



## Evolution 6000

Thermal Imaging Camera



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**⚠ WARNING!**

Read this manual carefully before using or maintaining the device. The device will perform as designed only if it is used and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Otherwise, it could fail to perform as designed, and persons who rely on this device could sustain serious injury or death.

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The warranties made by MSA with respect to the product are voided if the product is not installed and used in accordance with the instructions in this manual. Please protect yourself and your employees by following the instructions.

Please read and observe the WARNINGS and CAUTIONS inside. For additional information relative to use or repair, call 1-800-MSA-2222 during regular working hours.

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# 1 Safety Regulations

## 1.1 Correct Use

This manual includes detailed operating instructions for the complete EVOLUTION 6000 Thermal Imaging Camera (TIC) Series, including the EVOLUTION 6000 TIC, EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC and EVOLUTION 6000X TIC, hereafter referred to as camera. Each camera is designed to assist firefighters to see where visibility is impaired by smoke and darkness.

The cameras were designed to withstand the firefighting conditions of heat, flame, driving water spray, and frequent impact normally seen by a firefighter. Extension beyond these demands may damage the camera and render it inoperable. It is not recommended to use the camera for extended periods in high-heat conditions.

The thermal imaging camera is not a substitute for standard techniques and precautionary measures. The user must ensure that the standard operational processes continue to be observed and maintained even when using the thermal imaging camera.

The thermal imaging camera can be used for the following purposes:

- Initial size-up/Scene assessment
- Locating the source of the fire
- Determining the extent of the fire
- Determining entry and ventilation points
- Detection of flashover dangers
- Search and rescue operations
- Hazmat situations
- Overhaul
- Preplanning/Fire code inspections
- Supporting police work
- Response vehicle navigation (darkness or heavy smoke)

## 1.2 Restrictions

The thermal imaging camera is not suitable for the following applications:

- Although the camera is waterproof, it is unable to take underwater images.
- Likewise, the camera does not image through glass, water or shiny surfaces which may act like a mirror.
- The camera does not improve the user's sight. Corrective lenses must continue to be worn.

It is imperative that this operating manual be read and observed when using the device. In particular, the safety instructions, as well as the information for the use and operation of the device, must be carefully read and observed. Furthermore, the national regulations applicable in the user's country must be taken into account for a safe use.

Alternative use, or use outside this specification will be considered as non-compliance. This also applies especially to unauthorised alterations to the product and to commissioning work that has not been carried out by MSA or authorised persons.

The warranties made by MSA with respect to the product are voided if the product is not used and serviced in accordance with the instructions in this manual. Please protect yourself and others by following them. We encourage our customers to write or call regarding this equipment prior to use or for any additional information relative to use or repairs. During regular working hours, call 1-877-MSA-FIRE in the US.

This camera contains batteries and electronics. Dispose of or recycle in accordance with all applicable federal state and local regulations.

By order of the US Department of Commerce, in conjunction with the US Department of State and DOD, this Thermal Imaging Camera may not be resold, re-exported, transferred, or otherwise disposed of outside of the country named as the location of foreign end use, either in its original form or after being incorporated into other end items, without the prior written approval of the US Department of Commerce. Violation of this regulation may result in fine and/or imprisonment.

### 1.3 Safety and Precautionary Measures

#### WARNING!

- The user must be trained and thoroughly familiar with proper operation and limitations of the thermal imaging camera prior to use. Use in controlled live-burn exercises is suggested before using the equipment in actual emergency situations.
- Do not rely on the thermal imaging camera as the sole means of navigation or deviate from standard fire-fighting navigational practices during use. Although the system provides an image in dark and smoky environments, the user may become disoriented or lost in such environments if the system becomes inoperative.
- Most electronic devices cease to operate at certain high temperature extremes. Tests on the EVOLUTION 6000 Series TICs indicate that they provide an acceptable image when subjected to an ambient temperature of approximately 120°C (248°F) for 20 minutes. Exposure to conditions exceeding these result in deterioration and loss of image.
- This equipment is suitable for use in Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C and D, Class II, Division 2, Groups F and G or nonhazardous locations only (equivalent to ATEX industrial area, equipment group II, zone 2, gas group IIB).
- This thermal imaging camera is not rated as "Intrinsically Safe". Do not use the system in environments or atmospheres where static or sparks may cause an explosion.
- Before entering a hostile environment, test the thermal imaging camera as specified in the instructions to ensure that it is functional. After each use, inspect the camera to determine if servicing is required.
- Exposure to high temperature environments for an extended period of time may cause degradation or loss of thermal image. Avoid heat saturation or overexposure of the equipment. If degradation of the thermal image is observed, immediately remove the equipment from the high heat environment and allow it to cool until the thermal image returns to normal; otherwise, the system may become inoperative.
- Do not mark the camera i.e., with stamps, labels, paint or other method. Use of such markings may interfere with camera use or may constitute a flammability hazard.
- Replacement batteries must exactly match the ratings and configuration of those supplied with the camera. Use of unapproved batteries may render the system inoperative.
- Use only battery chargers made available by MSA for use with this device; other chargers may damage the battery pack and the device. Dispose of batteries in accordance with local health and safety regulations.
- Do not remove the thermal imaging camera cover or casing. Only authorized personnel may service the camera.
- Ensure battery is fully charged before use. If not fully charged, the camera will not operate for the specified amount of time. Monitor battery level during use and immediately exit the hazardous area when a low battery warning is observed.
- Electromagnetic radiation (radio transmissions) may cause interference. Minimize nearby radio transmissions if excessive interference occurs.
- Do not point the thermal imaging camera directly at the sun; otherwise, damage to the detector may occur.
- Do not drop the thermal imaging camera. Although the camera is designed to withstand normal impacts that occur in fire service, such impacts may alter the focus or damage the unit.

**Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious personal injury or death.**

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**CAUTION!**

To avoid lens fogging, the user may coat the lens and display window with MSA anti-fog material (MSA P/N 13016).

**Failure to follow this caution can result in minor or moderate injury.**

**NOTE:** This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency and, if not installed in accordance with instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna
- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

**Canada:**

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

**1.4 Laser Safety**

The EVOLUTION 6000 series of thermal imaging cameras utilizes lasers in both the laser pointer/flashlight and the laser range finder optional modules. Figure 1 indicates the locations of the lasers within the camera.



Figure 1 Laser locations

1 Pointer Laser (Red)

2 Range Finder Laser (IR)

Laser	Max. Power	Wavelength	Beam Divergence	Pulse Duration
Pointer (Red)	5 mW	650 nm	0.70 mRAD	Continuous
Range finder (IR)	1.6 $\mu$ J	905 nm	5.37 mRAD	25 nS

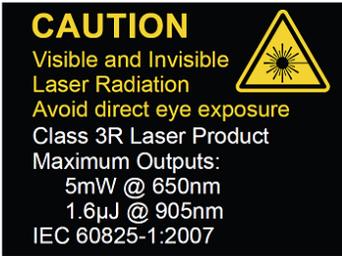


Figure 2 TIC label

## 1.5 Product Warranty

### 1.5.1 Express Warranty

MSA warrants that this product and its accessories are free from mechanical defects or faulty workmanship as prescribed in the chart below, provided they have been installed, used, and maintained in accordance with the instructions and/or recommendations contained in the instructions delivered with the equipment. MSA shall be released from all obligations under this warranty in the event repairs or modifications are made by persons other than its own or authorized service personnel. No agent, employee or representative of MSA has any authority to bind MSA to any affirmation, representation or warranty concerning the goods sold, and unless an affirmation, representation or warranty made by an agent, employee or representative is specifically included within the written agreement for the goods sold it shall not be enforceable by the original end-user. MSA makes no warranty concerning components or accessories not manufactured by MSA, but will pass on to the original end-user all warranties of manufacturers of such components. THIS WARRANTY IS IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS, IMPLIED OR STATUTORY, AND IS STRICTLY LIMITED TO THE TERMS HEREOF. MSA SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

Products covered by this Express Warranty include the EVOLUTION 6000, EVOLUTION 6000+ and EVOLUTION 6000X Thermal Imaging Cameras (TICs). All warranty periods referenced below are from the date of sale to the original end-user unless otherwise noted.

<b>Thermal Imaging Camera (includes camera core and camera components)</b>	2 years
<b>Truck/Wall/Desktop Chargers, External Receivers and Transmission Equipment</b>	1 year
<b>Replacement Parts / Repairs (non-warranty)</b>	90 Days from date of repair
<b>Factory Upgrades</b>	90 Days or remainder of existing warranty, whichever is longer

### 1.5.2 Extended Service

MSA offers an Extended Service contract for TICs at the customer's request. Details are listed on the next page of this manual.

Contact MSA Fire Service Customer Service (1-800-MSA-2222 in the US) for additional information and arrangements.



For information on availability outside the US, contact your local MSA representative.

### 1.5.3 Loaner Cameras

MSA offers a loaner camera program for customers when deemed necessary (extended repair time, critical equipment replacement, etc.). The loaner camera will not necessarily be the exact model that it is replacing. Contact MSA Fire Service Customer Service (1-800-MSA-2222 in the US) for additional information and arrangements.

### 1.5.4 Exclusive Remedy

It is expressly agreed that the original end-user's sole and exclusive remedy for breach of the above warranty, for any tortious conduct of MSA, or for any other cause of action, shall be the repair and/or replacement, at MSA's option, of any equipment or parts thereof, that after examination by MSA are proven to be defective. Replacement equipment and/or parts will be provided at no cost to the original end user, F.O.B. original end-user's named place of destination. Failure of MSA to successfully repair any nonconforming product shall not cause the remedy established hereby to fail of its essential purpose.

### 1.5.5 Exclusion of Consequential Damage

Original end-user specifically understands and agrees that under no circumstances will MSA be liable to original end-user for economic, special, incidental, or consequential damages or losses of any kind whatsoever, including but not limited to, loss of anticipated profits and any other loss caused by reason of the non-operation of the goods. This exclusion is applicable to claims for breach of warranty, tortious conduct or any other cause of action against MSA.

### 1.5.6 Product Registration and Extended Warranties for MSA TICs

Thank you for purchasing an MSA Thermal Imaging Camera. Registering your products with MSA will improve the processing of any warranty claims and enable you to receive information regarding product updates and new products. Please register your camera online or purchase an extended warranty at [www.MSASafety.com/register](http://www.MSASafety.com/register).

MSA requires that the camera and accessories be installed, used, and/or maintained as specified in the product instructions. All TICs and accessories sent in for warranty repair will be inspected for signs of excessive rough handling and operation significantly beyond specifications in the instructions. The warranty coverage is for material defects and/or faulty workmanship only. Repair and labor required for normal wear and tear are not covered under the warranty and are the responsibility of the original end-user.



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### 1.5.7 EVOLUTION Thermal Imaging Camera Extended Warranty

Extended warranties must be processed for EACH Thermal Imaging Camera.

Apply for your MSA Thermal Imaging Camera Extended Warranty coverage online at [www.MSASafety.com/register](http://www.MSASafety.com/register) or phone (1-800-MSA-2222 in the US, other countries: contact information on the last page of this manual) for assistance.

- Extended warranty requests MUST be exercised within the first 6 months from the date of -manufacture. The last three characters (MY, or "month-year-year") of the TIC's serial number (located in the battery compartment of the Thermal Imaging Camera) dictate this timeframe (XX-XXXX-MY).
- Extended warranty coverage is available up to 36 months after the standard warranty has expired. Select the Extended Warranty coverage for one, two or three years.
- Extended warranty rates are: one year = \$ 1,000.00, two years = \$ 2,250.00 and three years = \$ 3,750.00.
- Extended warranty and standard warranty both begin from the date of purchase by the end user.

- This Extended Warranty program applies only to MSA Thermal Imaging Cameras. Consumable batteries, battery chargers and accessories are not covered.

NOTE: This manual contains only a general description of the products shown. While uses and performance capabilities are described, under no circumstances shall the products be used by untrained or unqualified individuals and not until the product instructions including any warnings or cautions provided have been thoroughly read and understood. Only these instructions contain the complete and detailed information concerning proper use and care of these products.



For information on availability outside the US, contact your local MSA representative.

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## 2 Description

### 2.1 Overview and Brief Description of the Thermal Imaging Camera



*Figure 3 The EVOLUTION 6000 camera*

#### **All EVOLUTION 6000 Series Thermal Imaging Cameras are:**

- equipped with a 320 x 240 uncooled microbolometer heat sensor which provides clear, high resolution images
- equipped with a large screen, high definition display
- equipped with a built-in flashlight and laser pointer
- dustproof and waterproof for short periods submerged under water up to a depth of 3 feet (1 m) corresponding to IP 67
- able to be configured through a desktop PC through our FireService Utility software
- available with multiple carrying and attachment options

#### **In addition to the above features, the EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC:**

- features a 2X/4X digital zoom feature
- is equipped with up to five user-selectable palettes in addition to standard "white-hot" imagery
- includes a solid state compass to aid in navigation
- offers an optional laser range finder to accurately measure distances (replaces flashlight and laserpointer if selected)
- offers an optional fully integrated 2.4 GHz (or 2.1 GHz, depending on local legislation), two channel video transmission system
- able to be configured on the camera or through a desktop PC using MSA's FireService Utility software

#### **Our most advanced camera, the EVOLUTION 6000X TIC, offers all of the above and also includes:**

- a fully integrated video recording system with USB download capability
- the ability to snap, store and download still pictures through the integrated USB connection

## 3 Use

### 3.1 Safety Instructions

#### Check the batteries before and during use

Check whether the batteries are fully charged before using. If not fully charged, the nominal operating time cannot be achieved. Also check the battery level during use.

For details on charging → chapter 3.11.

### 3.2 Switching ON and OFF

#### Switching ON in normal mode, function test



*Figure 4 ON/OFF button*

- (1) Press green ON/OFF button for approximately 1 second.
  - a) Within 5 seconds, the TIC carries out a self-test of the sensor electronics.  
Status LEDs under display illuminate according to battery status ( → section "Battery Status Indicator").  
The current software version briefly displays.  
An image appears after a few seconds on the display.
- (2) Check camera function:
  - a) Direct the camera toward an object or person until the thermal image shows on the display.  
The camera is now ready for use.

#### Switching OFF

- (1) Keep ON/OFF button pressed for approximately 3 seconds until all LED indicators switch off.
- (2) Release the ON/OFF button as soon as all LED indicators switch off.  
The camera is switched OFF.

### 3.3 Securing the Camera During Use

The camera may be secured to the user in different ways using one of the self-retracting attachment cables.



Figure 5 Attachment cable locations

To use the attachment cables:

- (1) Pull the spring loaded cable out and away from the camera body.
- (2) Slip a carabiner or similar securing device through the cable loop.
- (3) Release the cable.

Internal springs automatically pull the attachment cables in tight to the camera housing to minimize any snag hazards.

### **NFPA 1801 Basic and Plus Mode Operation**

Certain Evolution 6000 camera models are compliant with *NFPA 1801 Standard on Thermal Imagers for the Fire Service; 2018 Edition*. See approval information on the label located on the underside of the camera housing. NFPA 1801 describes a required "Basic Mode" of operation common among all compliant thermal imaging cameras. It also allows for a "Plus Mode" operation which, once accessed, provides a number of useful features and options for the firefighter trained in their use.

The EVOLUTION 6000 camera always operates in the NFPA 1801 defined "Basic Mode". The EVOLUTION 6000+ and EVOLUTION 6000X TICs, however, provide "Plus Mode" features. See chapter 3.6 for information on accessing the Plus Mode.

Non-NFPA compliant EVOLUTION 6000+ and EVOLUTION 6000X TICs do not have a "Basic Mode" and will automatically operate in "Plus Mode" when the camera is turned on.

### **3.4 User Interface and Operation (All Models)**

The following features and functions are common to all camera models. Additional User interface and Operating instructions for the EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC can be found in chapter 3.5. and, for the EVOLUTION 6000X TIC, in chapter 3.9.

Many features can be custom configured using the MSA Fire Service Utility.

The EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC and EVOLUTION 6000X TIC also include an on-screen configuration feature that allows basic setup modifications to be made without a computer. See chapter 4 Camera Setup for details.

## On-Screen Indicators (All Models)

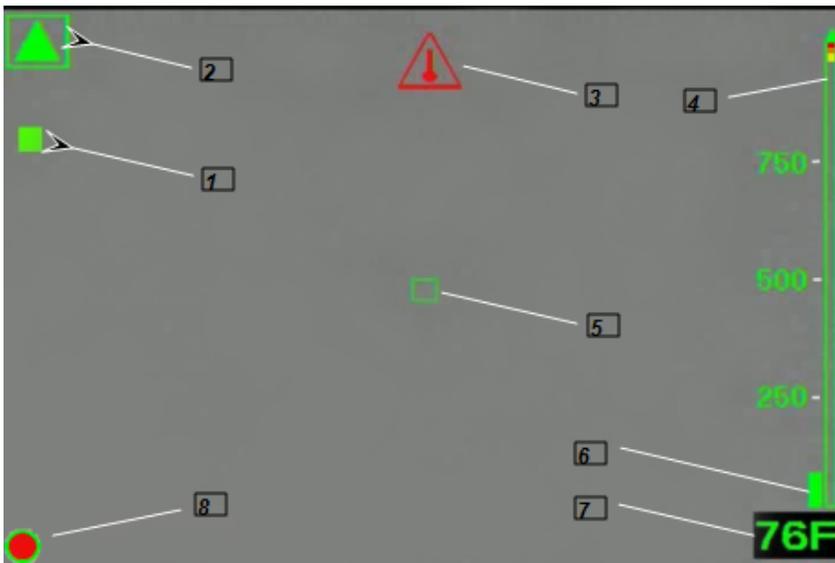


Figure 6 On-Screen indicators

- |   |                                     |   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Shutter indicator                   | 5 | Digital temperature target    |
| 2 | Low sensitivity mode indicator      | 6 | Temperature indicator bar     |
| 3 | Internal over temperature indicator | 7 | Digital temperature indicator |
| 4 | Color reference bar                 | 8 | Record icon                   |

## High and Low Sensitivity Mode

The camera has a high and a low sensitivity mode for showing images in different temperature ranges.

- After turning the camera ON it will be in the high sensitivity mode.
- The camera automatically switches from high sensitivity mode to low sensitivity mode in case of extreme heat (a significant portion, 32% of pixels) of the image exceeding 140°C.

In this case, the display shows a small green triangle above the color reference bar to indicate that the scale changed from the high sensitivity mode scale. A larger green triangle appears in the upper left-hand corner of the display.

- The camera switches from low sensitivity mode to high sensitivity mode when 89% of pixels show less than 120°C.

In the low sensitivity mode, the camera's dynamic range expands to enable the user to distinguish objects and people more easily in environments with large temperature ranges. This mode also prevents white-out. (White-out or over-saturation occurs when a thermal imaging detector is subjected to too much thermal energy, and the image, which appears as a white cloud, no longer identifies fine details in the scene.)

## Shutter Indicator

When the camera is in operation, it is periodically necessary to refresh the focal plane array in order to operate properly. This occurs via an internal shutter mechanism. When the camera shutters, the camera image freezes for approximately one second.

The shutter indicator is a green square shown at the top left of the display for approximately 3 seconds before and during the shuttering cycle (Pos. 1, Fig. 6).

Shuttering may occur more frequently with greater heat load.

## Digital Temperature Target/Digital Temperature Indicator

The Digital Temperature Indicator provides an approximate numeric temperature of an object in Fahrenheit or Celsius, depending on the camera settings. To measure the temperature of an object, aim the camera so the digital temperature target (Pos. 5, Fig. 6) in the center of the display is on the object to be measured.

NOTE: Displayed temperature is an average of pixels within the green box. An incorrect temperature could display if all pixels are not on the object to be measured.

Temperature range is:

- -40°F (-40°C) to 1022°F (550°C) in Low Sensitivity mode and
- -40°F (-40°C) to 320°F (160°C) in High Sensitivity mode.

Displayed temperature is intended to provide the user with an approximate temperature reading. See chapter 7 for the Digital Temperature Indicator accuracy.

## Temperature Indicator Bar

The Temperature Indicator Bar works with the Digital Temperature Indicator to graphically represent the approximate temperature of an object in the green box in the center of the display.

## Color Reference Bar

The Color Reference Bar spans temperatures from 0°F (0°C) to 300°F (160°C) in High Sensitivity mode and 0°F (0°C) to 1000°F (600°C) in Low Sensitivity mode and provides a temperature reference for the Temperature Indicator Bar. The scale dynamically changes with a change in sensitivity mode. A green triangle appears over the scale to indicate a sensitivity mode other than high-sensitivity mode.

- The scale is also used as a reference for image colorization. The yellow, orange and red segments of the bar correspond to the temperatures at which colorization is introduced on the camera.

NOTE: Colorization is introduced at different temperatures depending on High or Low Sensitivity mode.

The Color Reference Bar is only visible for "White Hot" imagery.

## In High Sensitivity Mode

When Temperatures are	Objects:
below 291°F (144°C)	Are shown as standard gray scale images
between 291°F (144°C) and 302°F (150°C)	Turn <b>yellow</b> , starting with light shades changing to darker shades
between 302°F (150°C) and 311°F (155°C)	Turn <b>orange</b> , starting with light shades changing to darker shades
over 311°F (155°C)	Turn <b>red</b> , starting with light shades changing to darker shades

## In Low Sensitivity Mode

When Temperatures are:	Objects:
between 1000°F (540°C) and 1047°F (564°C)	Turn <b>yellow</b> , starting with light shades changing to darker shades
between 1047°F (564°C) and 1090°F (588°C)	Turn <b>orange</b> , starting with light

<b>When Temperatures are:</b>	<b>Objects:</b>
	shades changing to darker shades
over 1090°F (588°C)	Turn <b>red</b> , starting with light shades changing to darker shades

### Over Temperature Warning

An Over Temperature Warning activates when the internal system electronics approach maximum recommended operating temperature limits.

- A red indicator flashes on the center top section of the display area when the camera exceeds recommended operational thermal limits.

### **⚠ WARNING!**

Most electronic devices cease to operate at certain high temperature extremes. Tests on the EVOLUTION 6000 series of TICs indicate that they provide an acceptable image when subjected to an ambient temperature of approximately 120°C (248°F) for about twenty minutes. Exposure to conditions exceeding these may result in deterioration and loss of image.

**Failure to follow this warning can result in serious personal injury or death.**

The environmental thermal tolerance values for the camera can be found in chapter 7.

#### 3.4.1 Battery Status Indicator

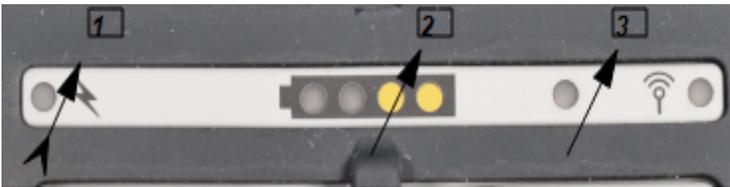


Figure 7 On-Screen indicators

- |                              |                             |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 Battery charging indicator | 3 Display brightness sensor |
| 2 Battery status indicator   |                             |

Remaining battery capacity is shown by 4 equal battery segments:

Indication	Remaining Battery Capacity
4 green segments	Nominal 75 to 100%
3 green segments	Nominal 50 to 75%
2 yellow segments	Nominal 25 to 50%
1 red segment	Nominal 0 to 25%
1 red segment flashing	Critically low battery (5 minutes or less remaining)

**NOTE:** If the red segment flashes three times at turn-ON, the battery is too low to operate the camera and the camera will switch OFF.

### 3.4.2 Battery Charging Indicator

When the camera is placed into the optional vehicle charger, the charging indicator shows the charging status.

- Red indicates charging is in progress.
- Green indicates charging is complete.

**NOTE:** If the indicator is not lit, the camera is not in proper contact with the vehicle charger base. Ensure that camera is properly installed in the charger and that charger has power. Clean the battery charging contacts on the front of the camera if necessary.

### 3.4.3 Trigger Button



Figure 8 Trigger button

### Flashlight and Laser Pointer

#### **⚠ WARNING!WARNING!**

#### **Safety measures which must be observed:**

Observe the appropriate country-specific safety measures for users of laser class 3R equipment.

Laser class 3R laser equipment is potentially hazardous to eyes. Use of operating and adjustment equipment and procedures other than those indicated here can lead to dangerous exposure to radiation. Modification of the laser equipment is not permitted. This Operating Manual must be retained and passed to the next owner of the laser equipment.

#### **Personal safety precautions:**

This laser equipment may only be used by properly trained persons. Do not aim the laser beam at people. If the laser beam falls directly on your eye, consciously close your eyes and move your head out of the beam immediately. Do not look into the direct or reflected beam. Do not aim the laser beam at people. Persons under 18 years of age must not use this equipment.

#### **Safety measures to be applied in areas where the equipment is used:**

Ensure that no-one can look directly into the laser beam:

- Avoid accidental reflections, for example by covering or removing reflective surfaces in the vicinity of the laser equipment
- Position / align the laser beam well away from eye height
- Restrict the laser beam to the area where it is to be used, for example by screening with non-reflective surfaces
- When not in use, store the laser equipment so that it cannot be accessed by unauthorised persons

**Failure to follow this warning can result in serious personal injury or death.**

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The built-in flashlight and laser pointer is standard equipment in the camera.

The flashlight is an LED-based light that can be used to aid navigation in darkness and light smoke.

The laser pointer tool allows the camera operator to highlight an object or area requiring attention.

NOTE: The laser pointer and flashlight will not function at the same time.

NOTE: Should the laser beam appear to be weak or distorted, ensure that the laser pointer window on the front of the camera is free of dirt and water.

Trigger Button Operation	Result
First short press	Turns ON the flashlight
Second short press	Turns OFF the flashlight and turns ON the laser pointer
Third short press	Turns OFF the laser pointer

The trigger button also activates the distance meter/range finder ( → section "Range Finder (optional in the EVOLUTION 6000+ and EVOLUTION 6000X) (Plus Feature)" page 21) if the camera is so equipped.

### 3.5 EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC User Interface and Operation

The following features and functions are common to the EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC and EVOLUTION 6000X TIC models.

Additional user interface and operating instructions for the EVOLUTION 6000X TIC can be found in chapter 3.9.



Figure 9 Additional buttons EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC and 6000 X TIC

- 1 ZOOM button
- 2 PALETTE button
- 3 Transmitter indicator LED

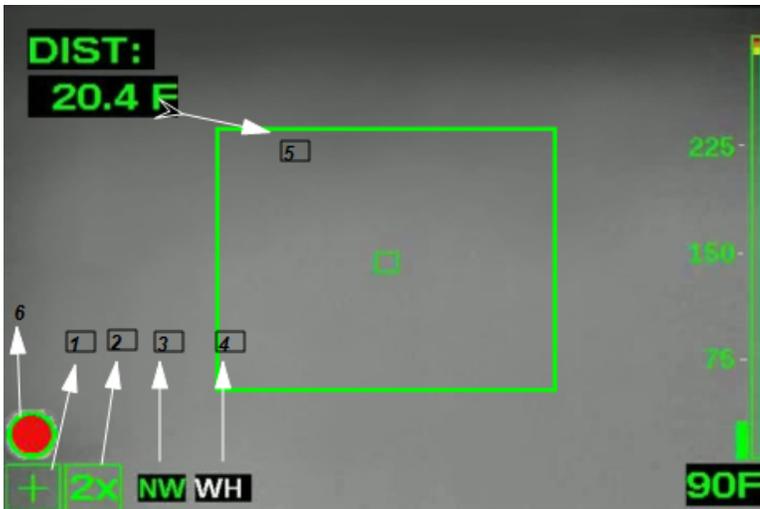


Figure 10 Additional EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC and 6000 X TIC on-screen indicators

- |   |                                     |   |  |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1 | Plus Mode indicator                 | 4 | Color Palette indicator (Plus Feature) |
| 2 | Zoom Level indicator (Plus Feature) | 5 | Range Finder                           |
| 3 | Compass (Plus Feature)              | 6 | Record icon                            |

### 3.6 Accessing the NFPA Plus Features

Thermal imaging cameras compliant with *NFPA 1801, Standard for Thermal Imaging Cameras in the Fire Service*, require a deliberate action to access all camera features beyond those described as NFPA Basic functions.

Non-NFPA-compliant cameras (reference the approval label on the underside of the camera) do not require a special sequence. All features are available at camera turn-ON.

#### **WARNING!**

Do not attempt to use NFPA Plus features without adequate training. Without proper training, some features may lead to firefighter disorientation and unexpected camera operation.

**Failure to follow this warning can result in serious personal injury or death.**

Once the camera is turned ON, push and hold either the ZOOM or the PALETTE button for three seconds until the Plus Mode Indicator appears on the screen (→ Fig. 10).

- All Plus features are now available.
- All applicable indicators appear on screen.

To return to the Basic mode:

- (1) Briefly push and release the ON/OFF button.  
or
- (2) Turn the camera OFF and back ON again.

The Plus mode indicator and any applicable feature indicators turn OFF.

### 3.7 Accessing the Plus Features

#### Digital Zoom Select (Plus Feature)

Digital zoom narrows the apparent angle of view of the image, it takes a portion of the image and expands that image to the full size of the screen.

The camera enters the Plus mode in standard 1X zoom.

- (1) Push the ZOOM button once for a 2X zoom.  
The Zoom Indicator shows 2X.
- (2) Push the ZOOM button again for a 4X zoom.  
The Zoom Indicator shows 4X.
- (3) Push the ZOOM button again to return to standard 1X zoom.  
The Zoom indicator turns OFF.
- (4) Push and hold the ZOOM button for two seconds to skip immediately back to 1X zoom.

#### Color Palette Select (Plus Feature)

The camera enters the Plus mode with standard white-hot imagery. The EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC and EVOLUTION 6000X TIC feature up to five user-selectable display palettes to enhance imagery in a variety of operational environments. The Color Palette selection (PALETTE) button steps the camera through the available color palettes. In addition to standard white-hot, five additional color palettes are available.

- (1) Push the PALETTE button to access the available color palettes.  
The Color Palette indicator displays a label for the selected palette.  
Each push of the PALETTE button steps the camera to the next available palette.

**NOTE:** The color palette loops back to standard white-hot after the last available color palette.

- (2) Push and hold the PALETTE button for two seconds to skip immediately back to the standard white-hot palette.

#### Color Palette Indicator (Plus Feature)

The selected color palette, for example white hot, displays in this box ( → chapter 3.5). For information on disabling color palettes, choosing alternate color palettes and selecting the number of available color palettes, → chapter 4.

#### Compass (Plus Feature)

The integral compass feature allows the user to determine the direction the camera is pointed in 45° increments (N, NE, E, SE, S, SW, W and NW). Compass direction may be displayed using text or graphics. Reference compass settings in the camera configuration software (see chapter 4.3).

- The compass must be calibrated before use. See section "Configuring Options" for instructions.
- The camera must be held within 45° of vertical for compass to obtain an accurate reading. If the camera is tilted too far in any direction, "==" displays instead of the direction.

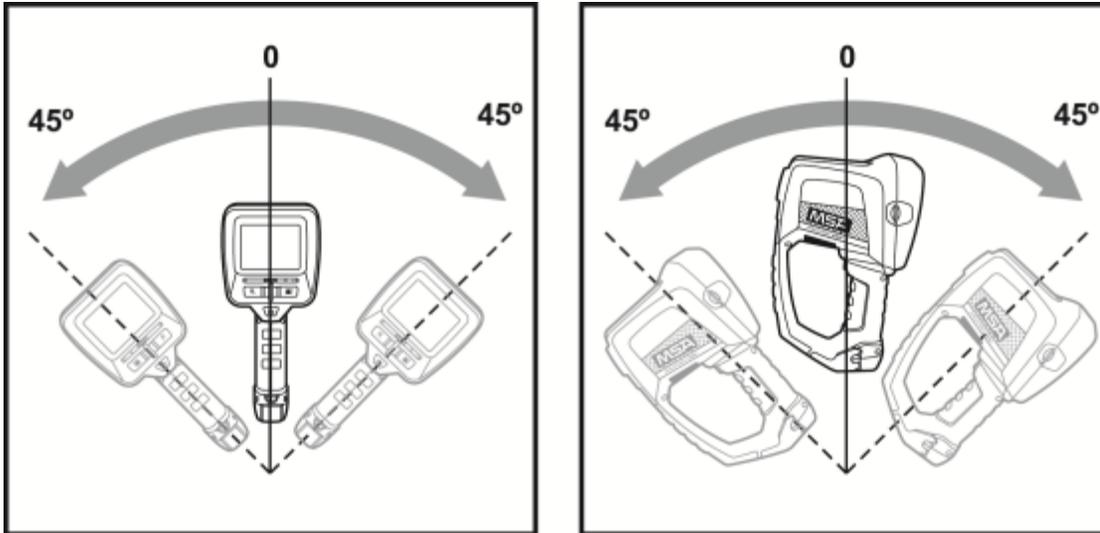


Figure 11 Camera orientation

True north displays if true north is selected and a valid declination angle is entered during setup. The default is magnetic north.

For text display mode, if magnetic North is selected, orientation is shown as green letters on black background. If True North is selected, yellow letters on black background show the compass orientation. For icon display mode, magnetic North has a green flag next to the icon. True North has a yellow star next to the icon.

As with any compass, soft iron and localized magnetic fields may result in incorrect compass readings. It is recommended that the compass be calibrated every month or immediately after being subjected to a strong magnetic field. Examples of strong magnetic fields include, but are not limited to:

- power lines
- transformers
- strong magnets.

A compass indicator of "CC" indicates that compass is out of calibration. See section "Configuring Options" for instructions.

#### **⚠ WARNING!**

As with any magnetic compass, the indicated direction can be influenced by soft iron structures, including buildings and localized magnetic fields from nearby electrical equipment. Do not rely on the compass as a sole means of navigation. The compass is intended to be an aid and is not a substitute for proper training.

**Failure to follow this warning can result in serious personal injury or death.**

See chapter 4.3 for information on enabling and disabling the compass, selecting either a text or an icon indicator, compass calibration, and entering a local declination angle for true north readings.

#### **Range Finder (optional in the EVOLUTION 6000+ and EVOLUTION 6000X) (Plus Feature**

#### **⚠ WARNING!**

##### **Safety measures which must be observed:**

Observe the appropriate country-specific safety measures for users of laser class 3R equipment.

Laser class 3R laser equipment is potentially hazardous to eyes. Use of operating and adjustment equipment and procedures other than those indicated here can lead to dangerous exposure to radiation. Modification of the laser equipment is not permitted. This Operating Manual must be retained and passed to the next owner of the laser equipment.

**Personal safety precautions:**

This laser equipment may only be used by properly trained persons. Do not aim the laser beam at people. If the laser beam falls directly on your eye, consciously close your eyes and move your head out of the beam immediately. Do not look into the direct or reflected beam. Do not aim the laser beam at people. Persons under 18 years of age must not use this equipment.

**Safety measures to be applied in areas where the equipment is used:**

Ensure that no one can look directly into the laser beam:

- Avoid accidental reflections, for example by covering or removing reflective surfaces in the vicinity of the laser equipment
- Position / align the laser beam well away from eye height
- Restrict the laser beam to the area where it is to be used, for example by screening with non-reflective surfaces
- When not in use, store the laser equipment so that it cannot be accessed by unauthorised persons

**Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious personal injury or death.**

**NOTE:** If installed, this feature is accessed only when the EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC or EVOLUTION 6000X TIC is in the NFPA Plus mode.

The integral range finder is a laser-based distance measuring tool that can be used to assist firefighters in estimating a distance from the camera to a stationary target.

The distance may be displayed in feet or meters. Depending on conditions and ambient light intensity:

- Minimum distance measurement is approximately 15 feet (5 meters)
- Maximum distance measurement is approximately 210 feet (70 meters).  
Accuracy is +/-3' (1 m) at 109' (33 m).

- (1) To take a distance measurement, pull and hold the trigger and aim the red, visible laser at the object to be measured.
- (2) Release the trigger to signal the camera to take the distance measurement.
  - The distance from the camera to the object displays in feet or meters, depending on the camera setup.
  - "RE-MEASURE" displays if a valid reading cannot be displayed.
  - As long as the previous distance measurement remains on the display, every quick pull and release of the trigger will provide a rapid measurement update
  - "<15 ft" ("<5 m") will be displayed if measured distance is too short.

**NOTE:** Should the range finder fail to display a measurement, ensure that the range finder window on the front of the camera is clean and free of water drops.

** WARNING!**

The laser range finder may not operate in all environments and may return erroneous readings in some extreme situations. Thick smoke, steam, water and dirt on the range finder lens may interfere with the laser and prevent accurate readings. Do not use the laser range finder for critical measurements.

**Failure to follow this warning can result in serious personal injury or death.**

See section "Configuring Options" for instructions and information on enabling and disabling the range finder and selecting the distance units (meters or feet).

### 3.8 Video Transmitter (optional)

The video transmitter operates in the 2.4 GHz license free ISM band and offers two fully independent channels.

**In order to use the video transmitter, it may be necessary, depending on local regulations, to make a license application for the operation of this system to the local Regulating Authority for Telecommunications and Post which may cost a regular/annual fee (outside the USA).**

The video transmitter indicator is illuminated when the video transmitter is operating. Video transmitter enable and disable as well as channel select are selectable via the on-screen setup or the MSA FireService Utility application. See section "Configuring Options" for instructions and details regarding the on-screen setup options for the video transmitter.

#### **WARNING!**

The radio and its antenna are required to be mounted and kept at least 8 inches (20 cm) away from any part of the user's torso or head and must not be co-located or operated in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

**Failure to follow this warning can result in serious personal injury or death.**

### 3.9 EVOLUTION 6000X User Interface and Operation

In addition to the features, functions and options found in the EVOLUTION 6000 and EVOLUTION 6000+ models, the EVOLUTION 6000X camera features image and video capture capability.

#### On-Screen Indicators

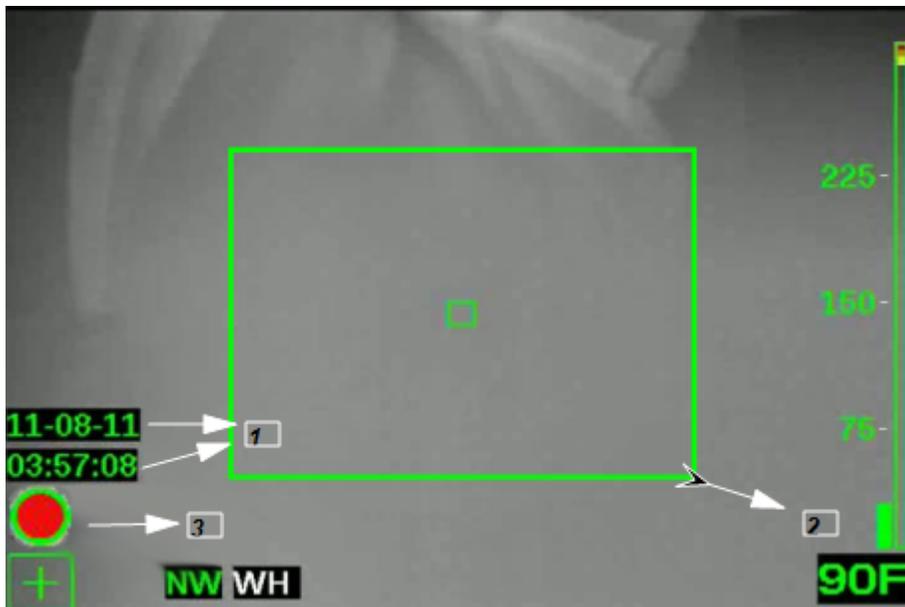


Figure 12 On-screen indicators

- |   |               |   |             |
|---|---------------|---|-------------|
| 1 | Date and time | 3 | Record icon |
| 2 | Image capture |   |             |

## Video Capture

Video capture is available in both the NFPA Basic and NFPA Plus operational modes as it does not impact camera operation. When video capture is enabled and turned ON (in camera configuration or via the MSA FireService Utility application), the EVOLUTION 6000X TIC begins recording video in five-minute MPG4 formatted video clips. A time and date stamp on the display indicates the start of each new five minute clip.

**NOTE:** The time and date stamp does not appear on the display or captured video when the EVOLUTION 6000X TIC is in NFPA Basic mode. However, video is still captured if video capture is enabled.

**NOTE:** The video capture system requires approximately 30 seconds to start up before video is captured. Although an image will appear on the screen, no video will be captured during this time. In addition, 5-10 seconds of video will not be recorded during the transition from one video clip to the next.

## Image Capture

**NOTE:** Image capture is only available in the NFPA Plus operating mode. Activation of image capture differs, depending on installation of the flashlight/laser pointer option or the range finder option.

Still images can be captured using the Trigger button and saved to EVOLUTION 6000X TIC memory for later download to a PC.

### Trigger Operation with Flashlight and Laser Pointer Option Installed

Successive Trigger Pulls	Result
First short pull	Turns flashlight ON
Second short pull	Turns flashlight OFF and turns laser pointer ON
Third short pull	Turns laser pointer OFF
Single, long trigger pull	Captures a still image

**NOTE:** The laser pointer and flashlight do not function at the same time.

### Trigger Operation with Range Finder Option Installed

Trigger Pulls	Result
Short trigger pull	Captures a still image
Long trigger pull	Takes a distance measurement

### Naming Conventions for Still Image Files and Video files

Still images are stored as JPG files in a directory called "Pictures" and named by date and time in modified ISO 8601 formatting.

For example **2012\_05\_14-13-58-00.jpg** is a still image captured at 13:58:00 (1:58 PM) on May 14th, 2012.

Video files are stored as MPEG 4 files in a directory called "Video" and also named by date and time.

For example: **2012\_02\_14-18-23-45.M4V** is a video file started at 18:23:45 (6:23:45 PM) on February 14th, 2012.

VLC Video Player from VideoLAN (free download: [www.videolan.org](http://www.videolan.org)) is recommended for opening and viewing video files.

### Storage Space for Saved Files

Videos are saved in a MPEG4 format. A minimum of four hours of video can be stored. Once the video memory is full, new clips overwrite the oldest clips.

Images are saved in a JPG format. A minimum of 1000 images can be stored. Once the image memory is full, new images overwrite the oldest images.

Video files are stored in the "Video" folder and the still images are stored in the "Pictures" folder in the camera.

### Downloading files from the EVOLUTION 6000X TIC to a PC

Downloading video and still image files from the EVOLUTION 6000X TIC is similar to copying files from a USB storage device. The camera must be ON for a minimum of 30 seconds to allow the video system to start before attempting to download videos and captured images.



*Figure 13 USB Port A location*

- (1) Connect the supplied USB cable to the PC.
- (2) Open the camera battery door to expose the USB ports. Do not remove the battery.
- (3) Turn ON the camera.
- (4) Locate the USB port labeled "A" under the battery door and connect the USB cable to this port (See Fig. 13).

The camera appears as an external hard drive on the computer.

- (5) Use the computer to locate the files. (Video files are stored in the "Video" folder and the still images are stored in the "Pictures" folder in the camera.)
- (6) Use the computer to move, copy and delete files.

**NOTE:** To prevent overwriting or loss of files, it is recommended to download the files and then delete the files from the camera after every use.

### **NOTICE**

As with any external storage device, be sure to safely remove/eject hardware before unplugging the USB cable. Failure to do so may result in lost or corrupted files. The USB hardware is called "File-backed Storage Gadget".

### 3.10 Battery Installation

#### **⚠ WARNING!**

#### **Risk of injury!**

Never replace the batteries in a hazardous location or an explosive atmosphere. There is a risk of explosion since the batteries can spark when being changed!

**Failure to follow this warning can result in serious personal injury or death.**

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The EVOLUTION 6000 series cameras run on a single lithium Ion battery pack.

Replacement batteries must have the same power and layout as those delivered by MSA with the camera. Unsuitable batteries can lead to a system failure.

- (1) Place the camera on a clean, non-abrasive surface.



- (2) Open the battery compartment by pulling down on the battery latch and swinging the battery compartment door forward.



- (3) Place the battery inside the battery compartment with the battery logo and arrow pointing toward the top of the camera. The battery compartment is designed to prevent incorrect battery insertion.



- (4) Gently push the battery into place.

- (5) Close and latch the battery compartment.

**NOTE:** To remove battery, reverse the above Battery Installation procedure.

### 3.11 Battery Charging

#### **⚠ WARNING!**

Do not charge the batteries in a hazardous location or an explosive atmosphere.

**Failure to follow this warning can result in serious personal injury or death.**

#### **Truck Mounted Charger**

The MSA EVOLUTION 6000 Series Truck Mounted Charger provides for simultaneous charging of the battery in the camera and a spare battery.

- Charge status indication for the battery in the camera displays on the camera's front panel. See the Charging Indicator section of the manual (→ chapter 3.4 for details).
- Charge status indication for the spare battery is located on the Truck Mounted Charger. See table in this section.

To charge the battery while in the camera:



- (1) Place the camera in the truck mounted charger.
  - a) Ensure that the handle is firmly inserted into the retainer.
  - b) Ensure that the camera is aligned properly to ensure a good charging connection.



- (2) Pull the camera retainer up and over the camera so that it rests on the display.

To charge the spare battery:

- (1) Insert the battery into the spare battery charging slot.
- (2) Ensure that the charge indicator lights when the battery is inserted.

Indication	Status
Red light	Battery is charging
Green light	Charging is complete
Flashing red light	Error has occurred

A fully depleted battery recharges in the truck mounted charger in approximately 4 hours.

### Multi-Use Charger

The MSA Multi-Use Charger may be used to simultaneously charge up to two spare Evolution 6000 TIC batteries. This charger is supplied with a 120/240 VAC universal power adapter and a 12 V automotive lighter/power outlet cable for mobile use.

See Multi-Use Charger instructions for complete details. To charge a spare battery:

- (1) Ensure that camera battery adaptor insert (supplied with Multi-Use charger) is properly inserted in the Multi-Use Charger nest (Fig. 14).

#### **WARNING!**

Failure to insert the camera battery adaptor may lead to misalignment and damage to the charging connector on the pack and on the charger.

**Failure to follow this caution can result in minor or moderate injury.**

- (2) Ensure that charge indicator light (associated with the charging nest being used) lights when the battery is inserted.

Indication	Status
Red light	Battery is charging
Green light	Charging is complete
Flashing red light	Error has occurred



*Figure 14 Battery insert placement in the Charger nest*

A fully depleted battery recharges in the Multi-Use Charger in approximately 4 hours.

### 3.12 Battery Care

Each time the camera is used, the batteries must be checked following the criteria below:

- Damage to the battery housing
- Damage to the battery contacts
- Dirt and debris on the batteries
- Proper function of the camera, charger device and all indicators

Cameras and accessories which do not pass this inspection must be removed from service until they have been repaired.

Batteries which do not pass the test must be replaced.

**NOTE:** It is recommended to recharge batteries every six months if they have not been in use or if they have not been kept continuously in a charger.

## 4 Camera Setup

### 4.1 On-Screen Camera Setup (EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC and 6000X TIC Only)

Several commonly modified options can be accessed directly via a simple on-screen menu on the EVOLUTION 6000+ and EVOLUTION 6000X TIC. These options are accessible via the camera menu. Also, many advanced options are available with the MSA Fire Service utility package.

The Fire Service utility package is required to access the options on the EVOLUTION 6000 TIC (which does not have an on-screen menu). Refer to the operating instructions that come with the Fire Service utility package for information on available options and how to use the package. The Fire Service utility package is available as a free download from [www.MSASafety.com](http://www.MSASafety.com) and with the product CD included with the camera.

The on-screen configuration menu provides a means to change the following:

- Digital temperature target (°F or °C) (Spotmeter)
- Compass configuration and calibration (EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC and EVOLUTION 6000X TIC)
- Display brightness
- Range finder units (feet or meters) if optional range finder is installed
- Video Transmitter ON / OFF and channel selection if optional video transmitter is installed
- Video Record ON / OFF (EVOLUTION 6000X TIC only).

### 4.2 Accessing On-screen Configuration Menu

- (1) Turn the camera ON and ensure it is in the NFPA Basic mode.
- (2) Turn the camera upside down.
- (3) Simultaneously push and hold the ZOOM and PALETTE buttons for three seconds until the On-screen Setup menu appears.
- (4) Release the ZOOM and PALETTE buttons.
- (5) Return camera to the upright position.

The Config menu displays.

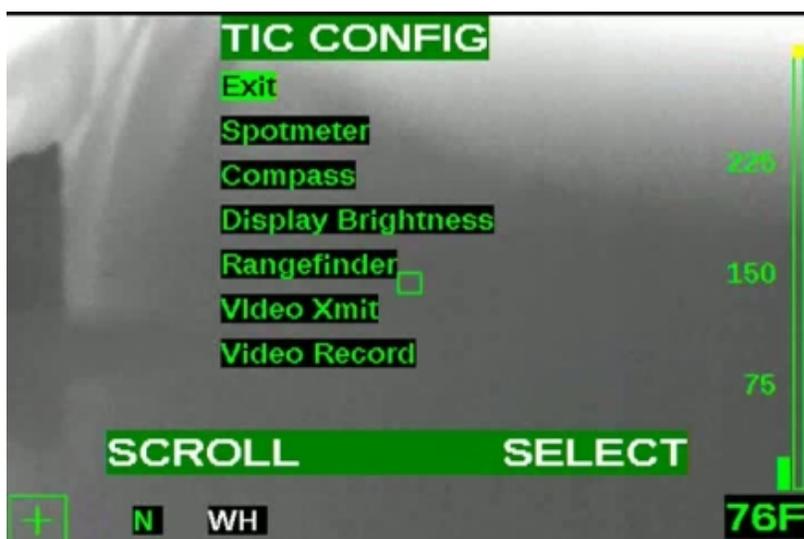


Figure 15 Configuration menu (EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC and 6000X TIC only)

## 4.3 Options

### 4.3.1 Selecting Options

Button	Functions as
ZOOM button	SCROLL button (scrolls through available options)
PALETTE button	SELECT button (selects the option)

**NOTE:** Options not installed on the camera do not display.

**NOTE:** Options locked by the MSA FireService Utility will appear grayed out and cannot be selected.

### 4.3.2 Configuring Options

For all options, the current selection displays

Option	Description	
Exit	To exit configuration menu and return to normal operation	
Spotmeter (Digital Temperature Target)	Temperature Display Setting-°F or °C selection for the spot meter display	(1) SCROLL to either °F or °C and SELECT to change the current selection.  Selection is confirmed and camera returns to the main Config menu.
Compass	Compass ON/OFF, Display Config and Calibration (if local control was not disabled via MSA FireService Utility package)	(1) SCROLL to COMPASS ON or COMPASS OFF and SELECT to turn compass ON or OFF.  (2) SCROLL to SET DISPLAY TYPE TEXT and SELECT to select text icons (displayed as N, S, E, W, NW, etc).  (3) SCROLL to SET DISPLAY TYPE ICON and SELECT to select a compass icon to indicate direction.  (4) SCROLL to CALIBRATE and -SELECT to calibrate the compass.  It is recommended that the compass be recalibrated at least monthly, especially if camera is subjected to strong magnetic fields.  (5) Choose YES to proceed with the calibration and NO to exit calibration.  (6) Follow the on-screen instructions.  (7) Hold the camera in front of you and face north.  (8) Tumble the camera in all three axes.  When ALL DONE displays, the compass is successfully recalibrated.

Option	Description	
		<p>If "Calibration Failed" displays, exit and try again.</p> <p>(9) SELECT EXIT to exit compass calibration.</p> <p>Selection is confirmed and camera returns to the Config main menu.</p>
Display Brightness	Sets display brightness or - allows for auto brightness control.	<p>(1) SCROLL to Set Brightness Auto and SELECT to enable auto brightness control.</p> <p>a) Auto brightness automatically adjusts screen brightness in three levels, depending on ambient light.</p> <p>b) The ambient light sensor is to the right of the battery status indicator.</p> <p>(2) To set the screen brightness to low, medium or high, SCROLL to:</p> <p>a) Set to Low</p> <p>b) Set to Med or</p> <p>c) Set to High</p> <p>(3) and SELECT.</p> <p>Selection is confirmed and camera returns to the Config main menu.</p>
Range Finder	Units (feet or meters) selection for the range finder	<p>(1) SCROLL to:</p> <p>a) Set to Feet or</p> <p>b) Set to Meters,</p> <p>(2) and SELECT.</p> <p>Selection is confirmed and camera returns to the Config main menu.</p>
Video Xmit -	Turning optional video transmitter ON and OFF, and selecting the channel (if local control was not disabled via the MSA FireService Utility package)	<p>(1) To turn video transmitter ON or OFF, SCROLL to</p> <p>a) Set Video Xmit ON or</p> <p>b) Set Video Xmit OFF</p> <p>Camera front panel video transmit LED illuminates.</p> <p>(2) To choose one of the two available video channels, SCROLL to:</p> <p>a) Set Channel to A or</p> <p>b) Set Channel to B.</p> <p>NOTE: Two camera video transmitters in the same</p>

Option	Description	
		<p>approximate area cannot operate on the same channel at the same time.</p> <p><i>Selections are confirmed.</i></p> <p><i>Camera returns to the Config main menu.</i></p>
Video Record	Turning optional video recorder ON and OFF (if local control has not been disabled via the MSA FireService Utility package).	<p>(1) To turn video recording ON or OFF, SCROLL to:</p> <p>a) Set Video Recorder ON or</p> <p>b) Set Video Recorder OFF.</p> <p>Selection is confirmed and camera returns to the Config main menu.</p>

### Exiting the On-screen Setup Menu and Returning to Normal Operation

- (1) SCROLL to the EXIT option.
- (2) SELECT EXIT to return to normal operation.

### 4.4 MSA EVOLUTION 6000 Configuration Application

The MSA EVOLUTION 6000 Configuration Application is available for the Windows operating system and enables the user to completely configure the camera. All configuration options found in the On-Screen Configuration menu are available as well as many more that allow complete access to all configurable camera settings.

Some of the available options include:

- Color Palette selection and enable/disable (EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC, EVOLUTION 6000X TIC)
- Compass directional display options (EVOLUTION 6000+ TIC, EVOLUTION 6000X TIC)
- Video transmitter control, including local lockout
- Video capture control, including local lockout (EVOLUTION 6000X TIC)
- Set time and Date (EVOLUTION 6000X TIC)

NOTE: The available options depend on the EVOLUTION 6000 TIC.

#### Minimum FireService Utility PC requirements:

- 1 GHz processor
- 512 MB RAM
- 850 MB disk space (32 bit) or 2 GB disk space (64 bit)
- Windows Vista SP2, Windows 7, Windows 8, or newer.

### Accessing Options and Settings via MSA EVOLUTION 6000 Configuration Application

Connect the supplied USB cable to the PC.

NOTE: If not using the supplied USB cable, use only cables 3 m (9 ft) or less in length.

Start the MSA EVOLUTION 6000 Configuration Application.

- The utility searches for a camera.



Figure 16 Searching for TIC Connection display

- (1) Open the camera door to expose the USB ports. Do not remove the battery.
- (2) Locate the USB port B under the battery door and connect the USB cable (→ Fig. 13).
- (3) Turn ON the EVOLUTION 6000 TIC.

NOTE: The EVOLUTION 6000 TIC must NOT be in the OnScreen Setup mode when using the MSA EVOLUTION 6000 Configuration Application.

- (4) Follow the instructions on the PC.

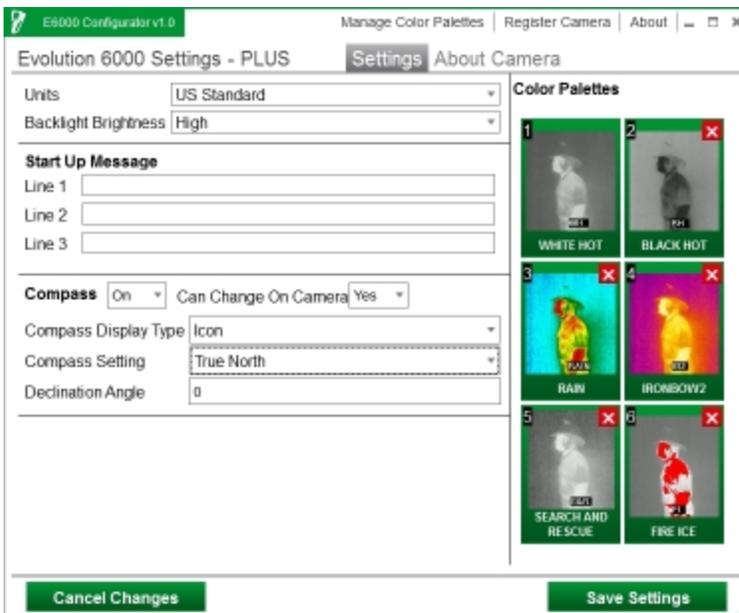


Figure 17 TIC Settings

## 5 Maintenance

### **WARNING!WARNING!**

Do not open the thermal imaging camera housing as there are no user serviceable parts inside. Only authorized personnel may service the unit.

**Failure to follow this warning can result in serious personal injury or death.**

The product should be regularly checked and serviced by trained personnel. A record must be kept of the periodic inspection and maintenance. Always use original parts from MSA.

Repairs and maintenance must be carried out only by authorized MSA service centers.

Changes and modifications are not permitted and may result in voiding the approval.

MSA is liable only for maintenance and repairs carried out by MSA.

The camera must be stored in a dry, protected location between -40°C and +70°C (-40°F and 158°F).

### 5.1 Before Each Use

Each time the camera is used, a visual inspection must be performed following the criteria below:

- Check for housing damage due to mechanical, chemical or thermal loads.
- Inspect the camera for loose or missing screws, O-rings or seals.
- Check for cracks and other damage to the display. Verify that all device labels are attached.

### 5.2 After Each Use

- (1) Carefully clean all outside surfaces [camera housing including the handles, lens, display window and carrying devices] with warm water and a gentle cleaning agent.
- (2) Carefully dry using a soft, lint-free cloth. Avoid scratching the display window.
- (3) All switches, buttons, battery compartment locks and lids must be inspected for dirt and cleaned using a soft, lint-free cloth and brush if necessary.

### **NOTICE**

Do not use any solvents or thinners to clean the camera as they may attack the camera housing materials. Do not use abrasive cleaners or cloths for cleaning the camera as these may also damage the camera.

### 5.3 Germanium Lens Replacement

The camera is designed for simple replacement of a damaged Germanium lens.

### **WARNING!**

The germanium lens must be replaced immediately after damage is detected. Failure to do so may allow water and other contaminants to enter the camera body, resulting in a possible loss of camera function and severe damage to electronic components. Should water or other contaminants enter the camera housing, the camera must be returned to an authorized MSA repair facility. Do not operate the camera with a damaged germanium lens.

**Failure to follow this warning can result in serious personal injury or death.**



*Figure 18 Germanium lens retainer, parts and tools*



*Figure 19 Germanium lens retainer, screws to be removed*

To replace the germanium lens:

- (1) Remove the battery from the camera.
- (2) Using a 2.5 mm Allen wrench, remove the six screws holding the germanium lens retainer.
- (3) Remove the broken germanium lens and any dirt that may have entered the sealing area.
- (4) Insert the new lens in the retainer and reinstall on the camera.
- (5) Tighten the six screws to 0.6 Nm (5.5 in-lbs.) of torque.

## 6 Service

If your camera requires service or repair:

- (1) Contact the MSA Service Center at 1-877-MSA-FIRE. Describe the problem to the representative as completely as possible.
- (2) Verify with your representative that the product should be returned to MSA.
- (3) Before returning the product, decontaminate and clean your Thermal Imaging Camera to remove any hazardous materials that may have settled on the product during use.

Laws and/or shipping regulations prohibit the shipment of hazardous or contaminated materials.

- (4) Ship returned products (including those under warranty) with pre-paid transportation charges; MSA cannot accept returned goods on a freight-collect basis.

## 7 Technical Data

NFPA 1801, 2018 Edition Compliant (unless ordered otherwise, refer to the product label)

ANSI/UL 12.12.01 Class I, Div. 2 Groups A, B, C and D, Class II, Div. 2 Groups F and G

Non-Incendive

<b>Construction</b>	Flame retardant (material passes NFPA direct flame exposure test). IP67 (withstands immersion to 3 feet (1 meter))	
<b>Approximate - Dimensions</b>	<b>Height</b>	11.6 inches (295 mm)
	<b>Width</b>	4.8 inches (122 mm)
	<b>Length</b>	7.3 inches (185 mm)
<b>Sensor</b>	Uncooled VOX microbolometer	
<b>Array size</b>	320 X 240	
<b>Weight (including battery)</b>	<b>EVOLUTION 6000 and EVOLUTION 6000+</b>	1.25 kg
	<b>EVOLUTION 6000X</b>	1.31 kg
<b>Power Source</b>	Rechargeable Li Ion battery	
<b>Operating time (- nominal 72°F, 22°C)</b>	<b>EVOLUTION 6000 and EVOLUTION 6000+</b>	2.5 to 3.5 hours depending on mode
	<b>EVOLUTION 6000X</b>	2.0 to 3.0 hours depending on mode
<b>Field of view</b>	48° H; 37° V	
<b>Net equivalent temperature difference</b>	<b>High sensitivity</b>	<78 mK, 40 mK typical
	<b>Low sensitivity</b>	<234 mK
<b>Range Finder</b>	<b>Maximum Range</b>	210 ft (70 m) Accuracy is +/-3' (1 m) at 109' (33 m)
	<b>Temperature - Measurement</b>	<b>±20°C (68°F) or ±20% whichever is greater</b>
<b>Image storage (Evolution 6000X only)</b>	<b>Number of images stored</b>	1000 minimum
	<b>Format</b>	JPG
<b>Video storage (Evolution 6000X only)</b>	<b>Length</b>	4 h minimum
	<b>Format</b>	MPEG 4 elementary stream, no audio
<b>Start / Soak Temp</b>	<b>Ambient Temperature</b>	<b>Operating Time</b>
Room Temp (20 - 23°C)	80°C (176°F)	>30 minutes
Room Temp (20 - 23°C)	120°C (248°F)	>20 minutes
Room Temp (20 - 23°C)	260°C (500°F)	> 6 minutes
Room Temp (20 - 23°C)	-40°C (-40°F)	>25 minutes
Room Temp (20 - 23°C)	-30°C (-22°F)	>40 minutes
<b>Storage temperature range</b>	-40°C to +70°C (-40°F to 158°F).	

### 7.1 Technical Data Transmitter

Power at 22° C	max. 500 mW
Transmission Range	≈ 1000 m, LDS
Channel 1 Frequency USA	2474 MHz
Channel 2 Frequency USA	2458 MHz

#### Frequencies and Approvals

EN 301 489 Teil 1 & 3 (2000-08), EN 300 440-2V1.1.1 Teil 1 & 3 (2001-09),

BAPT 222 ZV 105 & 106, BAP 122 R1, EMC,

EN 61000-6-3 and EN 61000-6-2 / FCC Part 90 (for 2.4 GHz)

## 8 Ordering Information

	<b>Part No.</b>
Lithium Ion Battery	10120606-SP
Evolution 6000, Multi-Use Charger (12V) Kit (US)	10145859
Evolution 6000, Multi-Use Charger, Kit (EU-UK)	10147388
Germanium Window Replacement Kit	10145772
USB Configuration/video download Cable	10145860-SP
Vehicle Mounted Charger Mounting Kit	10040222
Vehicle Mounted Charger Fuses	10145746-SP
Wrist Strap	10039516
Shoulder Strap	10039515
Retractable Lanyard	10040226
Carabiner	10040005
Carrying Case	10127441-SP
Tripod Mount	10145748
Label Kit (Reflective ID)	10145749
Fire Station Kit	10145750
Vehicle Kit	10145771

