# DIGITAL MULTIMETER OPERATION MANUAL

# 1. GENERAL

The instrument is a stable and good performance digital multi-meter driven by battery. Its LCD with 42mm-high figure makes the reading clear. Overload protection makes the operation is convenient.

The instrument has the function of measuring DCV, ACV, DCA, ACA, resistance, capacitance, frequency, and diode, triode and continuity test. The instrument takes dual-integral A/D converter as key point, is an excellent tool.

## 2. SAFETY NOTES

The meter meets the standard of IEC1010. Please read below notes carefully before operation.

2-1 Do not input a value over the range limited.

2-2 Voltage less than 36V is a safety voltage. When measuring voltage higher than DC 36V, AC 25V, please check the connection and insulation of test leads to avoid electric shock.

2-3 Be sure to keep the test leads off the testing point when converting function and range

2-4 Select correct function and range to avoid fault operation.

2-5 Check the battery and lock the cabin before operating the meter.

2-6 Do not input any voltage when measuring resistance.

2-7 Make sure the power is off and the lest leads are removed from the testing points before replace battery or fuse.

2-8 Safety symbols

"A" exists high voltage, "+"GND, "D" dual insulation,

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must refer to manual, "
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low battery
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# 3. SPECIFICATION

# 3-1. GENERAL

3-1-1. Displaying : LCD displaying

3-1-2. Max. indication: 19999 (4 1/2), auto polarity indication

3-1-3. Measuring method: dual slope A/D transfer

3-1-4. Sampling rate: approx. 2-3 times/sec

3-1-5. Max. common mode voltage: 500V DC/AC RMS

3-1-6. Over range indication: MSD displays "1" or"-1"

3-1-7. Low battery indication: "-" symbol displays

- 3-1-8. Operation:  $0{\sim}40\,^\circ\!\!\mathbb{C}$ , relative humidity <80%
- 3-1-9. Storage: -10 ${\sim}50\,{^\circ}\!{^\circ}$  , relative humidity <80%

3-1-10. Power: one 9V battery (NEDA1604/6F22 or equivalent)

3-1-11. Meas.:192\*95\*48 mm

3-1-12. Weight: approx. 455g (including battery)

# 3-2 TECHNICAL DATA

3-2-1 Accuracy:  $\pm$  (a% x reading + digits) at 23  $\pm$  5 °C, relative humidity <75%. One year guarantee since production date.

·RMS measurement

·Unit symbol display

·Frequency f

Auto power off

# 3-2-2 Function:

·DCV	<ul> <li>Resistance Ω</li> </ul>
·ACV	<ul> <li>Diode continuity testing</li> </ul>
·DCA	•Triode hFE
·ACA	·Capacitance C
Backlight	

3-2-3. TECHNICAL DATA

3-2-3-1. DCV		
Range	Accuracy	Resolution
200mV	±(0.05%+3)	0.01mV
2V		0.0001V
20V		0.001V
200V		0.01V
1000V	±(0.1%+5)	0.1V

Input resistance: 10MΩ for all ranges

Overload protection: Range 200mV: DC 250V or AC peak value. Other ranges: DC 1000V or AC peak value

#### 3-2-3-2. ACV

Range	Accuracy (the input is over 10% of the range)		Resolution	
200mV	40Hz~400Hz	±(1.0%+25)	0.1mV	
200mV	400Hz-20kHz	±(2.5%+60)	0.1mv	
2V	40Hz~400Hz	±(0.8%+25)	1m)/	
2 V	400Hz-20kHz	±(2.5%+60)	1mV	
20V	40Hz~400Hz	±(0.8%+25)	10mV	
200	400Hz-20kHz	±(2.5%+60)	TOTIV	
200V	40Hz~400Hz	±(0.8%+25)	100mV	
2007	400Hz ~1kHz	±(1.5%+25)	TUUIIIV	
750V	40Hz~200Hz	±(1.0%+25)	1V	
	200Hz~1kHz	±(1.5%+25)	IV	
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Input impedance:  $2M\Omega$  at all ranges

Over-range protection: 250 DCV or AC peak factor at 200mV range, 1000 DCV or DC peak factor at other range

Displaying: 1) True RMS (true value response)

2): Some can't turn to "0" which is normal phenomenon; it

can't affect the test accuracy

3): When test AC+DC, the accuracy should be  $\pm (1\%+25)$ 

3-2-3-3.DCA	

Range	Accuracy	Resolution
200uA		0.01uA
2mA	±(0.5%+4)	0.0001mA
20mA		0.001mA
200mA	±(0.8%+6)	0.01mA
20A	±(2.0%+15)	0.001A

Max. measuring volt drop: 200mV

Max. input current: 20A (within 10 seconds)

Over-range protection: 0.2A / 250V self resume fuse. Range 20A is without fuse.

## 3-2-3-4. ACA

Range	Accuracy	Resolution
200mA	±(1.5%+25)	0.1mA
20A	±(2.5%+35)	10mA

Max. measuring volt drop: 200mV

Max. input current: 20A (within 10 seconds)

Over-range protection: 0.2A/250V with fuse, range 20A is without fuse. Frequency response: 40-1kHz

Displaying: True RMS

When test AC+DC, the accuracy should be  $\pm(1\%+25)$ 

# 3-2-3-5. RESISTANCE (Ω)

Range	Accuracy	Resolution
200Ω	±(0.2%+10)	0.01Ω
2kΩ		0.1Ω
20kΩ	±(0.2%+5)	1Ω
200kΩ		10Ω
2ΜΩ		100Ω
200ΜΩ	±[5%(reading-10.00]+30	10kΩ

Open voltage: less than 3V

Overload protection: DC 250V or AC peak factor

Note: In range  $200\Omega$ , should make the test leads short, and measure the resistance of the wire, then, subtract it from the actual measuring value.

### 3-2-3-6. CAPACITANCE

Range	Accuracy	Resolution
20nF		10pF
2uF	±(4.0%+50)	1000pF
200uF		10nF

## Testing frequency: 400Hz

Overload protection: DC 36Vor AC peak factor;630mA/250V fuse protection

## 3-2-3-7. FREQUENCY

Range	Accuracy	Resolution
20kHz	±(1.5%+25)	10Hz
200kHz		100Hz

Input sensitivity: RMS 120mV

Overload protection: DC 250V or AC peak value (within 10sec.)

# 3-2-2-8.DIODE AND CONTINUITY TEST

RANGE	DISPLAYING VALUE	TEST CONDITION
<b>→</b> • •)))	Diode forward volt drop	Forward DC current is approx. 1mA, backward voltage is approx. 3V
Buzzer rings, the impedance between the two testing points is less than( $70\pm20$ ) $\Omega$ Open voltage approx. 3V		
Overland protection DC 250V or AC peak factor		

Overload protection: DC 250V or AC peak factor

Warning: Do not input any voltage value at this range for safety!

## 3-2-2-9. hFE

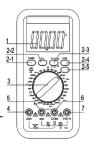
Range	Scope	Testing condition
hFE NPN or PNP	0~1000	Base DC current is approx. 10uA, Vce is approx. 3V

# 4. OPERATION

4-1. Front panel

1. LCD: display the measured value 2-1. Power switch: turn on or off the power

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- 2-2. Backlight key
- 2-3. hFE testing terminal: for measuring transistor hFE



#### mode.

2-5. AC+DC key

3. Knob switch: for changing function and range

4. Testing terminal for current 20A

- 5. Testing terminal for current less than 200Ma
- 6. Common ground

7. Terminal for Voltage, resistance, and frequency testing

# 4-2. DCV measurement

4-2-1. Apply the black test lead to "COM" terminal and the red one to  $V\!/\Omega/Hz$  terminal.

4-2-2. Switch the knob to a proper DCV range, then, crossly connect the test leads with the measured circuit, the voltage and polarity of the point which connected with the red test lead will be displayed.

NOTE:

1. If the voltage under measured is unclear beforehand, should set the range knob to the highest range, then, switch to a proper range according to the displaying value.. If LCD displays"1", it means over-range, the range knob must be switched to a higher range.

2. Do not input a voltage over 1000V, or the meter might be damaged.

3. Be careful when measuring high voltage circuit.

#### 4-3. ACV measurement

4-3-1. Apply the black test lead to "COM" terminal and the red one to  $\text{V}/\Omega/\text{Hz}$  terminal.

4-3-2. Set the range knob to a proper ACV range, then, connect the test leads crossly with the measured circuit.

NOTE:

1. If the range under measured is unclear beforehand, should set the range knob to the highest range, then, switch it to a proper range according to displaying value.. If LCD displays "1", it means over-range, should set the range knob to a higher range.

2. The remained digits do not affect the measuring accuracy.

Do not input a voltage over RMS 750V, or, the meter might be damaged.
 Be careful when measuring high voltage circuit.

#### 4. Be careful when measuring high voltage circuit.

#### 4-4. DC current measurement

4-4-1. Apply the black test lead to "COM" terminal and the red one to "mA" terminal (Max.200Ma), or the red test lead to "20A" terminal (max. 20A)

4-4-2. Set the range knob to a proper DCA current range, then, connect the meter with the measured circuit, the measured current value and the polarity of the point which connected by the red test lead will be displayed on LCD. NOTE:

1. If the range under measured is unknown beforehand, should set the range knob to the highest, then, switch it to a proper range according to the displaying value; If LCD displays"1", it means over-range, the range knob must be set to a higher range.

2. The max. input current is 200mA or 20A (subject to the position where the red test lead be inserted), large current may blow the fuse. Be careful especially at 20A range, because there is no fuse protection, large current may heat the circuit, even damage the meter.

## 4-5. AC current measurement

4-5-1. Apply the black test lead to "COM" terminal, and the red one to "mA" terminal (max. 200mA), or the red test lead to "20A" terminal (max. 20A);

 $4\mathchar`-5\mathchar`-2.$  Set the range knob to a proper AC current range, then, connect the meter with the circuit under measured.

## NOTE:

1. If the current range under measured is unknown beforehand, should set the range knob to the highest, then, switch it to the proper range according to the displaying value. If LCD displays "1", it means over-range, must set the range knob to a higher range.

2. The max. input current is 200mA or 20A (subject to the position where the red test lead be inserted), large current might blow the fuse, be careful especially at

20A range, because there is no fuse protection, large current may heat the circuit, even damage the meter.

3. The remained digits do not affect the measuring accuracy.

## 4-6. Resistance measurement

4-6-1. Apply the black test lead to COM terminal, and the red one to  $V\!/\Omega\!/Hz$  terminal.

4-6-2. Set the range knob to a proper resistance range, connect up the test leads across the resistance under measured.

# NOTE:

1. If the resistance value is over the selected range value, "1" displays, thus, should set to a higher range. When measuring value is over  $1M\Omega$ . the reading needs a few seconds to be stable. It's normal for high resistance measuring. 2. When input terminal is open-circuit, overload displays.

 Before measuring in-line resistance, be sure that power is off and all capacitance are released.

4. Do not input voltage at this range.

## 4-7. Capacitance measurement

Set the knob to proper capacitance range, and insert the capacitor under tested. NOTE:

1. If the capacitance is unknown beforehand, should set the range knob to the highest, then, switch it to a proper range according to the displaying value. If "1" displays, it means over-range, should set to a higher range.

2. Before taking measurement, LCD displaying might not be zero, the remaining will become smaller and smaller. It could be ignored.

3. If creeps seriously or the capacitor is breakdown when measuring large capacitance, some digits are displayed and unstable.

Before measuring, should release the capacitor completely to avoid damage.
 Unit: 1uF =1000 nF 1nF=1000pF

# 4-8. Transistor hFE

4-8-1. Set the range to hFE range.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{4-8-2.Select}}$  NPN or PNP , insert separately emitter, base and collector to proper terminal.

## 4-9. Diode and continuity test

4-9-1. Apply the black test lead to "COM" terminal, and the red one to V/Ω/Hz terminal (the polarity of the red test lead is "+").

4-9-2. Set the range knob to → )), connect the test leads with the diode under measured, and the reading is close to the value of diode forward voltage drop. 4-9-3. Connect the test leads with two points of circuit under measured, if the inner

buzzer sounds, the resistance between two points is less than  $(70\pm20)\Omega$  approximately.

NOTE: Do not input voltage at" + •)))" range to avoid damage.

## 4-10. Frequency measurement

- 4-10-1. Apply the test leads or shield cable to "COM" and V/ $\Omega$ /Hz terminal.
- 4-10-2. Switch the knob to frequency range, and connect crossly the test leads with the signal source or the measured load.
- NOTE:
- 1. When input is over 10V rms, reading is possible but maybe over-range.
- 2. Shielding cable be recommended when measuring small signal under noisy condition.
- 3. Be careful when measuring high volt circuit.
- 4. Do not input a voltage over DC 250V or AC peak factor to avoid damage to the meter.

# 4-11. DATA HOLDING

Press down the "HOLD" key, the current data could be holding on LCD. 4-12. AUTO POWER OFF 4-13. BACKLIGHT DISPLAY

# 5. MAINTENANCE

- Do not try to modify the electric circuit.
- 5-1. Keep the meter away from water, dust and shock.
- 5-2. Do not store and operate the meter under the condition of high temperature,
  - high humidity, combustible, explosive and strong magnetic place.

 $5\mathchar`{3}$  . Clean the case with a damp fabric and detergent, do not use abrasives and alcohol.

5-4. If do not operate for a long time, should take out the battery to avoid leakage 5-5. Replacing fuse

Please use the same type and specification fuse as replacement.

6. If the meter does not work properly, check it as following:

ERROR	SOLUTION
NO DISPLAYING	<ul> <li>Turn on the power</li> <li>HOLD key</li> <li>Replace battery</li> </ul>
symbol displays	Replace battery
NO CURRENT INPUT	Replace fuse
BIG ERROR	Replace battery

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