AC/DC CLAMP-ON MILLIAMMETER

Instruction MODEL 600 Manual

Thank you very much for selecting our model 600 digital AC/DC clamp-on tester.

This model is a complex yet easy to use instrument and employs a very reliable mechanical/electronic design. Before using your new instrument, read this Instruction Manual thoroughly and familiarize yourself with all the functions. With proper use and care, your tester will give you years of satisfactory service.



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1. FEATURES

- Extremely high accuracy AC/DC current measurements from 1mA to 10A without breaking the circuit.
- MAX HOLD and MIN HOLD function provides the monitoring function for maximum current measurements.
- Automatic zero adjustment function by micro computer for easy operation.
- The double shielding of CT provides minimum influence by the external magnetic field interference.

2. SAFETY SUMMARY

The WARNINGs which appear on the following page must be followed to ensure operator safety and to retain the good operating condition of the tester.

Safety Symbols :

 \triangle Indicates the operator must refer to an explanation in this manual. Indicates terminals at which dangerous voltage may exist.

△ WARNING

- To avoid electrical shock, exercise CAUTION when working with more than 60V DC or 25V AC rms since the danger of electric shock may exist. In addition, check that the test leads are in normal condition.
- POSSIBLE ELECTRICAL SHOCK. Do not make measurements if the case is damaged or the battery cover is removed. Remove all electrical inputs before the battery cover.
- POSSIBLE ELECTRICAL SHOCK or FIRE HAZARD. Do not expose this tester to rain or moisture. Do not operate the tester in the presence of flammable gases or fumes.
- Do not exceed the maximum input limits.
- Never clamp the conductor of the circuit carrying 300V or greater.
- Never make measurements for uninsulated conductors or bus bars.

3. SPECIFICATION

3-1. General Specification

Measuring sensor : Hall effect Measuring function : DC current, AC current (true rms reading) with automatic zero adjustment, max, hold, min, hold, data hold, auto power off Display 3.5 digit LCD, max. reading of 1999 Range : AC/DC 200mA, 2000mA, 10A Sampling time : 1.6 times/sec. Over range indication : "OL" mark on LCD readout Data hold indication : "D·H" mark on LCD readout Low battery indication : "B" mark on LCD readout Limitation of circuit voltage : Less than AC/DC 300V Withstanding voltage : AC 2300V/1 minute max. between the core of CT and outer case. Operating temperature $:0^{\circ}C \sim 50^{\circ}C$, $< 80^{\circ}RH$ (non-condensing) Storage temperature $\therefore -20^{\circ}$ $\sim 60^{\circ}$ C, $< 75^{\circ}$ RH (non-condensing) Power supply : 1.5V ("AA" size, UM-3) x 2 Battery life : 120 hours or more (Alkaline) Auto power off : The meter is set to power off mode approx. 10 minutes after the power switch on. Size : 76(W)x194(H)x30(D)mm Weight : Approx. 340g Accessories : Carrying case:.....1 Instruction manual.....1 Batteries.....2

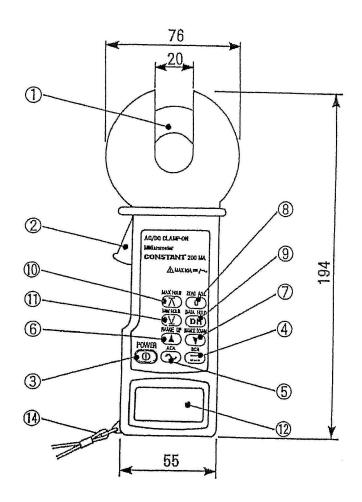
3-2. Measuring Range

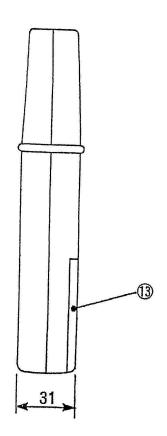
Note : Electrical characteristic ($18^{\circ}C \sim 28^{\circ}C$, $80^{\circ}RH$ max.)

	Range	Input	Resolution	Accuracy
	200mA	0~199.9mA	$100 \mu \mathrm{A}$	$\pm 1.0\%$ rdg ± 5 dgt (50/60Hz)
ACA	2000mA	0~1999mA	1mA	$\pm 1.0\%$ rdg ± 5 dgt (50/60Hz)
	10A	0~9.99A	0.01A	$\pm 1.0\%$ rdg ± 10 dgt (50/60Hz)
	200mA	0~±199.9mA	$100 \mu \mathrm{A}$	$\pm 1.0\%$ rdg ± 3 dgt $\pm (3\%$ rdg $\ddagger)$
DCA	2000mA	$0\sim\pm1999$ mA	1mA	$\pm 1.0\%$ rdg ± 3 dgt $\pm (3\%$ rdg $\ddagger)$
	10A	$0\sim\pm9.99A$	0.01A	$\pm 1.0\%$ rdg ± 10 dgt $\pm (3\%$ rdg $\ddagger)$

‡: Error by hysteresis of hall effect.

4. DIMENSIONS AND PANEL FUNCTION





- ① Current transducer (Jaw)
- ② Jaw opening lever
- ③ Power switch : Press this switch for power ON or OFF. The meter is set to power off mode at approximately 10 minutes after the power switch on. However, in max. hold and min. the auto power off mode is cancelled.
- ④ DCA selector switch : Press this switch to select DCA measurements.
- (5) ACA selector switch : Press this switch to select ACA measurements.
- 6 RANGE UP switch : Press this switch to select the range up.
- \bigcirc RANGE DOWN switch : Press this switch to select the range down.
- ③ ZERO ADJ switch : In DCA measurement, this switch is used for zero adjustment. In ACA measurement, when this switch is pressed, the input applied at that time is stored as zero reference point. Subsequent readings display deviations from this reference point. To release, press DCA/ACA selector switch or RANGE UP/DOWN switch.
- (9) DATA HOLD switch : This switch locks the display. When pressed. "DH" mark is displayed. To release, press the switch again to release the hold condition.
- (1) MAX HOLD switch : Press this switch to select the maximum value measurement. When pressed, "MAX-H" mark is displayed. To release, press the switch again.
- (1) MIN HOLD switch : Press this switch to select the minimum value measurement. When pressed, "MIN-H" mark is displayed. To release, press the switch again.
- 12 LCD display
- 13 Battery cover
- (1) Wrist strap

5. METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

5-1. Preparation and Caution before taking Measurement

- Avoid using the tester in places subject to high temperatures, humidity or excessive vibration.
- Before measurements, be sure the data hold switch is set to "OFF". (It is impossible to make measurements if the data hold switch is set to "ON".)
- Remove the battery if the tester will not be used for a long period of time.

△ WARNING

- To avoid electrical shock, exercise CAUTION when working with more than 60V DC or 25V AC rms since the danger of electric shock may exist. In addition, check that the test leads are normal condition.
- POSSIBLE ELECTRICAL SHOCK. Do not make measurements if the case is damaged or the battery cover is removed. Remove all electrical inputs before removing the battery cover.
- POSSIBLE ELECTRICAL SHOCK or FIRE HAZARD. Do not expose this tester to rain or moisture. Do not operate the tester in the presence of flammable gases or fumes.
- Do not exceed the maximum input limits.
- Never clamp the conductor of the circuit carrying 300V or greater.
- Never make measurements for uninsulated conductors or bus bars.

5-2. Method of Measurement

Important Note :

Model 600 employs the hall effects for the CT censor. The characteristics of the hall effect have a hysteresis due to magnetization. It means the zero adjustment point is varied in DC current measurement. To eliminate this effect, open and close the jaws several times to discharge and always press zero adjustment switch before measurements.

For reference, when DC 10A conductor is clamped, 100mA indication by magnetization is observed in our test.

The high sensitive hall effect sensor is used in CT. When clamping the conductor, open and close the jaws slowly and firmly to avoid the impact to the sensor.

- ① Set the POWER switch to "ON". The function is automatically set to DC 200mA range.
- ② Set the ACA/DCA selector switch to ACA or DCA depending upon the signal to be measured.
- ③ Set the range to the appropriate range using RANGE UP or RANGE DOWN switch.
- ④ Press ZERO ADJ switch to read zero for the DC current measurement. When pressed, "ZERO ADJ" mark is displayed. In DCA measurement, always carry out the zero adjustment before measurements. To repeat the zero adjustment, press to release RANGE UP or RANGE DOWN switch.
- ⁽⁵⁾ Clamp slowly and firmly around the conductor of the circuit under test with the current transducer.
- ⁽⁶⁾ Taking measurements in a dark place or in a place where it is difficult to see readings, use the data hold switch.
- \bigcirc Read the displayed value.
- ⑧ After measurement, set the POWER switch to "OFF".

CAUTION

The various numerals are indicated in the display in DC current measurement, even when the clamp transducer (Jaw) is opened or closed without any input. However, this is not abnormal. Always carry out the zero adjustment before measurements.

Note: Clamp around only one conductor in the circuit to be measured for the line current or earth line measurement.
To measure a leakage current in a single-phase electric circuit, clamp the two conductors together. Or clamp the three conductors together in the case of the three-phase electric circuit.

CAUTION

Never fail to keep the maximum tolerable input.

To avoid electrical shock or damage, the measurement is limited to the circuit 20A DC or AC rms.

5-3. Relative Readings

If the ZERO ADJ switch is pressed in ACA measurement mode, the input applied at the time is stored as a zero reference point.

- ① When ZERO ADJ switch is pressed under the clamping condition, "ZERO ADJ" mark is displayed with the indication of 0.0, 0 or 0.00.
- ② The deviations from this point are displayed for subsequent measurement.

5-4. MAX/MIN HOLD Measurement

This function is used to measure the maximum value or minimum value in the measurements. In this mode, the auto power off function is automatically canceled.

- ① Set the POWER switch to "ON".
- ② Set the ACA/DCA selector switch to ACA or DCA depending upon the signal to be measured.
- ③ Set the range to the appropriate range.
- ④ Press the ZERO ADJ switch to read zero for the DC current measurement.
- 5 Clamp the conductor of the circuit under test with clamp transducer.
- 6 Read the displayed value. Press the MAX HOLD or MIN HOLD switch once, "MAX-H" or "MIN-H" mark is displayed. In this mode, the maximum value or minimum value is displayed for subsequent measurement. To release, press the switch again.
- ⑦ After measurement, set the POWER switch "OFF".

CAUTION

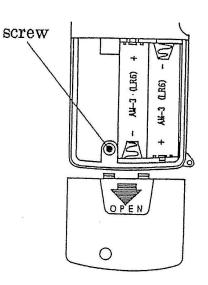
If excessive high current is applied to the clamp transducer, the zero adjustment is disabled due to the magnetic charge of the clamp transducer. In such case, discharge the magnetized clamp transducer as follows.

- ① Set the POWER switch to "ON".
- 2 Set the range to AC 200mA range.
- ③ Apply AC 10A to the clamp transducer (by clamping), and reduce the applied current gradually to zero. The magnetic charge will be discharged.

6. REPLACEMENT OF BATTERIES

When the battery becomes exhausted or drops below the operating voltage, the "B" mark is displayed. Set the power switch to "OFF", prior to installing batteries. To install the batteries, remove the battery cover located at the rear.

Loosen the screw on the battery cover. Replace the batteries (AA size or UM-3) with new ones, observing polarity. Use high-quality batteries which are guaranteed against leakage. If the tester is to be left unused for a long period of time, to prevent damage due to possible leakage, remove the batteries.



7. MAINTENANCE

When making requests for repair service, please bring the instrument directly to the dealer. If this is impossible, however, send the instrument directly to our sales office.

When mailing this instrument, always pack it in its original or equivalent packing material and pack together with name, address, telephone number and the warranty documentation.

- To endure speedy and reliable repair, always include information as the type of failure and cause.
- If required, always return accessories with the instrument.
- When contacting us, provide the model number and serial number of your instrument.

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