

# Castle Sonus Model L Pocket Meter

## Sonus GA116L Sound Level & Noise Exposure Meter

## Sonus GA216L Sound Level Meter

The Castle Sonus range of pocket sized sound level meters bring simplicity and power to the world of Noise at Work and Environmental sound monitoring. From basic non-logging sound level meters to combined sound and dose meters with time and date stamped data logging capability.

There are a number of system packages available to suit many applications from simple tasks such as alarm monitoring, to a fully weatherproof system for long-term environmental solutions, there are also dedicated packages for Noise at Work requirements.

The flagship model of the Pocket Sonus Meter range is the class one Sonus GA116L which is a full data logging, integrating sound and noise exposure meter (dose meter) which has been designed for both Noise at Work assessments and Environmental Sound monitoring.

Simply unplug the sound meter pre-amplifier and plug in the dose meter cable which is available as an optional accessory to convert to a fully functional dose meter.

Setup couldn't be easier, simply select Noise at Work or Environmental from the available user modes to automatically have the correct parameters selected then press the Record key to start logging.

The meter features dual measurement, so two versions of most parameters can be measured simultaneously. This feature means you only need to measure once and for Noise at Work assessments you'll have the correct parameters recorded to determine suitable hearing protection using the HML method, a function available in dBdataPro software.

Connectivity is via high speed USB and the meter ships with free noise analysis software dBdataPro-Lite and download cable.

The class two Sonus GA216L has the same features as the Sonus GA116L but has a fixed pre-amplifier.



### POCKET POWER

All measured values can be saved to the internal flash memory of the Sonus GA116L or GA216L for subsequent output. The results can be viewed on the instruments own display or downloaded to the included dBdataPro noise analysis PC software via a high speed USB connection.

Using the instruments could not be simpler. The simple user interface can easily be scrolled and selected to immediately display the information you need. The keypad also has a dedicated dB Range key, simply press and then select your required range.

The instruments also have 3 operating modes, select one and the instrument sets itself to the required settings. Its never been easier !!

The measured noise is computed and stored as a series of pre-chosen time intervals. The GA116L and GA216L instruments will store up to approximately 2100 intervals in either one or multiple recordings.

Each instrument is supplied with a comprehensive printed user manual and a getting started sheet.

- Measures  $L_p$ ,  $L_{eq}$ ,  $L_{max}$ ,  $L_E$ ,  $Pa^2h$ ,  $L_{ep'd}$ , Dose, Dose Per Hour,  $L_{10}$ ,  $L_{90}$ ,  $L_{(user)}$
- Measures parameters simultaneously including  $LA_{eq}$  and either  $LZ_{eq}$  or  $LC_{eq}$
- Under range and Overload indicators
- Hearing Protection using the HML method
- User selectable Exchange rate, Threshold and Criterion level.
- User Modes: Noise at Work, Environmental or ALL
- A, C or Z frequency weighting selection
- A, C or Z Peak Measurements
- 'Slow', 'Fast' and 'Impulse' time weighting selection
- Save results to internal flash memory
- Download data to a PC via a USB connection
- Noise Analysis Software included with the meter
- Small and light weight, fits into small shirt or jacket pocket and also supplied with a strong pocket clip.
- Lockable Key pad through options
- Single battery operation of typically 12 hours



# Sonus Model L (GA116L & GA216L) Specification

## Instrument Standards:

### GA116L

IEC 61672-1 : 2002 Class 1 Group X  
IEC 61252 : 1993

### GA216L

IEC 61672-1 : 2002 Class 2 Group X

## Level Ranges: GA116L

| Range       | Display Range | Linear Range | Peak Range  |
|-------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| 30 - 100 dB | 29 - 103 dB   | 30 - 100 dB  | 40 - 103 dB |
| 50 - 120 dB | 49 - 123 dB   | 50 - 120 dB  | 60 - 123 dB |
| 70 - 140 dB | 69 - 143 dB   | 70 - 140 dB  | 80 - 143 dB |

## Level Ranges: GA216L

| Range       | Display Range | Linear Range | Peak Range  |
|-------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| 35 - 100 dB | 34 - 103 dB   | 35 - 100 dB  | 40 - 103 dB |
| 50 - 120 dB | 49 - 123 dB   | 50 - 120 dB  | 60 - 123 dB |
| 70 - 140 dB | 69 - 143 dB   | 70 - 140 dB  | 80 - 143 dB |

## Measurement Channels:

Two

## Parameters:

Lp, Leq, Lmax, APeak, Cpeak, Zpeak, LE, Pa<sup>2</sup>h, Lep'd, Noise Dose, Noise Dose Per Hour, L<sub>10</sub>, L<sub>90</sub>, L<sub>n</sub> (user selectable), Measurement Run Time, Overload, Interval Duration

## Linear Operating range:

70 dB

## Frequency Weighting:

'A', 'C' and 'Z'

Combinations of 'A', 'A&C' simultaneous or 'A&Z' simultaneous available for Lp, Leq and Lmax

## Time Weighting:

'Slow', 'Fast' and 'Impulse'

## Percentiles:

L<sub>10</sub>, L<sub>90</sub> and either L<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>5</sub>, L<sub>50</sub>, L<sub>95</sub>, L<sub>99</sub>

## Exchange rate:

3dB, 4dB or 5dB

## Criterion Level:

75dB, 80dB, 85dB or 90dB

## Threshold Level:

-5dB, -10dB or OFF

## Memory:

2100 Data Intervals Maximum in one or multiple recordings

## Quick Setup Modes:

Noise at Work, Environmental, All (User Control)

## Microphone (Type Free Field):

### GA116L

#### Sound Meter Operation:

ACO 7146A pre-polarized ½" condenser microphone, 25mV/Pa

#### Dose Meter Operation: OPTIONAL

ACO 7052 pre-polarized ½" condenser microphone, 25mV/Pa

### GA216L

#### Sound Meter Operation:

ACO 7052 pre-polarized ½" condenser microphone, 25mV/Pa

## Microphone Preamplifier:

### GA116L

Sound Meter Operation: Low Noise, Removable Preamplifier  
Dose Meter Operation: Removable Preamplifier (OPTIONAL)

### GA216L

Sound Meter Operation, Fixed Preamplifier

## Noise Floor:

GA116L: <18.5dB(A) , <18.6dBC , <20.5dB(Z)

GA216L: <25.1dB(A) , <34.0dBC , <36.8dB(Z)

## Display:

Alphanumeric LCD with Contrast Control, digit size 7mm x 5mm

## Batteries:

1 x PP3 (9V) - Typically 12 hours continuous use

## External Power:

12v - 18v via Multi Purpose I/O Socket

## Connections:

9 Pin Multi Purpose I/O Socket for: -  
USB (Cable Supplied), AC Output, External Power

## Environmental:

Temperature Operating Range: -10 to + 50°C

Humidity: Up to 90% RH Non Condensing

## Electromagnetic Compatibility:

IEC 61672-1 : 2002

## Case:

High Impact ABS plastic with membrane keypad

## ORDERING INFORMATION

- GA116L - Sonus Sound Level Meter Class 1
- GA216L - Sonus Sound Level Meter Class 2
- GA607 - Dual Level Calibrator Class 1
- KA010 - Attaché Kit Case
- PC007 - dBdataPro software
- MK579DP1B - Dose meter microphone
- KA020 - Weatherproof System Case
- ZL2094-03 - Weatherproof cable
- MW402 - Weatherproof microphone housing



System shows the GA216L Sound Meter and the GA257L Dose meter

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For 40 years, Castle has been driving forward with product and service innovation. For a number of the early years, the company focussed on the development of sound and vibration measuring equipment. This was then progressed by adding training courses, rental and consultancy eventually leading to the Castle of today, which is helping many customers deal with a vast range of health, safety and environmental issues in a variety of ways. The future is a very exciting place at Castle and we are working on many new initiatives with our customers firmly in mind!

