



# CO-MINI CO-MINI MG

Night Vision Clip-On Systems



## OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL

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## SAFETY SUMMARY

Before operating this product, carefully read and study this Operation and Maintenance Manual.

The Armasight CO-MINI Night Vision Clip-On Device is a precision electro-optical instrument and requires careful handling. To avoid physical danger or equipment damage when using the CO-MINI, follow all WARNINGS, CAUTIONS and NOTES.

Below you will find definitions of the following alerts that appear throughout this Manual:

**WARNING** – Identifies a clear danger to the person operating the equipment.

**CAUTION** – Identifies risk of damage to the equipment.

**NOTE** – Serves to highlight essential procedures, conditions, and statements, or convey important instructional data to the user.

### **WARNING:**

**This product contains natural rubber latex which may cause allergic reactions!** The FDA has reported an increase in the number of deaths that are associated with an apparent sensitivity to natural latex proteins. If you are allergic to latex, it is a good idea to learn which products contain it and strictly avoid exposure to those products.

### **WARNINGS:**

- **When installing the equipment on a weapon, be sure the weapon is clear and the safety is on before proceeding.**
- Armasight recommends using an eyecup on the eyepiece of the day scope for maximum adjustment capabilities and comfort, as well as to prevent inadvertent exposure to other NVDs.
- The light from the infrared illuminator is invisible to the unaided eye. **However, the light can be detected by other night vision devices.**

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### CAUTION:

- DO NOT dismantle the equipment.
- Keep the equipment clean. Protect it from moisture, dramatic temperature changes, and electric shocks.
- DO NOT drop or hit the equipment.
- Protect the equipment from overexposure to light. DO NOT activate the equipment in daylight with the objective lens cap removed; DO NOT aim the equipment at bright light sources (fire, car headlights, lanterns, street lamps, room lights, etc.).
- DO NOT force the equipment controls past their stopping points.
- DO NOT leave the equipment activated during breaks in operation.
- Verify that the equipment is off before installing a battery.
- DO NOT store the equipment with the battery still in it.
- To avoid deformation or damage, remove the light suppressor from the CO-MINI before placing the equipment in storage.
- Thoroughly clean and dry each item before placing them into the storage case.
- Scope Mounting Systems are **not** recommended for installing the CO-MINI on firearms having vigorous recoil (0.308 Win or stronger).

### NOTES:

- The optical axes of the CO-MINI and day scope should align. The distance between the axes should not exceed 2mm. If the difference in the axis heights of the CO-MINI and day scope above the weapon rail exceeds 2mm, you will need to replace the day scope mounting rings or monoblock.
- At operating temperatures below -20°C (-4°F), alkaline battery life will be severely reduced. Under these conditions, the use of lithium battery is recommended.
- The equipment requires some level of ambient light (moonlight, starlight, etc.) to function correctly.
- Performance of the device in nighttime conditions depends on the level of ambient light in the environment. Please remember the following:
  - The level of ambient light is reduced by the presence of clouds, shade, or objects that block natural light (trees, buildings, etc.).
  - The equipment is less effective when operated in shadows and other darkened areas.
  - The equipment is less effective when operated in rain, fog, sleet, snow, dust or smoke.
  - The equipment will not “see” through dense smoke.
- For the purpose of returning defective components, retain all packaging materials.

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## HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL

### USAGE

You must familiarize yourself with this entire manual before operating the equipment. Before performing any kind of maintenance on your CO-MINI, read the section on maintenance in its entirety. Follow all WARNINGS, CAUTIONS, and NOTES.

### MANUAL OVERVIEW

The Manual contains sections on operating and maintaining the CO-MINI Night Vision Clip-On Device. Throughout this Manual, the Armasight CO-MINI Night Vision Clip-On Device will be referred to as the CO-MINI, "the device", or "the equipment."

Reference data for the estimation of ambient illumination levels can be found in Appendix A.

A list of spare parts appears in Appendix B.

The Product Warranty Registration Card is located in Appendix C.

# INTRODUCTION

## 1.1 GENERAL INFORMATION

### 1.1.1 TYPE OF MANUAL

Operation and Maintenance (including a List of Spare Parts).

### 1.1.2 MODEL NUMBER AND EQUIPMENT NAME

Armasight CO-MINI Night Vision Clip-On System.

Armasight CO-MINI MG Night Vision Clip-On System.

### 1.1.3 PURPOSE OF EQUIPMENT

The CO-MINI is a night vision system intended to be used for short to medium ranges (normally up to 350 yards) in conjunction with a daytime sight or riflescope (hereafter referred to as a "day scope"). When mounted on a weapon in front of an existing day scope, the CO-MINI adds night vision functionality to the scope's capabilities, without affecting the boresight.

The CO-MINI is compatible with most commercial and military specification day scopes or binoculars, up to 6X magnification, and fits any Picatinny MIL STD 1913 or Weaver rail via the quick-release mount. Optional adapters make it possible to mount the CO-MINI directly to the objective lens of a variety of day scopes and binoculars.

A long-range IR850 illuminator (hereafter referred to as the IR850) enables use of the CO-MINI in extremely low light conditions or total darkness. Other additional equipment, such as an infrared laser, red dot sight, etc., may also be installed on the CO-MINI.

Additionally, the CO-MINI MG version incorporates gain control, which allows the user to increase or decrease the brightness of the image to compensate for overly bright or extremely dark conditions.

#### **NOTE:**

The CO-MINI can also be installed in front of the viewfinders of various instruments to widen the operational illumination range.

### 1.1.4 REPORTING EQUIPMENT IMPROVEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations from the user for improvements to the device are encouraged.

Mail your comments to Armasight Inc., 815 Dubuque Avenue, South San Francisco, CA 94080, USA.

Or, send an email to [service@armasight.com](mailto:service@armasight.com).

## 1.2 WARRANTY INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

### 1.2.1 WARRANTY INFORMATION

This product is guaranteed to be free from manufacturing defects in material and workmanship under normal use for a period of two (2) years from the date of purchase. In the event that a defect covered by the below warranty occurs during the applicable period stated above, Armasight, at its discretion, will either repair or replace the product; such action on the part of Armasight shall be the full extent of Armasight's liability, and the Customer's sole and exclusive reparation. This warranty does not cover a product if it has (a) been used in ways other than its normal and customary manner; (b) subjected to misuse; (c) subjected to alterations, modifications or repairs by the Customer or by any party other than Armasight without prior written consent of Armasight; (d) special order or "close-out" merchandise or merchandise sold "as-is" by either Armasight or the Armasight dealer; or (e) merchandise that has been discontinued by the manufacturer and either parts or replacement units are not available due to reasons beyond the control of Armasight. Armasight shall not be responsible for any defects or damage that in Armasight's view are a result from the mishandling, abuse, misuse, improper storage or improper operation of the device, including use in conjunction with equipment that is electrically or mechanically incompatible with, or of inferior quality to, the product, as well as failure to maintain the environmental conditions specified by the manufacturer. CUSTOMER IS HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT OPERATION OF THE EQUIPMENT DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS OR UNDER ANY EXCESSIVE LIGHT CONDITIONS MAY PERMANENTLY DAMAGE THE INTERNAL COMPONENTS OF THE UNIT AND SAID DAMAGE WILL NOT BE COVERED UNDER THIS WARRANTY. This warranty is extended only to the original purchaser. Any breach of this warranty shall be enforced unless the Customer notifies Armasight at the address noted below within the applicable warranty period.

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### 1.2.2 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

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### 1.2.3 PRODUCT WARRANTY REGISTRATION

In order to validate the warranty on your product, Armasight must receive a completed Product Warranty Registration Card for each unit, or the Customer can complete a warranty registration on our website, at [www.armsight.com](http://www.armsight.com). Please complete the included form (Appendix C) and immediately mail it to our Service Center:

Armasight Inc.  
815 Dubuque Avenue  
South San Francisco  
CA 94080  
United States of America.



## 1.2.4 OBTAINING WARRANTY SERVICE

To obtain warranty service on your unit, the End-user (Customer) must notify the Armasight service department via email. Send any requests to [service@armasight.com](mailto:service@armasight.com) to receive a Return Merchandise Authorization number (RMA). When returning any device, please take in the product to your retailer, or send the product, postage paid and with a copy of your sales receipt, to Armasight Corporation's service center at the address listed above. All merchandise must be fully insured with the correct postage; Armasight will not be responsible for improper postage or merchandise that becomes lost or damaged during shipment. When sending product back, please clearly write the RMA# on the outside of the shipping box. Please include a letter that indicates your RMA#, the Customer's Name, a Return Address, reason for the return, Contact information (valid telephone numbers and/or an e-mail address), and proof of purchase that will help us to establish the valid start date of the warranty. Product merchandise returns that do not have an RMA# listed may be refused, or a significant delay in processing may occur. Estimated Warranty service time is 10-20 business days. The End-user/ Customer is responsible for postage to Armasight for warranty service. Armasight will cover return postage/ shipping after warranty repair to the End-user/ Customer only if the product is covered by the aforementioned warranty. Armasight will return the product after warranty service by domestic UPS Ground service and/ or domestic mail. Should any other requested, required or international shipping methods be necessary, the postage/ shipping fee will be the responsibility of the End-user/ Customer.

## 1.3 CROSS REFERENCES

<b>COMMON NAME</b>	<b>OFFICIAL NAME</b>
Allen Wrench	Socket Head Screw Key
Battery Compartment	Battery Box Cover
Shipping Case	Textile Bag
Cotton Swab	Disposable Applicator
Neoprene Jack Plug	Plug Assembly
O-Ring	Gasket
Safety Screw	Electrical Dial-Knob Lock
Pattern Generator	Optical Instrument Reticle
Lens Covers	Exit Port Covers
Paddle Switch	Remote Cable Switch
Batteries	AA
Technical Manual	Operator and Field Maintenance Manual
Tape Fastener Loop	Fastener, Loop Tape
Tape Fastener Hook	Fastener, Hook Tape

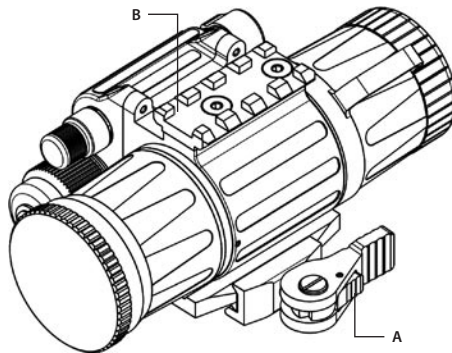
## 1.4 LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

C	Celsius (Centigrade)
CCW	counterclockwise
Cont'd	Continued
CW	clockwise
F	Fahrenheit
g	gram
Gen	Generation
H	Height
hr	hour
in	inch
IR	infrared
IIT	Image Intensifier Tube
kg	kilogram
L	Length
lbs	pounds
LED	Light Emitting Diode
lp/mm	line pairs per millimeter
lx	lux
m	meter
mm	millimeter
MOA	Minute of Angle
mrاد	milliradian
mrاد/lp	milliradians per line pairs
mW	milliwatt
nm	nanometer
NO	Number
NVD	Night Vision Device
oz	ounce
PMCS	Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services
RMA#	Return Merchandise Authorization number
SEQ	Sequence
SR	Service Representative
V	Volt
W	Width

## DESCRIPTION AND DATA

### 2.1 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

The CO-MINI consists of two primary parts: the night vision device (hereafter referred to as “NVD”), and the quick-release mount, or mount. The CO-MINI is delivered as shown in Figure 2-1: the mount (A) and top Weaver rail (B) should be secured on the NVD seating rails with M4x8 screws.



**FIGURE 2-1. CO-MINI NIGHT VISION CLIP-ON DEVICE AS DELIVERED**

The optical-electronic system of the NVD includes four main components: the objective and output lenses, an image intensifier tube, and the body.

The objective lens focuses available light (photons) on the photocathode of the image intensifier tube (IIT). The light energy causes electrons to be released from the cathode. After being amplified, the electron flow represents an intensified version of the original image of the scene. The electrons then strike the IIT phosphor screen, which reacts to them by glow that is visible to the human eye. The image is projected by the output lens from the IIT screen to infinity, and the resulting image is magnified when viewed through the day scope. As such, when the CO-MINI is mounted in front of the day scope, it converts the device into a night vision sight.

The automatic brightness adjustment system maintains consistent image brightness, even in changing light conditions. The manual gain control allows the operator to refine the image contrast by compensating for overly bright or extremely dark conditions.

Additionally, the CO-MINI MG version incorporates gain control, which allows the user to increase or decrease the brightness of the image to compensate for overly bright or extremely dark conditions.

The bright light protection system controls the existing ambient light through a photoreceiver, and cuts off the IIT automatically when the illumination level exceeds the limit of 100-150 lx within 10 seconds. The CO-MINI turns back on when removed from the excessively lit environment.

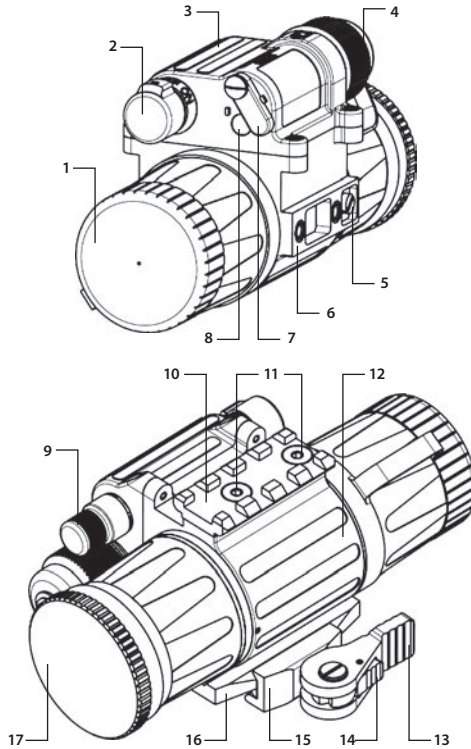
The automatic shut-off function preserves battery life in case the CO-MINI is inadvertently activated.

The CO-MINI is powered by a single AA or CR123A battery.

The CO-MINI uses a bi-color LED indicator to show the operator when the bright light protection system is activated, or to indicate a low battery.

The Picatinny/ Weaver mount has an adjustable lever-cam clamping device for easy, quick and reliable mounting and removal of the CO-MINI.

The CO-MINI is shown in Figure 2-2. The ITEM NO. column in Table 2-1 indicates the number used to identify items in Figure 2-2.



**FIGURE 2-2. CO-MINI NIGHT VISION CLIP-ON DEVICE**

**TABLE 2-1. SYSTEM DESCRIPTION**

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ITEM	DESCRIPTION
1	Objective Lens Cap	10	Top Weaver Rail
2	Turn-Push Switch	11	M4x8 Screw
3	Wired Cover	12	Main Body
4	Battery Cap with Adapter	13	Cam Lever
5	Purge Screw	14	Lever Holder
6	Seating Rail	15	Clamp
7	Pivoted Shutter	16	Mount
8	Photoreceiver	17	Output Lens Cap
9	Gain Control Knob		

## 2.2 SPECIFICATIONS

**TABLE 2-2. SYSTEM DATA**

ITEM	DATA
Magnification	Unity (1X)
Boresight Characteristics:	
— Accuracy	Factory aligned to 2 MOA or better
— Retention	Permanent to within 4 MOA or better
— Repeatability	Within 2 MOA
System Resolution subject to Tube Resolution:	
— 45 to 54 lp/mm	0.65 mrad/lp
— 55 to 64 lp/mm	0.53 mrad/lp
— Over 65 lp/mm	0.45 mrad/lp

**TABLE 2-3. MECHANICAL DATA**

ITEM	DATA
Dimensions (LxWxH)	125x68x55mm (4.9x2.7x2.2 in)
Weight* (without Mount)	0.43 kg (0.95 lbs)
Weight* (with Mount, Light Suppressor)	0.48 kg (1.06 lbs)
Height of the CO-MINI Axis above Picatinny/Weaver Rail (with/without Raiser)	38.8/29.3mm (1.53/1.15 in)

\* — Without Battery

**TABLE 2-4. ELECTRICAL DATA**

ITEM	DATA	
Battery	AA (1.5V)	CR123A (3V)
Cell Life at 20°C	25 hr	45 hr
Interrupting Time*	60 minutes	

\* Optional feature. Interrupting Time setting can be changed at the production stage, or the function can be completely disabled.

**TABLE 2-5. OPTICAL DATA**

ITEM	DATA
Objective Lens Focal Length	38mm
Objective Lens F/number	1:1.26
Focus Distance	20m to Infinity
Field of View	22°
Entrance Pupil Diameter	30.1mm
Exit Pupil Diameter	27.5mm

**TABLE 2-6. ENVIRONMENTAL DATA**

ITEM	DATA
Operating Temperature	-40 to +50°C (-40 to 122°F)
Storage Temperature	-50 to +50°C (-58 to 122°F)
Illumination Required	Natural night illumination (overcast starlight to moonlight)
Immersion	10m for 30 minutes
MIL-STD-810	Complies

**TABLE 2-7. IR850 DATA**

ITEM	DATA
IR Emitter Type	LED
Peak Wavelength	850nm
Half Width	20nm
Divergence	6 to 20°
Battery	Single CR123A (3V)
Battery Life at 20 oC (68 oF)	1.5 hr
Overall Dimensions with Mount (LxWxH)	121x41x37mm (4.76x1.61x1.46 in)
Weight (with Mount, without Battery)	0.08 kg (0.18 lbs)
Operating Temperature	-30 to +50°C (-22 to 122°F)
Storage Temperature	-30 to +50°C (-22 to 122°F)
Immersion	10m for 30 minutes
MIL-STD-810	Complies

**TABLE 2-8. SCOPE MOUNTING SYSTEMS DATA**

SCOPE MOUNTING SYSTEM	WEIGHT, G	OVERALL DIMENSIONS, MM	DIAMETER OF THE INSERTS, MM	CLEAR APERTURE OF DAY SCOPE LENS, MM	EXAMPLE OF THE SCOPES
Scope Mounting System 1	53	39.5x43x52.4	25,4	20; 24	Leupold 1,5-5x20 PR
			30,0		Leupold 1,5-5x20 MR/T M2; Zeiss 1,1-4x24T
Scope Mounting System 2	61	44x49x62	38,0	32; 36	Meopta Artemis 2000 4x32
			42,0		Leupold Mark 4 3-9x36; Leupold Mark 4 2,5-8x36; Kahles 4x36
Scope Mounting System 3	71	44x57.5x71	46,7	40; 42	Leupold 3,5-10x40; Leupold VX-II 3-9x40
			48,0		Zeiss 1,5-6x42; Swarovski PV-N 2,5-10x42
			48,7-49,0		Meopta Artemis 3000 3-9x42;
			49,5		Meopta Artemis 3000 4-12x40
			50,0		Schmidt&Bender 10x42
Scope Mounting System 4	82	44x65.5x79	56,0	50	Zeiss 2,5 10x50
			57,0		Schmidt&Bender 3-12x50
			58,7		Leupold 4.4-14x50; Leupold VX-III 3,5-10x50
Scope Mounting System 6	93	44x70.5x84	62,0	56	Zeiss 3-12x56; Swarovski 2,5-10x56; Kahles CSX 3-12x56

## 2.3 STANDARD COMPONENTS

The CO-MINI standard components are shown in Figure 2-3 and listed in Table 2-9. The ITEM NO. column indicates the number used to identify items in Figure 2-3.

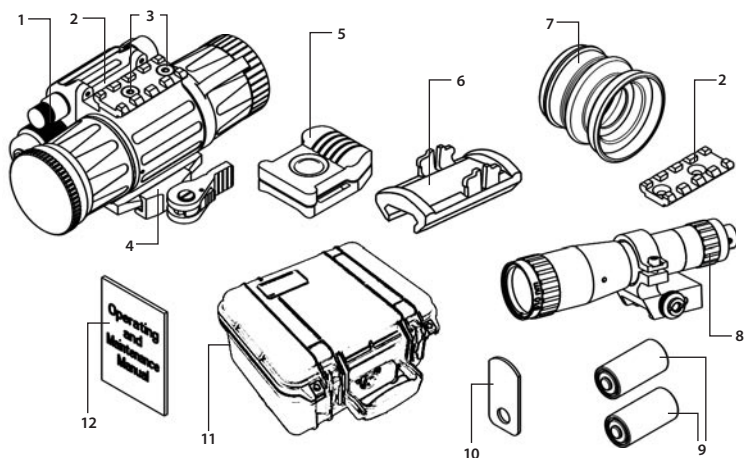


FIGURE 2-3. STANDARD COMPONENTS

TABLE 2-9. STANDARD COMPONENTS

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY
1	<b>CO-MINI Night Vision Clip-On Device</b> A night vision device intended for use in conjunction with a day scope.	1
2	<b>Mount for IR illuminator #60</b> A Weaver-type rail mounted to the CO-MINI. Allows the IR850 or other additional equipment to be installed on the CO-MINI.	2
3	<b>M4x8 Flat Head Socket Cap Screw</b> Used for attaching the mount and Weaver rail to the CO-MINI.	4
4	<b>Mount</b> A quick-release mount used to install the CO-MINI on a Picatinny/ Weaver rail.	1
5	<b>Advanced Wireless Remote Control</b> Wireless control used to operate the CO-MINI in short-time activation mode. Ensures quick and silent CO-MINI activation/deactivation. Delivered with two CR2016 (3V) batteries installed.	1
6	<b>Picatinny Adaptor for Advanced Wireless Remote Control</b> A adaptor mounted to the Picatinny rail of an weapon. Allows the Advanced Wireless Remote Control to be installed on the weapon.	1
7	<b>Light Suppressor 1</b> A rubber cup mounted to the CO-MINI output lens to reduce light scattering. Used when installing the CO-MINI in front of day scopes with lens housing outer diameter over the range 25.4 to 42.0 mm.	1
8	<b>IR850 Detachable Long Range Infrared illuminator</b> Long-range infrared illuminator. Should be used when there is little to no ambient light.	1

TABLE 2-9. CONTINUED

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY
9	<b>CR123A Battery</b> A single lithium battery used to power the CO-MINI. A single lithium battery used to power the IR850.	2
10	<b>Special Wrench</b> An instrument used for repositioning the adapter in the CO-MINI battery cap, depending on the battery being installed.	1
11	<b>Hard Case</b> A protective case used for shipping/storage of the CO-MINI and its accessories.	1
12	<b>Operation and Maintenance Manual</b> Provides safety information, equipment description, mounting procedures, operating instructions, and preventive maintenance checks and services (including a List of Spare Parts).	1

## 2.4 OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

Optional items are shown in Figure 2-4 and listed in Table 2-10.

The ITEM NO. column indicates the number used to identify items in Figure 2-4.

The PART NO. column indicates the primary number used by the manufacturer to identify an item.

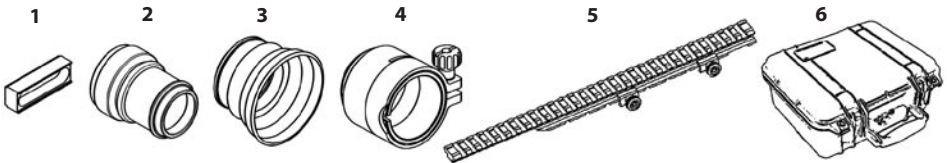


FIGURE 2-4. CO-MINI OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

TABLE 2-10. CO-MINI OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	PART NO.
1	<b>Raiser</b> Used when installing the CO-MINI in front of ACOG 4x32 scope. Raises the CO-MINI above Picatinny/ Weaver rail for height alignment of the CO-MINI and day scope optical axes. Furnished with two M4x18 flat head socket cap screws.	ANAM000042
2	<b>Light Suppressor 2</b> A rubber cup mounted to the CO-MINI output lens to reduce light scattering. Used when installing the CO-MINI in front of an ACOG 4x32 scope.	ANEC000006
3	<b>Light Suppressor 3</b> A rubber cup mounted to the CO-MINI output lens to reduce light scattering. Used when installing the CO-MINI in front of the day scopes having a lens housing outer diameter over the range of 47 to 50mm.	ANEC000007
4	<b>Scope Mounting System 1 #40</b> A mounting system used to install the CO-MINI on the lenses of specified day scopes. Includes a clamp with inserts that will fit 25.4 and 30mm diameters.	ANAM000009



TABLE 2-10. CONTINUED

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	PART NO.
—	<b>Scope Mounting System 2 #41</b> A mounting system used to install the CO-MINI on the lenses of specified day scopes. Includes a clamp with inserts that will fit 38 and 42mm diameters.	ANAM000010
—	<b>Scope Mounting System 3 #42</b> A mounting system used to install the CO-MINI on the lenses of specified day scopes. Includes a clamp with inserts for 46.7, 48, 48.7-49, 49.5 and 50mm fitting diameters.	ANAM000011
—	<b>Scope Mounting System 4 #43</b> A mounting system used to install the CO-MINI on the lenses of specified day scopes. Includes a clamp with inserts for 56, 57 and 58.7mm fitting diameters.	ANAM000012
—	<b>Scope Mounting System 6 #44</b> A mounting system used to install the CO-MINI on the lenses of specified day scopes. Includes a clamp with inserts for 62mm fitting diameter.	ANAM000013
5	<b>Extended Rail Adapter #85</b> A mounting system used to install a day scope behind the CO-Mini on a weapon, using a short-mounting Picatinny/ Weaver rail.	ANAM000045
6	<b>SKB Mil-Standard Hard Shipping/Storage Case</b> A protective case used for shipping/storage of the CO-MINI and its accessories.	ANHC000004

## 2.5 KEY FEATURES

- Converts your day scope, sight, or binoculars into night vision-capable devices
- Mounts in front of any day scope with no re-zeroing required
- Available in a variety of high-performing Gen 2+ and Gen 3 image intensifier tube options
- Wireless remote control
- Fixed-focus objective lens effective at distances further than 20m
- Automatic and manual (CO-MINI MG only) gain control
- Powered by a single AA or CR123A battery
- Bright light cut-off system
- Bright light cut-off and low battery indicators
- Interrupting Time 60 minutes (optional feature)
- Filled with dry nitrogen to prevent internal fogging
- Mounts on Picatinny/ Weaver rail with a quick-release mount
- Mounts on the lenses of specified day scopes with the optional adapters
- Long-range IR850 illuminator
- Mil Standard compliant
- Limited two-year warranty

## 2.6 SYSTEM LIMITATIONS

The CO-MINI requires some ambient light (moonlight, starlight, etc.) to operate. Factors that can reduce natural night light and negatively affect the efficiency and operation of the CO-MINI include: rain, fog, sleet, snow, and smoke; passing cloud cover and objects that produce shadows; low-contrast environments such as snow-covered territory, sandy deserts, large bodies of water or grassy hills.

# OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

## 3.1 INSTALLATION AND MOUNTING

**CAUTION:**

To protect the image intensifier tube when the device is not in use or when it is being operated in daylight, keep the protective objective lens cap securely fitted over the lens.

### 3.1.1 CO-MINI BATTERY INSTALLATION

**NOTE:**

At operating temperatures below  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $-4^{\circ}\text{F}$ ), alkaline battery life will be severely reduced. Under said conditions, the use of lithium battery is recommended.

**CAUTION:**

Ensure that the device is off before installing a battery.

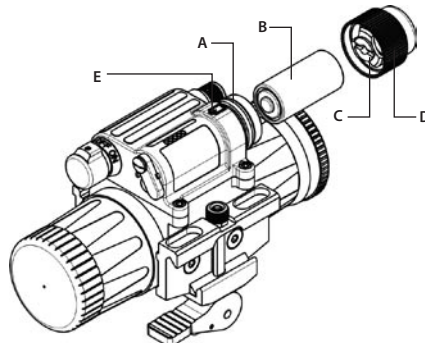
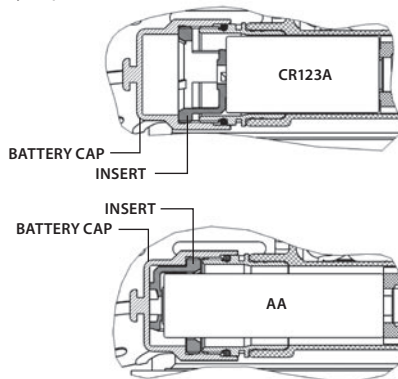


FIGURE 3-1. THE CO-MINI. BATTERY INSTALLATION

Install the battery as follows (refer to Figure 3-1):

1. Unscrew the battery cap (C) and check the position of the adapter (D). See Figure 3-2 for the correct positioning of the threaded adapter, which changes depending on the battery being installed.
2. If necessary, change the adapter position in the cap. Use the special wrench.
3. Install the battery (B) into the battery compartment (A). Follow the battery symbol (E).
4. Replace the battery cap (C).



**FIGURE 3-2. POSITIONS OF THE ADAPTER IN THE BATTERY CAP**

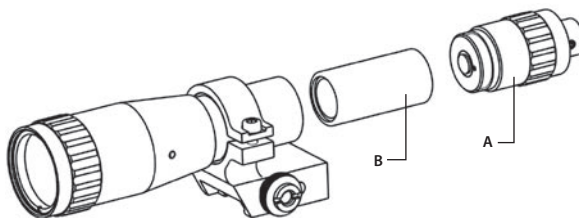
### 3.1.2 IR850 BATTERY INSTALLATION

**CAUTION:**

Ensure that the IR850 is **off** before installing the battery.

Install the CR123A battery as follows (refer to Figure 3-3):

1. Unscrew the battery cap (A).
2. Install the battery (B) into the battery compartment. Align the plus sign on the battery with the plus sign on the cap face.
3. Replace the battery cap (A).



**FIGURE 3-3. THE IR850. BATTERY INSTALLATION**

### 3.1.3 INSTALLING THE CO-MINI ONTO A PICATINNY/ WEAVER RAIL

**WARNING:**

When installing the equipment on a weapon, verify that the weapon is clear and that the safety is **on** before proceeding.

**WARNING:**

Armasight recommends using an eyecup on the eyepiece of the day scope, allowing for the eyepiece diameter and eye relief and having side paddle preferably in order to escape detection.

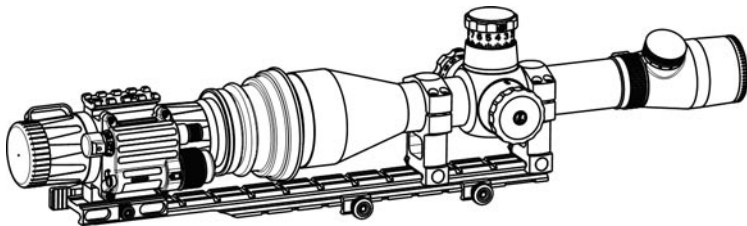
**NOTE:**

The optical axes of the CO-MINI and the day scope should align. The distance between the axes should not exceed 2mm. If the difference in the axis heights of the CO-MINI and day scope above the weapon rail exceeds 2mm, you will need to replace the day scope mounting rings or monoblock.

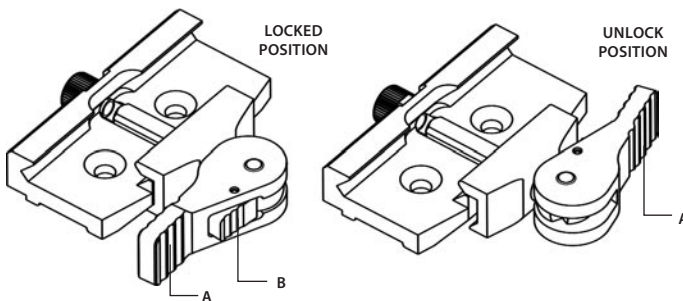
Install the CO-MINI on a Picatinny/ Weaver rail in front of a day scope as follows:

1. Unscrew the output lens cap and place it in the storage case.
2. Remove the light suppressor from the storage case. Screw it into the output lens' thread, in place of the cap.
3. Unlock the clamping device of the CO-MINI mount by pushing down on the lever holder (B, Figure 3-5) and unlocking the cam lever (A).
4. Install the CO-MINI on the Picatinny/ Weaver rail in front of the day scope. The stop (B, Figure 3-6) should slide into one of the rail's transverse slots. The light suppressor should cover the day scope's objective lens.
5. Affix the CO-MINI to the rail by locking the cam lever (A, Figure 3-5).
6. Verify that the clamping device firmly holds the CO-MINI. If necessary, adjust the clamping device as detailed in Part 3.1.4 (Clamping Device Adjustment).

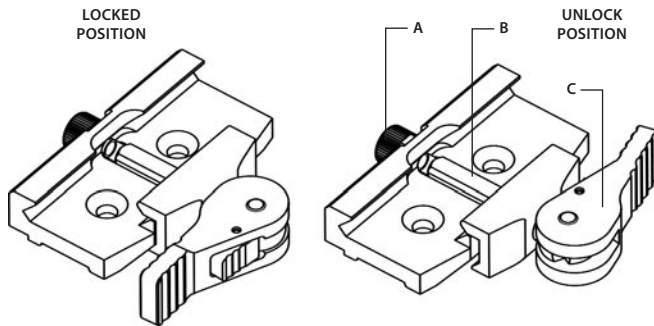
Figure 3-4 shows the CO-MINI and a day scope installed with the optional Extended Rail Adapter on a weapon, using a short-mounting Picatinny/ Weaver rail.



**FIGURE 3-4. THE CO-MINI ON A PICATINNY RAIL IN FRONT OF A DAY SCOPE**



**FIGURE 3-5. MOUNT. TOP VIEW**



**FIGURE 3-6. MOUNT, UNDERSIDE VIEW**

### 3.1.4 CLAMPING DEVICE ADJUSTMENT

Adjust the mount clamping device as follows (refer to Figure 3-6):

1. Unlock the clamping device and remove the CO-MINI from the weapon.
2. To tighten or loosen the clamping device, push the cam (C) towards the arrow. This will cause the nut (A) to slide out of the hollow. Turn the nut (A) CW/CCW respectively, in one-two increments (see note below). Much like when the cam (C) is released, the backward-moving springs in this mechanism will cause the nut (A) to slide back into the hollow.

**NOTE:**

The eight-sided nut of the clamping device will **only** fit into the hollow if turned in one of the discrete positions using increments equal to  $360^\circ/8$ .

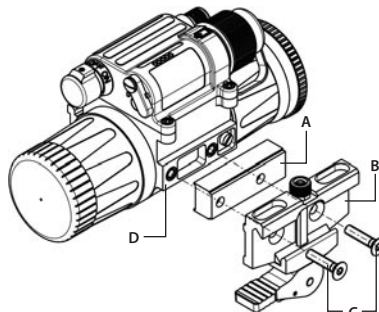
3. Verify that the adjusted clamping device firmly holds the CO-MINI.

### 3.1.5 MOUNTING THE CO-MINI IN FRONT OF AN ACOG 4x32 SCOPE

When mounting the CO-MINI in front of an ACOG 4x32 scope, use the optional raiser and light suppressor ACOG.

To mount the CO-MINI to a Picatinny/ Weaver rail in front of an ACOG 4x32, do the following (refer to Figure 3-7):

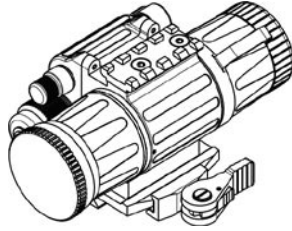
1. Using a 2.5mm Allen key, unscrew both of the M4x8 fixing screws of the CO-MINI mount. Remove the device from the seating rail.
2. Apply a small amount of thread lock to the threads. Secure the raiser (A), together with the mount (B), to the seating rail (D) with two furnished M4x18 screws (C). Use a 2mm Allen key.



**FIGURE 3-7. INSTALLING THE MOUNT WITH THE RAISER**

The fully assembled CO-MINI with the raiser is shown in Figure 3-8.

3. To install the CO-MINI on a Picatinny/ Weaver rail in front of ACOG 4×32 scope, refer to Part 3.1.3.



**FIGURE 3-8. THE CO-MINI READY-ASSEMBLED WITH THE RAISER**

### 3.1.6 INSTALLING THE CO-MINI ONTO THE LENS OF A DAY SCOPE

To install the CO-MINI onto a day scope, use the optional adapters.

**NOTE:**

The attaching diameters of the adapters differ, and must fit with the day scope parameters specified in **Table 2-8** (Scope Mounting Systems Data).

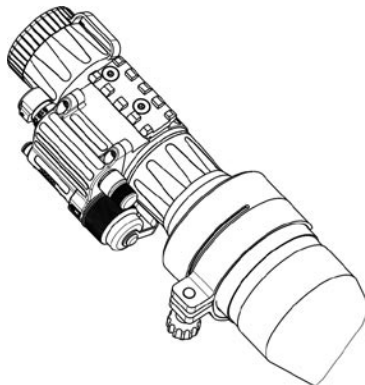
**NOTE:**

The CO-MINI cannot be attached to the scope if there is a focus ring attached to the objective lens' housing.

**CAUTION:**

The Scope Mounting Systems are **not** recommended for installing the CO-MINI on firearms that have vigorous recoil (0.308 Win or stronger).

Figure 3-9 shows the CO-MINI installed on the lens of a day scope.



**FIGURE 3-9. THE CO-MINI INSTALLED ON THE LENS OF A DAY SCOPE**

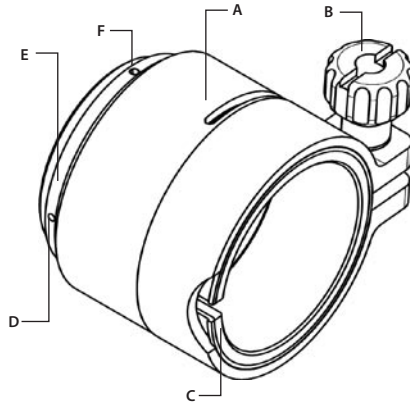
To install the CO-MINI on the lens of a day scope, do the following (refer to Figure 3-10):

1. Using a 2.5mm Allen key, unscrew both M4×8 fixing screws on the CO-MINI mount. Remove the mount from the seating rail and place it, along with the screws, into the storage case.

2. Take off the output lens cap and place it into the storage case.
3. With the nut (B) loosened, position the insert (C) into the adapter's clamp (A).
4. Screw the adapter into the CO-MINI's output lens thread.
5. With the nut (B) loosened, slide the CO-MINI, with the adapter, onto the lens of the day scope as far as it will go.
6. Tighten the nut (B) with a screwdriver.

**NOTE:**

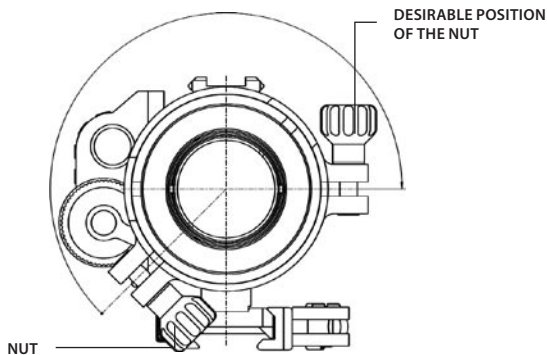
The second Weaver rail can be installed in place of the removed mount.



**FIGURE 3-10. SCOPE MOUNTING SYSTEM**

If the position of the adapter's clamping nut is undesirable, it can be adjusted by performing the following:

1. Decide on desirable position of the nut and estimate the angle through which the adapter should be turned CW (see **Figure 3-11**).



**FIGURE 3-11. ESTIMATION OF THE ADAPTER TURNING ANGLE**

2. Remove the adapter from the CO-MINI.
3. Using a screwdriver, remove both screws M2x2.5 (F, see **Figure 3-10**) and then unscrew the ring (E).

### CAUTION:

When loosening the ring (E), only utilize the two auxiliary, non-threaded holes (D). Avoid using the threaded ones.

- Using a turning machine, cut the inside face of the ring (E). The value of cutting (in millimeters) is equal to the value of the turning angle (in angular degrees) divided by 360°.
- With the cut end directed inwards, screw the ring (E) into the adapter's body and tighten it.
- Apply a small amount of thread lock to the threads. Affix the ring (E) with two M2×2.5 screws (F).

### 3.1.7 FASTENING A WIRELESS REMOTE CONTROL UNIT TO WEAPON

Using Velcro tape (A), fasten the remote control unit (B) (**Figure 3-12**) to the weapon in an easily accessible place (e.g., on the front of the rifle stock) on the side of the CO-MINI's wired cover preferably.

If your rifle has a Picatinny or Weaver rail on the forend you can use the Picatinny adaptor for Advanced Wireless Remote (C). Install adaptor on the rail. Insert the remote control unit in the adaptor.

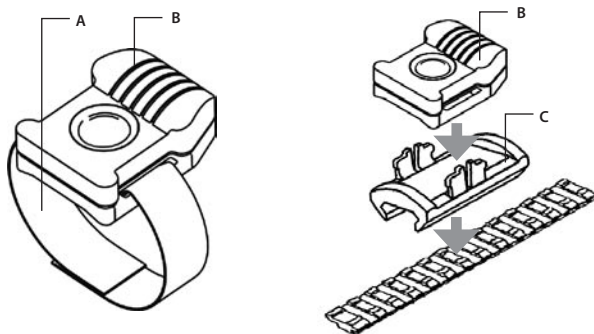


FIGURE 3-12. ADVANCED WIRELESS REMOTE CONTROL

### 3.1.8 INSTALLING THE IR850

The IR850 (**Figure 3-13**) is delivered ready-assembled with a dedicated mount, to be installed on the Weaver rail of the CO-MINI. The mount clamp (A) has a spherical hinge that allows the operator to tilt the IR850 as desired.

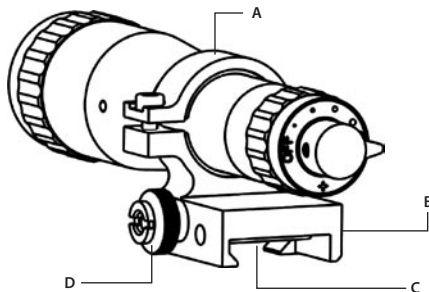


FIGURE 3-13. IR850 ILLUMINATOR

Mount the IR850 on the Weaver rail as follows:

- With the nut (D) loosened, install the mount (B) onto the Weaver rail so that the stop (C) slides into one of the transverse slots of the rail.
- Tighten the nut (D) with a screwdriver.



## 3.2 CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

### CAUTION:

DO NOT force the equipment controls past their stopping points.

### 3.2.1 CO-MINI CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

The CO-MINI controls are shown in Figure 3-14.

The CO-MINI controls and indicators are defined in Table 3-1. The ITEM NO. column indicates the number used to identify items in Figure 3-14.

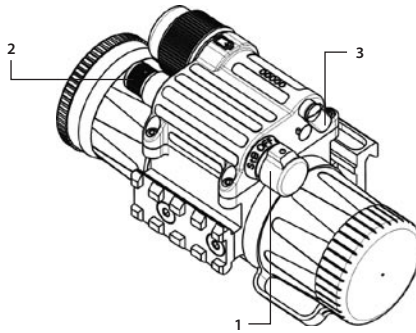


FIGURE 3-14. CO-MINI CONTROLS

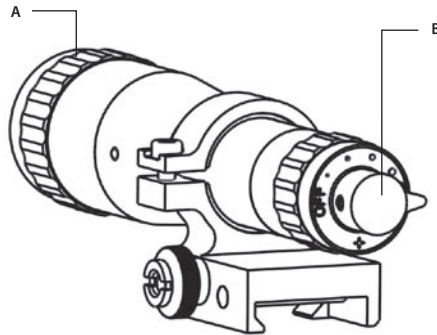
TABLE 3-1. CO-MINI CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

ITEM NO.	CONTROL/INDICATOR	FUNCTION
1	Turn-push Switch	<p>Activates the CO-MINI when turned CW from OFF to ON. The switch must be pushed to turn the device on.</p> <p>Activates the standby mode when turned CCW from OFF to STB. The switch must be pushed to switch to STB.</p> <p>Deactivates the CO-MINI when turned from ON/ STB to OFF.</p>
2	Gain Control Knob*	Adjusts the brightness of the image.
—	Remote Control Button	Activates/deactivates the CO-MINI in standby when pressed/ released.
3	Pivoted Shutter	Closes/opens the photoreceiver when placed in the highest/lowest position.
—	Built-in Bi-color LED Indicator	<p>PERMANENT YELLOW GLOW in the viewing area indicates excessive light conditions. After 10 seconds of exposure to excess light, the image intensifier tube will be cut off. The CO-MINI will turn back on when moved away from the excessive light.</p> <p>A FLASHING RED LIGHT in the viewing area indicates a low battery. The LED will flash three times every 3 minutes.</p>

\* For CO-Mini MG version only.

### 3.2.2 IR-850 CONTROLS

The IR850 controls are shown in Figure 3-15 and defined in Table 3-2. The ITEM NO. column indicates the number used to identify items in Figure 3-15.



**FIGURE 3-15. IR850 CONTROLS**

**TABLE 3-2. IR850 CONTROLS**

ITEM NO.	CONTROL/INDICATOR	FUNCTION
1	Power Switch	Switches the IR850 on/ off and adjusts for radiated power. Four 'on' positions are located between two 'off' positions, and are each marked with a different-sized spot. The larger the spot, the greater the radiated power.
2	Lens	Adjusts the IR beam divergence. Adjustment range is covered with approximately one turn of the lens.

## 3.3 OPERATING PROCEDURES

### 3.3.1 OPERATING THE CO-MINI

Operating procedures should be performed in dark or nighttime conditions only.

**CAUTION:**

Use of the CO-MINI in brightly lit conditions may damage the image intensifier tube.

1. Verify that the battery is installed as required.
2. Perform a visual estimation of the illumination level in the viewing area, using the reference data presented in Appendix A. You can begin operating the CO-MINI if the illumination level is less than 1 lx.
3. Remove the objective lens cap and place it over the lens' housing.

**CAUTION:**

Before removing the objective lens cap, verify that the photoreceiver is open.

4. Verify that there are no bright light sources in the CO-MINI's field of view. Turn the device on. After a slight delay, a green glow will appear in the day scope's output lens.

**CAUTION:**

Avoid exposing the device to bright light sources such as firelight, headlights, searchlights, etc., as these can damage the CO-MINI.

5. To operate the CO-MINI in short-time activation mode, put the device in standby mode. To activate the CO-MINI, press and hold the remote control button. Release the remote control button to deactivate the CO-MINI.
6. Observe the scene. Adjust the image contrast by rotating the gain control knob (CO-MINI MG only).
7. If the day scope includes a focusing ring (i.e., parallax adjustment knob), adjust the focus for a parallax-free image.
8. Turn on the day scope's reticle illumination and adjust the reticle brightness.

**CAUTION:**

Do not leave the CO-MINI activated if it is not being used.

**NOTE:**

Automatic interrupting time is 60 minutes. To resume operation, you will need to restart the CO-MINI.

### 3.3.2 OPERATING THE IR850

Use the IR850 in poor light conditions or complete darkness.

**CAUTION:**

The light from the IR illuminator will be invisible to the naked eye. **However, the light can be detected by other NVDs.**

**CAUTION:**

Do not leave the IR850 activated when the device is not in use.

1. After examining a scene with the CO-MINI, turn on the IR850.
2. To change the radiated power level, turn the power switch to one of the spots between the two OFF positions.
3. To adjust the IR beam divergence, rotate the lens.
4. To adjust the IR spot position in the field of view, loosen the clamp screw and tilt the IR850 as required. Tighten the screw using a 2.5mm hex key.

### 3.3.3 OPERATING IN CHANGING LIGHT CONDITIONS

If a mission must be carried out in changing light conditions, you can deactivate the bright light protection system of the CO-MINI. To shut down the protection system, close the photoreceiver by flipping up the pivoted shutter.

**CAUTION:**

After your mission is complete, open the photoreceiver by flipping the pivoted shutter down.

### 3.3.4 SHUT-DOWN

Shut-down the CO-MINI as follows:

1. Turn off the device. The green glow will disappear.
2. Place the cap over the objective lens.
3. Remove the CO-MINI from the weapon/day scope lens.
4. Remove the light suppressor from the output lens.
5. Screw the cap into the output lens thread.
6. Remove the IR850 from the CO-MINI.
7. Remove the batteries.

#### **CAUTION:**

Do not store the equipment with the battery still in it.

#### **CAUTION:**

Remove the light suppressor from the CO-MINI to avoid deformation or damage.

8. Ensure that the CO-MINI and any accessories are clean and dry before placing them into the storage case.
9. Place the CO-MINI and any accessories into the appropriate locations in the storage case and close the cover.

# PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND TROUBLESHOOTING

## 4.1 PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CHECKS AND SERVICES (PMCS)

Table 4-1: Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services has been provided so that you can keep your equipment operable and in good condition.

Perform all functional tests in the order listed in Table 4-1.

Operating Procedures are detailed in Chapter 3.

Always observe any CAUTIONS that appear in the table.

### Explanation of Table Entries:

**SEQ NO. column.** Sequence numbers are for reference and appear in the order required to perform checks and services.

**LOCATION/ITEM TO CHECK/SERVICE column.** Indicates the location and the item to be checked or serviced.

**PROCEDURE column.** Details the checking/ servicing procedure.

**NOT FULLY MISSION CAPABLE IF... column.** Indicates what faults will prevent your equipment from operating successfully.

**TABLE 4-1. PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CHECKS AND SERVICES**

SEQ. NO.	LOCATION/ITEM TO CHECK/SERVICE	PROCEDURE	NOT FULLY MISSION CAPABLE IF...
<b>BEFORE OPERATION CHECKS</b>			
1	Completeness	Inventory items by comparing them with the data specified in this manual.	Items are missing.
2	Body	Inspect for cracks or damage. Scratches and gouges are OK if operation is not affected. Inspect for missing parts (screws, knobs).	Cracked or damaged. Screw or knob is missing.
3	Objective Lens Cap	Inspect for cuts, tears and dirt. Clean as required.	Cap is torn or cut.
4	Output Lens Cap	Inspect for dirt. Check ease of installation and removal. Clean as required.	Cap is difficult to remove.
5	Battery Compartment/ Cap with Adapter	Check to make sure the adapter is present. Check for corrosion, cap damage or retainer breaks. Check O-ring for cuts or damage.	Retainer is broken. Cap, O-ring or battery adapter is damaged or missing.
6	Switch	Check for operation (without battery).	Switch is inoperative.
7	Lenses	Inspect for cleanliness, scratches, chips or cracks. Clean as required.	Chipped or cracked. Scratches hinder vision through the CO-MINI.

**TABLE 4-1. CONTINUED**

SEQ. NO.	LOCATION/ITEM TO CHECK/SERVICE	PROCEDURE	NOT FULLY MISSION CAPABLE IF...
8	Photoreceiver	Inspect for cleanliness, scratches. Clean as required.	Photoreceiver is damaged.
9	Remote Control Unit	Check for damage. Check Velcro tape for wear.	Damaged. Unit or tape is missing.
11	Light Suppressor	Inspect for cuts or tears. Check ease of installation and removal.	Light suppressor is torn or cut.
12	Mount	Inspect for damage or corrosion, and for missing parts. Check for proper operation.	Damaged. Some parts are missing. Clamping device is inoperative.
13	IR850 Body, Mount	Inspect for damage and missing parts.	Damaged. Missing parts.
14	IR850 Battery Cap, Power Switch	Check O-ring for damage. Check for proper operation.	O-ring is damaged or missing. Switch is inoperative.
15	IR850 Lens	Inspect for cleanliness, scratches, chips or cracks. Clean as required. Check to ensure there is free rotation through the full range of travel (one turn).	Lens is chipped or cracked. Lens sticks or is too loose when turned.
16	Scope Mounting System	Inspect for damage and missing parts.	Damaged. Missing parts.
17	Optional Extended Rail Adapter	Inspect for damage and missing parts. Check clamping devices for proper operation.	Damaged. Missing some parts. Clamping devices inoperative.

**OPERATIONAL CHECKS**

**CAUTION:**

The objective lens cap has an axial pinhole, which allows operational testing of the CO-MINI in daylight. Activate the CO-MINI in daylight with the objective lens cap on or in dark conditions.

DO NOT forget to open the photoreceiver after finishing operational checks.

**NOTE:**

Daylight checks are described below.

18	Turn-Push Switch	Insert the battery. Remove the output lens cap. Close the photoreceiver by flipping up the pivotal shutter. Push and turn the switch to ON. Look for green glow (after a slight delay) in viewing area.	No green glow.
		Open the photoreceiver by flipping the pivotal shutter down. Look through the output lens and wait about 10 seconds for the green glow to disappear.	Green glow is present, yellow glow is absent.
19	Remote Control	Close the photoreceiver. Push and turn the switch to STB. Press and hold the remote control button. Look for the green glow in the output lens. Release the button. Turn the switch to OFF.	Green glow is absent.
20	Gain Control Knob (CO-Mini MG only)	Push and turn the switch to ON. Rotate the gain control knob to ensure it adjusts the screen's brightness.	Knob does not adjust the screen's brightness.
21	Viewed Image	Inspect for any operational defects (refer to Section 4.3: Inspection Criteria for Proper Image Intensifier Operation).	Shading, edge glow, flashing, flickering, and intermittent operation, or excessive cosmetic defects are found.
22	IR850 IR Illuminator	Insert the battery. Mount the IR850 onto the CO-MINI. Turn the IR850 on. Direct the radiated beam at a wall from a distance of about 5m. Look through the CO-MINI. A square of light should appear on the wall.	No light appears on the wall.

**AFTER CHECKING PROCEDURES**

23		Turn off the IR850 and CO-MINI. Screw the protective cap into the CO-MINI output lens thread. Remove the batteries. Return the CO-MINI and all accessories to the storage case.	
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## 4.2 OPERATOR TROUBLESHOOTING

The purpose of troubleshooting is to identify the most commonly occurring equipment malfunctions, their probable causes, and the corrective actions required to fix them.

Table 4-2 lists the common malfunctions that may occur during the operation or maintenance of the CO-MINI. Perform the tests, inspections, and corrective actions in the order listed in the table.

**This table cannot list all of the malfunctions that may occur with your CO-MINI, or all of the tests and corrective actions that may be necessary.** If you experience an equipment malfunction that is not listed, or is not fixed by the corrective actions listed in the table, please contact Armasight's Customer Service center.

**TABLE 4-2. OPERATOR TROUBLESHOOTING**

MALFUNCTION	PROBABLE CAUSE/ TEST/INSPECTION	CORRECTIVE ACTION
CO-MINI fails to activate.	Battery is missing or improperly installed.	Insert battery or install correctly.
	Battery is dead.	Replace the battery.
	Battery surfaces or contacts are dirty or corroded.	Clean the contact surfaces with a pencil eraser and/ or alcohol and cotton swabs.
	Remote control unit is damaged.	Please contact Customer Support.
	Remote control batteries are dead.	Replace the batteries as per Part 4.4.3.
	Defective image intensifier.	Please contact Customer Support.
Poor image quality.	Objective and output lenses are dirty.	Thoroughly clean the surfaces of each lens.
	Damaged optical components.	Please contact Customer Support.
LED indicator fails to activate.	Visual inspection.	Please contact Customer Support.
CO-MINI affects boresight after installation or during the firing.	Factory alignment is broken.	Please contact Customer Support.
Hindered rotation of the battery cap.	Dirty cap thread.	Clean the thread.
	Damaged cap thread.	Please contact Customer Support.
Battery adapter difficult to remove.	Check for damaged battery adapter and battery cap.	If damaged please contact Customer Support.
Light visible around light suppressor.	Incorrect position of the CO-MINI relative to the day scope.	Align the CO-MINI position relative to the day scope.
	Check the light suppressor resilience.	If light suppressor is defective please contact Customer Support.
IR850 fails to activate.	Battery is missing or improperly installed.	Insert battery or install it correctly.
	Battery is dead.	Replace the battery.
	IR850 damaged.	Please contact Customer Support.

## 4.3 INSPECTION CRITERIA FOR PROPER IMAGE INTENSIFIER TUBE OPERATION

### 4.3.1 OPERATIONAL DEFECTS

Operational defects relate to the reliability of the intensifier, and are an indication of instability. If identified, the user will need to return the CO-MINI immediately. Operational defects include shading, edge glow, flashing, flickering, and intermittent operation.

## A. Shading

If shading is persistent, you will not be able to see a fully circular image (Figure 4-1). Shading is a very dark, high-contrast area with a distinct line of demarcation present, and you cannot see an image through it. Shading always begins on the edge and will eventually migrate inward until it spans across the entire image area. If you notice shading with your device, please contact Customer Support.

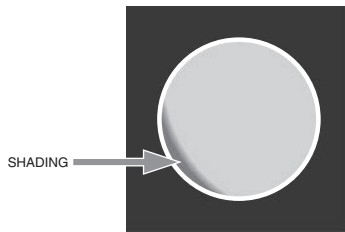


FIGURE 4-1. SHADING

### NOTE:

Verify that any shading is not the result of improper eye-relief adjustment.

## B. Edge Glow

Edge glow is a bright area (it sometimes appears to be coloring) in the outer portion of the viewing area (see Figure 4-2). To check for edge glow, block out all light from the device by cupping a hand over the lens. If the image intensifier tube is displaying edge glow, the bright area will still show up; if edge glow occurs please contact Customer Support.

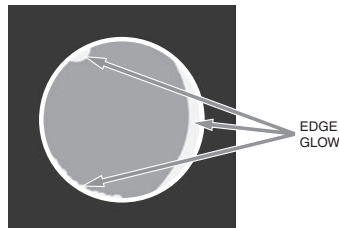


FIGURE 4-2. EDGE GLOW

## C. Flashing, Flickering, or Intermittent Operation

The image may appear to flicker or flash. If there is more than a single flicker, check for a loose battery adapter or a weak battery. If flickering continues, please contact Customer Support.

### 4.3.2 COSMETIC BLEMISHES

Cosmetic blemishes are usually the result of manufacturing imperfections. They do not affect the reliability of the image intensifier tube, and are not normally a cause for returning the CO-MINI. However, some types of cosmetic blemishes can worsen over time and interfere with the user's ability to properly operate the device during missions. If you believe a cosmetic blemish is cause for returning the device, record the specific nature of the problem on the maintenance forms and use the clock method to identify the position of the blemish and approximate distance from the center (e.g., 5:00 toward the outside, 2:30 near the center, or 1:00 midway).

The following are examples of cosmetic blemishes:



## A. Bright Spots

A bright spot is a small, non-uniform bright area that may flicker or appear constant (Figure 4-3).

Not all bright spots make the CO-MINI returnable. Cup your hand over the lens to block out all light. If the bright spot remains, please contact Customer Support.

Bright spots usually go away when all light is blocked out. Verify that any bright spots are not simply the result of bright light in the area you are observing. Bright spots are acceptable if they do not interfere with the user's ability to view the scene or perform missions.

## B. Emission points

Emission points are steady or fluctuating pinpoints of bright light in the image area that do not go away when all external light is blocked from the objective lens (Figure 4-3). The position of an emission point within the image area does not move. Not all emission points are cause to return the CO-MINI. Verify that emission points are not simply light sources present in the scene you are observing. Emission points are acceptable if they do not interfere with the user's ability to perform missions.

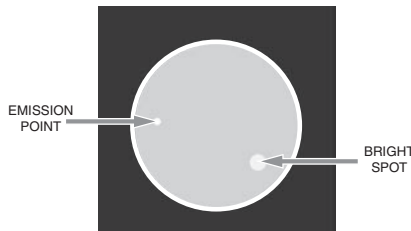


FIGURE 4-3. EMISSION POINTS AND BRIGHT SPOTS

## C. Black Spots

Black spots are cosmetic blemishes in the image intensifier or debris between the lenses. Black spots are acceptable as long as they do not interfere with the user's ability to observe the scene. No action is required if this condition is present, unless the spots interfere with the operator's ability to perform missions.

## D. Fixed-pattern Noise

Fixed-pattern noise is usually a cosmetic blemish characterized by a faint hexagonal (honeycomb) pattern that appears throughout the viewing area. This typically occurs in excessively lit environments or when viewing very bright lights (See Figure 4-4). This pattern can be seen in every image intensifier if the level of light is high enough. This condition is acceptable as long as the pattern does not interfere with the user's ability to view an image or their ability to perform missions.

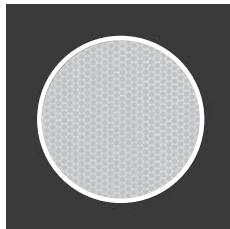


FIGURE 4-4. FIXED-PATTERN NOISE

## E. Chicken Wire

Chicken Wire is an irregular pattern of dark thin lines that can appear in the field of view, either throughout the image area or in sections of the image area (See Figure 4-5). In the worst-case scenario, these lines will form hexagonal or square, wave-shaped lines. No action is required if this condition is present, unless it interferes with the user's ability to view an image or their ability to perform missions.



FIGURE 4-5. CHICKEN WIRE

## 4.4 MAINTENANCE

### 4.4.1 GENERAL

The section regarding CO-MINI operator maintenance consists of operational tests, inspections for unit serviceability, cleaning and mounting procedures, troubleshooting, and replacement instructions for a limited number of parts. Maintenance instructions covered elsewhere in this manual (PMCS, troubleshooting, etc.) are not repeated in this section.

#### CAUTION:

The CO-MINI is a precision electro-optical instrument, and must be handled carefully at all times to prevent damage to body and mechanisms.

### 4.4.2 CLEANING PROCEDURES

#### CAUTION:

Thoroughly dry each item before placing them into the storage case.

Clean the CO-MINI and IR850 as follows:

1. Gently brush off any dirt from the device's body using a clean, soft cloth.
2. Moisten the cloth with fresh water and gently wipe external surfaces (except for glass surfaces).
3. Dry any wet surfaces (except for glass surfaces) with another clean, soft, dry cloth.
4. Using a lens brush, carefully remove all loose dirt from the glass surfaces.
5. Slightly dampen a cotton swab with ethanol. Gently and slowly wipe the lenses (including the photoreceiver). Without touching the lens holders, clean the glass surfaces in circular movements, beginning in the center and moving out towards the edge. Change the cotton swab after each circular stroke. Repeat until the glass surfaces are clean.
6. Clean the battery surfaces and contacts with a pencil eraser and/ or alcohol-dampened cotton swabs.

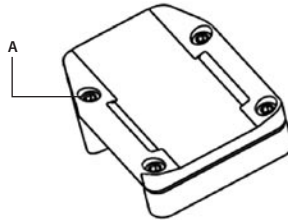
Clean optional equipment with a soft brush (cloth), soap, and water as required.

### 4.4.3 BATTERY REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT

Refer to Parts 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 for the CO-MINI and IR850 battery installation procedure, respectively.

Replace the remote control batteries as follows:

1. Using a screwdriver, unscrew the four screws (A, Figure 4-6) that affix the cover to the bottom of the unit. Remove the cover.
2. Replace the batteries with two new ones (CR2016, 3V). Stack the batteries in its place under the leaf contact spring with the minus contacts directed towards the electric board, as the minus sign etched on the board indicates.
3. Replace the cover and retighten the screws (A).



**FIGURE 4-6. REMOTE CONTROL UNIT. BATTERY INSTALLATION**

## 4.5 RETURN INSTRUCTIONS

For service, repair or replacement, please email: [service@armasight.com](mailto:service@armasight.com).

To assist the Service Representative (SR) with determining whether or not an item is repairable, please provide the following information:

1. Serial Number of the defective item. This is engraved on the CO-MINI cover (3, Figure 2-2).
2. Thorough description of the malfunction, defect or damage.
3. An explanation of how the malfunction, defect or damage occurred, if known.

If the SR determines that the item is under warranty or should be returned for repair, a Return Material Authorization number (RMA#) will be provided. RMA can be obtained via e-mail to [service@armasight.com](mailto:service@armasight.com) or via phone by calling Armasight Customer Service at (888)959-2259 Ext. 2 or via fax (888)959-2260.

When returning the CO-MINI for service or repair, the following procedures should be done to prevent any additional damage:

1. Verify that the CO-MINI is free of all contaminants, such as dirt or any other foreign material.
2. Remove the battery.
3. Place the cap over the objective lens.
4. Screw the cap into the output lens thread.
5. Place the CO-MINI and its accessories into the shipping case.
6. Place the CO-MINI and a copy of the test report or detailed description of the failure in a suitable packing/ shipping container. Mark the package with the RMA#. Ship using a fast, traceable service. Shipping must be prepaid by the Customer.

## A. ESTIMATION OF AMBIENT ILLUMINATION LEVEL

Table A-1 lists some common natural light conditions and their corresponding representative illumination values.

**TABLE A-1. STANDARD NATURAL LIGHT CONDITIONS AND ILLUMINATION VALUES**

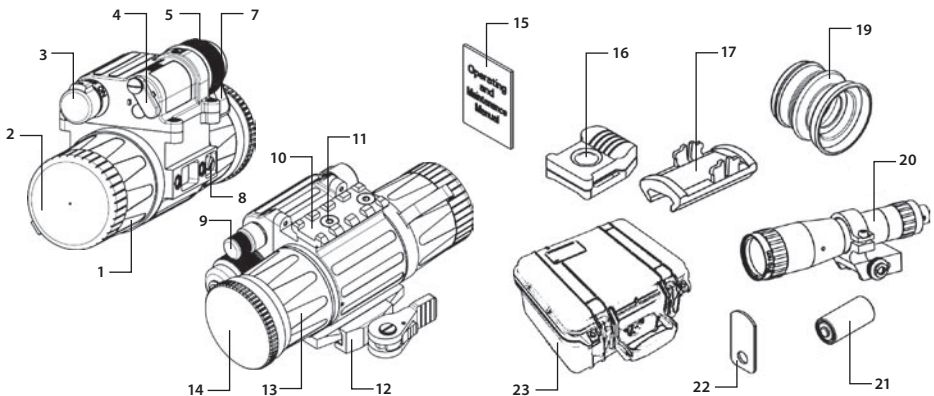
STANDARD NATURAL LIGHT CONDITIONS	ILLUMINATION VALUE, LUX
Quarter moon	0.05
Full moon	0.30
Late twilight sky	1.00
Twilight sky	10.00
Overcast sky in the daytime	500.00

## B. LIST OF SPARE PARTS

The parts authorized in the below list of spare parts are required for operator maintenance. This list includes parts that must be removed in order to replace authorized parts.

The ITEM NO. column indicates the number used to identify items in Figure B-1.

The PART NO. column indicates the primary number used by the manufacturer to identify an item; this number controls the design and characteristics of the item by means of its engineering, specifications, standards, and inspection requirements.



**FIGURE B-1. CO-MINI SPARE PARTS**

**TABLE B-1. CO-MINI LIST OF SPARE PARTS**

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ITEM	DESCRIPTION
1	Objective Lens Assembly	13	Output Lens Assembly
2	Objective Lens Cap	14	Output Lens Cap
3	Turn-Push Switch	15	Operation and Maintenance Manual
4	Pivoted Shutter	16	Advanced Wireless Remote Control
5	Battery Cap	17	Picatinny Adaptor for Advanced Wireless Remote Control
6	Battery Adapter (not shown)	18	CR 2016 Battery for RC (not shown)
7	Battery Cap Retainer	19	Light Suppressor 1
8	Purge Screw	20	IR850 Illuminator
9	Gain Control Knob (CO-Mini MG only)	21	CR123A Battery
10	Weaver Rail	22	Special Wrench
11	M4x8 Screw	23	Hard Case
12	Mount		

## C. PRODUCT WARRANTY REGISTRATION CARD

In order to validate the warranty on your product, Armasight must receive a completed Product Warranty Registration Card for each unit, or the user must complete warranty registration on our website ([www.armsight.com](http://www.armsight.com)). Please complete the included form and immediately mail it to our Service Center: Armasight Inc., 815 Dubuque Avenue, South San Francisco, CA 94080, USA

### ARMASIGHT PRODUCT WARRANTY REGISTRATION CARD

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

Product Name \_\_\_\_\_ Purchased From \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Date \_\_\_\_\_ Product Serial # \_\_\_\_\_

#### CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

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Customer Signature Required



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