

# Axion XQ LRF Manual

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# **Specifications**

You can learn more about the main parameters here.

### XQ38 LRF

Model	XQ38 LRF
SKU	77428
Microbolometer	
Туре	uncooled
Resolution, Pixels	384x288
Pixel Pitch, μm	17
Frame Rate, Hz	50
<b>Optical Characteristics</b>	
Optical Magnification, x	3.5
Smooth Digital Zoom	3.5-14
Digital Zoom, x	2/4
Lens Focus, mm	38
Relative Aperture, D/f'	1.2
Minimum Focus Distance, m	3
Eye Relief Diameter, mm	3.5
Angular Field of View (Horizontal x Vertical), degree	9.8x7.4
Linear Field of View, m at 100 m	17.2
Eyepiece Focus Range, Diopter	+4 / -5

Detection Distance for Deer- Sized Objects, m/y	1350/1476
Display	
Туре	AMOLED
Resolution, Pixels	1024x768
<b>Operational Characteristics</b>	
Power Supply, V	3 - 4.2
Battery Type/Capacity/Nominal Output Voltage	APS 5 Li-ion Battery Pack / 4900 mAh / DC 3.7 V
External Power Supply	5-15 V (USB Type-C)
Battery Run Time at t=22°C, hours	7
Degree of Protection, IP Code (IEC60529)	IPX7
Operating Temperature Range, °C	-25 to +40
Dimensions, mm/inch	167x74x73 / 6.57x2.91x2.87
Weight (without battery), kg/oz	0.38/13.4
Characteristics of the Rangefinder	
Wavelength, nm	905
Measurement Range, m/y*	1000/1094
Measurement Accuracy, m	1

\* Depends on the characteristics of the object under observation and environmental conditions.

### Description

**Axion XQ LRF** thermal imaging monoculars are designed for use both at night-time and during the day and provide exceptional image quality even in adverse weather conditions (fog, smog, rain) and beyond obstacles like branches, tall grass, dense foliage, etc. known to hinder target detection.

Unlike night-vision devices based on electron-optical converters, thermal imaging devices do not need an external light source and are resistant to bright light.

**Axion XQ LRF** thermal imagers are designed for various applications including hunting, observation, security, terrain orientation, search and rescue operations, etc.

**Axion XQ LRF** thermal imagers are equipped with a built-in laser rangefinder with a range of up to 1000 m and a measurement accuracy of  $\pm$  1 m.

To get started, see the sections:

**Battery Charging** 

**Battery Installation** 

Powering on and Image Setting

**Built-In Laser Rangefinder** 

# **Package Contents**

- Axion XQ LRF thermal monocular
- APS 5 rechargeable battery
- 2 battery-locking covers
- Battery charger
- Power adapter
- USB Type-C cable
- Carrying case
- Hand strap
- Quick reference user manual
- Lens cleaning cloth
- Warranty information
- Tripod adapter

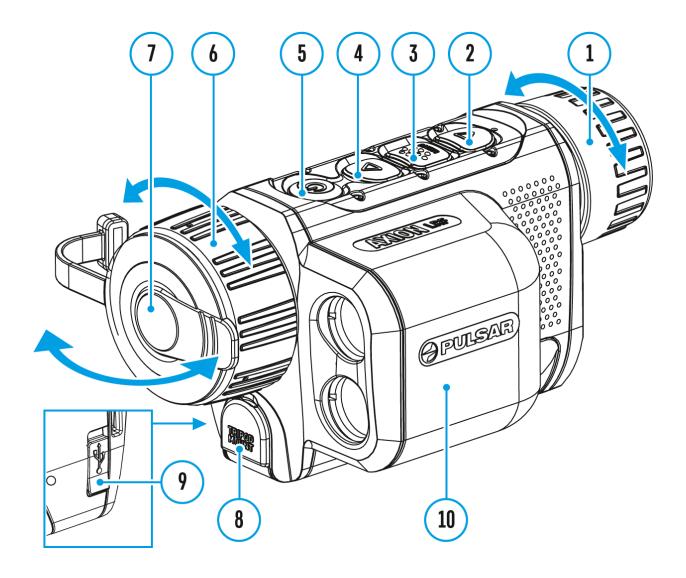
## **Features**

- 384x288 microbolometer sensor resolution
- 17-micron pixel pitch
- 1024x768 AMOLED display resolution
- Compact and lightweight
- Functional and ergonomic design
- 8-color display palette
- 3 calibration modes: Manual, Semi-Automatic, Automatic
- Detection range up to 1350 m/1475 yds
- Smooth digital zoom 3.5-14x
- 4 observation modes: Forest, Rocks, Identification, User
- Integrated laser rangefinder
- Display-Off function
- Defective pixel repair
- Wide operating temperature range (-25°C to +40°C)
- Fully waterproof (IPX7 rated)
- Tripod mount

#### **Battery Pack**

- Quick Change Li-Ion Battery Pack APS 5
- Charging from USB Power Bank
- Quick-Charge power delivery

### **Components and Controls**



- 1. Eyepiece focus ring
- 2. DOWN/LRF button
- 3. MENU button
- 4. UP/ZOOM button
- 5. Power ON/OFF/CALIBRATION button
- 6. Lens focus ring
- 7. Lens cover
- 8. Tripod adapter socket
- 9. USB Type-C connector
- 10. Laser rangefinder

#### LED indicator displays the current status of the device:

LED Indicator	Operating Mode
•	Device is turned on
•	The device is turned on/battery charge < 10%

# **Button Operation**

Operation	Button
Power device on	ዕ <sub>short press</sub>
Power device off	<b>ψ</b> long press for 3 secs
Turn display off	ပံ long press for less than 3 secs
Turn display on	ບ <sub>short press</sub>
Calibrate the microbolometer	ዕ <sub>short press</sub>
Switch observation modes	Δ short press
Control discrete digital zoom	Δ long press
Quick change of color palettes	▼ long press
Laser Rangefinder	Button
Turn on rangefinder	▼ short press
Single distance measurement	▼ short press
Activate rangefinder scan mode	▼ long press
Deactivate rangefinder scan mode	▼ short press
Turn off rangefinder	∇ long press
Main Menu	Button
Enter main menu	🚟 long press
Navigation upwards/rightwards	<b>Δ</b> short press
Navigation downwards/leftwards	▼ short press
Confirm selection	🚟 short press

Exit menu (switch to viewing mode)	🚟 long press
Quick Menu	Button
Enter quick menu	short press
Switch between quick menu options	short press
Increase value	$\Delta$ short press
Decrease value	▼ short press
Exit quick menu	🚟 long press

### **Precautions**

- Always use the APS 5 charger supplied with the device (or purchased separately) to charge APS 5 batteries. Using an unsuitable charger can cause irreparable damage to the battery and fire.
- Do not charge the battery immediately after exposure to a cold environment. Let the battery warm for at least 30 minutes before charging.
- Do not leave the battery unattended while charging.
- Do not use the charger if it has been modified or damaged.
- Do not leave the battery in a plugged-in charger after charging is complete.
- Do not expose the battery to high temperatures or open flames.
- Do not use the battery as a power source for devices that do not support APS 5 batteries.
- Do not disassemble or deform the battery or charger.
- Do not drop or strike the battery or charger.
- Protect the battery and charger from water and moisture.
- Keep the battery out of the reach of children.

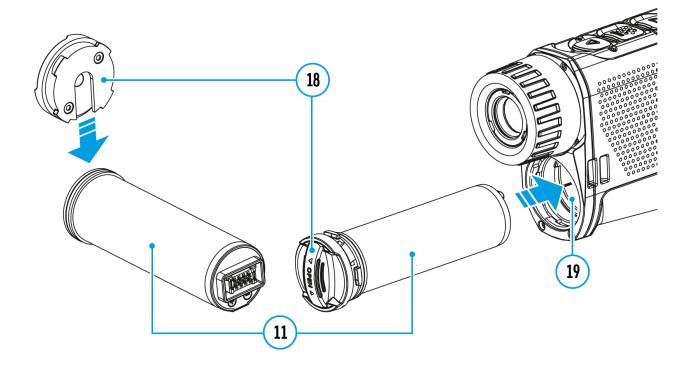
# **Recommendations for**

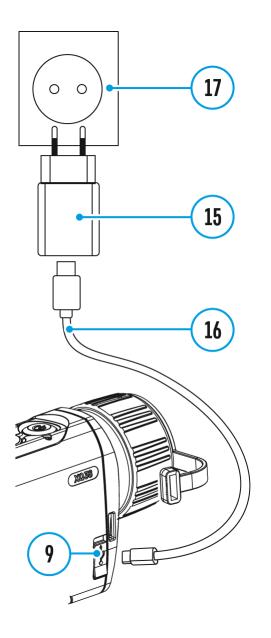
# **Battery Use**

- The batteries should be partially charged (50 to 80 %) for long-term storage.
- Charge at an ambient temperature of 0°C to +35°C (32°F to 95°F) or the lifespan of the battery will decrease significantly.
- Using the battery at sub 0°C (<32°F) ambient temperature decreases battery capacity. This is normal and not a defect.
- Using the battery at temperatures outside the range of -25°C to +40°C (- 13°F to 104°F) may reduce battery life.
- The battery is short-circuit protected. Any situation that may cause short-circuiting should be avoided.

# **Battery Charging**

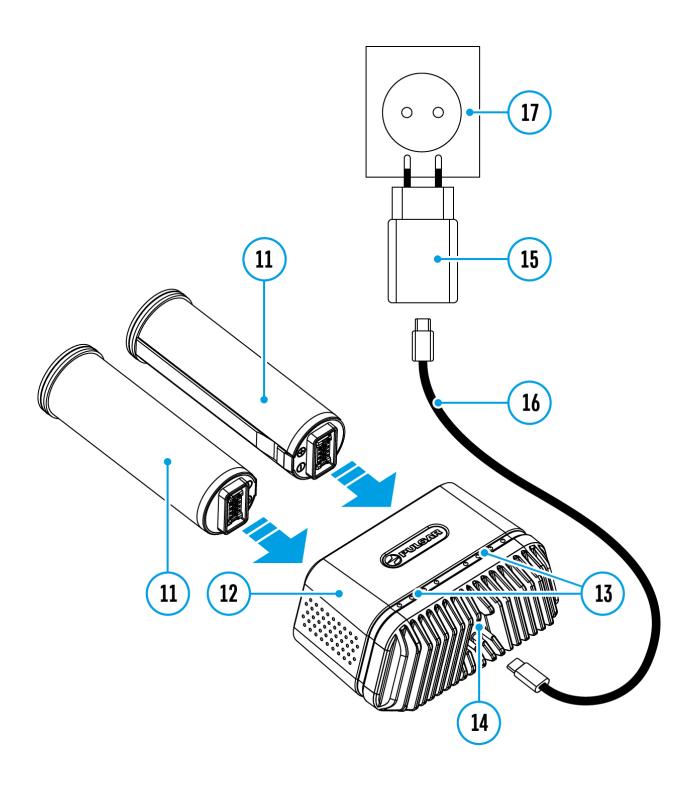
The **Axion XQ LRF**thermal imager comes with an APS 5 rechargeable Lithium-ion battery. APS 5 batteries support USB Power Delivery fast charging technology when using a standard charging set (charger, USB Type-C cable, power adapter). Before first use, make sure the battery is fully charged.





#### **Option 1**

- 1. Install the APS 5 battery (11) in the battery compartment (19) of the device.
- Connect the USB cable (16) to the USB Type-C connector (9) of the device.
- Connect the other end of the USB cable (16) to the Power Adapter (15).
- 4. Plug the Power Adapter (15) into a 100-240 V socket (17).



#### **Option 2**

- Insert the APS 5 battery (11) along the guide into the APS 5 charger (12) slot as far as it will go. The APS charger is supplied with your device and sold separately.
- 2. Connect the plug of the USB Type-C cable (16) to the USB Type-C connector of the Power Adapter(15).
- 3. Plug the Power Adapter (15) into a 100-240 V socket (17).

- 4. Connect the other end of the USB Type-C cable **(16)** to the USB Type-C connector **(14)** of the charger.
- 5. LED indicators (13) will display the battery charge level (see Table).

**Note:**Two batteries can be charged at the same time, a second slot is provided for it.

LED indication (13) in the battery charging mode	Battery Level
*	Battery charge level is from 0% to 25%
• *	Battery charge level is from 26% to 50%
• • *	Battery charge level is from 51% to 80%
• • • *	Battery charge level is from 81% to 99%
• • • •	Battery is fully charged. Charging will automatically stop. The battery can be disconnected from the charge
•	Defective battery. <b>Do not us</b> e <b>the battery!</b>
LED indication (13) in the standby mode*	Battery Level
*	Battery charge level is from 0% to 25%
•	Battery charge level is from 26% to 50%
	Battery charge level is from
••	51% to 80%
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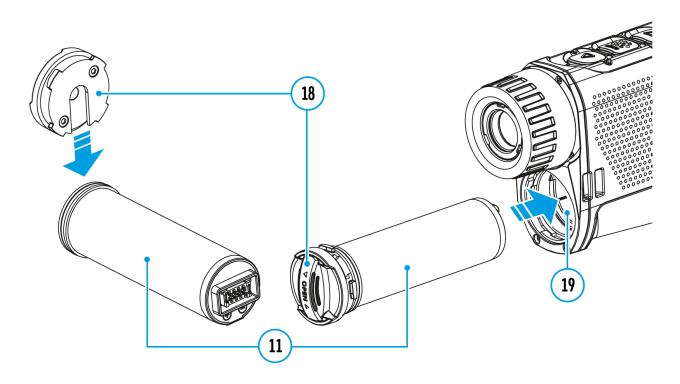
• • • •	Battery is fully charged. It can be disconnected from the charger.
•	Defective battery. <b>Do not use</b> the battery!

\* Standby mode is when the batteries are in the charger but the Power Adapter is not connected. In this mode, the indicators are only on for 10 seconds.

**Attention!** When using a Power Adapter that does not support USB Power Delivery fast charging technology, the flicker frequency of the LED indicators decreases by a factor of 3 and the charge time increases.

**Attention!** The charger heats up during fast charging. Excess heat is removed through the radiator and does not affect the device operation.

### **Battery Installation**

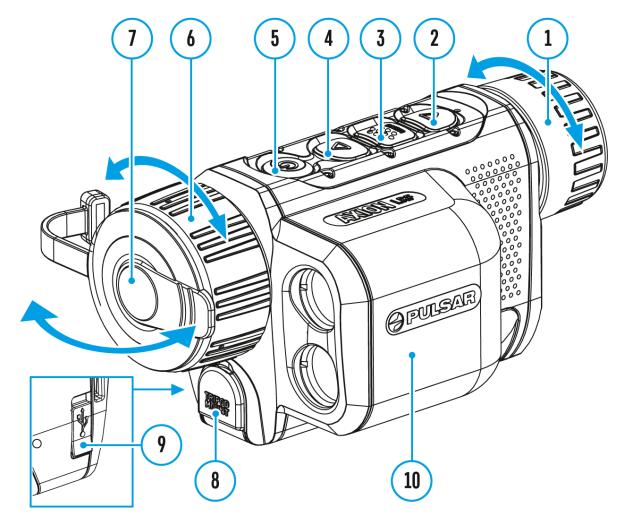


**Attention!** Before installing the battery, make sure that there is an undamaged rubber insulating ring on the battery. The ring is designed to protect your device from moisture getting inside. Damage to the device due to a missing ring is not covered by the warranty. To replace or purchase a ring, contact your **local distributor.** 

- 1. Put the Lock-cover (18) on the rechargeable APS 5 battery (11).
- 2. Insert the APS 5 battery **(11)** along the guide into the battery compartment **(19)**.
- 3. Lock the battery **(11)** by turning the Lock-cover **(18)**clockwise until it stops.
- 4. Turn the Lock-cover (18) counter-clockwise to remove the battery (11).

### **External Power Supply**

### Show device diagram



External power can be supplied from an external source, such as a Power Bank (5-15 V).

- 1. Connect the external power source to the USB Type-C connector **(9)** on the device.
- 2. The device will switch to draw power from the external source while the APS5 battery is gradually recharged.
- 3. A battery icon **⊄** will appear on the display showing the percentagecharged level.
- 4. An icon —== will be displayed when the device is powered by an

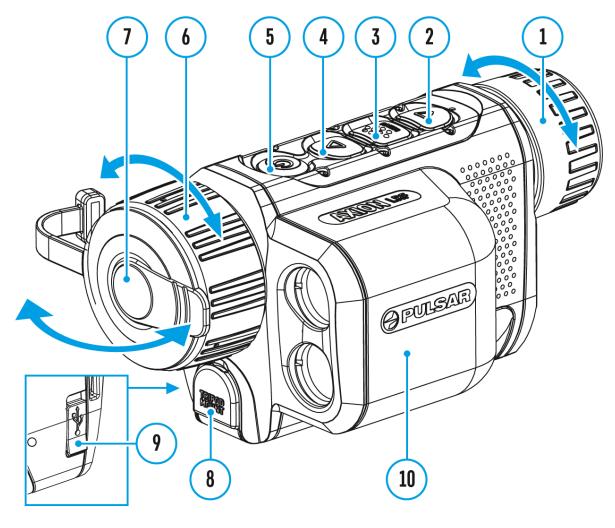
external power source and the APS5 battery is not connected.

5. The device automatically switches to the APS 5 battery when the external power supply is disconnected.

**Attention!** Charging APS 5 batteries from an external source at temperatures below 0°C (<32°F) can reduce battery life. When using external power, connect the power bank to the device only after it has been turned on and working (warming) for at least several minutes.

# Powering on and Image Settings

### Show device diagram



- 1. Open the lens cover (7). The lens cover can be secured to the strap using the built-in magnet.
- 2. Press the **ON/OFF (5)**button briefly to turn on the device.
- 3. Adjust the eyepiece focus ring (1) of the device until the symbols on the display are sharp.
- 4. Rotate the lens focus ring (6) to focus on the object being observed.
- 5. Enter the main menu with a long press of the **MENU (3)** button and

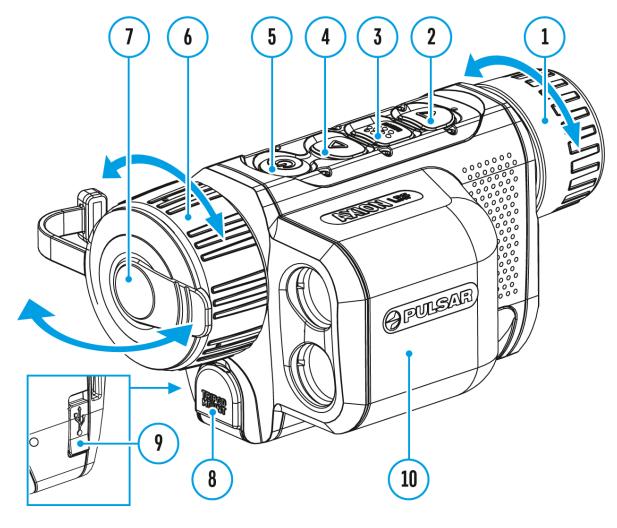
select the desired calibration mode: Manual (M), Semi-Automatic (SA) or Automatic (A).

- 6. Calibrate the image by briefly pressing the ON/OFF (5) button. If the SA or A calibration mode has been selected the microbolometer is closed with an internal shutter automatically. However, if the M calibration mode has been selected you must close the lens cover before calibrating manually.
- Select the desired observation mode (Forest, Identification, Rocks, User) by briefly pressing the UP (4). User mode allows you to change and save user-defined brightness and contrast settings in the quick menu.
- 8. Enter the main menu with a long press of the **MENU (3)** button and select the desired color palette (for more details see the **Color Modes** section).
- 9. Activate the quick menu by briefly pressing the **MENU (3)** button to adjust the brightness, contrast and smooth digital zoom (for more details see the **Quick Menu Functions** section).
- 10. After use, turn the device off by a long press of the **ON/OFF (5)**

**Warning!** Never point the lens at intensive energy sources such as laser radiation emitting devices or the sun. It can damage electronic components in the device. The warranty does not cover damage arising from failure to comply with operating instructions.

# Microbolometer Calibration

### Show device diagram



Calibration eliminates image flaws (such as vertical bars, phantom images, grainy field of view, etc.) by equalizing the microbolometer background temperature.

During calibration, the image on the display briefly freezes for up to 1 second.

There are three calibration modes: Manual (M), Semi-Automatic (SA)

#### and Automatic (A).

Select the required mode in the **Calibration Mode**  $\begin{array}{c} \checkmark \end{array}$  menu item.

#### M mode (Manual).

- Close the lens cover and press the **ON/OFF (5)** button briefly.
- Open the lens cover after the calibration is completed.

#### SA mode (Semi-Automatic).

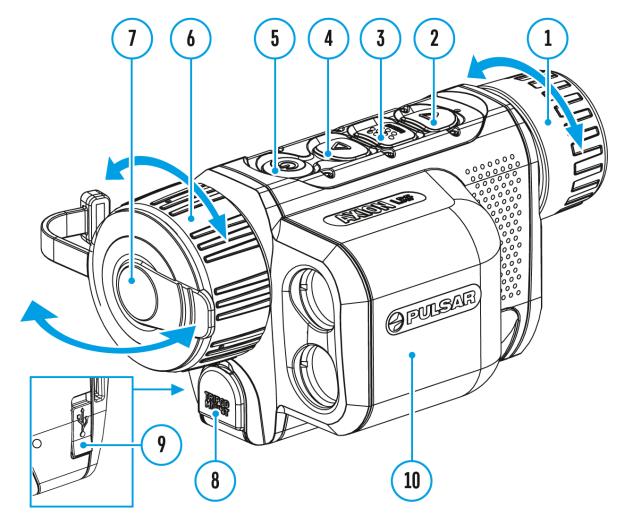
- Press the **ON/OFF (5)** button briefly to activate calibration.
- There is no need to close the lens cover because an internal shutter covers the microbolometer automatically.

#### A mode (Automatic).

- The device is calibrated autonomously according to firmware algorithms.
- There is no need to close the lens cover because an internal shutter covers the microbolometer automatically.
- In this mode, the user can still choose to calibrate the device using the **ON/OFF (5)** button if required (as in the **SA** mode).
- In Automatic calibration mode a countdown timer (1) 00:03 will appear instead of the calibration mode icon 3 seconds before automatic calibration begins.

# **Discrete Digital Zoom**

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The device functionality allows you to quickly increase the base magnification by 2 or 4 times as well as return to the base magnification.

Press and hold the UP (4) button to change the digital zoom.

### **Status Bar**

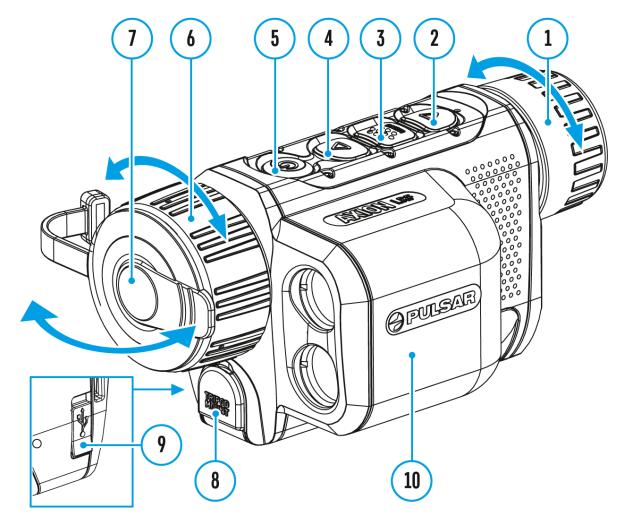


The status bar at the bottom of the display shows current operating statuses via icons, including:

- Color Mode (shown only when the Black Hot color mode is selected)
- Observation Mode
- Calibration Mode (in Automatic calibration mode a countdown timer
  00:03 will appear instead of the calibration mode icon 3 seconds before automatic calibration begins).
- Magnification
- Time
- Power Indication:
  - charge level if the device is powered by a battery

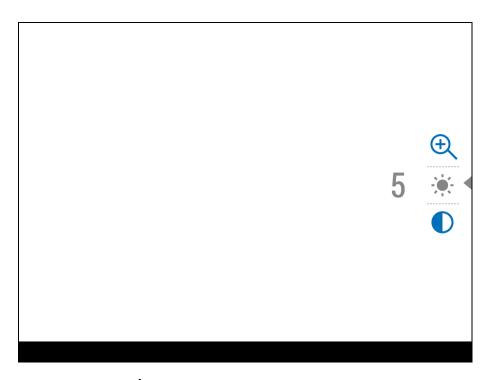
# **Quick Menu Functions**

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The basic settings (adjusting brightness and contrast, using the Smooth Digital Zoom) can be changed using the quick access menu.

- Enter the menu by briefly pressing the **MENU (3).**
- A short press of the **MENU (3)** button enables you to toggle between functions, as described below.



**Brightness** – press the **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons to change display brightness from 0 to 20.

**Contrast O**- press the **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons to change image contrast from 0 to 20.

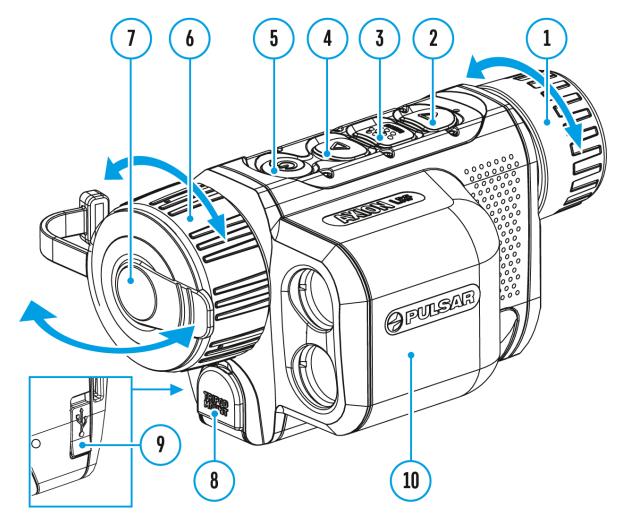
**Base Mode** A O - allows you to select one of the three other observation modes (Forest, Rocks, Identification) as the base for the User mode.

Smooth Digital Zoom - press the UP (4) / DOWN (2) button to change the value of the digital zoom from 3.5 to 14. The digital zoom changes in 0.1 increments.

• Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to exit the menu or wait for 10 seconds to exit automatically.

# **Enter the Main Menu**

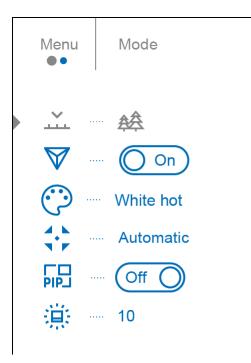
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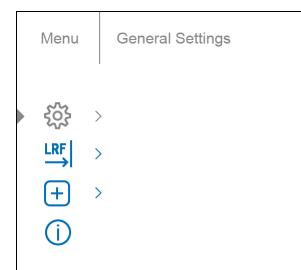
- 1. Enter the main menu with a long press of the **MENU (3)** button.
- 2. Press the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons to move through the menu items.
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to select the menu item.
- 4. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to exit the menu or wait for 10 seconds to exit automatically.

#### **General View of Menu:**

Tab 1

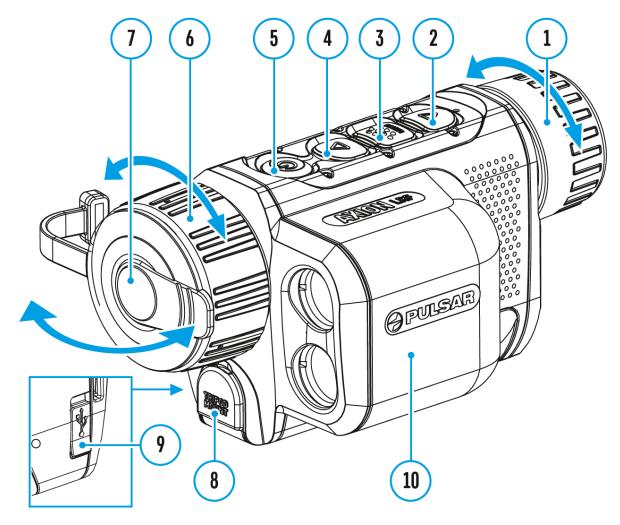


#### Tab 2



### Mode

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#### **Observation mode selection**

There are four observation modes: Forest (mode for low temperature contrast conditions), Rocks (mode for high temperature contrast conditions), Identification (high detail mode), and User (personalized brightness and contrast settings mode).

#### **Option 1:**

Press the UP (4) button briefly to switch the observation mode

#### **Option 2:**

- 1. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to enter the main menu.
- 2. Use the **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons to select the **Mode** incon.
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the Mode submenu.
- Use the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons to select one of the modes described below.
- 5. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to confirm the selection.

**ForestMode.**The most suitable mode when searching and observing in the field against a background of foliage, shrubs and grass. This mode provides a high level of information on both the observed object and landscape details.

**RocksMode.**The most suitable mode for observing objects after a sunny day or in urban environments.

IdentificationMode. The most suitable mode for observation in adverse weather conditions (fog, mist, rain, snow). It allows the characteristic features of objects to be more clearly recognized. The increased detail may result in a small graininess of the image.

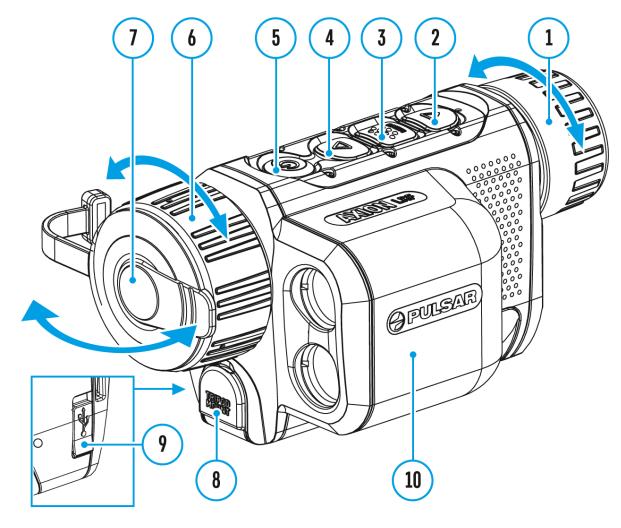
**User Mode.**It allows you to configure and save custom brightness and contrast settings, as well as one of the three other modes (Forest, Rocks, Identification) as the base.

#### http:///www.youtube.com/embed/Mnt5c8ZP1PA

# Image Detail Boost

#### https://www.youtube.com/embed/GNezJKveMRc

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The **Image Detail Boost**  $\bigvee$  function increases the contour sharpness of heated objects to improve the image detail. The results of the function depend on the selected mode and the observation conditions: the higher the object contrast the more noticeable the effect. This option is enabled by default but can be disabled in the main menu.

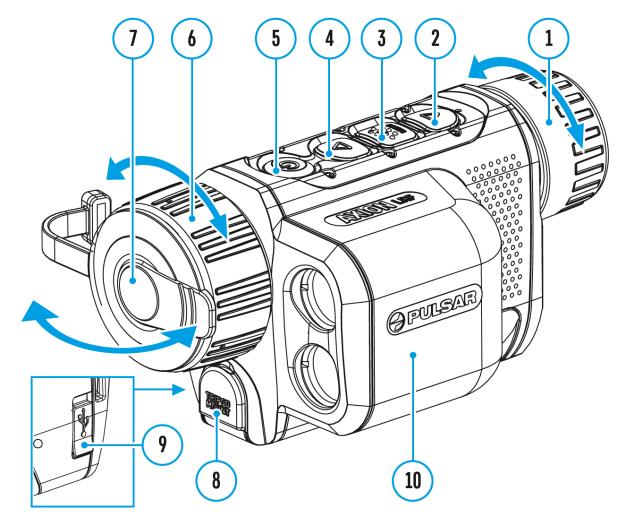
Enable/disable Image Detail Boost:

1. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to enter the main menu.

- 2. Use the **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons to select **Image Detail Boost** V icon
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to turn the function on / off.

# **Color Modes**

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#### **Color palette selection**

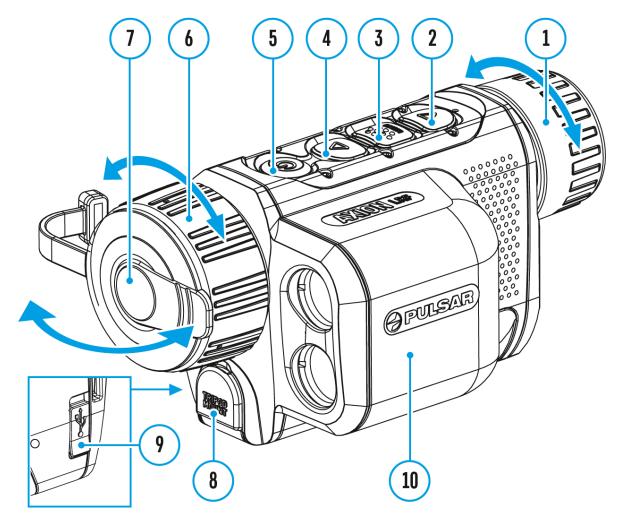
White Hot is the default display mode. To select an alternative palette, do the following:

- 1. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to enter the main menu.
- 2. Use the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons to select Color Modes (::) icon .
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the submenu.
- 4. Use the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons to select the desired palette.
- 5. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to confirm the selection.
- **Black Hot** a black and white palette where white corresponds to cold temperatures and black to hot temperatures.

- Red Hot
- Red Monochrome
- Rainbow
- Ultramarine
- Violet
- Sepia

# **Calibration Mode**

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Calibration mode selection.

There are three calibration modes: **Manual, Semi-Automatic** and **Automatic**.

- 1. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to enter the main menu.
- 2. Use the **UP (4) / DOWN (2)** buttons to select the **Calibration Mode**
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the submenu.
- 4. Use the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons to select one of the calibration

modes described below.

5. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to confirm the selection.

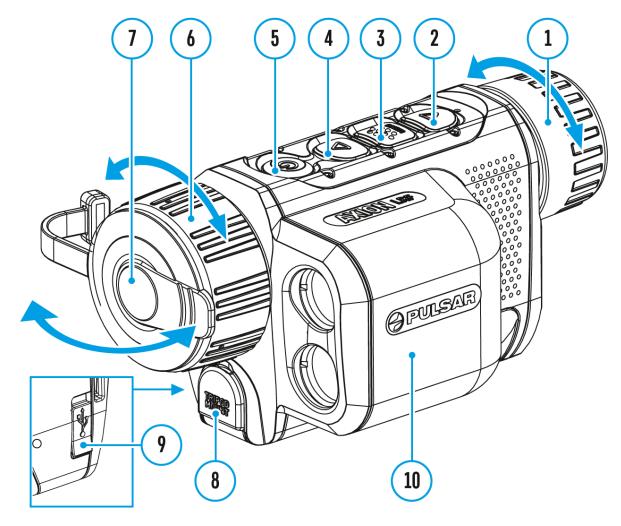
**Automatic (A).** In this mode the firmware determines the need for calibration. The calibration process starts automatically.

**Semi-Automatic (SA).** The user determines the need for calibration based on the image quality and can act at a convenient time depending on the object being observed.

**Manual (M).** In the Manual (silent) calibration mode the user determines the need for calibration (as in **SA** mode) but the lens cover must be closed during calibration.

# **PiP Mode**

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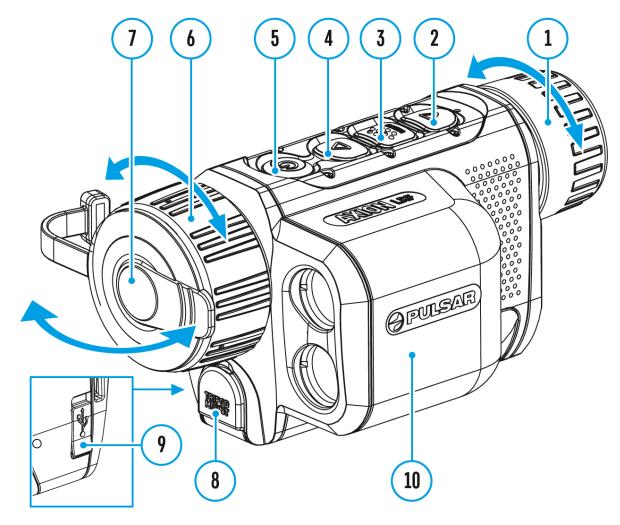


Picture in Picture mode.

- 1. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to enter the main menu.
- 2. Use the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons to select the PiP Mode  $\prod_{i=1}^{n}$  icon .
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to turn on / off.

# **Icon Brightness**

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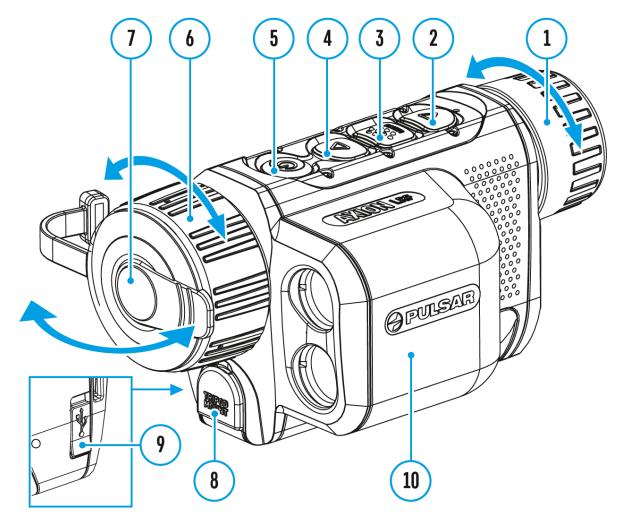


Adjust brightness level of the icons and screensavers (Pulsar, Display off) on the display.

- 1. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to enter the main menu.
- 2. Use the **UP (4) / DOWN (2)** buttons to select the **Icon Brightness** icon.
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the submenu.
- 4. Use the **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons to select the desired brightness level from 0 to 10.
- 5. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to confirm the selection.

# **General Settings**

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This menu section allows you to change the interface language, set the date, time, units of measure, and also return the device to factory default settings.

- 1. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to enter the main menu.
- 2. Use the **UP (4) / DOWN (2)** buttons to select the **General Settings**
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the submenu.
- 4. Choose the required menu item with **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons.

### Language

Language selection

- 1. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the **Language** menu item.
- Use the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons to select one of the available interface languages: English, German, Spanish, French, and Russian.
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to confirm the selection.
- 4. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to save your selection and exit from the submenu.

# Date

Date setting

- 1. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the **Date** is menu item.The date is displayed in dd/mm/yyyy format.
- Use the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons to select the desired year, month, and date. Press the MENU (3) button briefly to toggle between digits.
- 3. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to save the date and exit the submenu.

# Time

Time setting

- 1. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the **Time**  $\bigcirc$  menu item.
- Select the time format (24-hour clock or AM / PM) by pressing the UP (4) /DOWN (2).
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button to select the hours.
- 4. Press the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons to select the hour value.
- 5. Press the **MENU (3)** button to select the minutes.
- 6. Press the **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons to select the minute value.
- 7. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to save the time and exit the submenu.

### **Units of Measure**

Rangefinder units of measure

- 1. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the **Units of Measure** (\*\*\*) menu item.
- 2. Press the **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons to select either Meters or Yards as the unit of measure.
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to confirm your selection.
- 4. Exit from the submenu will happen automatically.

# **Default Settings**

Factory reset

- Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the **Default Settings** menu item.
- Use the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons to select Yes to restore default settings or No to cancel.
- 3. Confirm your selection with a short press of the **MENU (3)**
- If Yes is selected, display will show "Do you want to restore default settings?" and Yes and No options. Select Yes to restore the default settings.
- Selecting the **No** option will cancel the reset and exit the submenu.

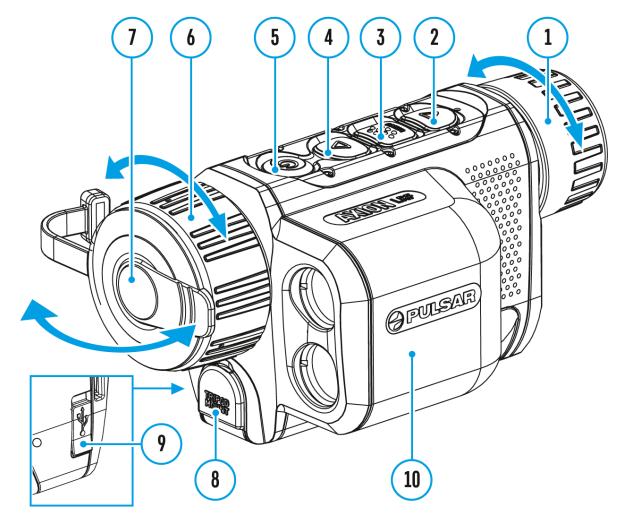
The following settings will be returned to their defaults before being changed by the user:

- Observation Mode Forest
- Calibration Mode Automatic
- Language English
- Magnification Standard (without digital zoom).
- **PiP** Off
- Color Mode White Hot.
- Units of Measure Meters

**Attention!** When restoring the factory defaults the date, time and user pixel map are saved.

# Rangefinder

### Show device diagram



Menu item **Rangefinder** contains settings for the built-in laser rangefinder.

- 1. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to enter the main menu.
- Select the submenu Rangefinder <a href="https://with.the">LRF</a> with the UP (4) / DOWN (2) buttons.
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the submenu.

### **Reticle Type**

- 1. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to enter the **Reticle Type** submenu.
- 2. Select one of the three reticle shapes [] with the **UP (4) / DOWN (2)** buttons.
- 3. Confirm selection with a brief press of the **MENU (3)** button.

# TPA

This feature allows you to determine the target position angle. When the function is activated the angle is constantly displayed in the upper right corner of the display.

- 1. Select **TPA** *L*, with the **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons.
- 2. Turn **TPA** on/off with a short press of the **MENU (3)** button.

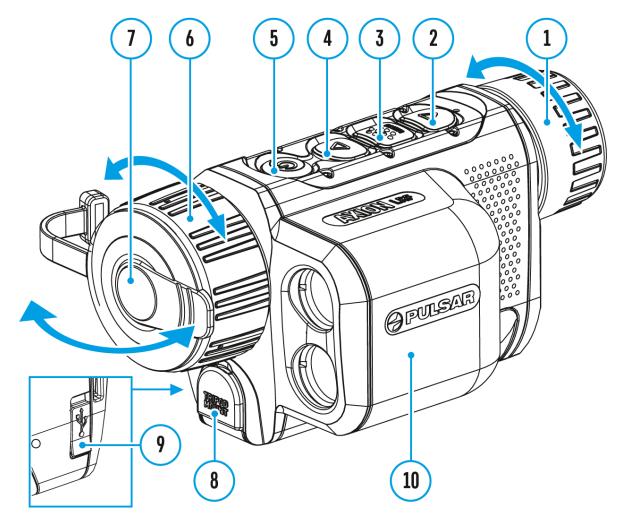
# THD

"THD" (True Horizontal Distance) function allows you to measure true horizontal distance to a target based on the angle of elevation value.

- 1. Select **THD** with the **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons.
- 2. Turn THDon/off with a short press of the MENU (3) button
- 3. Hereinafter the message **THD** will appear above the distance readings.

# **Device Information**

### Show device diagram



This menu item allows the user to view the following information about the device:

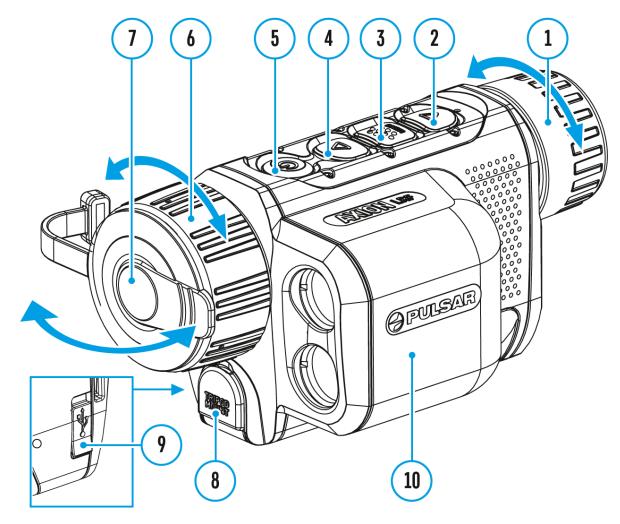
- SKU Number
- Firmware Version
- Device Name
- Hardware Version
- Device Serial Number
- Service Information

To display information, do the following:

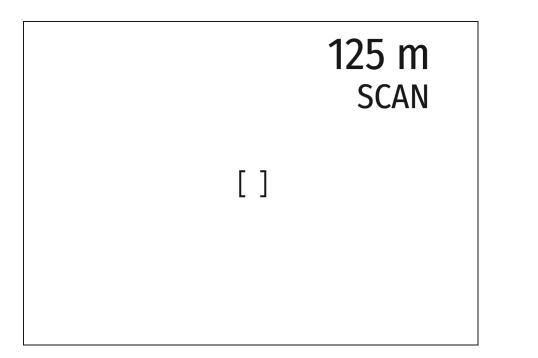
- 1. Press and hold the **MENU (3)** button to enter the main menu.
- 2. Use the **UP (4)** / **DOWN (2)** buttons to select the **Device Information** (i) icon.
- 3. Press the **MENU (3)** button briefly to view / exit the information.

# **Built-In Laser Rangefinder**

### Show device diagram



The **Axion XQ LRF**thermal imager is equipped with an integrated laser rangefinder.



#### Single Measurement Mode

- 1. Press the **ON/OFF (5)** button briefly to power the device on.
- 2. Activate the rangefinder by pressing the **DOWN (2)** button briefly. A red mark appears on the display.
- 3. Place the rangefinder's reticle on the target. Press the **DOWN (2)** button briefly to measure the distance to the object once.
- 4. The measurement results are displayed in the upper right corner.
- 5. The rangefinder shuts down after 3 seconds of inactivity.

#### Scan Mode

- 1. Press the **ON/OFF (5)** button briefly to power the device on.
- 2. Activate the rangefinder by pressing the **DOWN (2)** button briefly. A red mark appears on the display.
- 3. Activate the scan mode by long pressing the **DOWN (2)** button to continuously measure the distance to objects.
- 4. The measurement results are displayed in the upper right corner.
- 5. Deactivate the rangefinder by long pressing the **DOWN (2).**

#### Notes:

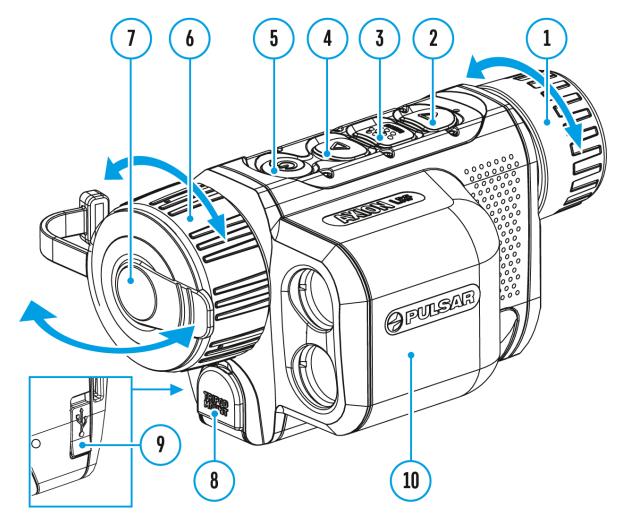
- Additional rangefinder settings are available in the **Rangefinder**section of the main menu.
- To select a unit of measurement (meters or yards) go to Units of Measure subsection of the General Settings section.
- When you turn on the rangefinder, the **PiP** window turns off.

#### Additional Information:

- The accuracy and distance of the measurement depends on the reflection coefficient of the object surface and weather conditions. The reflection coefficient depends on the texture, color, size and shape of the object. Generally, lighter colored objects and those with a shiny surface will have a higher reflection coefficient.
- Measurement accuracy can be influenced by the light conditions, fog, haze, rain, snow, etc. The results may be less accurate when operating in sunny weather or if the rangefinder is directed towards the sun.
- It is easier and more reliable to measure the distance to large objects than to small ones.

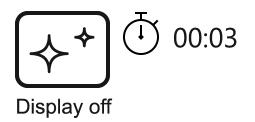
# **Display-Off Function**

### Show device diagram



This function deactivates the image transmission to the display by minimizing its brightness. This allows the user to remain unseen. However, the device stays on.

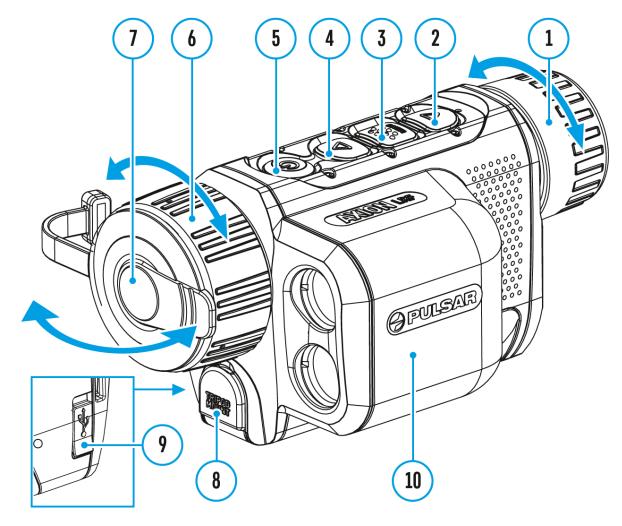
When this function is in use, the device switches to the standby mode, which allows it to be switched on instantly.



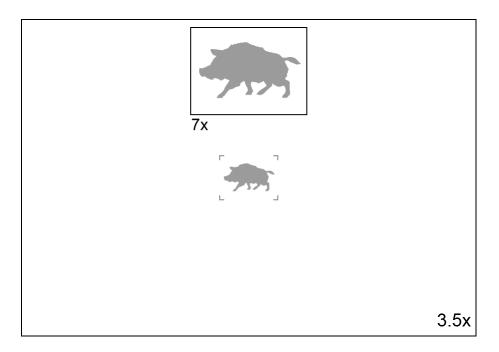
- When the device is on, press and hold the ON/OFF (5) button for less than 3 seconds. The display goes blank and the message "Display off".
- 2. Press the **ON/OFF (5)** button briefly to turn on the display.
- 3. When you press and hold the **ON/OFF (5)** button, the display shows the message **"Display off"** with a countdown. Holding the button down for the duration of the countdown will power the device off completely.

# **PiP Function**

### Show device diagram



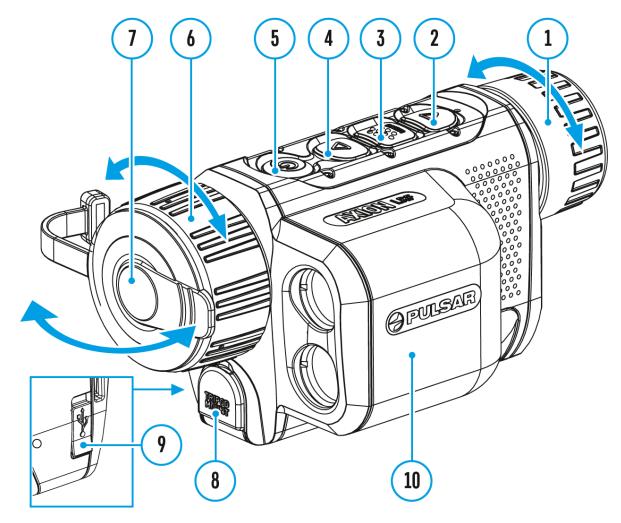
The **PiP** (Picture-in-Picture) function allows you to see both the main image and a magnified image in a dedicated window.



- To turn on and off the **PiP** function see the **PiP Mode** section.
- Press and hold the **UP (4)** button to change the magnification ratio in the **PiP**
- The zoomed image is displayed in a dedicated window, while the image in the rest of the screen is displayed at base magnification (3.5x).
- When the **PiP** is turned on you can control both the discrete and smooth digital zoom. In this case the zoom value changes only take place in the dedicated window.
- When the **PiP** function is turned off, the screen will display at the magnification that was set in **PiP**.

# **USB** Connection

### Show device diagram

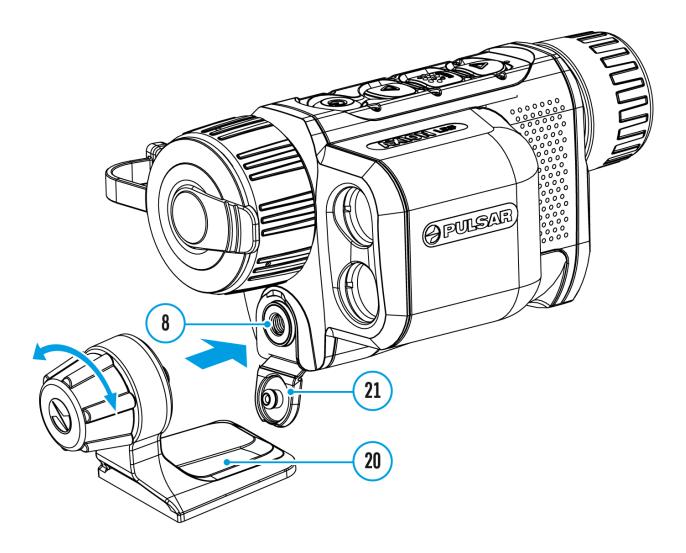


Connecting the device to a computer used as an external power source:

- 1. Connect one end of the USB cable to the device USB Type-C port (9) and the other end to the port on your computer.
- 2. Switch the device on with a short press of the **ON/OFF (5)**button.
- With a computer used as an external power supply, the icon —== appears in the status bar. The device will continue operating and all functions are available.
- 4. The battery installed in the device will not be charged.
- 5. When disconnecting from the computer, the device will continue to

operate from the APS 5 battery (if it is present and holding enough charge).

# Installing the Device on a Tripod



- 1. Open the cover (21) of the socket (8).
- 2. Attach the tripod adaptor (20) to the socket (8).
- 3. Rotate the adaptor handle clockwise until it stops.
- 4. Secure the adaptor with the device on a tripod.

# **Technical Inspection**

It is recommended to carry out a technical inspection before each use of the device. Check the following:

- The device appearance (there should be no cracks on the body).
- The state of the objective, eyepiece and rangefinder lenses (there should be no cracks, grease spots, dirt or other deposits).
- The state of the rechargeable battery (should be charged) and the electric contacts (should be no signs of salts, oxidation or debris).
- The controls should be in working order.

# Technical Maintenance and Storage

Maintenance should be carried out at least twice a year and include the following steps:

- Wipe the exterior metal and plastic surfaces with a cotton cloth to remove dust and dirt. To avoid damage to the paint coating, do not use chemically active substances, solvents, etc.
- Clean the electrical contacts of the rechargeable battery on the device using a non-greasy organic solvent.
- Check lenses of objective, eyepiece and rangefinder. If necessary, remove the particles of dust and sand (preferably using a non-contact method). Cleaning of the exterior surfaces of the optics should only be done with products specifically designed for this purpose.
- Store the device in a carrying case. Remove the Battery Pack for longterm storage.

# Troubleshooting

For technical support please contact support@pulsar-vision.com.

Answers to frequently asked questions about the devices can also be found in the **FAQ** section.

### The device does not turn on

#### **Possible cause**

The battery is completely discharged.

#### Solution

Charge the battery.

### **Device malfunction**

#### Solution

In case of any malfunctions during operation, try resetting the device by long pressing the ON/OFF button for 10 seconds.

# The device does not operate from an external power source

#### **Possible cause**

The USB cable is damaged.

#### Solution

Replace the USB cable.

#### **Possible cause**

The external power supply is discharged.

#### Solution

Charge the external power supply (if necessary).

# The image is blurry, with vertical stripes or an uneven background

#### **Possible cause**

Calibration is required.

#### Solution

Perform image calibration according to the **Microbolometer Calibration** section of the manual.

### **Black screen after calibration**

#### Solution

If the image does not clear after calibration, you need to recalibrate.

# When the device is turned on, the calibration frequency is at first higher, then decreases (if the automatic calibration mode is enabled)

**Possible cause** 

After turning on the device, it takes some time for the sensor temperature to stabilize. This is normal and is not a defect.

# Poor quality image. There is noise or ghost images of previous scenes or objects

#### **Possible cause**

Manual calibration has been performed with the lens cover open.

#### Solution

Check the **Calibration Mode**, close the lens cover and **calibrate** the device.

### Image is too dark

#### **Possible cause**

Brightness or contrast level is too low.

#### Solution

Adjust the brightness or contrast level in the **Quick Menu.** 

# Color bars appear on the display or the image disappears

#### **Possible cause**

The device was exposed to static charges during operation.

#### Solution

When the exposure to static charges is over, the device may either reboot automatically or require to be switched off and on again.

# The image of the object being observed is missing

#### **Possible cause**

You are looking through glass.

#### Solution

Remove the glass or change the viewing position to avoid it.

### **Poor image quality / Detection range reduced**

#### **Possible cause**

These problems may occur during observation in adverse weather conditions (snow, rain, fog, etc.).

# The image quality during the device operation at below zero temperatures is worse than at positive temperatures

#### **Possible cause**

In positive temperature conditions, objects being observed (surroundings and background) heat up differently because of thermal conductivity, thereby generating a high temperature contrast. Consequently, the image quality produced by the thermal imager will be better.

In low-temperature conditions, objects being observed (background) will cool down to roughly the same temperature, which leads to a greatly reduced temperature contrast and a degraded image quality. This is normal for all thermal imaging devices.

### **Rangefinder does not measure distance**

**Possible cause** 

There is an object in front of the receiver or emitter lens preventing signal transmission.

#### Solution

Make sure that: the lenses are not blocked by your hand or fingers; the lenses are clean.

#### **Possible cause**

The device is not being held steadily when measuring.

#### Solution

Keep the device steady when measuring.

#### **Possible cause**

Distance to the object exceeds 1000 m.

#### Solution

Pick an object at a distance not longer than 1000m.

#### **Possible cause**

Low reflection ratio (i.e. leaves of trees).

#### Solution

Pick an object with higher reflection ratio (see point **Additional Information**in section **Built-In Laser Rangefinder**).

#### Large measurement error

**Possible cause** 

# Legal Compliances and Disclaimers

**Attention!** A license is required for Axion Thermal Imager when exporting outside your country.

**Electromagnetic compatibility.** This product complies with the requirements of European standard EN 55032: 2015, Class A.

**Warning!**Operation of this equipment in a residential environment could cause radio interference.



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