

UV Flashlight Model V3 385-395nm PRO

Instructions & User Guide



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UV Light WARNING

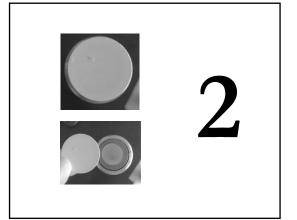
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Quick Start [If three battery configuration is required, use the supplied barrel and battery]



Unscrew the tail cap as shown. Take care not to damage the O-rings.

When Step 4 is complete you should apply some lubrication to the threads and O-rings to prolong their life (e.g. lithium grease)



Remove and discard the battery insulation cover.

NOTE: This may be affixed to the inside of the tail cap



Charge the batteries until the charge indicator is at full (100%)



Insert the batteries with both +ve ends facing the LED head i.e. the button ends facing the LED head. NOTE: Batteries must be orientated correctly

Thanks for your purchase!

uvBeast V3 PRO – It's a new release and it's truly a solution package rather just another UV light. In short, you've made a wise choice. This package is for the more serious user who needs the required accessory support. Until now, you had to acquire these separately. That was an accumulation of time, effort, and money.

A flexible 2 or 3 battery setup – giving you different working times (but same UV intensity); Carry case for ease of transportation lowering the risk of losing items; Holster with belt attachment (and sufficient for 2 or 3 battery flashlight length), for keeping the uvBeast within reach; Spare lens; Glasses for greater viewing detail (stray light bocking); Intelligent charger showing battery charge levels with the choice of 1A and 2A current charge levels, USB mains adapter (US type) for direct connection to mains supply – although any USB power source can be used.

Important Notice [setting your expectations]

As soon as you turn the uvBeast on you may say, "Hey this is not very bright" – but UV can never be described as bright.

Please remember this device emits majority Dark Light (or light that is not visible). So, although you can't see the full ultraviolet beam, it is there! Just point it towards your area of interest and you'll begin to see objects fluoresce. As proof that your purchase works as it should and is emitting majority Dark Light, included are spectral graphs that show you how much Dark Light is being emitted – please see the Technical Section if you're interested.

Contact Us

You may contact us at support@uvbeast.com

Battery Installation

PLEASE NOTE: When unscrewing any section please do so carefully and slowly so as to not damage the O-rings. NOTE: O-rings are already fitted to the uvBeast at the threads. These seal the uvBeast from dust, moisture, and water. NOTE: Your uvBeast is NOT submersible.

Spare O-rings are inside the internal packaging.

PLEASE NOTE [OTHERWISE YOU MAY THINK YOUR DEVICE IS DEFECTIVE]:

Please discard the battery insulation plastic disc found between the battery and the inside tail cap (sometimes it can affixed to the inside tail cap) The Li-ion cells will be found already inside your uvBeast V3 PRO. However, for transportation you'll notice a thin white disc/paper, loose, at the end of the battery (between the battery and the inside tail cap) – sometimes it can get affixed to the inside tail cap. Please discard this, as its only function is to prevent parasitic drain and circuit connection during transit. (Also, please note that the Li-ion cells will arrive semi-charged, but may need further charging). So on first start it's always best to fully charge the batteries otherwise you may think the unit is defective. For future reference, the positive ends of each cell are inserted first into the barrel i.e. the positive ends face the LED head while the negative end faces the tail cap). A third battery is included and is located inside the supplied barrel.

Batteries and Accessories Included

PLEASE NOTE: For your future reference, 21700 Li-ion **BUTTON- TOP** batteries are used in the V3 PRO. "21700" is the type of lithium-ion rechargeable battery. DO NOT use "true" flat top* 21700 as they will not form an end-to-end connection in the barrel. 18650 size can also be used but will need to be at least 67mm each in length.

* "true" flat top batteries is where the positive metal end of the battery does NOT protrude beyond the plastic casing 21700 Lithium-ion 3.7v Protected PCB batteries (4000mAh capacity) Some quick info on the batteries. We'll only really convey what's most important. Each of the batteries is designated as "protected". This means that there is a PCB fitted to each battery which prevents the cell from two events happening: (1) Over-charging the cell, and (2) Over-discharging the cell. Both can damage the cell and adversely affect long-term performance.

The li-ion cell can be charged between 300 to 500 times as given by industry benchmarks, but this is also acknowledged to be conservative and so you may even achieve up to 700 to 1000. These are known as "charge cycles" where one-cycle is equivalent to fully charging the cell and then fully discharging the cell. To further optimize the full working life of the 21700 battery it is better practice to charge the cell when it is about 80% depleted rather than fully depleted, although full depletion with a "protected" cell is however still acceptable.

The two-bay charger has safety protection to prevent overcharging of in-situ 21700 batteries. The USB cable will allow you the flexibility of using various power sources which support USB connections, although for direct connection to the mains, a mains plug (with USB connection) is also supplied for quickest time-to-charge.

Finally, you really have made a wise choice. The Li-ion cell is often hailed as the "cell of the future" due to its relatively high voltage and its ability to sustain discharge at relatively high voltage levels. So any flashlight using a Li-ion cell is a good indication that there's serious power on tap. But, the number one advantage is that being rechargeable they'll save you a huge cost outlay on non-rechargeable cells, bringing down the total-cost-of-ownership of a flashlight to very low levels.

Especially when you consider they'll last for years to come, after which you simply buy a new set to start the lifetime-cycle again.

The Additional Barrel

To achieve the maximum working time – around 7 hours - of your uvBeast V3 PRO on a single charge of the batteries, the additional barrel supplied accommodates an additional 21700 li-ion battery (which is supplied), giving you three batteries in total inside your uvBeast V3 PRO. Note that using 3 instead of 2 batteries does not increase UV intensity.

It is your choice whether you wish to use a 2 or 3 battery setup. 2 batteries will give you around 4-5 hours of working time, whilst 3 batteries will give you around 7 hours of working time.

The diagram below illustrates the sections where the uvBeast V3 PRO contains threaded sections. #2 is the additional barrel used for a 3-battery setup. #1 and #3 only are required for a 2-battery setup. #4 is the on/off tail cap switch.



When to Charge the Batteries?

During operation your uvBeast V3 PRO may flash/flicker a few times of its own accord without the on/off button being pressed. This indicates that the cells are reaching low voltage and it's time to charge the batteries.

Features

- Professional grade designed for long-range UV and higher power applications
- High intensity UV (with high flux density)
- Adjusted wavelength (385nm 395nm) specifically optimized for many domestic & commercial applications
- Capable Under Interior/Ambient Lighting

Your uvBeast V3 PRO includes the accessories you need so it's ready-to-use straight out of the box. It includes:



- 3x 21700 Lithium-ion 3.7 volt PROTECTED PCB cells (4000mAh capacity each),
- Flashlight extension barrel to fit an optional 3rd 21700 size battery (supplied) to increase working time,
- Two-port 21700 intelligent battery charger with USB lead,
- Mains USB plug (for faster charging),
- Custom uvBeast color tint UV glasses for enhanced observation (color block),
- Carry case with strap,
- Flashlight holster with belt loop
- Flashlight lanyard
- Spare lens
- Spare O-rings (usually located in the internal packaging of the additional barrel)

Using the Glasses

Use the glasses that are included with the uvBeast. They will filter out any unwanted visible purple light and you'll see fluorescence even better! Try it out. These have been color tint optimized to do two things: (1) Prevent eye fatigue especially in dark conditions), and (2) to enhance the color transmission of objects you're looking at with the uvBeast.

Using the Charger





The charger will indicate the charge levels of the batteries in each of the bays. To change the charging current press the white circle symbol. This will alternate from 1 Amp and 2 Amp. 2 Amp setting will charge a single battery or two batteries faster than 1 Amp. NOTE: That you may also charge other types of batteries as long as they are rechargeable and are in the list printed on the charger (see image)

Specifications

Wavelength 385-395nm (Broader band)

Optical Power/Radiant Intensity ~1950mW

Irradiance (UV power per unit area)

~8100µW/cm²

UV Beam Distance (dark conditions)

110-120ft

UV Beam Distance (ambient room light conditions)

6-8ft

UV Beam Width

15in

Battery Type

[Supplied] 3x Rechargeable 21700 Lithium-ion 3.7v 4000mAh Protected

PCB

Battery Life (Working time)

~7 hours (x3 batteries)

IP Rating

IP65

(will prevent water ingress from jet sprays), but is NOT

submersible

Care and Maintenance

Please lubricate the threads at the tail cap of the flashlight at various intervals, with suitable lubricants such as lithium grease. This will preserve and maintain thread integrity when unscrewing the tail cap section.

Please lubricate the O-rings located at the tail cap thread at various intervals, with suitable lubricants such as silicone-based lubricants. This will prolong the life of the O-rings as well as maintain their function to prevent the ingress of dust and moisture.

When the V3 PRO LEDs flicker during operation it signifies that it is time to charge the batteries. This may also be indicated when the V3 PRO is switched on and the LEDs turn off automatically after some seconds. If the batteries are drained beyond this point the protected PCB circuit may activate to prevent damage to the batteries due to over discharging. If this is the case the batteries will auto shut off and will require charging. In this event charging may require longer than normal (and please WAIT until the charge indicator light on the charger turns green). This is to preserve battery chemistry. On subsequent charges the charging time will resume to normal.

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Battery Safety

NOTE: Battery damage due to misusage will not be covered under warranty, likewise damage to the V3 PRO caused by batteries other than the supplied batteries will also not be covered by warranty.

Do not place damaged or defective batteries in the V3 PRO

Do not store batteries in pockets or close to metal objects when kept outside of the V3 PRO

Do not tamper with the batteries

If the batteries fail to charge after a number of successive attempts, this indicates that the PTC mechanisms have activated to make the battery safe and will be deactivated permanently. This is a built in safety precaution. **Do not** try to activate batteries which have been deactivated

Troubleshooting

LEDs are not coming on

Please ensure and check the following:

1. Are the batteries flat-top? (In case you are using different batteries other than the batteries supplied with the V3 PRO)

(True) flat top batteries will not work in the V3 PRO. The reason is because the batteries are connected in series (one on top of each other). Since (true) flat-top cells have the positive and negative metal ends **below the plastic casing** (when viewed from a side angle – see side image), so when they are stacked on top of each other, metal does not touch metal. Therefore, no electrical circuit is made. Now, to clarify the word "true" as in a "true flat-top cell". Some flat-top batteries are sold as flat-top but actually they do have a positive metal end which does extend beyond the plastic casing. The way to distinguish is when you view the positive metal end of the cell directly from a side angle, you will see a positive metal anode protruding beyond the plastic casing. Otherwise, the battery should state "not compatible with some flashlights" at the point of sale.

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A "true" flat top battery

If using different batteries - beware of true flat-tops (see image opposite) – they won't work in battery flashlights connected in serial

2. Are the batteries inserted the correct way around?

Obvious we know, but it is a learning curve with many not totally familiar with lithium-ion battery nuances. The positive ends of the batteries must face the LED head. So, the negative ends face the tail cap end. We have definitely encountered this issue on many occasions - it's a very quick fix and an even quicker check to make sure this isn't the reason why the V3 PRO won't turn on.

3. Are the batteries fully charged?

Again, an obvious thing to some, but again it's a "lithium-ion battery" learning curve thing. Either check that **each** battery is fully charged to 3.7-4.2 volts or ensure that the charge indicator lights on the charger you are using turn green. Note that if you're not using the mains as a current supply, it can take longer for the batteries to charge.

Ensure that the charge indicator on the battery charger you are using indicates a full charge

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Please discard the battery insulation plastic disc found between the battery and the inside tail cap (sometimes it can affixed to the inside tail cap)





4. Have you removed the battery insulation disc?

You'll notice a thin white PLASTIC circular disc at the end of the battery (between the battery and the inside tail cap), see image opposite – sometimes it can get affixed to the inside tail cap. Please discard this, as its only function is to prevent parasitic drain and circuit connection during transit. (Also, please note that the Liion batteries will arrive semi-charged, but may need further charging). So, on first use it's always best to fully charge the batteries otherwise you may think the unit is defective. For future reference, the positive ends of each battery are inserted first into the barrel i.e. the positive ends face the LED head while the negative end faces the tail cap).

5. Checked all of the above but still the V3 will not turn on.

Do ensure you've carried out the previous checks - as we've found that in most cases these resolve. In some rare cases, the batteries supplied with the V3 PRO will need to be charged again using the supplied charger. This is because the PCB protection inside the battery sometimes needs another charge cycle attempt to "wake up" the cell. This can sometimes take around 24 hours.

Otherwise, please contact us on our site and we'll resolve ASAP.

UV emission appears to be not all that strong (i.e. weak UV)

Firstly, the light output from a (non-visible) UV light will **not** be of comparable brightness to a regular white light flashlight. Carry out a test with objects known to vividly fluoresce such as washed whites (garments), white paper, fluorescent materials, etc. If you don't see vivid fluorescence in this test, then this is due to one of two things. A defective unit, or more likely, a battery issue. **Before contacting us regarding a defective unit**, please charge until the charge indicator turns green – this can sometimes take around 24 hours if the battery needs to "wake up" – it is rare but can happen.

Light getting "dim"

If at any point you find the uvBeast getting <u>slightly</u> "dim" after many hours of continuous operation, it's usually because the batteries (one or more of them) are getting low on voltage. Check to see if fluorescence of objects suffers. If so, then it's time to charge the batteries.

I have OTHER issues

Please check out our Help Center & Knowledge Base on our official website here: https://uvbeast.com/pages/help-center - most likely we've addressed it there since we continually update common issues people run into. (You can also do a search on our website).

Using UV Light

The current uvBeast models emit ultraviolet light in the following wavelengths (measured in nanometers). 385-395nm and 365nm, depending upon your model.

Visible light is at around 400nm and above towards the infrared spectrum.

Getting Best Results

Different substances will fluoresce ("shine") at different UV intensities. Whether you had domestic or commercial applications in mind, the principle is "the darker the conditions the better" to unleash the full power of the uvBeast. However, that sometimes isn't always possible nor practical (to achieve darkness) so you'll still get a decent 4-6ft beam range in ambient light conditions.

TIP – Scan a general area first to illuminate, and then shine closer to investigate & spot.

Sometimes, in ambient light, you may need to go closer, depending upon the fluorescence intensity of the substance investigated. (Scorpions are the exception. At night/dull conditions, boy do they glow electric blue/green – except from very young ones and also adults if they just molted their skin.

What Can the uvBeast Be Used for?

Whether your needs are commercial or domestic uvBeast will not disappoint. You'll save time, effort, and money with those sanitization jobs, looking for otherwise invisible fluorescence, or just about any other UV task you have in mind.

As an example of the benefits of UV, rather than clean an entire area "just in case", now you can pin-point and spot-treat the specific area. Without UV light, stains are difficult to spot or are invisible. Now, those stains will glow bright. Among other applications that require UV light, uvBeast is specially designed (but not limited to) to fluoresce or react with the following:

• Gems, Rocks, and Minerals (items such as rubies, diamonds, yooperlite, opal, etc.)

- Cat/Dog urine (Note: urine needs to be dry as wet/fresh urine doesn't fluoresce under UV, but a wet urine stain is easily spotted by the eye anyhow)
- Scorpions and their dens (but the very young, and adults just molted may not glow as much)
- Rat/Mouse urine trails (appear as small dots since they urinate and defecate as they travel and eat)
- Human Body Fluids (urine, semen)
- Unsanitary stains, and the like
- **Leak Detection** (UV dyes as well as calcium deposits from water leaks)
- Conformal Coating Detection (e.g. poor glue coverage on items, paint anomalies, etc.)
- **UV Curing** (resins and adhesives including LOCA)
- Other VERY handy applications which require 395nm UV light such as UV adhesive curing, Artwork and antique inspection, Fluid leak detection (vehicles and a/c units), Property hygiene appraisal, UV photography, UV paint charging and fluorescence, Charging of fishing lures, Charging of golf discs, Egg inspection, Gemstone identification (rubies, diamonds, etc.), Caterpillar identification (including the Tomato Hornworm crop destroyer), Resin detection (like glue, wall paint, etc.), Fossil detection, Mineral fluorescence (limited under 395nm), Vaseline glass identification, Banana inspection, Ringworm and mold detection (not all species), Crime and forensic investigation, Narcotic detection, PCB conformity checking...and in fact the list goes on (if that wasn't enough).

You can see more details/instructions on these and more on our website (uvbeast.com) by doing a search. If you have any other uses let us know and we'll include it!

Domestic applications

Identifying vermin activity, treating areas where pets foul, finding hidden scorpions (especially the Bark Scorpion) and their dens, and checking sanitization levels all over the house. So, whether you're monitoring or discouraging your pets' unsanitary practices, keeping scorpions at bay, or checking up

on sanitization levels before/after cleaning, uvBeast will be your useful assistant.

Commercial applications

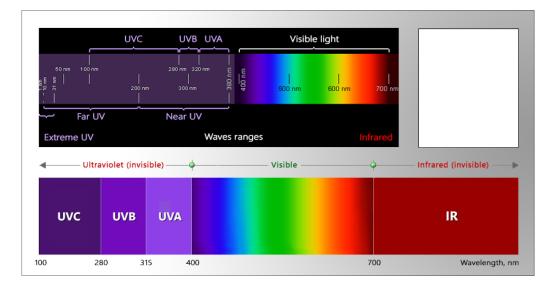
Verifying sanitizations levels in properties, restaurants, hotels, kitchens, pest control efforts, and cleaning services, giving you before and after evidence-based verification as proof that you can show your clients, tenants, guests, customers, or contracted services.

You'll benefit greatly from this type of oversight, making you and your staff more productive, do more in less time, and save wasted effort and money. Cleaning or inspecting? Pin-point stains and substances accurately and instantly without wasting time, effort, and missing hard-to-spot substances.

Same applies to all other UV applications such as identifying leaks from devices/machinery. The UV intensity will accelerate your ability to identify most if not all hidden leaks and anomalies thus greatly reducing and effectively addressing operational risks.

Technical Section

The Electromagnetic Spectrum and UV



Depending upon which uvBeast model you have the device will emit UV at 385-395nm or 365nm.

How it all works?

uvBeast V3 PRO emits 385nm-395nm (at 82% of total radiant intensity) wavelength of light in the invisible light spectrum, which is below visible light that we can see. Past the violet at the end of a rainbow. Light (or photons) at this wavelength when making contact with types of substances, causes excitation. The excited substance then emits light back in the visible spectrum (fluorescence), which we can thus observe with the naked eye.

What difference does the higher power from uvBeast make?

Following from the logic above, weaker UV LED flashlights although at the same wavelength (395nm) emit less photon energy. That amount of energy just doesn't get the target substance all that excited, so in return the substance doesn't emit (fluoresce) that much back to us. So, you'll have to shut out light, create dark conditions, and be inconveniently close to the subject to really see anything.

Typically, most UV flashlights have not been designed to emit high intensity UV. The higher the intensity, the greater the excitation. The greater the excitation, the better the results.

Spectral Quality

The accompanying graph below, illustrate the very high UV capability of your purchase. Anyone can say, "Our manufactured UV light is "super bright", "high flux", "super high flux", or even "the best in the universe".

But, how would you, the consumer really know? After all with a regular "visible light" flashlight that's easy to determine. But remember, this is Dark Light (invisible light) that you can't see. At uvBeast we get that, so we have provided spectral proof of the UV light emitting capabilities of your purchase.

The graphs show the UV flux range. You'll see that the uvBeast peaks at ~393nm at 100% output (relative radiant intensity), but still at 82% output you're getting quality ~382nm, while even at 60% of total output you're getting ~373nm. By the way, against industry benchmarks those figures are awesome because it means that you can consider the uvBeast as emitting UV in the range of 385nm to 395nm – most other decent UV flashlights are only capable of 390nm to 395nm at 63%, whilst the not-so-good quality are even worse at wavelengths of 395-410nm+.

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Peak wavelength of the uvBeast V3 PRO is at 393nm.

82% of the flux is at 385nm wavelength

