

ADVANTAGE SERIES

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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

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1. Safety Precautions

Electricity can cause severe injuries even with low voltages or currents.

Therefore it is extremely important that you read the following information before using your Digital Insulation Tester.

- 1.1 This instrument must only be used and operated by a competent trained person and in strict accordance with the instructions. We will not accept liability for any damage or injury caused by misuse or non compliance with instructions and safety procedures.
- 1.2 This instrument must not be used on live circuits. Ensure all circuits are de-energised before testing. See paragraph 1.8 for details of built-in warning features should your Digital Insulation tester be connected to a live system.
- 1.3 Never open Your Digital Insulation Tester except for battery replacement. (See Battery replacement section).

- 1.4 Always inspect your Digital Insulation tester and test leads before use for any sign of abnormality or damage. If any abnormal conditions exist (broken test leads, cracked case, display faulty etc...) do not attempt to take any measurement or use the tester. Return your Digital Insulation tester to your nearest Distributor for Service.
- 1.5 Never replace the protective fuse with any other than the specified or approved equivalent.
- 1.6 Your Digital Insulation tester has been designed with your safety in mind. However, no design can completely protect against incorrect use. Electrical circuits can be dangerous and/or lethal when a lack of caution or poor safety practice is used. Use caution in the presence of voltage above 24V as these pose a shock hazard.
- 1.7 Pay attention to cautions and warnings which will inform you of potentially dangerous procedures.

1.8 Your Digital Insulation Tester has a live circuit warning beeper.

If it is connected to a live circuit, a rapid pulsating bleep will be heard. DO NOT proceed to test and immediately disconnect the instrument from the circuit. In addition your tester will display the warning message.

1.9 Rated environmental conditions :

- (1) Indoor use.
- (2) Pollution Degree 2.
- (3) Altitude up to 2000 Meter.
- (4) Relative Humidity 80% Max.
- (5) Ambient Temperature 0~40°C.

1.10 Observe the International Electrical Symbols listed below.



Meter is protected throughout by double insulation or reinforced insulation.



Warning ! Risk of electric shock.



Caution ! Refer to this manual before using the meter.



Direct current.

2. Models

2.1 (500V~5kV)

The 5kV Insulation Tester is a four voltage (500V, 1KV, 2.5KV and 5KV) Digital Insulation Tester, Auto Ranging and Menu Driven.

The 5kV Insulation Tester has a Bar-Graph which displays the voltage decay during the discharge of the tested circuit and the voltage stressing the insulation while the test is in progress.

The 5kV Insulation Tester has a Timer which shows the elapsed time for which the test was "ON" and also shows the total time of the test.

The 5kV Insulation Tester displays a Voltage Warning and sounds when AC or DC is present before injecting the Test Voltage.

The 5kV Insulation Tester will buzz intermittently when high voltage is Generated and this remain until the circuit under is fully discharged.

2.2 (1kV~10kV)

The 10kV Insulation Tester is a four voltage (1KV, 2.5KV, 5KV and 10KV) Digital Insulation tester, Auto Ranging and Menu Driven.

The 10kV Insulation Tester has a Bar-Graph which displays the voltage decay during the discharge of the tested circuit and the voltage stressing the insulation while the test is in progress.

The 10kV Insulation Tester has a Timer which shows the elapsed time for which the test was "ON" and also shows the total time of the test.

The 10kV Insulation Tester displays a Voltage Warning and sounds when AC or DC is present before injecting the Test Voltage.

The 10kV Insulation Tester will buzz intermittently when high voltage is generated and this remain until the circuit under is fully discharged.

3. Features

- 2 Lines x 16 Characters large L.C.D.
- Four Insulation test voltage.

(500V~5kV)

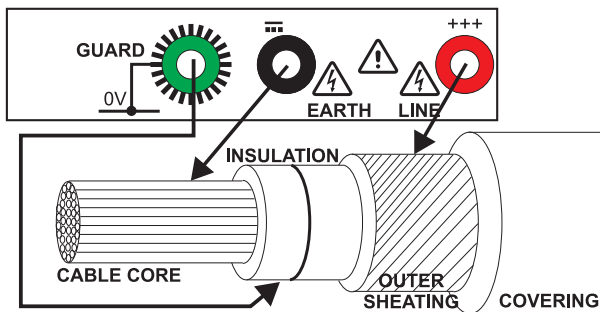
- 1 - 500V DC - 25000MΩ
- 2 - 1000V DC - 50000MΩ
- 3 - 2500V DC - 125000MΩ
- 4 - 5000V DC - 250000MΩ

(1kV~10kV)

- 1000V DC - 50000MΩ
- 2500V DC - 125000MΩ
- 5000V DC - 250000MΩ
- 10000V DC - 500000MΩ

- Insulation Resistance Auto ranging on all range.
- ENERSAVE™ function.
- Bar-Graph indicates test voltage-rise and decay can be observed during tests.
- Warning and display of external voltage presence.
- Over load protected.
- Low Battery Indicator.
- Measure Insulation Time Test.
- Very Low Battery Consumption.
- Smart Microprocessor Controlled.
- Two years Factory Warranty.
- Better than 3% accuracy.
- Auto-Off.
- Compact and Lightweight.

4. Connections



5. Specifications

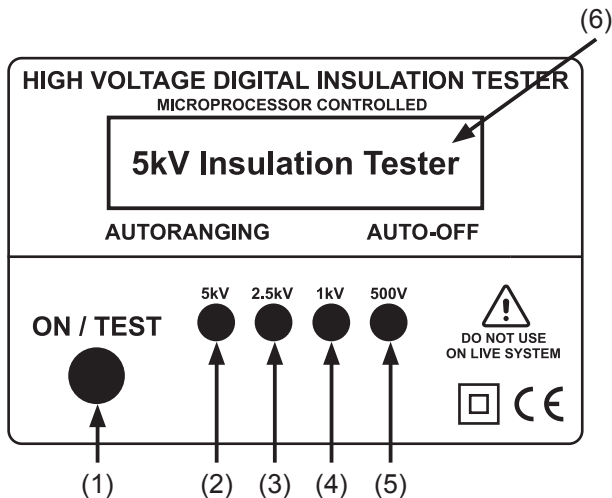
(500V~5kV)

Test Voltage	500V DC	1kV DC	2.5kV DC	5kV DC
Measuring	25G Ω	50G Ω	125G Ω	250G Ω
Range	AUTO RANGING			
Accuracy	0-50G Ω : $\pm 3\%$ of reading 50-250G Ω : $\pm 5\%$ of reading			
Power	8 x 1.5V Alkaline Battery			

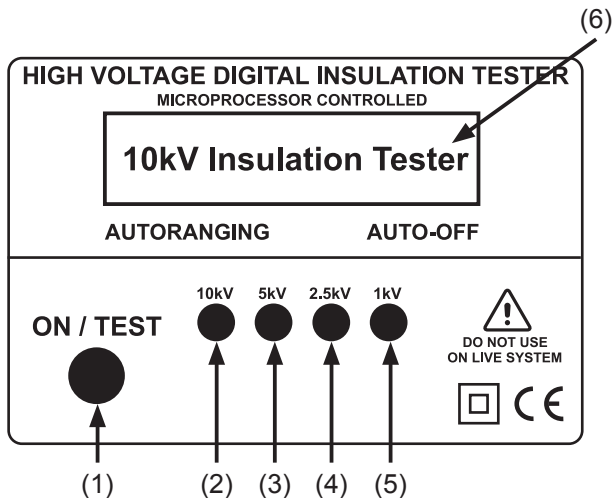
(1kV~10kV)

Test Voltage	1kV DC	2.5kV DC	5kV DC	10kV DC
Measuring	50G Ω	125G Ω	250G Ω	500G Ω
Range	AUTO RANGING			
Accuracy	0-50G Ω : $\pm 3\%$ of reading 50-500G Ω : $\pm 5\%$ of reading			
Power	8 x 1.5V Alkaline Battery			

6. Instrument Layout



- (1) On Switch.
Test Button Switch.
ENERSAVE™ Function Switch.
- (2) 5000V Test Selection Button.
- (3) 2500V Test Selection Button.
- (4) 1000V Test Selection Button.
- (5) 500V Test Selection Button.
- (6) ENERSAVE™ Intelligent L.C.D.



- (1) On Switch.
Test Button Switch.
ENERSAVE™ Function Switch.
- (2) 10000V Test Selection Button.
- (3) 5000V Test Selection Button.
- (4) 2500V Test Selection Button.
- (5) 1000V Test Selection Button.
- (6) ENERSAVE™ Intelligent L.C.D.

7. Functions

7.1 Power-On

To Switch your instrument "ON", press the On button (1).

The L.C.D. will display the Model. From then, follow interactive instructions on L.C.D.

7.2 Insulation Resistance Measurement @ 10000Vdc.

To Select 10kV DC Test Voltage, press 10kV button (2)

(only available on 10kV Insulation Tester).

7.3 Insulation Resistance Measurement @ 5kV DC.

To Select 5kV DC Test Voltage, press 5kV button (2) on model 5kV Insulation Tester and (3) on model 10kV Insulation Tester.

7.4 Insulation Resistance Measurement @ 2.5kV DC.

To Select 2.5kV DC Test Voltage, press 2.5kV button (3) on model 5kV Insulation Tester and (4) on model 10kV Insulation Tester.

7.5 Insulation Resistance Measurement @ 1kV DC.

To Select 1kV DC Test Voltage , press 1kV button (4) on model 5kV Insulation Tester and (5) on model 10kV Insulation Tester.

7.6 Insulation Resistance Measurement @ 500V DC.

To Select 500V DC Test Voltage , press 500V button (5) on model 5kV Insulation Tester (only available on 5kV Insulation Tester).

7.7 ENERSAVE™ Mode.

The ENERSAVE™ Mode saves battery life by Automatically turning the Instrument to low consumption (Reducing the Test Duration). The ENERSAVE™ Mode is the default mode of the Instrument. The ENERSAVE™ Mode is enabled when pressing the TEST button (1) for less than 3 seconds.

The ENERSAVE™ Mode is disabled when pressing the TEST button (1) for more than 3 seconds.

7.8 Voltage Output Bar-Graph.

The Bar-Graph shows the voltage present on the leads. It also shows the voltage charging a cable or capacitive system under test and shows the decay during the Automatic Capacitive discharge of the system under test.

7.9 Auto-Low Resistance Detect.

While in Insulation Test Mode, if the L.C.D. Displays "LOW MW", stop test immediately. This could mean that the Insulation has breakdown and so you are now trying to inject very high voltage on a short circuit.

7.10 Timer.

The duration of the test is shown on the L.C.D. This is particularly useful to verify that insulation does not break down within a certain time.

7.11 STOP test.

To stop the Test in progress, press the TEST button (1). The test will immediately stop and the Instrument will enable the ENERSAVE™ mode automatically.

7.12 Auto-Stop.

Should the operator leave the Instrument in the test mode with the ENERSAVE™ disabled, the Instrument will Automatically Stop the test after a duration of 99.9 seconds.(Auto-off still applies).

7.13 Auto Live / Voltage Warning.

Should the leads be placed onto a live system before starting the test, a warning beeper will be automatically activated and.

- Your instrument will display "Live WarningCircuit Live....." Message. Let the Instrument discharge the circuit (in the case of capacitive system) or make sure that the circuit under test is not live.

7.14 Auto - Discharge.

At Auto-Stop or test completion, the Instrument Automatically discharges the system under Insulation test, so that the dangerous high voltage is discharged. The Auto-Discharge can be observed on the L.C.D. so that the operator only removes the leads when the discharge is complete. During discharge, beep occurs so that the user does wait for the complete discharge of the system under test.

This is indicated by a one second long beep accompanied by the "HOLD" message on the display.

DO NOT REMOVE LEADS UNTIL THE HOLD MESSAGE APPEARS ON THE DISPLAY.

7.15 " Replace Battery" Warning Indicator.

If the battery energy is detected to be too low, the instrument will display the "Replace Battery" warning and Automatically shut-down .

The instrument can't operate properly with a low battery. Use only Alkaline batteries.

7.16 Auto-Off.

The Auto-off is annunciated by a one second beep. The Auto-off timer is automatically enabled.

LIVE WARNING MESSAGE / BEEPER

To Clear Live Warning Message / Beeper
Remove leads from Circuit under test and
Push "TEST" button until display Clears.

8. Preparation for Measurement

Before testing always check the following.

At Power "ON", read the display to make sure the "Replace Battery" message do not get displayed.

There is no visual damage to the Instrument or test leads.

Test Leads continuity :

Using a Ohm-meter, check the resistance/continuity of the leads.

9. Battery Replacement

Your Digital insulation Tester's battery is situated under the tester.

Your ENERSAVE™ display will indicate you when battery need to be replaced.

Disconnect the test leads from the Instrument, remove the battery cover and the batteries.

Replace with eight Alkaline 1.5V R6 or L6 batteries, taking care to observe correct polarity. Replace battery Holder and the battery cover.

10. Calibration & Servicing

Both, calibration and servicing are performed at our facilities.

Contact us or your nearest distributor about Calibration Certificate and Servicing.

Before returning the Instrument, ensure that :

- The leads have been checked for continuity and signs of damage.
- The batteries are in good condition.

11. Insulation Resistance Testing with 5kV

Insulation Tester

Warning : Insulation test should be conducted on circuits that are de-energised.

Ensure circuits are not live before commencing testing.

(500V~5kV)

Turn Instrument "ON" by pressing the "ON" button. The L.C.D. display will come to the following Screen.

**Select Test→5KV
2.5KV, 1KV, or 500V**

Select Insulation test voltage . For example, 500V. The Following Screen will confirm your selection.

**500V 30000MΩ
Selected**

Follow the Interactive Screen.

**Connect Leads,.....
Testing for Live.**

If the system you are trying to Test is not voltage free, the beep will go on, the following Warning screen will appear. Remove your leads immediately.

**LIVE WARNING ...
Circuit Live !!!**

If the system is not live, the test will start and the following screen will appear, indicating the test duration and other factors.

**R=1253.0M Ω 85.2s
0 \Rightarrow  \leftarrow 500V**

If either the operator or the Instrument stops the Test, the latest result is "HOLD" on the L.C.D. The Instrument switches off after ± 45 to 60 sec.

**R=1253.0M Ω 85.2s
0 \Rightarrow HOLD \leftarrow 500V**

12. Insulation Resistance Testing with 10kV

Insulation Tester

Warning : Insulation test should be conducted on circuits that are de-energised.

Ensure circuits are not live before commencing testing.

(1kV~10kV)

Turn Instrument "ON" by pressing the "ON" button.
The L.C.D. display will come to the following Screen.

**Select Test → 10KV
5KV, 2.5KV, or 1KV**

Select Insulation test voltage . For example, 10000V.
The Following Screen will confirm your selection.

**10KV 500000MΩ
Selected**

Follow the Interactive Screen.

**Connect Leads,.....
Testing for Live.**

If the system you are trying to Test is not voltage free, the beep will go on, the following Warning screen will appears. Remove your leads immediately.

**LIVE WARNING ...
Circuit Live !!!**

If the system is not live, the test will start and the following screen will appear, indicating the test duration and other factors.

**R=125340M Ω 85.2s
0 \rightarrow  \leftarrow 10KV**

If either the operator or the Instrument stops the Test, the latest result is "HOLD" on the L.C.D. The Instrument switches off after ± 45 to 60 sec.

**R=125340M Ω 85.2s
0 \rightarrow HOLD \leftarrow 10KV**

13. Cleaning & Storage

WARNING

To avoid electrical shock or damage to the meter, do not get water inside the case.

Periodically wipe the case with a damp cloth and detergent; do not use abrasives or solvents.