response time: 5 minutes

Calibration: factory calibrated; supports outdoor calibration without specialized equipment

### Humidity Sensor:

Range: 0-95%

Accuracy: ± 3% 10-90% RH

Drift: < 0.5% RH / year

Detection technique: capacitive

Calibration: factory calibrated

### Temperature Sensor:

Range: -40 to 60°C (-40 to 140°F)

Accuracy: ± 0.5°C

### Pressure Sensor:

Range: 30-110 kPa

Accuracy: ± 0.012 kPa at 70 - 110 kPa, 25-40 °C.

**REQUIRES GROWFLUX ACCESS POINT, SOLD SEPARATELY**



The GrowFlux CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor is a high performance microclimate sensor for horticultural applications and measures the following environmental conditions:

CARBON DIOXIDE

ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE

RELATIVE HUMIDITY

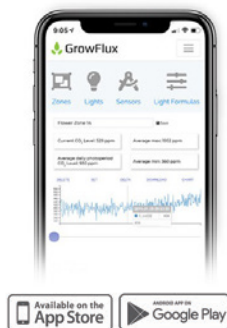
TEMPERATURE

Featuring a splash resistant housing, long battery life, and high performance wireless connectivity, the GrowFlux CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor is designed to be placed anywhere within a controlled environment to generate high resolution microclimate data.

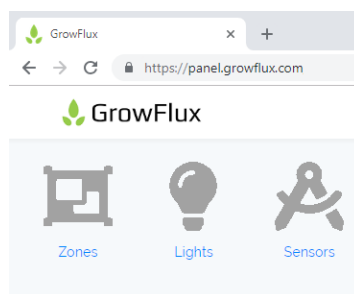
The GrowFlux CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor is part of the GrowFlux ecosystem, and data generated by the sensor is immediately available on the GrowFlux Control Panel, in the GrowFlux App, and through the GrowFlux API.

## Three ways to access & integrate sensor data:

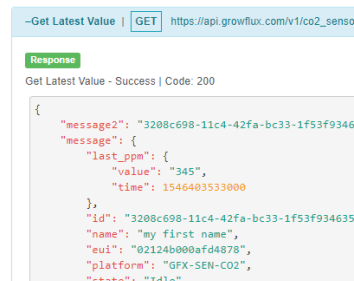
1. Download the GrowFlux App for iOS & Android



2. Access the GrowFlux Control Panel at <https://panel.growflux.com>



3. Integrate sensor data with other systems and applications with the GrowFlux API

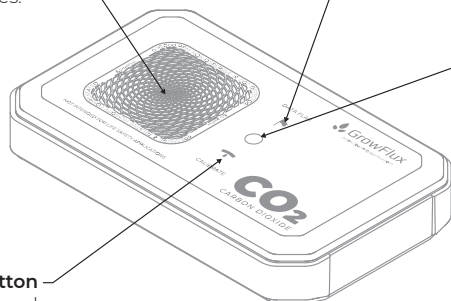


**Hydrophobic fabric protective vent**

Protected by stainless steel screen, this specialized vent allows gases to pass into detectors while resisting light water splashes.

**Data flag button**

Manually sends datapoint and inserts flag in timeline in the case of disturbances and anomalies. Data flags can later be commented on to maintain data integrity.



**Calibration button**

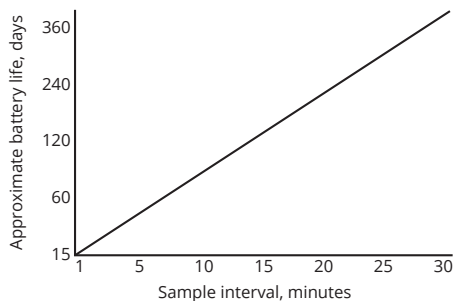
Place sensor outdoors for 15 minutes and hold down for 5 seconds to initiate outdoor calibration. Do not breathe near sensor before or during calibration.

**Status LED**

Indicates network status, successful data post, calibration, and other features. LED is not illuminated when sensor is asleep.

- **Solid red LED - upon battery installation**  
Sensor is not bonded to an Access Point
- **Blinking blue LED - upon battery installation**  
Sensor is bonded to an Access Point and is reconnecting
- **Green LED**  
Successful connection to cloud
- **Yellow LED**  
Sensor could not connect to Access Point
- **White LED**

## Battery life vs. sample interval



### Note on battery life:

CO<sub>2</sub> measurements have a significant impact on battery performance, while....

Battery life can be affected by high or low ambient temperature.

Estimates shown are associated with Energizer® Ultimate Lithium™ L91 AA size batteries.

GrowFlux recommends Energizer® Ultimate Lithium™ L91 batteries; otherwise alkaline batteries with a nominal cell voltage of 1.5V may be used with some degradation to battery performance.

## Maximum quantity of sensors per Access Point

Sample interval, minutes	Sensor quantity
1	60
5	300
15	900
30	1800
60	3600

### Note on quantity of sensors:

GrowFlux generally states up to 300 sensors can be used with one Access Point, however depending on the sample interval, more or less sensors may be associated with an Access Point.

Adding devices such as GrowFlux Mesh compatible lights and dimmers will affect the maximum number of devices per Access Point.

An unlimited number of Access Points may be added to an account to support facilities of any size.

## Approximate sensor coverage

Average air velocity	Sensor coverage, low resolution
0 - 0.25 m/s (0 - 0.8 ft/s)	23 sq m (250 sq ft)
0.25 - 0.5 m/s (0.8 - 1.6 ft/s)	56 sq m (600 sq ft)
0.5 - 1.0 m/s (1.6 - 3.3 ft/s)	111 sq m (1200 sq ft)
1.0 - 2.0 m/s (3.3 - 6.6 ft/s)	186 sq m (2000 sq ft)
2.0 + m/s (6.6 + ft/s)	232 sq m (2500 sq ft)

### Note on sensor coverage:

Coverage suggestions assume air mixing at point of supplementation (fans, air handlers, etc). Placing sensors near people, animals, or point sources of CO<sub>2</sub> enrichment will cause higher than ambient readings.

High aspect ratio cultivation spaces, such as long greenhouses, may require higher sensor density

Carbon dioxide is heavier than air and sinks; additional sensors are required for multi tier cultivation and vertical farming applications

<h2>Precautions</h2>	
<b>Life Safety</b>	<p>The GrowFlux CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor is not intended for life safety applications! The GrowFlux CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor is not suitable to comply with local safety regulations or to monitor personal exposure.</p> <p><b>Exposure to carbon dioxide rich environments can cause death.</b> Purchaser is responsible for implementing safety equipment, including but not limited to carbon dioxide alarms, shut off valves, personal monitors, and/or monitoring and safety equipment required per local regulations. The purchaser shall indemnify GrowFlux from all claims arising from any product use not covered by the parameters of this product data sheet or not approved by GrowFlux.</p>
<b>Vibration</b>	<p>High vibration and continuous vibration may affect accuracy of sensor. Do not mount on vibrating equipment.</p>
<b>Shock &amp; impact</b>	<p>Drops and impact may cause minor mis-alignment within sensitive optical detectors. Sensor may require outdoor calibration after being subject to drops and impact. Outdoor calibration is recommended but not required after shipping sensor.</p>
<b>Ingress protection &amp; water</b>	<p>Sensor is designed for use in wet environments, including humid environments and light splashing. The stainless steel screen on sensor covers a hydrophobic fabric to protect sensing elements from light splashing. The sensor shall not be subject to water sprays of any pressure level. Do not submerge sensor in liquid. Water ingress due to excessive liquid exposure may void warranty. Clean sensor only with a damp cloth.</p>
<b>Chemical exposure</b>	<p>Exposing sensor to chemicals, such as organic solvents, alcohol, fuel, bleach, ammonia, alkaline agents, silanes, ozone, and the like will damage sensing elements and hydrophobic properties of the protective fabric.</p>
<b>Sunlight &amp; light exposure</b>	<p>As with all humidity sensors, high intensity light may interfere with the accuracy of humidity measurements. The GrowFlux CO<sub>2</sub> sensor is designed to shield sensing elements from high intensity light, however GrowFlux recommends placing sensor in shade for optimal humidity sensor accuracy.</p> <p>Sensors placed in direct sunlight or under high intensity artificial light, including LED light, will exhibit heat gain and affect temperature readings. GrowFlux advises placing the sensor away from direct exposure to sunlight and high intensity lights if accurate temperature readings are necessary.</p>
<b>Batteries</b>	<p>GrowFlux recommends using AA size Energizer® Ultimate Lithium™ L91 batteries for optimal battery life, which ship pre-installed with sensor. Software user interface features such as battery life indication is based on Energizer® Ultimate Lithium™ L91 performance characteristics; using a different type of battery will cause these features to indicate inaccurate battery statistics.</p> <p>Alkaline AA size batteries may be used with the GrowFlux CO<sub>2</sub> sensor, however battery life may vary significantly from estimates provided in this product datasheet.</p> <p>Use only new batteries. Never use old batteries. Never mix battery types or brands.</p> <p>AA size Energizer® Ultimate Lithium™ L91 and AA size alkaline batteries with a nominal cell voltage of 1.5V are the only batteries suitable for use with the GrowFlux CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor. Use of any other type of battery may void warranty and damage device. Use of batteries with a nominal cell voltage greater than 1.5V will destroy internal circuitry and void warranty.</p>

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## General Specifications

Dimensions:	146 mm x 88 mm x 25.6 mm (5.75 in x 3.46 in x 1.01 in)
Weight:	250g (8.8 oz)
Ingress protection:	resistant to dust ingress and splashing of liquid water
Operating temperature range:	0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F) for ± 60 PPM CO <sub>2</sub> readings; full range is -40 to 60°C (-40 to 140°F)

**Note:**

1. High and low temperature operation may affect battery life

## CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor Specifications

Sensing range:	0 - 10,000 PPM
Accuracy:	± 60 PPM @ 1000 PPM
Detection technique:	Non-dispersive Infrared (NDIR) detector measures optical absorption of CO <sub>2</sub> in NIR spectrum
Operating temperature range:	Accuracy is valid for 0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F); ± 2.5 PPM / °C stability
Ambient response time:	Approximately 5 minutes; response time may vary (see note)
Recommended sensing interval:	Once every 5 - 15 minutes for most CO <sub>2</sub> enrichment applications
Calibration:	Calibration is recommended once per year. Dropping or impacting sensor may affect accuracy, and calibration is recommended after subjecting sensor to impact. To calibrate sensor, move sensor outside for 15 minutes and hold down calibration button for 5 seconds (see note)

**Note:**

1. Airflow around sensor affects response time. Exposure to very high CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations > 3,000 PPM may increase response time.
2. Breathing from nearby people and animals will significantly affect readings. Press the blue flag button to insert a data flag in the timeline when working around sensors - data flags can later be commented on to maintain integrity of datasets.
3. Do not breathe near sensor while adjusting device to outdoor ambient levels during outdoor calibration. Hold breath when approaching sensor to hold down button for 5 seconds.

## Relative Humidity & Temperature Sensor Specifications

Humidity detection range:	0-95%
Humidity accuracy:	± 3% 10-90% RH
Humidity drift:	< 0.5% RH / year
Temperature accuracy:	± 0.5°C (see note)
Temperature range:	-40 to 60°C (-40 to 140°F); High and low temperature operation may affect battery life
Calibration:	Internal relative humidity and temperature sensors are factory calibrated

**Note:**

1. While the internal temperature sensor exhibits high absolute accuracy, the placement of the sensor inside the housing does not result in fast response times. If rapid response, high accuracy air temperature measurements are required, please contact GrowFlux for an appropriate sensor.

## Atmospheric Pressure Sensor Specifications

Pressure detection range:	30 - 110 kPa
Pressure accuracy:	± 0.012 kPa at 70 - 110 kPa, 25-40 °C.
Pressure drift:	± 0.1 kPa / year
Calibration:	Internal pressure sensor is factory calibrated

## Wireless Specifications

Wireless protocol:	GrowFlux Mesh - REQUIRES GROWFLUX ACCESS POINT
Security:	RF data is AES128 encrypted; application layer is TLS encrypted. No inbound connections
Wireless frequency:	902-928MHz (US & Canada Market)
Wireless range:	500 feet line of sight, 300 feet indoors through walls typical range in commercial buildings. Range is not guaranteed and is highly dependent on building construction and electromagnetic / RF noise present in the local environment
Meshing:	Meshes to nearest always on devices - smart range extension works with nearby devices which are not battery powered (lights, dimmers, repeaters, etc). Self healing mesh automatically re-routes messages based on wireless signal strength
Channels:	50 channels; automatic channel hopping
Radio power:	Automatically adjusted for optimal battery life; up to +12dBm
Antenna:	2.0dB high gain internal antenna

**Note:**

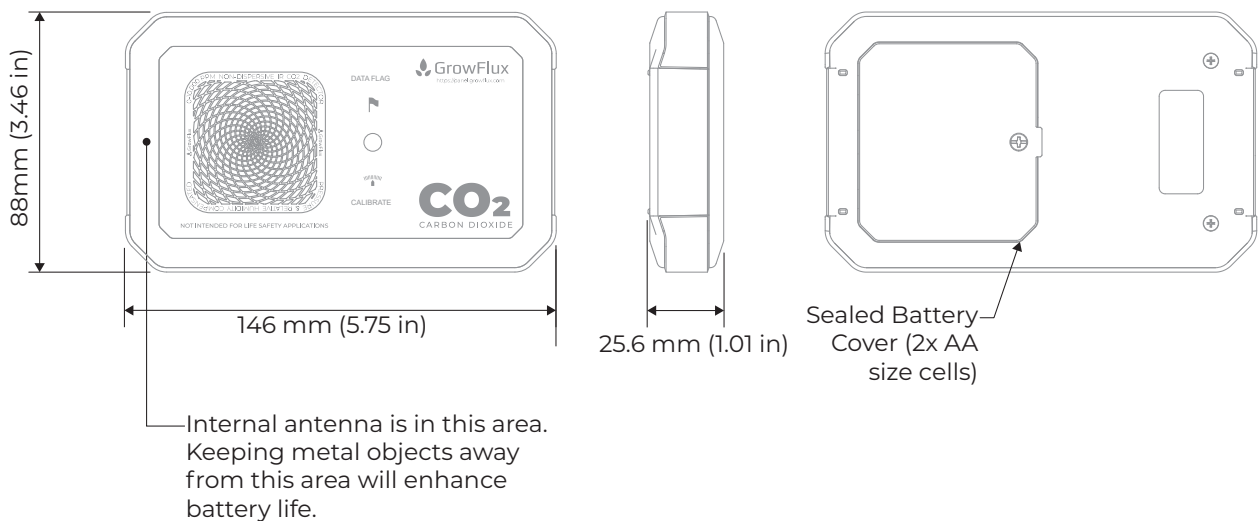
1. Placing sensor closer to nearby devices (non-battery powered), such as lights, Access Points, and repeaters extends battery life
2. Mount sensor to non-metallic surface and keep metal objects away from sensor for optimal wireless range and battery life

## Battery Details

Battery types:	Cylindrical Primary Lithium (Li/FeS <sub>2</sub> ); alkaline Zinc-Manganese Dioxide (Zn/MnO <sub>2</sub> )
Recommended models:	Energizer® Ultimate Lithium™ L91 AA size
Low battery behavior:	Approximate battery capacity shown in interface; battery life estimate based on lithium chemistry
Absolute maximum battery voltage:	1.825 V per cell. Use of batteries of a higher cell voltage will damage device and void warranty.

**Note:**

1. Sensor is optimized for Li/FeS<sub>2</sub> cells. Use of alkaline batteries may indicate inaccurate battery capacity and results in shorter life.
2. Only use new batteries. Do not mix used with new batteries. Do not mix brands or batches of batteries.
2. Shorter data interval settings results in shorter battery life.



## ORDERING INFORMATION

### Typical Part Number

GFX - CO<sub>2</sub> - 10K - B - NA

**1** **2** **3** **4**

1 - Series Name

CO<sub>2</sub> - CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor

2 - Range

10K - 0 to 10,000 PPM

3 - Power Option

B - Battery powered

4 - Region

NA - North America, 900 MHz wireless

EU - Europe, 868 MHz wireless