# **Operating Instructions**



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NanoRep<sup>™</sup>

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# 1. Safety and Regulatory Information

The following safety information is critically important for the safe handling and use of NanoRep. Please read it carefully.

### 1.1 Important Safety Information

Read all safety warnings before using, charging or servicing NanoRep.

Always use NanoRep in accordance with these Operating Instructions and keep these instructions for future reference.

Safety notes are marked with signal words and warning symbols. Ignoring the safety notes may lead to personal injury, damage to NanoRep including malfunction, as well as unreliable results.

### 1.2 Intended Use

The Rainin NanoRep electronic repeater pipette should be used in laboratories or production environments only. It should only be used by trained specialists who have read these Operating Instructions.

NanoRep works with NanoRep syringe tips only, which are intended to dispense liquids across a volume range of 100 nanoliters – 50 milliliters.

Do not use NanoRep for in vivo applications (applications in or on a human body).

### 1.3 Compatible and Incompatible Liquids

As a positive-displacement pipette, NanoRep capably handles most liquid types.

Some liquids, particularly above certain concentrations and temperatures, will not work with NanoRep. Please refer to the table below.

Chemical	Concentration	Syringe tip size			
		0.1 mL	10 mL	50 mL	-
Acetic Acid, Glacial		•	•	•	Tip performance will not change after long periods
Acetone		•	•	•	of exposure.
Acetonitrile		•	•	•	<ul> <li>Tip performance may be affected if exposed for long</li> </ul>
Benzene		•	•	•	periods of time.
Butanol		•	•	•	<ul> <li>Tip performance will be compromised after exposure.</li> </ul>
Chloroform		•	•	•	
Chromic Acid		•	•	•	
Dimethyl Formamide		•	•	•	
DMSO		•	•	•	
Ethanol		•	•	•	
Ethyl Acetate		•	•	•	
Ethylene Diamine		•	•	•	
Hydrochloric acid	< 37%	•	•	•	
Hydrochloric acid	> 37%	•	•	•	
Methanol		•	•	•	
Nitric Acid	< 50%	•	•	•	
Nitric Acid	> 50%	•	•	•	
Potassium Hydroxide	10 M	•	•	•	
Sodium Hydroxyde	10 M	•	•	•	
Sulfuric Acid	> 75%	•	•	•	
Sulfuric Acid	< 75%	•	•	•	

### 1.4 Regulatory Information

### **EC Declaration of Conformity according to ISO 17050** Visit mt.com/Rainin-NanoRep



### FCC Note

This device complies with Part 15 of FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: 1. This device may not cause harmful interference. 2. This device must accept any interference received, including interference that could cause undesired operation. Do not expose battery to fire or put in backwards – it could explode and cause personal injury.



### RoHS Regulation 2011/65/EU

Rainin and METTLER TOLEDO fulfill requirements under RoHS Regulation 2011/65/EU. Accessories comply with the above mentioned RoHS regulation.



China Class A warning 为A级产品。在生活环境中,该产品可能会造成无线电干扰。在这种 情况下,可能需要用户对干扰采取切实可行的措施。

### 1.4 Regulatory Information

### NanoRep Regulatory Certifications:

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United States	Contains FCC ID: XPYANNAB1	FC
Canada	Contains IC: 8595A-ANNAB1	
Europe	CE	RoHS 2011/66/EU
Australia & New Zealand		
United Kingdom		UK CA
Japan	Contains: 204-810005	R
Singapore	Complies with IDA Standards DBxxxxxxx	
South Korea	KC ID: R-R-M7R-NR-ERP Contains: R-C-ULX-ANNA-B112	C
Taiwan	Contains Transmitter Module 內含發射器模組: CCAI18LP2200T2	
California		BC
Brazil	Contains: 03850-19-05903 "Este equipamento não tem direito à proteç interferência prejudicial e não pode causar em sistemas devidamente autorizados." www.aov.br/anatel/pt-br	<b>DANATEL</b> ão contra interferência
China	Contains: CMIID: 2021DJ6698	Ø
BT SIG	UBX-15019243 - R06 Declaration ID D032220	*

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# 2. Introducing NanoRep

Welcome to NanoRep! With No Touch Off<sup>™</sup> dispense (non-contact dispensing), up to 1,000 aliquots per tip and aliquots down to 100 nL, you are holding a highly accurate instrument in your hand.

Please read this manual in its entirety before using the pipette. It contains critical usage and technique information that will help you obtain accurate, reproducible results and ensure long-lasting operation.



### 2.1 Overview

NanoRep is an electronic repeater pipette. Like all positive-displacement pipettes, it works with syringe tips. NanoRep syringe tips come in 3 sizes: 0.1 mL, 10 mL and 50 mL.



### 2.2 Box Contents

The NanoRep box contains the device, one 10 mL syringe tip, a charging cable, a hang-up, the NanoRep Quick Reference Guide and a certificate of conformance.



Quick Reference Guide

Certificate of Conformance

### 2.3 Charging

NanoRep contains a lithium-ion battery. It must be charged before use. A full charge requires 1.5 - 2 hours. The time a full charge lasts depends on liquid volumes and viscosities pipetted. The battery is designed to deliver ~2,000 cycles on a single charge handling water with a 10 mL syringe tip. NanoRep can be used while charging.

The charging cable is included in the shipping box. Recharge only with the limited power source (LPS-type) Wall Power Supply packaged with NanoRep. Severe damage to internal electronics will result from improper charging, and use of a non-LPS power supply can be hazardous.

The NanoRep battery is a non-user-serviceable part and should be replaced every two years. For more information, please contact a qualified Rainin Service professional or your Rainin sales representative.



### 2.4 Joystick

Use the joystick to navigate and operate NanoRep.

Throughout this manual you will see instructions for moving the joystick in different directions. "Joystick" is often used as a verb: "joystick left," "joystick right," "joystick up" and "joystick down." You will also see "press the joystick in."

The illustrations for these five ways of moving the NanoRep joystick are shown below.



# 3. Touch Off and No Touch Off dispense

**Dispense Type** 

to Automatic

NanoRep performs either Touch Off (contact) dispensing or No Touch Off (non-contact) dispensing.



Touch OffNo Touch Off(contact dispensing)(non-contact dispensing)

	Viscosity Setting				
Syringe lip Size	Low	Medium	High		
0.1 mL	No Touch Off	No Touch Off	Touch Off		
10 mL	No Touch Off	No Touch Off	Touch Off		
50 mL	No Touch Off	Touch Off	Touch Off		
Advanced mode with Dispense Type set to Set Manually					
Touch Off and No Touch Off freely available regardless of viscosity or tip size					
Manual mode					
Touch Off only					

Basic mode | Advanced mode with Dispense Type set

### **Touch Off**

Touch Off is the most common way to pipette.

After dispensing an aliquot, gently touch the end of the syringe tip to the vessel wall to complete the dispense. Liquid adhesion and gravity pull any residual volume from the tip into the vessel to complete the dispense.

### Aliquots $\leq 1\%$ tip volume

For volumes smaller than or equal to 1% of the total volume of the syringe tip, No Touch Off is the recommended dispense type. If Touch Off is selected for a volume below 1% total tip volume, NanoRep displays a "Not recommended" message.

### **No Touch Off**

No Touch Off – non-contact dispensing – can speed up pipetting. Putting a short distance between NanoRep and the dispensing vessel, No Touch Off also eliminates contact, a common source of cross-contamination.

Dispensing a series of ejected aliquots without contact requires a different pipetting technique. Section 6: NanoRep Technique Essentials includes No Touch Off techniques that are critical to achieving high precision and reproducibility.

Unique and brand-new to handheld devices, No Touch Off dispense:

- exhibits some notable behaviors
- is adjustable via multiple settings

### **No Touch Off Behaviors**

### 2-part dispense

No Touch Off is enabled by a motor-driven solenoid that culminates a single dispense cycle with a percussive tap. With smaller volumes, the tap is imperceptible. As volumes become larger, you will perceive dispense in No Touch Off in two distinct parts: the jet of liquid expelled as the piston moves downward, followed by the final tap of No Touch Off. This is a normal and necessary part of how NanoRep functions.

### Slight air intake

At volumes below a certain level you may notice NanoRep ingest a tiny amount of air into the tip before the final tap of No Touch Off. This is expected. NanoRep, among the highest-precision liquid handling devices in the world, is delivering an accurate, reproducible aliquot.

### Droplet on tip

During a No Touch Off dispense series, you may notice a droplet at the end of the tip from aliquot to aliquot. This is normal, and is a calculated part of each subsequent dispense. Droplets are more likely with viscous liquids, more likely with smaller aliquots, and more likely the larger the syringe tip. If you see a droplet while using No Touch Off dispense, do not touch or wipe it on the vessel.

### **Settings Influencing No Touch Off**

### Manual Viscosity Selection

In the **Edit** menu in Basic and Advanced modes, you can set NanoRep to the viscosity of liquid being pipetted.

Below are some examples of liquids across the range of viscosities handled by NanoRep, from below 1 centipoise (cP) to about 300 cP. Viscosity is a function of temperature and pH. Values are not absolute. Values for the liquids shown below are at room temperature unless otherwise noted.

Setting	Liquid	Viscosity / cP (centipoise)
Low (0-30)	Acetonitrile	0.38
	Water	1
	Ethanol	1.1
	DMSO	2
	Blood	4
Medium (30–100)	BSA (250 mg/mL)	30
	DNA (6 mg/mL) @70°C	70
High (100-300)	85% Glycerol	100
	Triton X100	270

Some thicker liquids, such as 10 mg/ml collagen at 1400 cP, exceed the recommended maximum viscosity for NanoRep. Below are recommended maximum viscosities, listed by syringe tip.

Recommended maximum viscosity by syringe tip

0.1 mL	~300 cP
10 mL	~300 cP
50 mL	~100 cP

**Note:** In rare instances some liquids, including silicone oil, can weakly adhere to syringe-tip components. Such liquids can reduce the maximum viscosity for No Touch Off dispense.

Press the right button, **Edit**, and joystick down to Manual Viscosity Selection to adjust to **Low**, **Medium** or **High**. Once done press the left button, **Done**.

**Low** and **Medium** default NanoRep to No Touch Off dispensing, while a setting of **High** defaults to Touch Off dispensing. This can be overridden in the **Edit** menu in Advanced mode by selecting Dispense Type = **Set Manually**.

### **Dispense Force**

In the **Edit** menu in Advanced mode with No Touch Off enabled, Dispense Force adjusts the mechanical strike of the piston from one (gentle, for lower-surface-tension liquids like ethanol) up to **10** (forceful, for certain volumes and more viscous liquids).

When you adjust dispense force a small lightning bolt icon appears in the Aliquot Volume (top) line of the work screen.

Advance	d 04:48		
2.0 sec	Aliquot Volum	ε <b>(†</b> ) 290μ∟	-
	Aliquot Numbe	er 14	
	Volume	4060 µL	
0.00µL	Asp/Dsp Spd.	08/02	
Mai	in E	dit	

### How to select Touch Off or No Touch Off in Advanced Mode

- 1. Press the right button, Edit, and joystick down to Dispense Selection.
- 2. Joystick right to select Set Manually.
- 3. Joystick down one line to Dispense Type and joystick right. Select either **Touch Off** or **No Touch Off**.
- With No Touch Off selected, one more setting appears: Dispense Force. Adjust from

   (low) 10 (high). Lower is more gentle (less force). A higher value means greater dispense force, useful with higher viscosity liquids.
- 5. Press the left button Done.

# 4. Viscosity, Dispense Force and Volume: Settings for Best No Touch Off Performance

Successful No Touch Off (non-contact) pipetting involves a combination of adjustments to fine-tune performance. The factors that affect settings for No Touch Off are:

- syringe tip size
- viscosity of the liquid being handled
- aliquot volume
- vessel depth and shape (microcentrifuge tube, 96-well plate etc.)
- Dispense Speed
- Dispense Force

### Manual Viscosity Selection

To adjust NanoRep to the viscosity of the liquid you're handling, in Basic and Advanced modes press the right button, **Edit**, and joystick down to Manual Viscosity Selection. Joystick right, then up or down to select between **Low**, **Medium** or **High**. Press the left button, **Done**, to save the selection.

For examples of liquids across the range of viscosities handled by NanoRep, see page 14, Manual Viscosity Selection.

### Speed and Force guidelines: 96-well plate

The following tables offer recommended speed and force settings for dispensing aliquots into a 96-well plate without splashing. Ethanol, water and 30% glycerol serve as examples of low, medium and higher-viscosity liquids.

### 0.1 mL Syringe Tip

Little to no adjustment necessary for dispense speed or force

Because the volumes dispensed with NanoRep's smallest tip (100  $\mu$ L max) are so minute, virtually any viscosity of liquid at any Dispense Speed and Dispense Force may be aspirated and dispensed using No Touch Off dispense.

**Exception**: DMSO. Set Dispense Speed and Dispense Force to 5 when pipetting DMSO with the 0.1 mL syringe tip.

### 10 mL Syringe Tip

### Ethanol - manual viscosity setting: Low

Volume µL	10	50	100	150	200
Dispense Speed	1–10	1–3	1–2	1–10	1–6
Dispense Force	2–10	1–3	1–3	1–10	1–10

### Water - manual viscosity setting: $\ensuremath{\text{Low}}$

Volume µL	10	50	100	150	200
Dispense Speed	1–10	1–9	1–3	1–9	1–9
Dispense Force	1–10	1–3	1-10	1-10	1–10

### 30% Glycerol - manual viscosity setting: Medium

Volume µL	10	50	100	150	200
Dispense Speed	1–10	1-10	1-10	1–8	1–7
Dispense Force	1–10	1–3	1–3	1–6	1–6

### 50 mL Syringe Tip

Ethanol –	manual	viscosity	setting:	Low
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Volume µL	50	100	200
Dispense Speed	1–10	1–10	1-10
Dispense Force	1–10	1-10	1–3

### Water - manual viscosity setting: Low

Volume µL	50	100	200
Dispense Speed	1–10	1-10	1-10
Dispense Force	1–10	1–8	1–5

### 30% Glycerol – manual viscosity setting: Medium

Volume µL	50	100	200
Dispense Speed	1–10	1–10	1–10
Dispense Force	1–10	1-10	1-5

# 5. Quick Start: Turn On, Set Up, Aspirate and Dispense, Power Off

### 5.1 Power On, Set Language



Press either blue button to power on NanoRep. A welcome screen displays, then shifts to the basic work screen. Press Main. Joystick up or down to Settings.

Press the joystick in to select Settings.

Joystick up or down. To select a menu item, either joystick right or push the joystick in. Press **Done** to save a setting.

### 5.2 Select Advanced Mode



### 5.3 Load Syringe Tip



### 5.4 Set Aliquot Volume and Number of Aliquots

### Aliquot Volume



Joystick right to enter the menu. Joystick right again to activate Aliquot Volume.



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300 µ

05/05



Press **Done** to set Aliquot Volume.

### Aliquot Number



### 5.5 Set Aspiration Volume

### **Aspiration Volume**



### 5.6 Set Aspiration / Dispense Speeds



### 5.7 Set Auto-Dispense Time Interval (Auto Pace) - Optional



### 5.8 Select Touch Off or No Touch Off Dispense



### 5.9 Aspirate / Dispense

### Pre-Rinse



Press the left button,

Main, and select Manual.

Joystick up to aspirate a

small volume. Then, push

the Eject button below the

"Empty tip?" Press the left button, **Continue**. The tip

joystick. NanoRep asks,

Press Main again, then press the left button: **Previous**. This returns you to the Advanced settings you previously configured.

empties.

Advanced 01:66 0 000 Aliquot Volume 5,4 Aliquot Number 1/60 Volume 300,4 Main Edit

Joystick up to aspirate.

Press **OK** to discard first aliquot. This sets up the dispense series.

Dispense

Discard next

aliquot

0



Joystick down, or press either the Left or Right side dispense button (gray) to dispense. If Auto Pace is enabled, dispensing continues automatically.

### Discard three additional dispenses for volumes <1% total tip volume

When dispensing a volume smaller than 1% of any syringe tip, Rainin recommends following the required first discard dispense with three (3) additional manual discard dispenses before continuing. To accomplish these dispenses, either joystick down three times, or press either of the gray side dispense buttons three times. Here's why: an infinitesimal amount of liquid naturally adheres to the end of a tip after the discard dispense. For extremely small aliquots – less than 1% of the syringe tip volume – this can impact the accuracy of the first few aliquots in a series. The recommended three discard dispenses pull any final liquid sticking to the tip into the discard-dispense vessel. After these three additional manual sub-1% discard dispenses, expect exceptionally accurate sub-1% aliquots.

### 5.10 Eject Syringe Tip



Press the gray eject button below the joystick. If liquid remains in the syringe, it must be emptied. Press the left button, **Continue**.

Press the gray eject button below the joystick to eject the tip. If tip sticks, see the Troubleshooting section on section 17.

### 5.11 Power Off



Press the left blue button: Main.

Joystick up or down to Power Off.

Press the joystick in or joystick right to select Power Off.

Press **Continue** to power off, or **Cancel** to exit.

# 6. Technique: NanoRep Essentials

Incorporate the following techniques to work efficiently and reproducibly with NanoRep.

### Pre-rinse syringe tip

To purge residual air, Rainin recommends a pre-rinse of each new, fresh syringe tip you load. Here's how to quickly pre-rinse a tip.

Pre-rinse is simplest in Manual mode.

- 1. Submerge tip in the liquid to be pipetted. Joystick up to aspirate ~25-50% tip volume. (If that's more sample than is available, even a small-volume pre-rinse is recommended.)
- 2. Press the tip-eject button below the joystick. The message "Empty tip?" is displayed.
- 3. Press the left button, Continue. NanoRep empties the syringe tip. NanoRep is now primed for exceptionally precise dispensing.

# Angle and dispense target: Touch Off (no angle) vs. No Touch Off (up to $30^{\circ}$ )

### Touch Off

Good pipetting practice recommends holding a pipette vertically, dispensing straight down into vessels and touching off on vessel walls to assure a complete dispense. Operate NanoRep according to these same principles when pipetting in Touch Off (contact) dispensing mode.

### No Touch Off

In No Touch Off (non-contact) dispensing mode, NanoRep ejects a liquid aliquot with force from the syringe tip. This requires a different dispensing approach that depends on the size and depth of the target vessel. As a general guideline, if dispensing into shallow vessels such as well plates using No Touch Off, NanoRep should be angled as much as 30°, with the target of the aliquot midway down the vessel wall. This prevents splash. When dispensing into deeper vessels, NanoRep can be held closer to vertical. The following illustration offers a general guideline on angle, targeting and vessel depth for No Touch Off dispense.



### Dispense target, No Touch Off (non-contact) dispense.

- Angle tip slightly more with shallower vessels. Use angle that works for you.
- 2. Reduce distance between tip and vessel as vessel size is reduced.

### No Touch Off dispensing distance: ~5-10 mm

In No Touch Off, the distance between the end of the syringe tip and the upper rim of the target vessel should be around 5-10 mm. This prevents splash and maximizes accuracy to the target of the aliquot. You will develop your preferred best distance over time. It can depend on the sample you pipette, the receiving vessel, the aliquot volume and the syringe tip size.

### No Touch Off dispensing speed and dispense force

Refer to section 4, Viscosity, Dispense Force and Volume: Settings for Best No Touch Off Performance to review speed and force settings.

### Stability

Holding a support hand underneath the wrist of the dispensing hand can help maintain stability through a long dispensing cycle. Another option is positioning elbows on the bench to help support consistent movement over a prolonged period.

### Selecting and confirming menu settings: joystick press, joystick right, or triggers

There are a few ways to select a menu item on NanoRep. Press the joystick in, or joystick right, or press either of the gray dispense buttons on the rear sides of NanoRep.

### Previous button: step back to settings in last mode

To go to the last mode used, press the left button, **Main**, then press the left button again – **Previous**. You can also joystick left to do the same thing.

**Previous** switches between two modes only. It's not a history of changes. It's a one-step-back memory to the most recent different Main menu mode: Basic, Advanced, Manual or Settings.

**Example 1:** If you were in Advanced and are now in Basic, **Previous** returns you to Advanced. (Pressing **Main** then **Previous** again returns you to Basic

**Example 2:** If you were in Settings and are now in Manual, **Previous** returns you to Settings.

## 7. Modes

### 7.1 Basic mode



Push the left button under the screen, **Main**.

Use the joystick to move up or down the menu items. On **Basic**, push the joystick in.

Load a tip - 0.1 mL, 10 mL or 50 mL - to adjust settings.

### In Basic mode, you can set:

- aliquot volume
- number of aliquots
- overall aspiration volume
- speed (single speed for both aspiration and dispense)

Joystick right, then press the joystick in on the menu item you want to adjust. Once set, press the left button – **Done**.

### By pressing the right button, Edit, you can also get:

• viscosity selection (low, medium, high)

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Press the joystick in on **Manual Viscosity Selection** and joystick to **Low**, **Medium** or **High**. Press the left button, **Done** to save the selection.

Joystick up to aspirate.

Joystick down to dispense, or press either of the gray dispense trigger buttons on the sides of NanoRep. See section 7.4, Settings for how to activate or deactivate the left-side or right-side trigger dispense buttons (both can be active at the same time if desired.)

### 7.2 Advanced mode



Push the left button under the screen, **Main**.

Use the joystick to move up or down the menu items. On **Advanced**, push the joystick in – or joystick right.

Load a tip - 0.1 mL, 10 mL or 50 mL - to adjust settings.

### In Advanced mode you can set:

- aliquot volume
- number of aliquots
- overall aspiration volume
- aspiration and dispense speeds (individually)

Joystick right, then press the joystick in on the menu item you want to adjust. Once set, press the left button – **Done**.

### Advanced mode also offers:

- Auto Pace (automatic timed-interval dispense)
- Fixed Volumes (quick access to list of saved volumes)
- Manual Viscosity Selection (low, medium, high)
- Touch Off or No Touch Off dispense
- Dispense Force

Press the right button – **Edit**. Volume and speed adjustments are at the top. Scroll down the list to view all Advanced options:

Option	Action
Auto Pace	check/un-check
Auto Pace Time Interval	0.5-5 seconds
Auto Pace Sound	check/un-check
Fixed Volume	check/un-check
Fixed Volume List	save up to 10 volumes per syringe tip size
Manual Viscosity Selection	Low/Medium/High
Dispense Selection	Automatic/Set Manually
Dispense Type	Touch Off/No Touch Off
Dispense Force (No Touch Off only)	1 (low)-10 (high)

Joystick right to check/un-check or enter any setting.

Press **Done** (left button) to begin pipetting, or press **Save** (right button) to save adjusted settings as a preset. For more information on Presets, see section 8, Presets.

### Fixed volumes = saved volumes

Fixed volumes offer quick access to a list of up to 10 saved volumes. Easily switch between volumes during one dispensing cycle or from step to step. It's similar to sequential dispense but moving from volume to volume is not automatic.

Press the right button, **Edit** and joystick down to Fixed Volume. Press the joystick in to check the box, then joystick down a line to Fixed Volume List. Press the joystick in on **Edit List**. A 10-item list opens. Joystick up/down to the volume you want to adjust and press the joystick in to set it. Joystick right/left to adjust the value in larger increments, up/down to adjust in small increments. Press the left button, **Done**, to save the volume.

When volumes are set, joystick up/down the list and joystick right on any volume to check the box and activate it. These will be the volumes available to you as you pipette. When the correct volumes are checked, press the left button, **Done**. Press **Done** again to exit the menu and return to the work screen.

Note that the top menu item now reads Fixed Volume. Joystick right and up/ down to Fixed Volume and press the joystick in – or joystick right – to activate it. The list of volumes you saved appears, with the current volume in use checked. Joystick to the volume you'd like to switch to and press the joystick in to select it.

You are now back on the work screen with the new volume enabled.

To deactivate fixed volumes, press the right button, **Edit**. Joystick down to Fixed Volumes and joystick right to un-check the box.

### 7.3 Manual mode



Load a tip - 0.1 mL, 10 mL or 50 mL - to begin pipetting.

Aspirate in Manual mode is continuous as long as you hold the joystick in the up position. Aspirate stops when you stop pressing the joystick up or when the syringe tip is completely full.

Dispense is continuous as long as you hold the joystick in the down position. Dispense stops when you stop pressing the joystick down or when the syringe tip is completely empty.

Note: Side dispense buttons are inoperative in Manual mode.

### Step Up, Step Down: aspirate, dispense in 0.1% tip volume increments

If you stop aspirating at any volume before the syringe tip has reached full capacity, you will see **Step Up** over the button on the right. Press **Step Up** to aspirate in steps of 0.1% of the maximum volume of the tip you are using.

Tip size	Step increment size
0.1 mL	100 nL
10 mL	10 µL
50 mL	50 µL

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With a 10 mL syringe tip loaded, if you quickly joystick up and stop – aspirating 28  $\mu$ L, for example – you will see **Step Up** on the right. Press **Step Up** to aspirate an additional 10  $\mu$ L, bringing the total volume to 38  $\mu$ L. Press **Step Up** again to bring the volume to 48  $\mu$ L, and so on.

Similarly, if you begin dispensing and stop at any volume before the syringe tip is empty, you will see **Step Down** over the button on the right. Press **Step Down** to step down in the same-sized increments: 0.1% of the maximum volume of the tip.

### 7.4 Settings



Push the left button under the screen, **Main**.

Use the joystick to move up or down the menu items. On **Settings**, push the joystick in.

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Use Settings to configure NanoRep. Adjust brightness; enable left, right or both dispense trigger buttons and set time, date and language. Access Administrator settings like password protection, GLP alarm and USB remote access for firmware updates (for Firmware update instructions, see section 10.1.1.)

Press the left button, **Main**. Then joystick down to **Settings** and press the joystick in.

### Joystick down the menu to view all the $\ensuremath{\textbf{Settings}}$ you can adjust:

Setting	Action or 2nd-Level Setting	Action
Brightness	Adjust brightness from 1-10	
Sound Volume	Adjust sound from 1–10	
Dispense Sound	Check/un-check to enable/disable dispense sound for Touch Off, No Touch Off	
Trigger Buttons	Check/un-check to enable/disable left, right trigger buttons for manual dispensing	
Light Timeout	Adjust time (min:sec) when screen darkens if not in use	
Sleep Timeout	Adjust time (hr:min) when NanoRep sleeps if not in use	
Motion wake-up	Check/un-check to enable/disable waking from Timeout or Sleep when NanoRep is moved	
Time	Set time (hr:min:sec)	
Date	Set date	
Time Format	12-hour, 24-hour or None	
Date Format	MM/DD/YYYY, DD/MM/YYYY or YYYY/MM/ DD	
Language	Check/un-check for: - English - Deutsch - 日本 - 日本語 - 한국어 - Español - Française	
Administrator	Set Password	Enter 4-digit passcode
	GLP Alarm	Check to enable/un-check to disable
	# of Days	Adjust GLP Alarm interval (days)
	Mode Access	Enable/disable Basic, Advanced, Manual
	Reset to Default	Return to default settings
	USB	Check to enable/un-check to disable USB
	Remote File Access	If USB is checked, check/un-check to enable/disable remote file access for firmware update

Setting	Action or 2nd-Level Setting	Action
	Service	Access Service settings: - Bootloader update - Create backup image - Joystick calibration - Joystick center calibration - Reset joystick calibration - Screenshot (uses side trigger button to save screenshot) - External flash format - Battery status - Tip sensor calibration - Reset tip sensor calibration
	Firmware Update	After loading new firmware version via Remote file access, run firmware update
Service Info	Displays - Manufacture Date - Model Name - Firmware Version - Serial Number - Next Service Date - Last Service Date - Next Calibration Date - Last Calibration Date - Next Quick Check Date - Battery Change Date - Asset ID (if loaded)	
Shipping Power Off	Powers down NanoRep for transport	
Regulatory	Displays regulatory information by country and region	

Joystick to the setting you want to adjust and either joystick right or press the joystick in to select it. For 2nd-level settings such as those accessible in the Administrator menu, repeat the joystick-right or joystick-press to select items within that menu.

When a setting is configured, press the left button - Done.

# 8. Presets

Anytime you adjust values and settings, you can save everything as a preset. Press the right button, **Edit**. Then press the same button again - **Save**.



### Saved in lists

Presets are saved in lists. You can return to a preset anytime by going to the Main menu (press the left button, **Main**) then pressing the right button – **Presets**. This opens a saved list of presets. To navigate within the list, joystick down and push the joystick in to select a preset. To navigate to another list, joystick to the top line of the list (the list name), then joystick left or right to go to other lists.

You can move a preset from one list to another, rename it or delete it.

### 8.1 Create a preset

**Note**: A syringe tip must be loaded in order to adjust values and settings and save as a preset.

After loading a tip, press the left button – **Main** – then choose Basic, Manual or Advanced mode. Adjust values and options: aliquot volume, aliquot number, overall aspiration volume and speeds. Press the right button – **Edit** – to access other options like viscosity selection and – in Advanced only –Auto Pace (timed-interval dispense), Fixed Volumes (saved volumes), Dispense Type (Touch Off/No Touch Off) and Dispense Force (1 [gentle] – 10 [strong].)

To save everything you just configured, press the right button - Save.

### First time only

Presets are always saved into lists. If no presets are saved yet, NanoRep displays the message, "Preset list not found. Create new list?" Press the left button: **Create**.



On the alphabet screen that appears, under "Enter Preset List Name," joystick to letters and push the joystick in to name the list. For lowercase letters, scroll to the left side of the bottom row of characters and press the joystick in. For numbers, press the joystick again on the same character at the left of the bottom row of characters. To delete a character, joystick to the right of the bottom row to the backspace/delete character and press the joystick in.

Press the left button - Save - to save this Preset List name.

Suggestion: Name a list by user or by protocol.

On the top line of an empty list you will see the list name that you entered. No preset has been saved yet. Press the left button – **Back**.



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NanoRep returns to the menu of settings that you just configured for the preset. Press the right button, **Save**. Now name the preset.



Under "Enter Preset Name," use the joystick to move to letters and press the joystick in to select them. Joystick to the left side of the bottom row of buttons to access lowercase letters and numbers. Joystick to the right side of the bottom row of buttons to delete a character. When the preset name is complete, press the left button – **Done**.

Under "Select preset list to save," the list you named is highlighted. Press the left button – **Select** – to save your preset in this list.

Done! NanoRep returns to the menu of volume settings and options that you just configured. Press the left button - **Done** - to return to the work screen displaying the tip and volume values.

### View Presets

To see the preset you just saved, press the left button – Main – to open the main menu. Press the button on the right – Presets. Your list name is displayed at the top, with the preset you saved just below it. As presets are added to the list, joystick up/down to navigate from preset to preset and push the joystick in or joystick right on the preset you want to open.

### Preset lists: Create, Rename, Delete, Copy

Press the left button – **Main** – to go to the main menu, then press the right button – **Presets**. Joystick to the top line – a preset list name – and press the right button, **Edit**.

### A menu appears with the following options:

- New List
- Rename List
- Delete List
- Copy List (copies all presets in a selected list and saves with a different name)

Joystick to the item you want, then press the joystick in to select it.

### New List

Press the joystick in to select letters to name a new list, then press the left button, **Save**. A double-arrow now appears on the top line of the list displayed to indicate access to additional lists. Joystick right to navigate to the new list.

To save a preset in this new list, go to Basic, Advanced or Manual and configure volume and speed values and press the right button, **Edit**, to adjust other settings. Press the right button – **Save** – to save the configured settings as a preset. Joystick among the letters shown to create a name, then press the left button – **Done**. Under "Select preset list to save" joystick to the new list, then press the left button – **Select**. Done!

### **Rename List**

Joystick to **Rename** List and press the joystick in. Joystick among the letters shown to create a new name for the list, then press the left button – **Save**.

### **Delete List**

Joystick to **Delete List** and press the joystick in. The confirmation message "Are you sure you want to delete?" is displayed. Press the left button – **Delete**. Or press the right button – **Cancel** – to exit.

### Copy List

Joystick to **Copy List** and press the joystick in. Joystick among the letters shown to create a name for this duplicate list of presets, then press the left button – **Save**. A new list is created containing the same presets as the original.

### 8.2 Access a preset

Press the left button, **Main**, to open the main menu. Then press the right button, **Presets**.

To move among preset lists, joystick right or left on the top line. Joystick down a list to the preset you want. Press the joystick in to open the preset.



8.3 View, Move, Rename or Delete a preset

You can move a preset up or down within a list, or move it from one list to another. Press the left button, Main, to open the main menu. Then press the right button – **Presets**. Joystick to the top line showing the list name. If the preset you're looking for is in a different list, joystick right to navigate among lists.

On the list containing the preset you want to move, joystick down to the preset. Then press the right button – **Edit**.

### A menu appears with the following options:

- View
- Move
- Rename
- Delete

### View

Joystick down to **View** and press the joystick in. This is a quick way to review a list of all the settings within the preset: the name, the pipetting mode, the tip size, the aliquot volume, etc. If you want to open the preset to start using it, press the right buton – **Load**. Or press the left button, **Done**, to exit.

### Move

Joystick down to **Move** and press the joystick in to select it. Joystick right or left to move the preset into the desired list, then joystick up or down to position the preset where you want it in the new list. Press the left button, **Done**, to save the preset in this new location.

### Rename

Joystick down to **Rename** and press the joystick in to select it. Joystick among the letters shown to give the preset a new name, then press the left button: **Save**.

### Delete

Joystick down to **Delete** and press the joystick in to select it. The message, "Are you sure you want to delete?" is displayed. Press the left button – **Delete** – to delete, or press the right button – **Cancel** – to exit.

# 9. Do's and Do Not's

A brief list of highlights of what to do and what to not do with NanoRep.

Do	Do Not
Use only Rainin NanoRep syringe tips	Leave liquid in the tip
	Autoclave NanoRep or NanoRep syringe tips
	Expose NanoRep or tips to UV radiation
	Use corrosive chemicals to clean

# 10. Connectivity

NanoRep connects to other devices and applications via USB and RFID.

### 10.1 USB

The USB port on top of NanoRep (protected with a gray rubber cap) connects to the wall power supply to charge the device. A mini-USB to USB cord (not included with NanoRep) can be used to connect to a computer or laptop for device firmware updates.

For more information, please contact a qualified Rainin Service professional or your Rainin sales representative.

### 10.1.1 Update NanoRep Firmware via USB

Note: To update NanoRep firmware, you'll need:

- a USB Type A-to-USB Micro B adapter cable
- a Windows PC

The Micro B end plugs into NanoRep, and the USB A end plugs into your PC.

Your NanoRep's firmware version appears at the bottom of the welcome screen when you power up the device. You can also check your firmware version in Settings > Service Info. Power up NanoRep to check the version number, then go to www.mt.com/Rainin-NanoRep and click on the Documentation tab.

Under Firmware, you'll see the most up-to-date NanoRep firmware listed. The file is named with the version number. If the number shown is larger than the number on your NanoRep welcome screen, the firmware version on the web site is more recent.

- 1. Click the NanoRep Firmware link on the web page. This downloads the .zip folder containing the firmware file.
- 2. Double-click to open the .zip file, and click **Extract All** in the upper right. Select a destination for the extracted file, then click **Extract**.

- 3. Turn on NanoRep.
- 4. Plug the Micro B end of the USB adapter cable into NanoRep, and plug the USB A end into your PC.
- 5. In NanoRep's main menu, select Settings.
- 6. Joystick down to Administrator and press the joystick in.
- 7. Joystick down to USB and press the joystick in to check the box.
- 8. Joystick down one row to Remote File Access and press the joystick in to check the box. A message displays on NanoRep that Remote File Access is enabled.
- On the PC, NanoRep appears as a drive you may see "USB (E:)" or "USB (F:)" or some other new drive indication in your list of drives on the computer.
- Double-click that drive to open the list of folders, then double-click to open the UPDATE folder.
- 11. Drag the freshly downloaded Firmware file into the UPDATE folder. The file will overwrite the former version. This can take up to 5 minutes.
- 12. When the file is completely loaded, on NanoRep, press the right button, **Exit**.
- 13. Joystick down to Firmware Update and press the joystick in to select.
- 14. Press the left button, Continue.
- 15. NanoRep updates. Do not use the pipette until it restarts, which confirms the new firmware version is active. Done!
- To check the firmware version, in Settings, joystick to Service Info and press the joystick in. The version is listed on the Firmware Version line.

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NanoRep contains an HF RFID chip. Readable by an RFID reader, the chip retains service and manufacturing data. Future versions of NanoRep firmware may expand on this connectivity capability.

# 11. Battery

NanoRep's lithium-ion battery can be fully charged in 1.5-2 hours and the device can be used while charging. The time a full charge lasts depends on liquid volumes and viscosities pipetted. The NanoRep battery is designed to deliver ~2,000 cycles on a single charge.

Recharge NanoRep only with the limited power source (LPS-type) Wall Power Supply provided for this product. Severe damage to internal electronics will result from improper charging and use of a non-LPS power supply can be hazardous.

The battery inside NanoRep is a non-user-serviceable part and should be replaced every two years. For more information, please contact a qualified Rainin Service professional or your Rainin sales representative.

# 12. Specifications

Below are the instrument and syringe tip (consumables) technical specifications for NanoRep.

Instrument sp	ecifications	- NanoRep
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Weight	230 grams
Length	22.86 cm / 9 in. (without tip)
Display size / resolution	32.6 mm x 32.6 mm (1.54 in. diagonal) / 240 x 240 pixels
Housing material	Xenoy polymer
Motor type	DC motor
Connectivity	USB: charge, fimware update
Radio	RFID
Charging time	1.5 hours

### Syringe tip (consumables) specifications - NanoRep

Systematic Err	°or – %	
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Tip Size	0.1 %	1 %	10 %	50 %	100 %
0.1 mL	15	8	1.6	0.9	0.9
10 mL	5	2	0.4	0.4	0.3
50 mL	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

Random Error – %

Tip Size	0.1 %	1%	10 %	<b>50</b> %	100 %
0.1 mL	16	12	2.5	0.8	0.5
10 mL	8	3	0.35	0.2	0.15
50 mL	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

# 13. Accessories

NanoRep has two accessories: the small-footprint NanoRep stand (non-charging), and a 3-Hang-up shelf mount that fits not only NanoRep, but also any other Rainin pipette (and many other brands as well).



NanoRep stand

Shelf-mounted 3-Hangup bracket

The NanoRep stand is 29.5 cm tall (11.75 in), and the base is 11 cm x 11 cm (4.25 x 4.25 in).

The shelf-mounted 3-Hangup bracket is 16.5 cm long (6.75 in), 6 cm wide (2.5 in) and 7.5 cm deep (2.75 in).

# 14. Ordering Information

Product	Description	Material Number
NanoRep electronic repeater pipette	Electronic repeater pipette, charging cable, hang-up, 10 mL syringe tip	30568171
NanoRep syringe tip, 0.1 mL (100µL) Sterile 25/1	1 pack of 25 tips — sterile	30575777
NanoRep syringe tip, 10 mL Sterile 25/1	1 pack of 25 tips — sterile	30575779
NanoRep syringe tip, 50 mL Sterile 25/1	1 pack of 25 tips — sterile	30575781
NanoRep syringe tip, 0.1 mL (100µL) 100/1	1 pack of 100 tips - non-sterile	30575705
NanoRep syringe tip, 10 mL 100/1	1 pack of 100 tips - non-sterile	30575707
NanoRep syringe tip, 50 mL 25/1	1 pack of 25 tips — non-sterile	30575789
NanoRep stand	Pipette stand, non- charging	30575784
NanoRep charging cable	Charging cable	30348182
NanoRep 3 Hang-up Accessory	Rail Hang Up NanoRep RP	30584027

# 15. Care and Maintenance

Keep NanoRep dry and clean. Never allow liquid to enter the electronics. Be mindful of the side dispense buttons, display, front buttons and joystick and keep them dry.

Never use aggressive solvents to clean NanoRep. Dampen a lint-free wipe with distilled water to wipe down the instrument. If needed, use mild detergent or isopropyl alcohol. Do not use a bleach solution. Bleach will discolor the instrument. Be sure to keep the display, buttons and joystick dry.

To clean the base of NanoRep, hold the pipette vertical and ensure a syringe tip is inserted. Clean around the syringe tip with a foam swab lightly moistened with cleaning agent or distilled water.

### Do not attempt to clean inside the base of NanoRep.

Parts designed to grasp and optically scan NanoRep syringe tips are exposed and can easily be damaged by foreign objects.

For assistance with debris buildup in or around the liquid end of NanoRep, please contact a qualified Rainin Service professional or your Rainin sales representative.



# 16. Service and Calibration

Routine preventive maintenance (1x / year) of NanoRep is the best way to maintain peak performance. This should include function testing and assessment of wear parts. Rainin provides an ISO 17025 certification with every service visit and replaces the battery every 2 years, documenting replacement on the RFID chip.

# 17. Troubleshooting

Please review the following ways to resolve any issues you might encounter while using NanoRep.

### Stuck or jammed tip

If the syringe tip you inserted into NanoRep is not releasing easily when the tip-eject button is pressed, please try the following:

- First, plug in the NanoRep to charge the battery. Low battery power level can impede tip ejection. Press the eject button while NanoRep is plugged in.
- 2. Grasp the center or top of the tip. Pull it away from NanoRep while pressing the tip-eject button. If necessary try this several times.
- 3. With 0.1 mL and 10 mL syringe tips, there is room to unscrew the 3 screws holding the bottom ring of NanoRep in place. This permits access the inner latches that secure the barrel of the syringe tip.

The ring is held by 3 T5 screws. Unscrew the screws to remove the ring.

With the ring removed, use 2 fingertips to gently separate two of the three white latches that hold the barrel of the tip. Pull to remove the barrel of the tip.

The inner piston may remain locked within the device. If the piston remains, tilt and pull it out in a rotating motion. The combination of pulling and rotating movements should release the piston.

### Empty aliquot when using No Touch Off dispense

Do not aspirate air into NanoRep. Air within the tip adversely affects accuracy and can result in an empty aliquot.

Empty aliquots may also be the result of insufficient Dispense Force in Advanced mode. To adjust Dispense Force in Advanced mode, press the right button, **Edit**, then joystick down to Dispense Force and joystick right to activate the setting. Adjust force and press the left button, **Done**.

**Note**: For high-viscosity liquids, Touch Off (contact) is the recommended dispense type. This is especially true as tip size increases: For the 50 mL syringe tip, No Touch Off dispense is not recommended for liquids of greater viscosity than water.

### Splash when using No Touch Off dispense

No Touch Off dispense can sometimes create a splash if certain No Touch Off technique essentials are not adhered to (see section 6. Technique Essentials). An aliquot volume set too close to, or equal to, your vessel volume can also increase the chance of splashing.

There are a variety of adjustments you can make to eliminate splashing.

### Splash depends on vessel size and shape. It is usually a result of:

- angle of dispense being too close to vertical
- dispense aimed at flat bottom of vessel rather than side wall of vessel
- end of syringe tip being too close to, or inside of, vessel
- · excessively high dispense force
- excessively high dispense speed

### To eliminate splash when using No Touch Off dispense:

- dispense at a 20-30° angle, not vertical
- target aliquots midway down the wall of the well, not the bottom
- dispense from a short distance away from the vessel, usually 5-10 mm
- set Dispense Force to 5 and reduce further if needed
- set Dispense Speed to 5 and reduce further if needed

### Motor stall

Aspirating highly viscous liquids at a high speed can cause NanoRep's motor to stall. This is because the force required to pull the the thick liquid through the small opening of the tip increases at higher speeds. If you encounter a problem aspirating a very viscous liquid, try lowering aspiration speed to 1 and work up from there.

### **Reset NanoRep**

To bring NanoRep out of an error state and restart the device, open the rubber cover of the mini USB port at the top of NanoRep. With the front of NanoRep facing toward you, the reset button – very small – is inset just above the mini USB port. Press the reset button using a clean, rigid, narrow implement such as a SIM tool or eyeglass screwdriver point.



Rainin's warranty is a conditional warranty that covers defects in parts or workmanship, as well as ensures proper performance of the pipette as shipped by the factory. It does not cover damage such as that caused by dropping, splash up of chemicals or if the pipette has been repaired or recalibrated by any service facility which is not authorized by Rainin. This warranty is effective for one year following purchase or service in our lab.

# 19. Disposal

- [EN] Disposal of Electronic Equipment Do not treat this product as household waste. Instead, send it to an electronic equipment recycler for disposal. Contact METTLER TOLEDO for more information.
- [DE] Entsorgung von Elektronik-Altgeräten Dieses Produkt darf nicht über den Hausmüll entsorgt werden, sondern ist einer Recyclingstelle für Elektronikgeräte zuzuführen.
- [FR] Mise au rebut de l'équipement électronique Ne pas traiter ce produit comme une ordure ménagère. Veuillez l'envoyer à une entreprise de recyclage de produits électroniques.
- [ES] Eliminación de equipo electrónico No trate el producto como un residuo doméstico. Llévelo a un punto de reciclaje de equipos electrónicos para su eliminación.
- [ZHS] 电子设备处理 请勿将该产品作为家庭垃圾处理。请将其送至电子设备回收站进 行处理。
- [JP] 電動機器の廃棄 この製品は生活用品として廃棄しないでください。廃棄するには、電 子機器の リサイクル業者にお問い合わせください。
- [K0] 전자 장비 폐기 이 제품을 일반 가정 폐기물로 처리하지 마십시오. 대신 폐기하려면 전자 장비 재활용 업체에 보내십시오.
- [ZHT] 電子設備處理 請勿將本產品當成家庭廢棄物處理。而是應該將其交給電子設備 回收商處理。
- [CS] Likvidace elektronických zařízení Tento výrobek nelikvidujte jako směsný komunální odpad. Namísto toho jej předejte organizaci, jež se zabývá recyklací elektronických zařízení.
- [DA] Bortskaffelse af elektronisk udstyr Dette produkt må ikke behandles som husholdningsaffald. Det skal derimod afleveres på en genbrugsstation for elektronisk udstyr til bortskaffelse.
- [HR] Zbrinjavanje elektroničke opreme Ovaj proizvod nemojte tretirati kao kućni otpad. Umjesto toga, zbrinite ga na reciklažnom dvorištu za elektroničku opremu.
- Elektronikai berendezések ártalmatlanítása
   [HU] Ne kezelje a terméket háztartási hulladékként. Ehelyett küldje az elektronikus berendezéseket újrahasznosítóba vagy ártalmatlanítóba.
- [IT] Smaltimento di apparecchiature elettroniche Non considerare questo prodotto come un normale rifiuto domestico, bensì smaltirlo conferendolo a un centro preposto alla raccolta e al riciclaggio di apparecchiature elettroniche.
- [NL] Verwijdering van elektronische apparatuur Voer dit instrument niet af als huishoudelijk afval. Lever het in bij een inzamelpunt voor elektronische apparatuur.
- [PL] Utylizacja urządzeń elektrycznych Produktu nie można traktować jako odpadu komunalnego. Należy go przekazać do utylizacji firmie zajmującej się recyklingiem urządzeń elektronicznych.

### [PT] Eliminação de equipamentos eletrónicos

Não trate este produto como resíduo doméstico. Em alternativa, ao eliminá-lo, envie-o para uma unidade de reciclagem de equipamentos eletrónicos.

- [RO] Eliminarea echipamentului electronic Nu tratați acest produs ca deşeu menajer. Pentru eliminare, duceți-l la un centru autorizat de reciclare a echipamentelor electronice.
- [RU] Утилизация электронного оборудования Данное изделие нельзя утилизировать как бытовой мусор. Его следует отправить в специализированную организацию, которая занимается утилизацией электронных компонентов.

### [SK] Likvidácia elektronických zariadení

Nezaobchádzajte s týmto produktom ako s odpadom z domácností. Elektronické zariadenie odošlite na recykláciu alebo likvidáciu.

- [SL] Odstranjevanje elektronske opreme Izdelka ne smete odvreči med gospodinjske odpadke, temveč ga odložite v obratu za recikliranje elektronske opreme.
- [SV] Kassering av elektronisk utrustning Hantera inte den här produkten som hushållsavfall. Kassera den på en återvinningsstation för elektronisk utrustning.

### [TR] Elektronik Ekipmanın Elden Çıkarılması

Bu ürüne evsel atık muamelesi yapmayınız. Bunun yerine, elden çıkarmak için ürünü bir elektronik ekipman geri dönüşüm merkezine gönderin.

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