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(1) 5-4/5 digits 500000 counts LCD display
(2) Push-buttons for special functions \& features
(3) Selector to turn the Power On or Off and select a function
(4) Input Jack for 10A (+) (20A for 30sec) current, and for T2 (-) function

5 Input Jack (+) for all functions EXCEPT current ( $\mu \mathrm{A}, \mathrm{mA}, \mathrm{A}$ ) and T2 functions
(6) Common (Ground reference) Input Jack (-) for all functions EXCEPT T2 function
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## SYMBOLS

| 4 | Caution! Risk of electric shock |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\triangle$ | Caution! Refer to the explanation in this Manual |
| - | Double Insulation or Reinforced insulation |
| $\sim$ | Alternating Current (AC). |
| =- | Direct Current (DC). |
| $\square$ | Fuse |
| $\stackrel{1}{ \pm}$ | Earth (Ground) |
| $\triangle$ | Please remove all the test leads before preforming maintenance, cleaning, battery replacement, fuse replacement, etc |
| C | Complies with European Directives |
| C | Conforms to relevant Australian standards |
| 求 | Do not dispose of this product as unsorted municipal waste. Contact a qualified recycler for disposal |

## Safety Information

This manual contains information and warnings that must be followed for operating the instrument safely and maintaining the instrument in a safe operating condition. If the instrument is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the instrument may be impaired.
The meter is intended only for indoor use.
The meter protection rating, against the users, is double insulation per IEC61010-1 2nd Ed., EN61010-1 2nd Ed., UL61010-1 2nd Ed. and CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 61010.1-0.92 to Category III 1000 Volts AC \& DC and Category IV 600 Volts $A C \& D C$.

AM-140-A Terminals (to COM) measurement category:
V : Category III 1000 Volts AC \& DC, and Category IV 600 Volts AC \& DC.
A / mA A : Category III and Category IV 600 Volts AC and 300 Volts DC.
AM-160-A Terminals (to COM) measurement category:
V / A / mA $\boldsymbol{A}$ A : Category III 1000 Volts AC \& DC, and Category IV 600 Volts AC \& DC.

Measurement Category IV (CAT IV) is for measurements performed at the source of the low-voltage installation. Examples are electricity meters and measurements on primary overcurrent protection devices and ripple control units.

Measurement Category III (CAT III) is for measurements performed in the building installation. Examples are measurements on distribution boards, circuit- breakers, wiring, including cables, bus-bars, junction boxes, switches, socket-outlets in the fixed installation, and equipment for industrial use and some other equipment, for example, stationary motors with permanent connection to the fixed installation.

Measurement Category II (CAT II) is for measurements performed on circuits directly connected to the low voltage installation. Examples are measurements on household appliances, portable tools and similar equipment.

## Terms In This Manual

$\triangle$ WARNING - identifies conditions and actions that could result in serious injury or even death to the user.
$\triangle$ CAUTION - identifies conditions and actions that could cause damage or malfunction in the instrument.

## $\triangle$ WARNING

To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this product to rain or moisture. To avoid electrical shock hazard, observe the proper safety precautions when working with voltages above 60 VDC or 30 VAC rms. These voltage levels pose a potential shock hazard to the user. Do not touch test lead tips or the circuit being tested while power is applied to the circuit being measured. Keep your fingers behind the finger guards of the test leads during measurement. Inspect test leads, connectors, and probes for damaged insulation or exposed metal before using the instrument. If any defects are found, replace them immediately. Do not measure any current that exceeds the current rating of the protection fuse. Do not attempt a current measurement to any circuit where the open circuit voltage is above the protection fuse voltage rating. Suspected open circuit voltage should be checked with voltage functions. Never attempt a voltage measurement with the test lead inserted into the $\mu A / m A$ or $A$ input jack. Only replace the blown fuse with the proper
rating as specified in this manual. Only use the accompanied test leads, or replace with the same rating or better.

## $\triangle$ CAUTION

Disconnect the test leads from the test points before changing functions. Always set the instrument to the highest range and work downward for an unknown value when using manual ranging mode.

## CENELEC Directives

The instruments conform to CENELEC Low-voltage directive 2006/95/EC and Electromagnetic compatibility directive 2004/108/EC

## UNPACKING AND INSPECTION

Your shipping carton should include:
1 AM-140-A or AM-160-A Meter
1 Test Leads (Black x 1; Red x 1)
1 K Type thermal couple with banana plug (For AM-160-A only)
1 Users Manual
1 Single Alkaline 9V battery; NEDA1604A, JIS6AM6 OR IEC6LF22(Installed) If any of the items are damaged or missing, return the complete package to the place of purchase for an exchange.

## FEATURES

Average sensing RMS calibrated
RMS (Root-Mean-Square) is the term used to describe the effective or equivalent DC value of an AC signal. Most digital multimeters use average sensing RMS calibrated technique to measure RMS values of AC signals. This technique is to obtain the average value by rectifying and filtering the AC signal. The average value is then scaled upward (calibrated) to read the RMS value of a sine wave. In measuring pure sinusoidal waveform, this technique is fast, accurate, and cost effective. In measuring non-sinusoidal waveforms, however, significant errors can be introduced because of different scaling factors relating average to RMS values.

## AC True RMS

AC True RMS, normally refers as True RMS, identifies a DMM function that is AC coupled, and responds accurately only to the effective RMS AC component value regardless of the waveforms. However, DC component plays an important role in the distorted non-symmetrical waveforms, and will also be of interest sometimes. A full wave rectified sine waveform is a good example, and the AC true RMS function will only give the AC component reading which is at $43.6 \%$ of the total effective DC+AC RMS reading.

## DC+AC True RMS

DC + AC True RMS calculates both of the AC and DC components given by the expression $\sqrt{D C^{2}+(A C r m s)^{2}}$ when making measurement, and can responds accurately to the total effective RMS value regardless of the waveform. Distorted waveforms with the presence of DC components and harmonics may cause:

- Overheated transformers, generators and motors to burn out faster than normal
- Circuit breakers to trip prematurely
- Fuses to blow
- Neutrals to overheat due to the triplen harmonics present on the neutral
- Bus bars and electrical panels to vibrate


## AC Bandwidth

AC bandwidth of a DMM is the range of frequencies over which AC measurements can be made within the specified accuracy. It is not the frequency measurement function, and is the frequency response of the AC functions. A DMM cannot accurately measure the AC value with frequency spectrums beyond the AC bandwidth of the DMM. Therefore, wide AC bandwidth plays an important role in high performance DMMs.In reality, complex waveforms, noise and distorted waveforms contain much higher frequency spectrum than its fundamental.

## NMRR (Normal Mode Rejection Ratio)

NMRR is the DMM's ability to reject unwanted AC noise effect that can cause inaccurate DC measurements. NMRR is typically specified in terms of dB (decibel). This series has a NMRR specification of $>60 \mathrm{~dB}$ at 50 and 60 Hz , which is a good and definite ability to reject the effect of AC noise when making DC measurements.

## CMRR (Common Mode Rejection Ratio)

Common mode voltage is voltage present on both the COM and VOLTAGE input terminals of a DMM, with respect to ground. CMRR is the DMM's ability to reject common mode voltage effect that can cause digit rolling or offset in voltage
measurements. This series has a CMRR specifications of $>80 \mathrm{~dB}$ at DC to 60 Hz in ACV function; and $>120 \mathrm{~dB}$ at DC, 50 and 60 Hz in DCV function. If neither NMRR nor CMRR specification is specified, a DMM's performance will be uncertain.

## Analog bar-graph

The analog bar graph provides a visual indication of measurement like a traditional analog meter needle. It is excellent in detecting faulty contacts, identifying potentiometer clicks, and indicating signal spikes during adjustments. Analog bar-graph is not available in AC+DC True RMS Voltage \& Current modes.

## OPERATION


#### Abstract

$\triangle$ CAUTION Before and after hazardous voltage measurements, test the voltage function on a known source such as line voltage to determine proper meter functioning.


## AC Voltage, DC Voltage, DC+AC Voltage, \& $\mathbf{~} \mathbf{H z}$ Line Level Frequency

In AC Voltage, press SELECT button momentarily to toggle between AC and dBm . In DC Voltage, press SELECT button momentarily to toggle between DC, and DC+AC. In mV Voltage, press SELECT button momentarily to select DC, $A C$, or $D C+A C$. The new settings will be saved automatically to the nonvolatile memory as power up default. In DCV and DCmV, press 500000 button momentarily to toggle between $4-4 / 5$ digits and $5-4 / 5$ digits readings. In voltage or current functions, press the Hz push button momentarily to activate or to exit Line Level Frequency measuring function. Line Level Frequency measuring function is designed especially for noisy electrical high voltage signals.

Note: In dBm function, power up default reference impedance will be displayed for 1 second before displaying the dBm readings. Press $\mathrm{dBm}-\Omega$ (RANGE) button momentary to select different reference impedance of 4, 8, $16,32,50,75,93,110,125,135,150,200,250,300,500,600,800,900,1000$, up to $1200 \Omega$. The new impedance value will be saved automatically to the nonvolatile memory as power up default.

dBm- $\Omega$

dBm


DCV


ACV

$\sim \mathrm{Hz}$


Note: Line Level Frequency measuring function input sensitivity varies automatically with voltage (or current) function range selected. The lower the measuring range the higher the sensitivity. That is, mV function has the highest and the 1000 V range has the lowest as in voltage function ranges. It is recommended to first measure the signal voltage (or current) level then activate the Hz function in that voltage (or current) range to automatically get the most appropriate trigger level. When activated from voltage function, you can also press the RANGE button momentarily to select another trigger level range manually. The analog bargraph pointer will point at the selected trigger level range scale $1,2,3$, or 4 . If the Hz reading is unstable, select lower sensitivity to avoid electrical noise. If the reading shows zero, select higher sensitivity.

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Press SELECT button momentarily to toggle between Hz and \% (duty cycle) readings. The new setting will be saved automatically to the non-volatile memory as power up default. Press 500000 button momentarily to toggle between 5 full digits and 6 full digits Hz readings.


Note: Unlike the Line Level Frequency measuring function as previously stated, this Logic Level Frequency function is set only at the highest input sensitivity for measuring digital type electronic signals.

## T1-T2 Dual Channels Temperature function (AM-160-A only)

Press SELECT button momentarily to toggle between ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ readings, and the new setting will be saved automatically in the non-volatile memory as power up default. Press T1-T2 (RANGE) button momentarily to select T1, T2, or T1-T2 readings.

Note: Insert the banana plug K-type temperature bead probe with correct + ー polarities. Dual channels T1-T2 readings require 2 probes. You can also use a plug adapter (Optional purchase) with banana pins to K-type socket to adapt other standard K type mini plug temperature probes.


## $\Omega$ Resistance, $\cdot \boldsymbol{\bullet})$ ) Continuity functions

Press SELECT button momentarily to toggle between $\Omega$ and $\bullet \cdot$ )) Continuity functions. The new setting will be saved automatically to the non-volatile memory as power up default. Continuity function is convenient for checking wiring connections and operation of switches. A continuous beep tone indicates a complete wire.


## $\triangle$ CAUTION

Using resistance or continuity function in a live circuit will produce false results and may damage the meter. In many cases the suspected component must be disconnected from the circuit to obtain an accurate reading.

## IF Capacitance, 나 Diode test function

Press SELECT button momentarily to toggle between H- Capacitance and Diode test functions. The new setting will be saved automatically to the nonvolatile memory as power up default.

## $\triangle$ CAUTION

Discharge capacitors before making any measurement. Large value capacitors should be discharged through an appropriate resistance load.


Note: Normal forward voltage drop (forward biased) for a good silicon diode is between 0.400 V to 0.900 V . A reading higher than that indicates a leaky diode (defective). A zero reading indicates a shorted diode (defective). An OL indicates an open diode (defective). Reverse the test leads connections (reverse biased) across the diode. The digital display shows OL if the diode is good. Any other readings indicate the diode is resistive or shorted (defective).

## $\mu \mathrm{A}, \mathrm{mA}, \mathrm{A}$, and \% $\mathbf{4 - 2 0 \mathrm { mA } \text { Current functions }}$

Insert the red test lead into the correct $\mu \mathrm{A} / \mathrm{mA}$ or A input jack. Press SELECT button momentarily to select DC, AC, or DC+AC. The new settings will be saved automatically to the non-volatile memory as power up default. In DC mA function, neither in AC nor in DC+AC, press and hold the $\% 4-20 \mathrm{~mA}$ ( $\sim$ Hz ) button for 1 second or more to display the current digital data in terms of loop current percentage (\%) value. It is set at $4 \mathrm{~mA}=0 \%$ (zero) and $20 \mathrm{~mA}=$ $100 \%$ (span) with $0.01 \%$ high resolution, which virtually extends the meters' capability to test and regulate the externally powered loop current in the industrial process control applications. The analog bar-graph remains showing the mA current value to alert the user.


## $\triangle$ Warning

When measuring a 3-phase system, special attention should be taken to the phase-to-phase voltage that is significantly higher than the phase-to-earth voltage. To avoid exceeding the voltage rating of the protection fuse(s) accidentally, always consider the phase-to-phase voltage as the working voltage for the protection fuse(s).

PC-COMM computer interface capabilities
The instrument equips with an optical isolated interface port at the meter back for data communication. Optional purchase PC interface kit USB-KIT3 is required to connect the meter to the PC computer. The USB-KIT3 Data Recording System software equips with a digital meter, an analog meter, a comparator meter, and a Data Graphical recorder display. Refer to the README file in the interface kit for further details.

## MAX/MIN RECORDING mode

Press REC button momentarily to activate MAX/MIN recording mode. The LCD annunciators "R" and "MAX MIN" turn on. The meter beeps when new maximum or minimum reading is updated. Press the button momentarily to read throughout the Maximum (MAX), Minimum (MIN), and Maximum minus Minimum (MAX-MIN) readings. Press the button for 1 second or more to exit MAX/MIN recording mode. Auto Power Off feature will be disabled automatically in this mode.

## CREST Capture (Instantaneous Peak Hold) mode

Press CREST button momentarily to activate CREST mode to capture voltage or current signal duration as short as 0.8 ms . This mode is available in DC, AC, $D C+A C$ modes of voltage and current functions. The LCD annunciators "C" \& "MAX" turn on. The meter beeps when new maximum or minimum reading is updated. Press the button momentarily to read throughout the Maximum (MAX), Minimum (MIN), and Maximum minus Minimum (MAX-MIN) readings. Press the button for 1 second or more to exit CREST capture mode. Auto Power Off feature will be disabled automatically in this mode.

## ©Relative Zero mode

Relative Zero allows the user to offset the meter consecutive measurements with the displaying reading as the reference value. Practically MAX/MIN recording feature readings can also be set as relative reference value. Press the $\boldsymbol{\Delta}$ button momentarily to activate and to exit Relative Zero mode.

## 500000 high resolution stable mode

In DC voltage and frequency functions, press the 500000 button momentarily to toggle between the $4-4 / 5$ digits fast mode and the $5-4 / 5$ digits high resolution stable mode.

## Backlighted display

Press the SELECT button for 1 second or more to turn on or off the display backlight function. It will also be turned off automatically after 30 seconds to extend battery life.

## Manual or Auto-ranging

Press the RANGE button momentarily to select manual-ranging mode, and the meter will remain in the range it was in, the LCD annunciator AUTO turns off. Press the button momentarily again to step through the ranges. Press and hold the button for 1 second or more to resume auto-ranging mode.
Note: Manual ranging mode feature is not available in Hz function.

## Hold $\mathbb{H}$

The hold function freezes the display for later view. Press the HOLD button momentarily to activate or to exit the hold function.

## Set Beeper Off

Press the $\simeq \mathrm{Hz}$ button while turning the meter on to disable the push button operating beeper feature. However, the continuity and Jack Beep input warning features remain.

## Beep-Jack ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Input Warning

The meter beeps as well as displays "InErr" to warn the user against possible damage to the meter due to improper connections to the $\mu \mathrm{A}, \mathrm{mA}$, or A input jacks when other function (like voltage function) is selected.

## Intelligent Auto Power Off (APO)

The Intelligent Auto Power Off (APO) mode turns the meter off automatically to extend battery life after approximately 17 minutes of no activities. Activities are specified as: 1) Rotary switch or push button operations, and 2) Significant measuring readings of above $10 \%$ of range or non-OL $\Omega$ readings. In other words, the meter will intelligently avoid entering the APO mode when it is under normal measurements. To wake up the meter from APO, press the RECORD button momentarily or turn the rotary switch to the OFF position and then turn back on again. Always turn the rotary switch to the OFF position when the meter is not in use.

## Disabling Auto Power Off

Press the RANGE button while turning the meter on to disable the Auto Power Off (APO) feature.

## General Specifications

Display:

Polarity:
Update rate:

42 Segments bar graph:
Operating temperature:
Relative humidity:

Pollution degree:
Storage temperature:

Altitude:
Temperature coefficient:

Sensing:
Safety:

4-4/5 digits 50,000 counts. Selectable stable mode 5-4/5 digits 500,000 counts for DC voltage, \& 6 digits 999,999 counts for HZ
Automatic

4-4/5 digits fast mode: 5 per second nominal; 5-4/5 digits stable mode:1.25 Per second nominal;

60 per second max
$0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $45^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\left(32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\right.$ to $113^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ )
Maximum relative humidity $80 \%$ for temperature up to $31^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ decreasing linearly to $50 \%$ relative humidity at $45^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

2
$-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\left(-4^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\right.$ to $\left.140^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\right),<80 \%$ R.H.
(With battery removed)
Operating below 2000 m
Nominal 0.1 X (specified accuracy) $/{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} @\left(0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ $18^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ or $28^{\circ} \mathrm{C}-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / 32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}-104^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ ), or otherwise specified
$A C, A C+D C$ true RMS
Double insulation per iec61010-1 2nd ed., En61010-1 2nd ed., Ul61010-1 2nd ed. \& Can/csa c22.2 No. 61010.1-0.92 To category III 1000v AC \& DC and category IV 600V AC \& DC

Am-140-a terminals (to COM) measurement category:
V : Category III 1000 VAC \& VDC and category iv 600 VAC \& VDC.
A / mA $A$ A: Category III and category iv 600 VAC and 300 VDC.

Am-160-a terminals (to COM) measurement category:
V / A / mA A: Category III 1000 VAC \& VDC and category IV 600 VAC \& VDC.

## Overload protections:

Transient protection:
E.M.C.:

In an RF field of $3 \mathrm{~V} / \mathrm{m}$ :
Other function ranges:

Power supply:

Power consumption:
Low battery:
Apo timing:
Apo consumption:

Dimension:

Weight:
Am-140-a:
$\mu \mathrm{A} \& \mathrm{~mA}: 1 \mathrm{~A} / 600 \mathrm{~V}$, IR 10kA or better, F fuse A: 10A/600V, IR 100kA or better, $F$ fuse v: 1050VRMS, 1450VPEAK $\mathrm{mV}, \Omega$, \& others: 600 VDC \& VAC RMS

## Am-160-a:

$\mu \mathrm{A} \& \mathrm{~mA}: 0.44 \mathrm{~A} / 1000 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{IR} 10 \mathrm{kA}$ or better, F fuse
A: 11A/1000V, IR 20kA or better, F fuse $\mathrm{V}, \mathrm{mV}, \Omega$, \& others: 1050VRMS, 1450VPEAK

8 kV ( $1.2 / 50 \mu \mathrm{~S}$ SURGE)
Meets en61326-1:2006 (EN55022, EN61000-32, EN61000-3-3, EN61000-4-2, EN61000-4-3, EN61000-4-4, , EN61000-4-5, EN61000-4-6, EN61000-4- 8, EN61000-4-11)

Capacitance function is not specified Total accuracy $=$ specified accuracy +100 digits. Performance above $3 \mathrm{~V} / \mathrm{m}$ is not specified

Single alkaline 9V battery; neda1604a, jis6am6 or lec6lf22

6mA typical
Below approx. 7V
Idle for 17 minutes
$55 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ typical for am-140-a; $30 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ typical for am-160-a

L186mm x W87mm x H35.5mm (7.3in x 3.4in
$\times 1.4 \mathrm{in}$ ); $\mathrm{L} 198 \mathrm{~mm} \times$ W97mm $\times \mathrm{H} 55 \mathrm{~mm}$ ( 7.8 in x
$3.8 \mathrm{in} \times 2.2 \mathrm{in}$ ) with holster
390 gm (0.9lb); 500 gm (1.1lb) with holster

## Electrical Specifications

Accuracy is $\pm$ (\% reading digits + number of digits) or otherwise specified, at $23^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \pm 5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ \& less than $75 \%$ relative humidity.

True rms voltage \& current accuracies are specified from $5 \%$ to $100 \%$ of range or otherwise specified. maximum crest factor $<$ 5:1 at full scale \& $<10: 1$ at half scale, and with frequency components within the specified frequency bandwidth for non-sinusoidal waveforms.

DC Voltage

| Range | AM-160-A | AM-140-A |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Accuracy |  |
| $500.00 \mathrm{MV}, 5.0000 \mathrm{~V}$, <br> 50.000 V | $0.02 \%+2 \mathrm{D}$ | $0.03 \%+2 \mathrm{D}$ |
| 500.00 V | $0.04 \%+2 \mathrm{D}$ | $0.05 \%+2 \mathrm{D}$ |
| 1000.0 V | $0.05 \%+2 \mathrm{D}$ | $0.1 \%+2 \mathrm{D}$ |

NMRR: >60DB @ 50/60HZ
CMRR: >120DB @ DC, 50/60HZ, RS=1K $\Omega$
Input Impedance: $10 \mathrm{M} \Omega$, 30 pF nominal ( 80 pF nominal for 500 mV range)

Ohms

| Range | AM-160-A | AM-140-A |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Accuracy |  |
| $500.00 \Omega$ | $0.07 \%+10 \mathrm{D}$ |  |
| $5.0000 \mathrm{~K} \Omega$ |  | $0.1 \%+6 \mathrm{D}$ |
| $50.000 \mathrm{~K} \Omega$ | $0.07 \%+2 \mathrm{D}$ |  |
| $500.00 \mathrm{~K} \Omega$ |  | $0.4 \%+6 \mathrm{D}$ |
| $5.0000 \mathrm{M} \Omega$ | $0.2 \%+6 \mathrm{D}$ | $2.0 \%+6 \mathrm{D}$ |
| $50.000 \mathrm{M} \Omega$ | $2.0 \%+6 \mathrm{D}$ |  |

Open Circuit Voltage: < 1.3VDC ( < 3VDC FOR 500 R RANGE)

PAC \& AC+DC Voltage

| Range | AM-160-A | AM-140-A |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Accuracy* |  |
| 20HZ -- 45HZ |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} 500.00 \mathrm{MV}, 5.0000 \mathrm{~V}, \\ 50.000 \mathrm{~V} \end{gathered}$ | $1.5 \%+60 \mathrm{D}$ | UNSPEC'D |
| $500.00 \mathrm{~V}, 1000.0 \mathrm{~V}$ | UNSPEC'D |  |
| 45HZ -- 300HZ |  |  |
| 500.00 MV | 0.3\% + 20D | 0.8\%+60D |
| $5.0000 \mathrm{~V}, 50.000 \mathrm{~V}$ | 0.8\% + 20D |  |
| $500.00 \mathrm{~V}, 1000.0 \mathrm{~V}$ | 0.4\% + 40D |  |
|  | 300HZ -- 5KHZ | 300HZ -- 1KHZ |
| 500.00MV | 0.3\% + 10D | 0.8\%+40D |
| $\begin{gathered} 5.0000 \mathrm{~V}, 50.000 \mathrm{~V} \\ 500.00 \mathrm{~V} \end{gathered}$ | 0.4\% + 40D | 2.0\% +60D |
| 1000.0V | $\begin{gathered} 0.8 \%+40 \mathrm{D} \\ (300 \mathrm{HZ}-1 \mathrm{KHZ}) \end{gathered}$ | 1.0\%+40D |
|  | 5KHZ -- 20KHZ | 1KHZ -- 20KHZ |
| 500.00 MV | 0.5\% + 20D | 1DB** |
| $5.0000 \mathrm{~V}, 50.000 \mathrm{~V}$ | 0.8\%+20D | 2DB** |
| 500.00 V | 0.5\%+20D | 3DB** |
| 1000.0 V | UNSPEC'D | UNSPEC'D |
| 20KHZ -- 100KHZ |  |  |
| 500.00MV | $2.5 \%+40 \mathrm{D}$ |  |
| $5.0000 \mathrm{~V}, 50.000 \mathrm{~V}$ | 4.0\% + 40D** |  |
| 500.00 V | UNSPEC'D |  |
| 1000.0 V |  |  |

*from $5 \%$ to $10 \%$ of range: accuracy \% of reading (or in db ) +80 d **from 5\% to 10\% of range: accuracy \% of reading (or in db) + 180d **from $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ to $15 \%$ of range: accuracy $\%$ of reading (or in db ) +100 d
cmrr: >80db @ dc to $60 \mathrm{hz}, \mathrm{rs}=1 \mathrm{k} \Omega$
input impedance: $10 \mathrm{~m} \Omega$ 30pf nominal ( 80 pf nominal for 500 mv range) residual reading less than 50 digits with test leads shorted.

DBM: at $600 \Omega,-11.76 \mathrm{dbm}$ to 54.25 dbm
accuracy: $\pm 0.25 \mathrm{db}+2 \mathrm{~d}$ (@40hz -- 20khz)
input impedance: $10 \mathrm{~m} \Omega$, 30 pf nominal
selectable reference impedance of $4,8,16,32,50,75,93,110,125,135,150$, $200,250,300,500,600,800,900,1000,1200 \Omega$

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Audible threshold: between $20 \Omega$ and $200 \Omega$ response time < $100 \mu \mathrm{~S}$

## - Diode Tester

| Range | Accuracy | Test Current <br> (Typical) | Open Circuit <br> Voltage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5.0000 V | $1 \%+1 \mathrm{D}$ | 0.4 mA | $<3.5 \mathrm{VDC}$ |

## Capacitance

| Range | Accuracy* |
| :---: | :---: |
| 50.00 nF | $0.8 \%+3 \mathrm{D}$ |
| 500.0 nF | $0.8 \%+3 \mathrm{D}$ |
| $5.000 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | $1.5 \%+3 \mathrm{D}$ |
| $50.00 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | $2.5 \%+3 \mathrm{D}$ |
| $500.0 \mu \mathrm{~F} * *$ | $3.5 \%+5 \mathrm{D}$ |
| $9999 \mathrm{~F} * *$ | $5.0 \%+5 \mathrm{D}$ |

*accuracies with film capacitor or better
**in manual-ranging mode, measurements not specified below $45.0 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ and $450 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ for $500.0 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ and $9999 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ranges respectively

DC Current

| Range | Accuracy | Burden Voltage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $500.00 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ | $0.15 \%+20 \mathrm{D}$ | $0.15 \mathrm{mV} / \mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| $5000.0 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ | $0.1 \%+20 \mathrm{D}$ | $0.15 \mathrm{mV} / \mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| 50.000 mA | $0.15 \%+20 \mathrm{D}$ | $3.3 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{mA}$ |
| 500.00 mA | $0.1 \%+30 \mathrm{D}$ | $3.3 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{mA}$ |
| 5.0000 A | $0.5 \%+20 \mathrm{D}$ | $45 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| $10.000 \mathrm{~A}^{*}$ | $0.5 \%+20 \mathrm{D}$ | $45 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{A}$ |

*10A continuous, $>10 \mathrm{~A}$ to 15 A (TO 20A for AM-160-A) for 30 second max with 5 minutes cool down interval

## AC \& AC+DC Current

| Range | AM-160-A | AM-140-A | Burden Voltage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Accuracy |  |  |
| 50HZ -- 60HZ |  |  |  |
| $500.00 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ | 0.5\%+50D | $1.0 \%+40 \mathrm{D}$ | $0.15 \mathrm{mV} / \mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| $5000.0 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ |  |  | $0.15 \mathrm{mV} / \mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| 50.000 mA |  |  | $3.3 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{mA}$ |
| 500.00 mA |  |  | $3.3 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{mA}$ |
| 5.0000A |  |  | $45 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| 10.000 A* |  |  | 45mV/A |
| 40HZ - 1KHZ |  |  |  |
| $500.00 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ | 0.7\%+50D | 1.0\%+40D | $0.15 \mathrm{mV} / \mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| $5000.0 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ |  |  | $0.15 \mathrm{mV} / \mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| 50.000 mA |  |  | $3.3 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{MA}$ |
| 500.00 mA |  |  | $3.3 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{MA}$ |
| 5.0000 A |  |  | $45 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| 10.000 A* |  |  | $45 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{A}$ |


| 1KHZ - 10KHZ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $500.00 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ | 2.0\% + 50D | UNSPEC'D | $0.15 \mathrm{mV} / \mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| 5000.0رA |  |  | $0.15 \mathrm{mV} / \mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| 50.000 mA |  |  | $3.3 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{mA}$ |
| 500.00 mA |  |  | $3.3 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{mA}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & 5.0000 \mathrm{~A} \\ & 10.000 \mathrm{~A}^{*} \end{aligned}$ | UNSPEC'D | UNSPEC'D | $45 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{A}$ |

*10A continuous, >10A to 15A (to 20A FOR AM-160-A) for 30 second max with 5 minutes cool down interval

DC LOOP CURRENT \%4--20MA
$4 \mathrm{~mA}=0 \%$ (zero)
$20 \mathrm{~mA}=100 \%$ (span)
Resolution: 0.01\%
Accuracy: $\pm 25 \mathrm{D}$
Crest mode (Instantaneous Peak Hold)
Accuracy: specified accuracy $\pm 100$ digits for changes $>0.8 \mathrm{~ms}$ in duration

## T1-T2 Dual Temperature (AM-160-A only)

| Range | Accuracy |
| :---: | :---: |
| $-50.0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ TO $1000.0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $0.3 \%+1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| $-58.0^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ TO $1832.0^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ | $0.3 \%+2^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ |

Thermocouple range \& accuracy not included

ح Hz Line Level Frequency

| Function Range | Sensitivity <br> (Sine Rms) | Range |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 500 mV | 100 mV | $10 \mathrm{HZ} \sim 200 \mathrm{KHZ}$ |
| 5 V | 1 V | $10 \mathrm{HZ} \sim 200 \mathrm{KHZ}$ |
| 50 V | 10 V | $10 \mathrm{HZ} \sim 100 \mathrm{KHZ}$ |
| 500 V | 100 V | $10 \mathrm{HZ} \sim 100 \mathrm{KHZ}$ |


| 1000 V | 900 V | $10 \mathrm{HZ} \sim 10 \mathrm{KHZ}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |

Accuracy: $0.02 \%+4 d$

## Лل Hz Logic Level Frequency

| Range | Accuracy |
| :---: | :---: |
| $5.0000 \mathrm{HZ}--2.00000 \mathrm{MHZ}$ | $0.002 \%+4 \mathrm{D}$ |

Sensitivity: 2.5VP square wave

## \%DUTY CYCLE

| Range | Accuracy |
| :---: | :---: |
| $0.1 \%--99.99 \%$ | $3 D / K H Z+2 \mathrm{D}$ |

Input frequency: 5 HZ -- $500 \mathrm{KHZ}, 5 \mathrm{~V}$ logic family

## MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

## WARNING

To avoid electrical shock, disconnect the meter from any circuit, remove the test leads from the input jacks and turn OFF the meter before opening the case. Do not operate with open case. Install only the same type of fuse or equivalent

## Calibration

Periodic calibration at intervals of one year is recommended to maintain meter accuracy. Accuracy is specified for a period of one year after calibration.

If self-diagnostic message "rE-O" is being displayed while powering on, the meter is re-organizing internal parameters. Do not switch off the meter then, and it will be back to normal measurement shortly. However, if self-diagnostic message "C_Er" is being displayed while powering on, some meter ranges might be largely out of specifications. To avoid mis-leading measurements, stop using the meter and send it for re-calibration. Refer to the LIMITED WARRANTY section for obtaining warranty or repairing service.

## Trouble Shooting

If the instrument fails to operate, check battery, fuses, leads, etc., and replace as necessary. Double check operating procedure as described in this user's manual. If the instrument voltage-resistance input terminal has subjected to high voltage transient (caused by lightning or switching surge to the system) by accident or abnormal conditions of operation, the series fusible resistors will be blown off (become high impedance) like fuses to protect the user and the instrument. Most measuring functions through this terminal will then be open circuit. The series fusible resistors and the spark gaps should then be replaced by qualified technician. Refer to the LIMITED WARRANTY section for obtaining warranty or repairing service.

## Cleaning and Storage

Periodically wipe the case with a damp cloth and mild detergent; do not use abrasives or solvents. If the meter is not to be used for periods of longer than 60 days, remove the battery and store it separately.

## Battery and Fuse Replacement

## Battery use:

9V alkaline battery NEDA1604A, JIS6AM6 or IEC6LF22
AM-140-A
Fuse (FS1) for $\mu$ AmA current input: 1A/600V, IR 10kA or better, F fuse;
Fuse (FS2) for A current input: 10A/600V, IR 100kA or better, F fuse
AM-160-A
Fuse (FS1) for $\mu \mathrm{AmA}$ current input: $0.44 \mathrm{~A} / 1000 \mathrm{~V}$, IR 10kA or better, F fuse Fuse (FS2) for A current input: 11A/1000V, IR 20kA or better, F fuse

## Battery replacement for models with battery access door:

Loosen the 2 screws from the battery access door of the case bottom. Lift the battery access door and thus the battery compartment up. Replace the battery. Re-fasten the screws.

## Fuse replacement:

Loosen the 4 screws from the case bottom. Lift the end of the case bottom nearest the input jacks until it unsnaps from the case top. Replace the blown fuse(s) and/or the battery. Replace the case bottom, and ensure that all the gaskets are properly seated and the two snaps on the case top (near the LCD side) are engaged. Re-fasten the screws.


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