



LOGOS STYLE GUIDE FOR TRANSLATORS INTO SPANISH



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SECTION 1: GENERAL

IMPORTANCE OF STYLE

The style must be clear and accurate. If possible, avoid anglicisms or English-based structures. Use a simple style, and try to avoid ambiguities. The reader should not be given the impression that it is a translation.

INFINITIVE OR PERSONAL FORM

The use of infinitive is very common in English manuals, especially when presenting instructions to the user. However, its use is very rare in Spanish. It must be replaced by the third person imperative, except in very specific cases (menus, dialog boxes, text in buttons, etc), almost always related to software and implying the execution of an action, in which cases infinitive is acceptable.

English: Select the report you want to print.

Spanish: Seleccione el informe que desee imprimir

Be consistent throughout the text.

USE OF “usted”, “Ud.” AND “Vd.”

The explicit use of “usted” as a subject pronoun should be kept to a minimum. Please use it only to avoid ambiguity. Specifically, if it is understood in context that the text is addressing the reader, this should be sufficient to eliminate ambiguity. For example:

Si tiene un monitor de 17 pulgadas, puede especificar una resolución de 1024x768.

(*Usted* is not necessary before *tiene*.)

Please use the abbreviation “Ud.” rather than “Vd.”.

SENTENCE STRUCTURE AND WORD ORDER

Spanish provides somewhat more flexibility than English does for ordering the principal parts of a sentence, in order to provide emphasis or clarity. Rather than limit yourself to a rigid subject-verb-complement word order, use some flexibility where necessary and appropriate to avoid confusing or misleading sentences.



After translating a paragraph, read it back to yourself and make sure that it really makes sense in Spanish.

PASSIVE TO ACTIVE CONSTRUCTION

The structural passive voice (ser + past participle) is much less frequently used in Spanish than in English. When translating passive English sentences, consider changing them to active voice, or using the reflexive ("se") passive to obtain a more natural text. For example:

English: All captures should be deleted before proceeding.

Spanish: Se deben borrar todas las capturas antes de continuar.

TENSES

Tenses must be consistent throughout. Most of the time the future tense used in the English text will have to be replaced by the present in Spanish.

E.g.:

English: Appendix B will describe other features.

Spanish: En el Apéndice B se describen otras funciones.

-ING FORM (gerund)

The Gerund can be translated in various different ways and the translator will have to decide how to translate it according to the context. In captions, sections, subchapters, chapters and titles, the English gerund should be replaced by the correspondent Spanish noun

English	Correct form	Incorrect form
Printing a report	Impresión de un informe	Imprimir/Imprimiendo un informe
Saving an EGM	Almacenamiento de un EGM	Cómo guardar un EGM

If the translation of the gerund with a noun should result in a heavy or even impossible expression, it is recommended to use the form "Cómo..." followed by the infinitive:

English: Pasting text

Spanish: Cómo pegar texto



IDIOMS

If a Spanish equivalent of an idiom exists, use it. Anglicisms must be avoided.

E.g.:

English: no matter how much...

Spanish: no importa cuanto...

ARTICLES

Brand, product and application names are not preceded by articles in most cases.

English	Spanish
Ventritex, Cadence, Cadet, Contour and HVS are registered trademarks..., Inc.	Ventritex, Cadence, Cadet, Contour et HVS son marcas comerciales registradas de..., Inc.

In text, it is possible to use the article before the name of the product to avoid repeating words like “el dispositivo”, el “DAI”, etc.

POSSESSIVE ARTICLES AND DETERMINERS

Special attention should be paid to the translation of possessive determiners. Though they are widely used in English, the translator should avoid literal translations.

E.g.:

English: Program your device...

Spanish: Programe el dispositivo...



ACRONYMS

When acronyms appear for the first time, the translator must usually add, in brackets, their full form, in Spanish (or in English if there is no official translation at the time of publication). If uncertain as to how to translate an acronym, please ask your PM.

English	Spanish
IEGM (Intracardiac Electrogram)	IEGM (Electrograma intracardíaco)
DAO (Dynamic Atrial Overdrive)	DAO (Sobreestimulación Auricular Dinamica)

In general, acronyms do not have a plural form in Spanish.

Note: Never insert a period between the letters of the acronym.

ABBREVIATIONS

Avoid the use of abbreviations where possible. This does not apply to abbreviations widely used in medical terminology, like “A.” for auricular and “V.” for ventricular.

Abbreviations in Spanish should end with a period. If the abbreviation is at the end of sentence, use only one period.

Some abbreviations in Spanish are not necessarily capitalized and are written without the period. This is the case of metric units of measurement such as ml, kg, etc.

If you have to invent an abbreviation, for instance, in order to make a text fit in a reduced space or to shorten a software string, make sure that the abbreviation conveys as much information as possible within the space allowed.

For “reemplazar”, “reempl.”, or even “reemp.” are better than “reem.”.

PUNCTUATION

The following Spanish punctuation conventions should be observed:

No comma before the conjunction “y” at the end of a numeration.

Only one space after a period, colon, a semicolon, an exclamation point, or a question mark (no period after exclamation points and questions marks).



USE OF UPPER AND LOWER CASE

In general, lower case should be used after a colon. For example:

English: Capture: lets you capture...

Spanish: Captura: permite capturar...(period)

An exception to this is the text included in “notes”, “warnings” and “cautions”.

When it comes to lists of items numbered after a colon, the general use of upper and lower case is the following: the first letter is always capitalized. A period should be included at the end of complete sentences only (no period at the end of phrases).

English: The package includes the following:

Ventricular cable

Telemetry wand...

Spanish: El envase incluye lo siguiente:

Cable ventricular

Cabezal de programación....

DASHES

Dashes are more common in English than in Spanish and for that reason they should be replaced whenever possible (if the software includes options with dashes, those should be maintained), specially in cases like the following:

English: Capture - lets you capture...

Spanish: Captura: permite capturar...

They should be replaced by brackets () when applicable.

If dashes are coded by the translation program, changes should be made on the final format of the file.

HYPHENATION

Do not hyphenate words at the end of lines in documentation and Help topics. Do not use discretionary or soft hyphens. However, there are special cases in which hyphenation is required (i.e. narrow columns); then translators should follow standard Spanish grammar rules to hyphenate words.



ACCENTUATION

The acute accent must be used in upper and lower cases, e.g.:

English: VENTRICLE

Spanish: VENTRÍCULO

TIME, DATE, NUMERICAL FORMATS, etc.

Time: 24-hour clock; hours and minutes separated by colon.
No leading zero before hours

English	Spanish
2:00 pm	14:00
8:15 am	8:15

Date: Short Date Order: DMY, separated by slash
Leading zero for months
Occasionally the century Indication is given

English	Spanish
06/24/98	24/06/98

Long Date Format: dddd MMMM yyyy,

English	Spanish
24 June 1998	24 de junio de 1998 (or el 24 de junio de 1998)

Temperatures

Degrees Celsius

In Spanish, insert a space between degree symbol and number but no space between symbol and letter C.

E.g.: 28 °C



UNITS OF MEASUREMENT

British measures must be converted to metric units, except for 3,5" disks and display units.

Example:

English	Spanish
The monitor weighs 74 lbs.	El monitor pesa 33,5 kg.
The keyboard is approximately 18 inches long.	El teclado mide 45 cm de largo aproximadamente.

Metric units such as cm, ml, kg and so forth are written without the period. British measures must be converted to metric units.

Note: In Spanish, it is compulsory to insert a space between the figure and the unit of measurement.

Length - Distance		
meter	m	1 m = 0.001 km = 39.37 in = 3.28 ft = 1.09 yd
centimeter	cm	1 cm = 0.01 m = 0.3937 in = 0.0328 ft = 0.0109 yd
kilometer	km	1 km = 1000 m = 1093.61 yd = 0.5396 naut mi = 0.62137 mi
inch (pollice)	1", in	1 in = 0.0833 ft = 0.0278 yd = 2.54 cm = 0.0254 m
foot (pie)	1', ft	1 ft = 12 in = 0.333 yd = 30.48 cm = 0.3048 m
yard (iarda)	yd	1 yd = 3 ft = 36 in = 91.44 cm = 0.9144 m
nautical mile	naut mi	1 naut mi = 1.853 km = 1'853.18 m = 2'026.67 yd = 1.151 mi
US statute mile	mi	1 mi = 1.609 km = 1'609.35 m = 1'760 yd = 0.868 naut mi
hand (palmo)	hand	1 hand = 4 in = 0.3332 ft = 0.111 yd = 10.16 cm = 0.1016 m
span (spanna)	span	1 span = 9 in = 0.7497 ft = 0.25 yd = 22.86 cm = 0,2286 m

Surface		
square meter	m ²	1 m ² = 10'000 cm ² = 0.0001 ha = 1,550 in ² = 10.76 ft ² = 1.196 yd ²
square centimeter	cm ²	1 cm ² = 0.0001 m ² = 0.155 in ² = 0.0011 ft ² = 0.00012 yd ²
square kilometer	km ²	1 km ² = 1'000'000 m ² = 100 ha = 0.386 mi ² = 247.105 ac
are	a	1 a = 100 m ² = 0.01 ha = 1'076.39 ft ² = 119.599 yd ² = 0.0000386 mi ² = 0.024 ac
hectare	ha	1 ha = 100 a = 10'000 m ² = 0.01 km ² = 107'639.1 ft ² = 0.0039 mi ² = 2.47 ac
square inch	in ²	1 in ² = 0.00694 ft ² = 6.4516 cm ²
square foot	ft ²	1 ft ² = 0.092 m ² = 144 in ² = 0.111 yd ²
square yard	yd ²	1 yd ² = 0.836 m ² = 8'361.27 cm ² = 9 ft ² = 1'296 in ² = 0.0002 ac
square mile	mi ²	1 mi ² = 2.59 km ² = 259 ha = 640 ac
acre	ac	1 ac = 4'046.86 m ² = 0.0040 km ² = 0.40 ha = 40.47 a = 43.560 ft ² = 4840 yd ² = 0.00156 mi ²



Volume		
cubic meter	m ³	1 m ³ = 1'000 dm ³ = 35.3146 ft ³ = 61'023.744 in ³ = 1.308 yd ³ = 264.20 gal _{US} = 219.97 gal _{UK}
cubic decimeter; liter	dm ³	1 dm ³ = 1 l = 0.001 m ³ = 61.024 in ³ = 0.0353 ft ³ = 0.00131 yd ³ = 0.26417 gal _{US} = 0.21997 gal _{UK}
cubic centimeter	cm ³ , cc	1 cm ³ = 0.001 dm ³ = 0.001 l = 0.061 in ³ = 0.000264 gal _{US} = 0.00022 gal _{UK}
cubic inch	in ³	1 in ³ = 0.0000164 m ³ = 0.0164 dm ³ = 0.0005787 ft ³ = 0.0043 gal _{US} = 0.0036 gal _{UK}
cubic foot	ft ³	1 ft ³ = 0.02832 m ³ = 28.32 dm ³ = 1'728 in ³ = 0.037 yd ³ = 7.48 gal _{US} = 6.23 gal _{UK}
cubic yard	yd ³	1 yd ³ = 0.764 m ³ = 764.55 dm ³ = 46'656 in ³ = 27 ft ³ = 201.97 gal _{US} = 168.18 gal _{UK}
US gallon	gal _{US}	1 gal _{US} = 0.00378 m ³ = 3.785 dm ³ = 231 in ³ = 0.134 ft ³ = 0.0049 yd ³ = 0.833 gal _{UK}
UK gallon	gal _{UK}	1 gal _{UK} = 0.00455 m ³ = 4.546 dm ³ = 277.42 in ³ = 0.16 ft ³ = 0.0059 yd ³ = 1.2 gal _{US}

Pressure – force/area		
pascal	Pa	1 Pa = 1 N/m ² 1 kPa = 0.01 bar = 0.1 N/cm ² = 0.10 mH ₂ O = 7.5 mm _{Hg} = 0.0099 atm = 0.145 psi = 0.02088 lbf/ft ² = 0.334 ft _{H₂O}
bar	bar	1 bar = 100'000 Pa = 100 kPa = 1.0197 kg/cm ² = 10.198 mH ₂ O = 750 mm _{Hg} = 0.987 atm = 14.5 psi = 33.455 ft _{H₂O}
millibar	mbar	1 mbar = 100 Pa = 0.010 mH ₂ O = 0.750 mm _{Hg} = 0.00102 kg/cm ² = 0.0145 psi = 2.088 lbf/ft ² = 0.033 ft _{H₂O}
millimeters of mercury	mm _{Hg}	1 mm _{Hg} = 133.322 Pa = 0.133 kPa = 0.00133 bar = 0.0136 mH ₂ O = 0.00131 atm = 0.00136 kg/cm ² = 0.01934 psi = 2.78 lbf/ft ² = 0.045 ft _{H₂O}
technical atmosphere = kgf/cm ²	at, kg/cm ²	1 at = 1 kg/cm ² = 735.56 mm _{Hg} = 10 mH ₂ O = 98066.50 Pa = 98.067 kPa = 0.981 bar = 0.968 atm = 14.22 psi = 2048.16 lbf/ft ² = 32.81 ft _{H₂O}
metric atmosphere	atm	1 atm = 101'325 Pa = 760 mm _{Hg} = 1.033 at = 10.33 mH ₂ O = 1.01 bar = 14.696 psi = 2116.22 lbf/ft ² = 33.9 ft _{H₂O}
meters of water column	mH ₂ O	1 mH ₂ O = 9806 Pa = 0.09806 bar = 73.55 mm _{Hg} = 0.9806 N/cm ² = 0.09678 atm = 0.0999 at = 1.4224 psi = 204.8 lbf/ft ² = 3.28 ft _{H₂O}
feet of water	ft _{H₂O}	1 ft _{H₂O} = 2988.87 Pa = 0.0299 bar = 0.3048 mH ₂ O = 22.419 mm _{Hg} = 0.0295 atm = 0.03048 kg/cm ² = 0.4335 psi = 62.42 lbf/ft ²
pounds per square inch	psi	1 psi = 6'894.76 Pa = 6.894 kPa = 0.069 bar = 0.703 mH ₂ O = 51.715 mm _{Hg} = 0.689 N/cm ² = 0.068 atm = 0.0703 kg/cm ² = 144 lbf/ft ² = 2.31 ft _{H₂O}
pounds per square foot	lbf/ft ²	1 lbf/ft ² = 2'988.87 Pa = 2.99 kPa = 0.0299 bar = 0.3048 mH ₂ O = 22.418 mm _{Hg} = 0.299 N/cm ² = 0.0295 atm = 0.0305 at = 0.433 psi = 62.424 lbf/ft ²

Volume flow rate		
cubic meters per second	m ³ /s	1 m ³ /s = 60 m ³ /min = 3'600 m ³ /ora = 1'000 l/s = 60'000 l/min = 6'102'374.42 in ³ /s = 2'118.88 ft ³ /min = 15'850.32 gpm = 13'198.13 l gpm
cubic meters per minute	m ³ /min	1 m ³ /min = 0.0167 m ³ /s = 60 m ³ /h = 16.67 l/s = 1'000 l/min = 35.31 ft ³ /min = 264.17 gpm = 219.97 l gpm
cubic meters per hour	m ³ /h	1 m ³ /h = 0.000278 m ³ /s = 0.0167 m ³ /min = 0.28 l/s = 16.67 l/min = 1017.06 in ³ /min = 0.588 ft ³ /min = 4.40 gpm = 3.66 l gpm
litres per second	l/s	1 l/s = 0.001 m ³ /s = 0.06 m ³ /min = 3.6 m ³ /h = 60 l/min = 3661.42 in ³ /min = 2.12 ft ³ /min = 15.85 gpm = 13.198 l gpm
litres per minute	l/min	1 l/min = 0.001 m ³ /min = 0.06 m ³ /h = 0.0167 l/s = 61.024 in ³ /min = 0.035 ft ³ /min = 0.264 gpm = 0.22 l gpm
cubic inches per minute	in ³ /min	1 in ³ /min = 0.00027 l/s = 0.016 l/min = 0.00058 ft ³ /min = 0.0043 gpm = 0.0036 l gpm
cubic feet per minute	ft ³ /min	1 ft ³ /min = 0.00047 m ³ /s = 0.028 m ³ /min = 1.7 m ³ /h = 0.472 l/s = 28.32 l/min = 1'728 in ³ /min = 7.48 gpm = 6.23 l gpm

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gallons per minute	gpm	1 gpm = 0.0038 m ³ /min = 0.227 m ³ /h = 0.063 l/s = 3.785 l/min = 231 in ³ /min = 0.134 ft ³ /min = 0.833 l gpm
imperial gallons per minute	l gpm	1 l gpm = 0.000076 m ³ /s = 0.00454 m ³ /min = 0.273 m ³ /h = 0.076 l/s = 4.55 l/min = 277.42 in ³ /min = 0.16 ft ³ /min = 1.2 gpm

Velocity

meters per second	m/s	1 m/s = 60 m/min = 3.6 km/h = 39.37 in/s = 2'362.2 in/min = 3.28 ft/s = 196.85 ft/min = 2.237 mi/h = 1.94 kn
kilometers per hour	km/h	1 km/h = 0.278 m/s = 16.67 m/min = 10.963 in/s = 656.17 in/min = 0.91 ft/s = 54.68 ft/min = 0.62 mi/h = 0.54 kn
meters per minute	m/min	1 m/min = 0.0167 m/s = 0.06 km/h = 0.66 in/s = 39.37 in/min = 0.0547 ft/s = 3.28 ft/min = 196.85 ft/h = 0.037 mi/h = 0.032 kn
inches per second	in/s	1 in/s = 0.0254 m/s = 1.524 m/min = 0.091 km/h = 60 in /min = 0.083 ft/s = 5 ft/min = 300 ft/h = 0.057 mi/h = 0.049 kn
inches per minute	in/min	1 in/min = 0.0254 m/min = 0.001524 km/h = 0.167 in/s = 0.0014 ft/s = 0.083 ft/min = 5 ft/h
feet per second	ft/s	1 ft/s = 0.305 m/s = 18.288 m/min = 1.097 km/h = 12 in/s = 720 in/min = 60 ft/min = 0.68 mi/h = 0.59 kn
feet per minute	ft/min	1 ft/min = 0.00508 m/s = 0.3048 m/min = 0.0183 km/h = 0.2 in/s = 12 in/min = 0.0167 ft/s = 60 ft/h = 0.011 mi/h = 0.0099 kn
feet per hour	ft/h	1 ft/h = 0.005 m/min = 0.0033 in/s = 0.2 in/min = 0.0167 ft/min
miles per hour	mph	1 mph = 0.447 m/s = 26.82 m/min = 1.609 km/h = 17.6 in/s = 1'056 in/min = 1.47 ft/s = 88 ft/min = 0.87 kn
nautical miles per hour = knot = nodo	kn	1 kn = 0.51 m/s = 30.89 m/min = 1.85 km/h = 20.27 in/s = 1'216 in/min = 1.69 ft/s = 101.33 ft/min = 1.15 mi/h

Angular velocity

radians per second	rad/s	1 rad/s = 60 rad/min = 0.159 rps = 9.55 rpm
radians per minute	rad/min	1 rad/min = 0.0167 rad/s = 0.0026 rps = 0.159 rpm
revolutions per second	rps	1 rps = 60 rpm = 6.283 rad/s = 376.99 rad/min
revolutions per minute	rpm	1 rpm = 0.0167 rps = 0.1047 rad/s = 6.283 rad/min

Force

Newton	N	1 N = 0.102 kg _f = 0.0001 t = 0.2248 lbf = 3.597 ozf
kilogram force; kilopond	kg _f , kg _p	1 kg _f = 9.81 N = 0.001 t = 2.204 lbf = 35.27 ozf
weight ton	t	1 t = 9'806.65 N = 1'000 kg _f = 2'204.62 lbf = 35'274 ozf
kilopound	kp	1 kp = 4'448 N = 453.59 kg _f = 1'000 lbf = 16'000 ozf
pound force (libbra)	lb _f	1 lbf = 4.448 N = 0.454 kg _f = 16 ozf
ounce force (oncia)	oz _f	1 ozf = 0.278 N = 0.028 kg _f = 0.0625 lbf

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Power – work time		
kilowatt	kW	1 kW = 1.36 CV = 1.34 hp = 737.56 lbf·ft/s = 4'4253.7 lbf·ft/min = 859.84 kcal/h = 3'412.14 btu/h = 101.97 kgf·m/s
metric horsepower	CV	1 CV = 0.735 kW = 0.986 hp = 75 kg·m/s = 542.47 lbf·ft/s = 632.41 kcal/h = 2'509.62 btu/h = 75 kgf·m/s
kilogram force-meter per second	kg _f ·m/s	1 kgf·m/s = 0.01 kW = 0.013 CV = 0.013 hp = 7.23 lbf·ft/s = 433.98 lbf·ft/min = 8.43 kcal/h = 33.46 btu/h
kilocalories per hour	kcal/h	1 kcal/h = 0.0012 kW = 0.0016 CV = 0.00156 hp = 0.8578 lbf·ft/s = 51.47 lbf·ft/min = 3.97 btu/h = 0.12 kgf·m/s
horsepower	HP	1 HP = 1.014 CV = 0.746 kW = 550 lbf·ft/s = 33000 lbf·ft/min = 641.19 kcal/h = 2'544.43 btu/h = 76.04 kgf·m/s
foot pound-force per second	lb _f ·ft/s	1 lbf·ft/s = 0.0013 kW = 0.0018 CV = 0.0018 hp = 60 lbf·ft/min = 1.166 kcal/h = 4.63 btu/h = 0.138 kgf·m/s
foot pound-force per minute	lb _f ·ft/min	1 lbf·ft/min = 0.000023 kW = 0.0167 lbf·ft/s = 0.019 kcal/h = 0.077 btu/h = 0.0023 kgf·m/s
british thermal unit per hour	BTU/h	1 btu/h = 0.00029 kW = 0.216 lbf·ft/s = 12.97 lbf·ft/min = 0.25 kcal/h = 0.030 kgf·m/s

Work - Energy - Momentum - Torque - Heat		
joule	J	1 J = 1N·m = 0.102 kgf·m = 0.00024 kcal = 8.85 lbf·in = 0.74 lbf·ft = 0.00095 BTU
kilogram-force meter	kgf·m	1 kgf·m = 9.807 J = 0.0023 kcal = 86.80 lbf·in = 7.233 lbf·ft = 0.0093 BTU
metric horsepower hour	CV·h	1 CV·h = 270'000 kgf·m = 0.736 kW·h = 632.41 kcal = 2'509 BTU
kilocalorie	kcal	1 kcal = 4.1868 kJ = 426.93 kgf·m = 0.0016 CV·h = 0.0012 kW·h = 37'056.3 lbf·in = 3'088 lbf·ft = 3.97 BTU
kilowatt hour	kW·h	1 kW·h = 3'600 kJ = 1.36 CV·h = 859.8 kcal = 3'412.14 BTU
pound force inch	lb _f ·in	1 lbf·in = 0.113 J = 0.0115 kgf·m = 0.083 lbf·ft = 0.0001 BTU
pound force foot	lb _f ·ft	1 lbf·ft = 1.356 J = 0.138 kgf·m = 0.324 cal = 12 lbf·in = 0.0013 BTU
horse power hour	HP·h	1 HPh = 2.684 MJ = 641.19 kcal = 1.014 CV·h = 0.746 kW·h = 1'980'000 lbf·ft = 2'544.43 BTU
british thermal unit	BTU	1 BTU = 1'055.056 J = 107.58 kgf·m = 0.0004 CV·h = 0.252 kcal = 0.00029 kWh = 9'338.03 lbf·in = 778.17 lbf·ft

Density		
kilogram per cubic meter	kg/m ³	1 kg/m ³ = 0.001 kg/dm ³ = 0.001 t/m ³ = 0.001 g/cm ³ = 0.062 lb/ft ³ = 0.00075 tn/yd ³ = 0.00084 s tn/yd ³ = 0.133 oz/gal
kilogram per cubic decimeter	kg/dm ³	1 kg/dm ³ = 1'000 kg/m ³ = 0.001 g/cm ³ = 1 t/m ³ = 1 g/cm ³ = 62.42 lb/ft ³ = 0.036 lb/in ³ = 133.53 oz/gal
tonne per cubic meter	t/m ³	1 t/m ³ = 1'000 kg/m ³ = 1 kg/dm ³ = 0.001 kg/cm ³ = 1 g/cm ³ = 62.43 lb/ft ³ = 0.036 lb/in ³ = 0.752 tn/yd ³ = 0.843 s tn/yd ³ = 133.53 oz/gal
pound per cubic foot	lb/ft ³	1 lb/ft ³ = 16.018 kg/m ³ = 0.016 kg/dm ³ = 0.016 t/m ³ = 0.016 g/cm ³ = 0.00058 lb/in ³ = 0.012 tn/yd ³ = 0.0135 s tn/yd ³ = 2.14 oz/gal
pound per cubic inch	lb/in ³	1 lb/in ³ = 27.68 kg/dm ³ = 0.02768 kg/cm ³ = 27.68 t/m ³ = 27.68 g/cm ³ = 1'728 lb/ft ³ = 20.83 tn/yd ³ = 23.33 s tn/yd ³ = 3'696 oz/gal
ounce per gallon	oz/gal	1 oz/gal = 7.489 kg/m ³ = 0.00749 kg/dm ³ = 0.00749 t/m ³ = 0.00749 g/cm ³ = 0.467 lb/ft ³ = 0.00027 lb/in ³ = 0.00563 tn/yd ³ = 0.0063 oz/gal



Temperature

kelvin	K	$K = ^\circ C + 273.15$	$K = 1.8 \cdot ^\circ R$	$K = [5/9 \cdot ^\circ F] + (459.67/1.8)$
degree centigrade	$^\circ C$	$^\circ C = (^\circ F - 32) \cdot 5/9$	$^\circ C = K - 273.15$	$^\circ C = (5/9) \cdot ^\circ F - (32/1.8)$
degree fahrenheit	$^\circ F$	$^\circ F = 9/5 \cdot ^\circ C + 32$	$^\circ F = ^\circ R - 459.67$	$^\circ F = (9/5) \cdot K - 459.67$
degree Rankine	$^\circ R$	$^\circ R = (5/9) K$	$^\circ R = 491.67 + (9/5) \cdot ^\circ C$	$^\circ R = 459.67 + ^\circ F$

Acceleration

meter per square second	m/s ²	1 m/s ² = 100 cm/s ² = 0.001 km/s ² = 3.28 ft/s ² = 39.37 in/s ² = 0.00062 mi/s ²
centimeter per square second	cm/s ²	1 cm/s ² = 0.01 m/s ² = 0.00001 km/s ² = 0.0328 ft/s ² = 0.394 in/s ²
kilometer per square second	km/s ²	1 km/s ² = 1'000 m/s ² = 100'000 cm/s ² = 3'280.84 ft/s ² = 39'370.08 in/s ² = 0.621 mi/s ²
foot per square second	ft/s ²	1 ft/s ² = 0.3048 m/s ² = 30.48 cm/s ² = 12 in/s ²
inch per square second	in/s ²	1 in/s ² = 0.0254 m/s ² = 2.54 cm/s ² = 0.083 ft/s ²
mile per square second	mi/s ²	1 mi/s ² = 1'609.34 m/s ² = 1.609 km/s ² = 5'280 ft/s ² = 63'360 in/s ²

PAPER SIZE AND CONVERSION

Inches	Millimeters
3 1/2 x 7 inches	90 x 178 mm
4 x 8 inches	102 x 204 mm
5 1/4 x 5 3/4 inches	133 x 146 mm
5 1/4 x 8 inches	133 x 203 mm
5 7/8 x 8 1/4 inches	148 x 210 mm (A5)
7 x 9 inches	178 x 229 mm
8 1/2 x 11 inches	216 x 280 mm
11 3/4 x 16 1/2 inches	297 x 420 mm (A3)
8 1/4 x 11 3/4 inches	210 x 297 mm (A4)

SEPARATORS

Numerical: Decimal Separator: comma
Thousands separator: period

English	Spanish
1.5 mm	1,5 mm
1,235	1.235
230,000,000	230.000.000
41,525.69874	41.525, 69874



CAPITALIZATION

Only capitalize the initial word of sentences, titles, last names and name of products, features or programs.

Note: Names of the days of the week and months, and adjectives denoting nationality and language should NOT be capitalized (inglés, martes, mayo).

NUMBERS

Arabic numerals are used in technical manuals except at the beginning of a sentence, where the numbers are written in full letters.

Arabic numerals are used for measurements, statistics, percents, date and time, or for numbering pages, chapters, and paragraphs.

Arabic numerals, but also Roman numerals at times, are used for books, volumes, sections, etc.

English	Spanish
5 directories and 12 files.	Cinco directorios y 12 archivos
24 June 1998	24 de junio de 1998
Refer to section II for more information.	Consulte la sección II para obtener más información



SECTION 2: SOFTWARE

USE OF VERBS/NOUNS

Always use the infinitive form to translate the verbs that appear in menu commands and menu options. Use the infinitive form of the verb to translate the name of dialog boxes related to a command or option.

Nouns should be used to translate menu titles.

English	Spanish
Cancel (menu command)	Cancelar
Acquire/Evaluate Template	Adquirir/Evaluar patrón
Freeze/Control	Congelación/Control

ERROR MESSAGES

A concise, impersonal form is preferable whenever possible. E.g.:

English	Spanish
Capture Threshold Testing cannot occur.	Imposible comprobar el Umbral de Captura.
Capture Testing may not be initiated at this time.	Es posible que no pueda iniciar el test de captura en este momento.



SECTION 3: ON LINE HELP

TRANSLATION OF HELP TOPICS

Where possible, nouns should be used. As a general rule the article should be deleted and there should be no punctuation.

English	Spanish
Selecting electrodes	Selección de electrodos
The programming menu	Menú de programación
Using the End Session command	Utilización del comando Finalizar sesión

TERMINOLOGY

The software and help topics terminology should be consistent.

INDEX ENTRIES

The index of a Help file is one of the components that is most frequently consulted and at the same time most difficult to translate well. It is composed of elements originating from different documents, and often even translated by different translators.

Index entries should be agreed upon before the project starts.

Do not use “de” (or other prepositions) at the end of an entry, for example: “Classification, rules of” instead, type “clasificación, normas” o “normas, clasificación”.

Index entries should be in lower case, unless it is the name of a feature or a product. For example, “page” should be in lower case, but “End Session” (menu command) should have the first letter in upper case.

Use nouns to translate verbs, or use the infinitive when the noun sounds odd. Nouns can be singular or plural, but please make sure that duplicate entries generated due to number are justified.

Remember to sort out/proof read the index at the end of translation in order to delete or rearrange duplicates



SECTION 4: DOCUMENTATION

MANUAL NAMES

This is the only exception where capital letters are used in a word although this word is not at the beginning of a sentence, e.g.:

Photon User Guide = Guía del usuario de Photon

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All rights reserved	Todos los derechos reservados
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REFERENCES AND PUBLISHING DATES

Example:

English	Spanish
PN 9193174 Rev A	PN 9193174 Rev A
Ordering No. 20 58 220 Rev 1	Nº pedido 20 58 220 Rev 1
December 1999	Diciembre 1999

CROSS REFERENCES, HEADERS AND FOOTERS

In the manual and documentation, there may be index markers and cross-references to be translated in each chapter, usually in the translation tool. They are used to generate the book index. Headers and footers must be translated too.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES

Do not translate addresses (e.g., in the part dedicated to technical support).



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See Section 3 above...

CALLOUTS

Callouts are text that appears outside a screen shot or illustration in printed documentation. Callouts are to be translated and compared with the actual screen to ensure consistency of terminology. *(Before a translation project begins, ensure that you are provided with screen shots from client, to check consistency with software files).* Please end callout sentences with a period.

CHECK LIST

Ensure you have checked/proofread for the following:

- spelling/grammatical errors
- punctuation (text, figures, tables)
- text is completely translated - no sentence/paragraph is missing
- typographic conventions are consistent
- hyphenation globally correct
- company names and product names are correct
- consistent terminology
- cross-references and key words correspond to standard list
- quotation marks are correct
- TOC and INDEX are correct, no terms remained in English, there are no double entries
- graphics correspond to original and that screenshots are consistent with translated text, for this reason screenshots have to be provided before start of translation.
- headers and footers are translated