

\$OP Setting

Purpose:

The document provides information on the \$OP setting, which is not documented in the current version of the manual. The \$OP setting defines the number of pulses per measurement. The \$OP setting can improve measurement accuracy by averaging more data before reporting the measurement. The default setting is 8.

The general rule-of-thumb is if your application isn't reliant on time to report the distance measurement and you care more about accuracy of the measurement, choose a higher \$OP value; if you care more about reporting time and less about measurement accuracy, choose a lower \$OP value.

Number of Pulses Per Measurement

This command applies to the Standard and Extended Range Measurement Modes.

Set: \$OP,iteration<CR><LF> Instrument Reply: \$OP,iteration*CRC16<CR><LF>

Get: \$OP<CR><LF> Instrument Reply: \$OP,iteration*CRC16<CR><LF>
 where: \$ = message identifier
 OP = mnemonic for Output Precision
 iteration = Each iteration = 28-pulse block.
 Valid Range: 8 to 256, as described in the table below.
 When iteration = 8, output rate is approximately 15 Hz.
 =256, output rate = approximately .5 Hz
 *CRC16 = 16-bit CRC
 <CR> = carriage return
 <LF> = line feed

Example: \$OP,16<CR><LF> Sets Output Precision to 16 iterations.

Valid OP Commands	Approximate Output Rate
8	15.0 Hz
16	7.5 Hz
32	3.8 Hz
64	1.9 Hz
128	.1 Hz
256	.5 Hz

Note: The output calculations are only an approximation and must be tested for the application.