WS-9412U
Atomic Clock
Instruction Manual

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**INVENTORY OF CONTENTS**

1. WS-9412U
2. Instruction manual and warranty card.

**ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT (not included)**

1. Two fresh 1.5V AAA batteries.
2. One wall-hanging screw.
3. Appropriate screwdriver for screw.

**ABOUT WWVB (Radio Controlled Time)**

The NIST (National Institute of Standards and Technology-Time and Frequency Division) WWVB radio station is located in Ft. Collins, Colorado, and transmits the exact time signal continuously throughout the United States at 60 kHz. The signal can be received up to 2,000 miles away through the internal antenna in the Atomic Clock. However, due to the nature of the Earth's ionosphere, reception is very limited during daylight hours. The Atomic Clock will search for a signal every night when reception is best. The WWVB radio station derives its signal from the NIST Atomic clock in Boulder, Colorado. A team of atomic physicists is continually measuring every second, of every day, to an accuracy of ten billionths of a second per day. These physicists have created an international standard, measuring a second as 9,192,631,770 vibrations of a Cesium-133 atom in a vacuum. This Atomic Clock regulates the WWVB transmitter.

**QUICK SET-UP GUIDE**

1. Insert two AAA batteries into the Atomic Clock.
2. Wait 15 minutes for WWVB reception.
3. If there is no WWVB reception, manually set the time and date (instructions in the Program Mode).
4. Program the settings.
5. Mount the WS-9412U in a suitable location, where WWVB signals can be received.

**DETAILED SET-UP GUIDE**

**I. BATTERY INSTALLATION**

*Note:* To avoid start-up problems make sure that the batteries do not spring free.

**A. ATOMIC CLOCK**

1. Remove the battery cover, located on the backside of the function buttons.
2. Observe the correct polarity, and install 2 AAA batteries.
3. Replace the battery cover.

*Note:* After the batteries have been installed all the LCD's (Liquid Crystal Display) will briefly light up. Then the indoor temperature, the date as "1/1" and the weekday as "MON" will be displayed. Also, the time will appear as "-:--" for approximately 1 minute. Then the WWVB search is automatically initiated, and a tower icon appears and flashes with the time colon (no tower icon will appear if the WWVB is too weak to be detected). While the WWVB search is being conducted various numbers will appear in the time display. The numbers "0", "1", or "8" will appear in the hour position and the seconds will appear in the minute display. The Atomic Clock will either display the WWVB time, or discontinue the search after 10 minutes if the time is not found. When the search is cancelled "-:--" will appear in the time LCD. The Atomic Clock will conduct a WWVB search every hour until the first signal is found. Once the WWVB time is found, a search is automatically conducted nightly at midnight. If the signal is found at midnight, the tower icon will remain, if not, another search will take place every hour (up to 6:00 am) until the signal is found successfully. If no signal is found during this period, the tower icon will not appear and the clock will search again at 12:00 am the next night.

**PROGRAM MODE**

To enter the Program Mode hold down the "SET" button for 2 seconds, until the time zone flashes in the Date LCD. The Program Mode is laid out in a manner that allows you to program each function separately, or you can follow the instructions entirely to program the Atomic Clock. Complete programming is usually done for the initial set-up, and will require you to skip step 1 of programming sections III through VI. Wait approximately 15 seconds for the Atomic Clock to automatically return to normal operation after completing the final step.
I. FUNCTION BUTTONS
There are 2 function buttons located on the front of the Atomic Clock. The function buttons are labeled: SET and +.

II. TIME ZONE SETTING
1. Hold down the "SET" button for 2 seconds, the default setting "EST" will flash in the Date LCD.
2. Press and release the "+" button to select the appropriate time zone. There are 13 time zones to choose from:

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3. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the time zone setting, and to advance to DST (Daylight Saving Time) setting.

III. DST (DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME) SETTING
Note: The DST default is "On", meaning that the WWVB will automatically change the time according to Daylight Saving Time in the spring and fall. For areas that do not recognize DST changes (Arizona and parts of Indiana) turn the DST "OFF".
1. Hold down the "SET" button for 2 seconds (the selected time zone will flash), press the "SET" button once more until "On" and "DST" alternate flash where the Weekday normally appears.
2. Press and release the "+" button to turn the DST off, as will be indicated by the display of "OFF" in the time LCD.
3. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the DST setting, and to advance to select the manual time setting.

IV. TIME SETTING
Note: When the WWVB signal is found, that time will over-ride the manually set time.
1. Hold down the "SET" button for 2 seconds (the selected time zone will flash), press the "SET" button 3 more times, until the hour "12:00" flashes in the time LCD.
2. Press and release the "+" button to select the hour.
Note: when setting the hour, "PM" will appear to the left of the hour display, if it is AM nothing will be displayed.
3. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the hour setting, and to shift to select the minutes.
4. Press and release the "+" button to select the minutes.
5. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the time setting, and to advance to manually set the calendar.

V. CALENDAR SETTING
Note: When the WWVB signal is found, that date will over-ride the manually set date.
1. Hold down the "SET" button for 2 seconds (the selected time zone will flash), press the "SET" button 4 more times, until the default year "00" flashes in the date LCD.
2. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the year, and to set the month.
3. The default month "1" will flash. Press and release the "+" button to select the appropriate month.
4. The default date "1" will flash. Press and release the "+" button to select the appropriate date.
5. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the month, and to set the month.
6. The default weekday "MON" (depends on selected language) will flash. Press and release the "+" button to select the appropriate weekday.
7. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the calendar settings, and to advance to select either °F or °C temperature display.

VI. SELECTING °F OR °C
1. Hold down the "SET" button for 2 seconds (the selected time zone will flash), press the "SET" button 10 more times, until the default °F flashes in the time LCD.
2. Press and release the "+" button to toggle between °F and °C.
3. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the °F or °C selection, and exit the Program Mode.

FEATURES & OPERATIONS
I. CHANGING DISPLAY MODE (SECONDS, AND TEMPERATURE)
There are 2 possible display modes to view the day, seconds, and temperature. The month & date/ weekday/ indoor temperature is the default. To change the display:

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2. Press and release the "+" button to select the year.
3. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the year, and to set the month.
4. The default month "1" will flash. Press and release the "+" button to select the appropriate month.
5. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the month, and to set the date.
6. The default date "1" will flash. Press and release the "+" button to select the appropriate date.
7. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the date, and to set the weekday.
8. The default weekday "MON" (depends on selected language) will flash. Press and release the "+" button to select the appropriate weekday.
9. Press and release the "SET" button to confirm the calendar settings, and to advance to select either °F or °C temperature display.

II. INDOOR TEMPERATURE
The Indoor Temperature appears on the right side of the Date LCD. The temperature is checked every 10 seconds, and updated whenever there is a change.

MOUNTING
There are two possible ways to mount the atomic clock:
- use of the foldout table stand,
- wall mounting.

I. FOLDOUT TABLE STAND
The foldout table stand leg is located on the backside of the atomic clock. The hinge is towards the center of the atomic clock, and the end (with no hinge) needs to be folded in towards the center. Once the foldout table stand is extended, place the atomic clock in an appropriate location.

II. WALL MOUNTING

1. Place a screw in your desired position on your wall.
2. Install the mounting screw (not included) into a wall - leaving approximately 3/16 of an inch (5mm) extended from the wall.
3. Place the Atomic Clock onto the screws, using the hanging hole on the backside. Gently pull the Atomic Clock down to lock the screws into place.

MAINTENANCE & CARE

• Extreme temperatures, vibrations, and shock should be avoided to prevent damage to the unit.
• Clean display and unit with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use solvents or scouring agents - they may mark and damage the display and casing.
• Do not submerge in water.
• Immediately remove all low powered batteries to avoid leakage and damage. Replace with new batteries only, and of recommended size.
• Opening the casings invalidates the warranty. Do not try to repair the unit. Contact La Crosse Technology for Repairs.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem: The LCD is faint.
Solution: 1. Replace the batteries.

Problem: "OFL" appears in the LCD.
Solution: 1. Move unit to an area with warmer or cooler surrounding temperature. Current surrounding temperatures are outside measuring range.

Problem: No reception of WWVB signal.
Solution: 1. It may help reception to face the front of the Atomic Clock in the general direction of Ft. Collins, Colorado. 2. Wait overnight for signal.
3. Be sure the Atomic Clock is at least 6 feet from any electrical devices, i.e. TV sets, computers, or other radio controlled clocks.
4. Remove batteries for five minutes, reinsert and leave the unit alone overnight without pressing buttons.
5. If problems persist contact La Crosse Technology.

Problem: Hour is incorrect (minute and date are correct).
Solution: 1. Be sure correct time zone and daylight saving time are selected.

Note: For any questions not answered, contact La Crosse Technology with the contact information found at the end of this instructional manual.

SPECIFICATIONS

Temperature:
Measuring range: 32°F to 122°F with 0.2°F resolution (0°C to 50°C with 0.1°C resolution)
Outside range: "OFL" will be displayed
Checking intervals: Every 10 seconds

Power source:
Battery type: 2 x AAA, IEC LR3, 1.5V (Alkaline)
Battery life: Approximately 12 months
Case Dimensions (H x W x D): 5.5 x 6 x 0.5 in (139 x 152 x 13 mm)
Time Digit Height: 1.125 in (29 mm)

WARRANTY INFORMATION

La Crosse Technology, Ltd provides a 1-year limited warranty on this product against manufacturing defects in materials and workmanship.

This limited warranty begins on the original date of purchase, is valid only on products purchased and used in North America and only to the original purchaser of this product. To receive warranty service, the purchaser must contact La Crosse Technology, Ltd for problem determination and service procedures. Warranty service can only be performed by a La Crosse Technology, Ltd authorized service center. The original dated bill of sale must be presented upon request as proof of purchase to La Crosse Technology, Ltd or La Crosse Technology, Ltd's authorized service center.

La Crosse Technology, Ltd will repair or replace this product, at our option and at no charge as stipulated herein, with new or reconditioned parts or products if found to be defective during the limited warranty period specified above. All replaced parts and products become the property of La Crosse Technology, Ltd and must be returned to La Crosse Technology, Ltd. Replacement parts and products assume the remaining original warranty, or ninety (90) days, whichever is longer.

La Crosse Technology, Ltd will pay all expenses for labor and materials for all repairs covered by this warranty. If necessary repairs are not covered by this warranty, or if a product is examined which is not in need or repair, you will be charged for the repairs or examination. The owner must pay any shipping charges incurred in getting your La Crosse Technology, Ltd product to a La Crosse Technology, Ltd authorized service center; (6) units used for other than home use (7) applications and uses that this product was not intended or (8) the products inability to receive a signal due to any source of interference. This warranty covers only actual defects within the product itself, and does not cover the cost of installation or removal from a fixed installation, normal wear, and adjustments, claims based on misrepresentation by the seller or performance variations resulting from installation-related circumstances.
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(1) This device may not cause harmful interference.
(2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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