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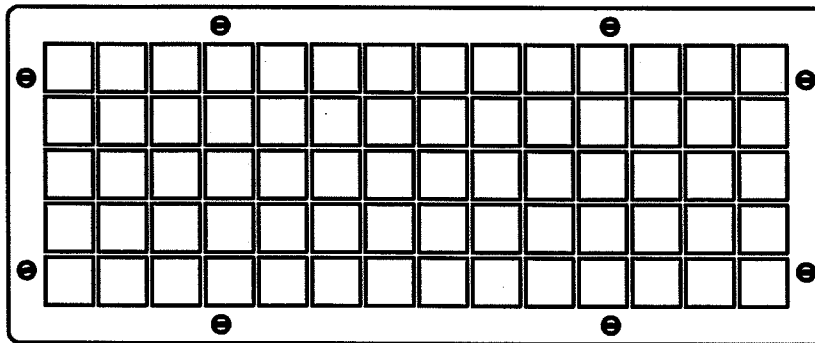
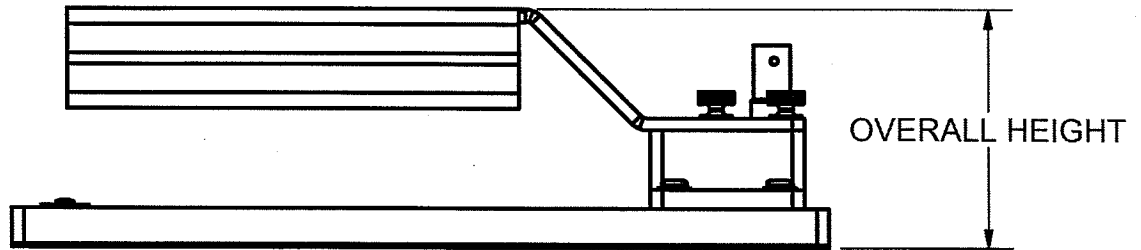
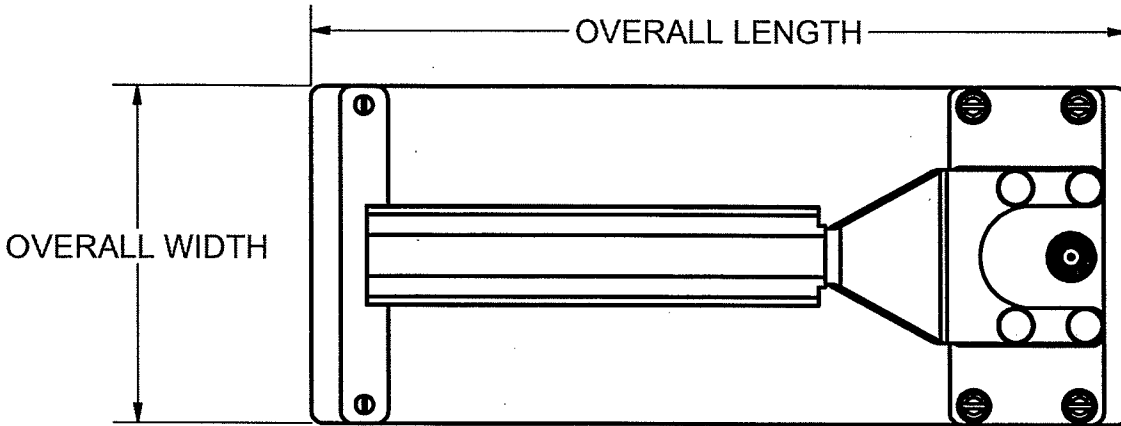
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## Introduction

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The Ludlum Model 43-40 Series of proportional probes are designed to be used in detecting alpha radiation. The probes require an instrument with input sensitivity of 2 millivolts or less and a minimum voltage of 2500 volts. Probe operating voltage is altitude sensitive. Ludlum Measurements suggests any of the following instruments for use with these probes: Models 12, 16, 18, 2000, 2200, 2221, 2241, or 2350. Connection to the counting instrument is made through a Series “C” or “MHV” connector (others are available).

The Models covered in this manual are listed below with their associated part number.

Model 43-40	PN: 47-1150
Model 43-40-1	PN: 47-1366
Model 43-40-2	PN: 47-3434
Model 43-40-3	PN: 47-3435
Model 43-40-4	PN: 47-3436
Model 43-40-5	PN: 47-3541
Model 43-40-6	PN: 47-3542
Model 43-40-7	PN: 47-3544

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## Specifications

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Common  
Specifications

Indicated Use: alpha survey

Suggested Instruments: Ludlum Models 12, 16, 18, 2000, 2200, 2221, 2241 or 2350

Working Environment: splash-proof shields and desiccant vented chamber for outdoor use

Window: 0.4mg/cm<sup>2</sup> aluminized Mylar

Efficiency (4pi geometry): typically 10% <sup>239</sup>Pu

Background: typically 3 cpm or less

Operating Voltage: altitude sensitive

Sea level – 2050 volts

2000 feet – 2000 volts

5000 feet – 1925 volts

7000 feet – 1875 volts

Counter Threshold Setting: typically 2 mV

Connector: Series “C” or “MHV” (others available)

Temperature Range: -20 to 50 °C (-4 to 122 °F). May be certified for operation from -40 to 65 °C (-40 to 150 °F).

Specifications by  
Model Number

	Active Window, area cm <sup>2</sup> (in <sup>2</sup> )	Open Window, area cm <sup>2</sup> (in <sup>2</sup> )	Chamber Depth, cm (in.)	Screen % Open
43-40	79 (12.2)	52.4 (8.1)	0.64 (0.25)	66.0
43-40-1	144.8 (22.4)	110.8 (17.2)	0.64 (0.25)	76.5
43-40-2	239 (37.0)	188 (29.1)	0.64 (0.25)	79.1
43-40-3	320 (49.6)	253 (39.2)	0.64 (0.25)	65.0
43-40-4	805 (124.8)	625.7 (97.0)	0.64 (0.25)	77.7
43-40-5	132.3 (20.5)	128.9 (20.0)	0.64 (0.25)	97.5
43-40-6	88.9 (13.8)	87.6 (13.6)	0.64 (0.25)	98.5
43-40-7	135.3 (21.0)	112.9 (17.5)	0.64 (0.25)	83.4

	Overall Height cm (in)	Overall Width cm (in)	Overall Length cm (in)	Overall Weight kg (lb)
43-40	1.1 (0.44)	6.4 (2.5)	22.9 (9.0)	0.38 (0.83)
43-40-1	1.1 (0.44)	8.9 (3.5)	23.6 (9.3)	0.6 (1.4)
43-40-2	10.2 (4.0)	10.7 (4.2)	22.9 (9.0)	1.1 (2.5)
43-40-3	10.2 (4.0)	14.0 (5.5)	22.9 (9.0)	1.6 (3.5)
43-40-4	3.1 (1.2)	24.8 (9.8)	33.1 (13.0)	3.2 (7.1)
43-40-5	2.4 (0.95)	12.8 (5.0)	33.1 (13.0)	0.68 (1.5)
43-40-6	0.97 (0.38)	12.8 (5.0)	22.9 (9.0)	0.39 (0.85)
43-40-7	6.4 (2.5)	8.9 (3.5)	21.6 (8.5)	0.54 (1.2)



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## Safety Considerations

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### Environmental Conditions for Normal Use

Indoor or outdoor use

No maximum altitude (operating voltage sensitive to altitude)

Temperature range of -20 to 50 °C (-4 to 122 °F)

Maximum relative humidity of less than 95% (non-condensing)

### Cleaning Instructions and Precautions

The detectors specified in this manual may be cleaned externally with a damp cloth, using only water as the wetting agent. Do not immerse the detector in any liquid. Do not attempt to clean a detector that is attached to an instrument providing high voltage. Disconnect the detector cable before cleaning.