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UT512D/UT512E 2.5kV Insulation Resistance Tester User Manual

Preface

Thank you for purchasing this brand new product. In order to use this product safely and correctly, please read this manual thoroughly, especially the safety notes.

After reading this manual, it is recommended to keep the manual at an easily accessible place, preferably close to the device, for future reference.

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I. Overview

UT512D/UT512E is digital high-voltage insulation resistance tester, designed with multiple ranges including 250V, 500V, 1000V and 2500V, each with voltage fine-adjusted at a step of 10%. The tester can store 999 groups of data, which can be transferred to personal computer via USB cable or in real time. UT512E has capacitance and low resistance measurement functions.

UT512D/UT512E is mainly used to measure insulation resistance of cable, motor, power generator, transformer, mutual inductor, high-voltage switch, lightning arrester, and more, it is an ideal measurement meter for electric power, telecommunication, meteorology, machine room, oil field, electromechanical installation and maintenance, and power supply department of Industry and mining enterprise.

The user manual includes related safety information, warning, etc. Please read the related contents and follow all warnings and precautions.

1.1 Models

Models	Rated voltage	Insulation resistance range	Short-circuit current
UT512D	250V, 500V, 1000V, 2500V	0. 25ΜΩ~1. 0ΤΩ	About 3. 5mA
UT512E	250V, 500V, 1000V, 2500V	0. 25ΜΩ~2. 5ΤΩ	About 5. 0mA

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1.2 Features

- 1. Insulation resistance range up to $1.0T\Omega$ (UT512D) and $2.5T\Omega$ (UT512E)
- 2. Output rated voltage ranges including 250V, 500V, 1000V and 2500V
- 3. Short-circuit current: About 3.5mA (UT512D) and 5.0mA (UT512E)
- 4. Insulation resistance testing (IR)
- 5. AC/DC voltage testing (ACV, DCV)
- 6. Capacitance testing (CAP) (UT512E)
- 7. Low resistance testing (R)(UT512E)
- 8. With stepping set at 10% of rated voltage for each range.
- 9. Polarization Index (PI) and Dielectric Absorption Ratio (DAR)
- 10. Resistance comparison function (COMP) with upper and lower resistance limit setting and over-range indication.
- 11. Timer testing mode
- 12. Automatic current display
- 13. External voltage detection function to monitor live voltage of measured object.
- 14. Timer function to record testing time automatically.
- 15. Automatic discharge and high voltage alarming functions.
- 16. Analog bar graph to display tested insulation resistance
- 17. Manual and automatic power off functions
- 18. The ability to delete and store 999 groups of testing data.
- Data upload function to enable uploading data to computer via USB cable for data analysis.
- 20. LCD-backlit function
- 21. 5.1-inch LCD display
- 22. 14.8V/5200mAh rechargeable lithium battery pack (UT512E); 8 PCS alkaline batteries (UT512D)

1.3 Technical Specifications

Error limit: ± (a% of reading + b digits), one-year warranty

Environment temperature: 23±5°C

Environment humidity: 45-75%RH, In the table below: The humidity must be less than 50%RH when testing insulation objects with a resistance greater than 50G Ω in the parameters.

Temperature coefficient: Test outside the temperature range of the indicator (i.e. above 28 degrees or below 18 degrees), with an additional testing error of+/-0.25% for each degree Celsius.

1.3.1 Insulation Resistance Specifications

	Rated voltage	UT512D measurement range	UT512E measurement range	Accuracy	Over-range indication	Short-circuit current
		<0.25MΩ	<0.25MΩ	For reference only		
	2501	0.25MΩ 4.99GΩ	0.25ΜΩ 4.99GΩ	± (5%+5)		
	2500	5.00GΩ 24.9GΩ	5.00GΩ 49.9GΩ	± (20%+10)		
		25.0GΩ 100GΩ	50.0GΩ 250GΩ	For reference only		UT512D: About 3.5mA
		<0.50MΩ	<0.50MΩ	For reference only		
		0.50MΩ 9.99GΩ	0.50ΜΩ 9.99GΩ	± (5%+5)		U1512E: About 5.0mA
	10.0 50.0	10.0GΩ 49.9GΩ	10.0GΩ 99.9GΩ	± (20%+10)		current with load: 1mA~1.2mA
		50.0GΩ 200GΩ	100GΩ 500GΩ	For reference only		
		<1.00MΩ	<1.00MΩ	For reference only	-	(250V, 0.25MO [.]
		1.00ΜΩ 19.9GΩ	1.00ΜΩ 19.9GΩ	± (5%+5)		500V,
	10000	20.0GΩ 99.9GΩ	20.0GΩ 199GΩ	± (20%+10)		0.5MΩ; 1000V.
		100GΩ 400GΩ	200GΩ 1.00TΩ	For reference only		1.0MΩ;
		<2.50MΩ	<2.50MΩ	For reference only		2500V, 2.5MΩ;
		2.50ΜΩ 49.9GΩ	2.50ΜΩ 49.9GΩ	± (5%+5)		
	2500V	50.0GΩ 249GΩ	50.0GΩ 499GΩ	± (20%+10)		
		250GΩ 1.00TΩ	500GΩ 2.50TΩ	For reference only		

1 TΩ (Tera ohm) =1000GΩ=10¹²Ω

1 GΩ (Giga ohm) =1000MΩ=10^oΩ

1 MΩ (Mega ohm) =1000KΩ=10⁶Ω

Note: For insulation resistance measurement, if the measured capacitive reactance is greater than about 100nF, it may cause reading to fluctuate significantly.

"Overrange warning: For example, in the 1000V voltage output range of UT512D, if the range is exceeded, it will display >400G Ω .".

1.3.2 Current Specifications

Model	Measurement accuracy	Display accuracy	Ra	nge	Remark
UT512D	+(10%+5)	0.01nA	0.01nA	3.50mA	Test stops automatically if
UT512E	<u>→(10%+5)</u>	0.01mA	0.01nA	5.00mA	current remains at ≥1.00mA for 10s

1.3.3 Output Voltage Specifications

Rated voltage	Output accuracy	Display accuracy	Output voltage	Remark
250V			250V 300V	Voltage adjustment
500V	+(0%~20%)		500V 600V	at 10%:
1000V		1V	1000V 1200V	250V cannot step
2500V			2500V 3000V	cannot step up.

1.3.4 Voltage Testing Specifications

Voltage measurement	Measurement range	Accuracy	Resolution	Over-range indication	Remark
DC voltage	30 1000VDC	±(3%+5	1V	OL	1. Input impedance: 200MΩ
AC voltage	30 750VAC	±(3%+5	1V	OL	2. Frequency: 50Hz/60Hz

Note: LO is displayed if the input voltage is less than about 25V; the reading flashes if the input voltage is between about 750VAC-824VAC or 1000VDC-1099VDC; "OL" is displayed with buzzer making sound and LCD flashing if the input voltage is greater than about 1100VDC or about 825VAC.

1.3.5 Capacitance Testing Specifications (UT512E)

Function	Measurement range	Accuracy	Remark
Capacitance measurement	0.01uF~2.00uF	± 15%+3	Note the withstand voltage of capacitance (≤1000V)

Note: Rated voltages for capacitance measurement include 250V, 500V, and 1000V. LO is displayed if measured capacitance is < 0.01uF; OL is displayed if measured capacitance is >2.20UF. If capacitance over 2.2uF is measured when the battery power indicator shows one "segment" of lower left, the tester may enable battery protection, in such case, please charge the tester to activate the battery.

1.3.6 Low Resistance Testing Specifications (UT512E)

Function	Measurement range	Accuracy	Remark
Low resistance measurement	0.1Ω 600Ω	± 2%+10	Open-circuit voltage: 5V

Note: If the measured resistance is <20 Ω , the buzzer alarms; if >660 Ω , ">660 Ω " is displayed. The short-circuit current is >200mA.

1.3.7 Common Specifications

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	Power supply	14.8V/5200mAh rechargeable lithium battery (UT512E); 8 PCS LR14 alkaline batteries (UT512D)
	Rated voltage	250V, 500V, 1000V, 2500V
	Output voltage accuracy	+ (0%~20%)
	Insulation resistance range	UT512D: 0.25MΩ~1.00TΩ; UT512E 0.25MΩ~2.50TΩ
	Output short-circuit current	UT512D: About 3.5mA (10s); UT512E: About 5.0mA (10s)
	Continuous insulation resistance measurement	√ (default mode)
	Polarization index testing	√ (automatic display)
	Absorption ratio testing	√ (automatic display)
	Timing measurement	\checkmark
	Resistance comparison measurement	\checkmark
	Voltage testing	DC 30V~1000V; Accuracy: ±(3%+5) AC 30V~750V; Accuracy: ±(3%+5)
	Capacitance testing (UT512E)	Range: 0.01uF~2.00uF; Accuracy: ±(15%+3)
	Low resistance testing (UT512E)	Range: 0.1Ω~600Ω; Accuracy: ±(2%+10)
	Current display	Current is displayed when measuring insulation resistance.
	Voltage stepping	10% of the range. Range: 50%~120%
	Monitoring live voltage of external measured object	Monitor the voltage of measured object and the discharge state after testing. If voltage is higher than 36V, it is forbidden to test for protecting the tester and the operator.
	Timer testing	Record testing time automatically. Timing range: 0s 99m and 59s.
	High voltage alarm	The danger warning symbol flashes if safety voltage is exceeded.
	Storage function	Store 999 groups of data
	Communication function	Upload testing data to computer (one-way) via USB cable.
	Battery power indication	Indicate charging or replacing battery when low battery occurs.
	Auto power off	Power off automatically 15 minutes after the tester powers on(without occurrence of high voltage and operation).

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Dimensions	230mm(L)x161mm(W)x90mm(D)
Weight	About 1800g (including battery)
Test leads	Red high-voltage test lead: 1 pc Green test lead: 1 pc Black test lead: 1 pc
Operating environment	0°C 35°C; <75%rh
Storage environment	-20°C 60°C; <80%rh
Altitude	<2000m
Pollution degree	2
CAT rating	CAT IV 600V
Safety standards	IEC61010-1; EN IEC 61010-2-034; BS EN 61010-1; BS EN IEC 61010-2-034

II. Accessories

Please check if any accessory in the package is missing or damaged:

- 1. User manual: 1 pc
- 2. Test lead (red, black, green: 1 for each): 3 pcs
- 3. USB cable: 1 pc
- Lithium battery charger (model: CS36M168200M1; specification: Input:100-240Vac (Fluctuations+10%), 50/60Hz, 0.8A,Output: 16.8Vdc, 2A: 1 pc (UT512E)
- Lithium battery pack (installed inside the tester, model: UT-M18, specification: 14.8V, 5200mAh): 1 pc (UT512E)
- 6. Adapting charging stand (optional accessory, model: UT-W12, for UT512E only
- 7. 8 PCS LR14 alkaline batteries (UT512D)
- 8. Carrying strap:1pc

If any missing or damaged accessory occurs, please contact with the supplier immediately.

III. Safety Information

Thank you for purchasing the High-Voltage Insulation Resistance Tester. The product is designed, manufactured and tested in accordance with IEC61010 Safety Standard (safety requirements of electric measurement products), Double Insulation, and Overvoltage CAT IV 600V Standard. Before first use, please read and follow the safety information and the precautions in the user manual, so as to avoid electric shock or personal injury.

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A Warning

- Please read the user manual thoroughly and follow the "Safety Information" strictly.
- Keep the user manual with you for use at any time.
- Use the tester according to the operating instructions.
- Follow the operating instructions strictly failure to follow can cause personal injury and product damage.
- Please wear insulation gloves before use.
- Do not measure circuit with voltage over 750VAC or 1000VDC.
- It is forbidden to test near inflammable environment, spark cause explosion.
- Do not perform operation with tester surface or user's hands wet.
- Please avoid short circuit occurs between metal part and test lead when measuring voltage, otherwise it may cause personal injury.
- Do not exceed the upper range when performing measurement.
- Do not start testing when the test leads are not connected properly.
- Do not open the battery cover during measurement.
- Do not touch the measured circuit during or right after insulation resistance measurement, otherwise it may cause electric shock.
- Please stop testing if dirt or carbide susceptible to damaging insulation characteristic is found with test lead or port.
- Please do not short-circuit or connect test lead when measuring insulation resistance, misoperation
 may accidentally cause test to be stopped or LED to be lit off. Top end of test lead will discharge
 when test lead is short-circuited or connected, please note that certain discharge can deteriorate
 the product performance.
- Please check the tester and the test lead before use for any damage or defect. Please stop
 using the tester if test lead or casing insulation is damaged, LCD shows nothing, or the tester
 cannot work normally.
- It is forbidden to use the tester without battery cover set in place, otherwise it may pose a risk
 of electric shock.
- Keep fingers behind the finger guard when perform measurement, do not touch exposed wire, connector, alligator clip, etc. to avoid electric shock.
- The output voltage at right position before measurement, it is forbidden to switch over the output voltage during measurement to avoid product damage.
- If the battery power indicator shows less than one "segment" of power left, please charge or replace the battery immediately to ensure measurement accuracy. Remove the battery if the product is not used for a long time. Power off the tester before opening the battery cover.
- Do not alter the internal wiring without authorization to avoid product damage and safety hazard.
- Do not store or use the tester in flammable and explosive environments, or environments with high temperature, high humidity, and strong electromagnetic field.
- Please clean the casing using soft cloth and mild detergent, do not use abrasive or solvent to avoid casing corrosion and product damage.
- If insulation on probe is damaged, replace a new one which should meet EN 61010-031 standard, rated follow parameters of the product or better.
- Before each use verify tester operation by measuring a known voltage.
- Indoor use only

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IV. Electrical Symbols

A	Risk of electric shock
	Double-insulated or insulation-enhanced
DC	Direct Current
AC	Alternating Current
ᆂ	Grounding
\wedge	Warning
IIII p	Battery voltage
CATIV	It is applicable to test and measuring circuits connected at the source of the building's low-voltage MAINS installation

V. External Structure



Fig. 5.1 External structure

1	Battery charging port
2	Selection switch for charging and testing modes
3	LINE: High-voltage output outlet (dual-plug red lead)
4	LINE: Outlet for shielding high-voltage lead (dual-plug red lead)
5	GUARD: Grounding protection outlet (single-plug green lead)
6	EARTH: High resistance measurement outlet (single-plug black lead)

7	LCD segmented display screen				
8	Functional buttons				
9	USB port				
10	Carrying strap location				
11	Dual-plug high-voltage test lead (red)				
12	High resistance sampling test lead (black)				
13	Protective test lead (green)				
14	Lithium battery charger				

VI. Button Description



Fig. 6.1 UT512D Functional buttons

1	Insulation resistance measurement mode	
2	DC voltage measurement mode	
3	AC voltage measurement mode	
4	Power on/off	
5	Increase; select high range or previous group of data	
6	Decrease; adjust time and resistance; cyclically display	
7	Decrease, select low range or next group of data	

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8	Increase; adjust time and resistance; cyclica	lly display		6	Decrease; adjust time and resistance; cyclically display
9	Read data			7	Decrease, select low range or next group of data
10	Save data			8	Increase; adjust time and resistance; cyclically display
11	Backlight		-	9	Read data
12	Confirm parameter setting		-	10	Save data
13	Return		-	11	Backlight
14	Delete saved data		-	12	
14			-	13	Return Delate asyled data
15				14	Lipload data
16				16	Timer
17	Compare resistance test			17	Compare resistance
18	Conduct testing			18	Conduct testing





Figure 7.1 Symbols on LCD

1	Battery power			
2	Battery charging			
3	Live measured object or risk of high voltage			
4	Failed resistance comparison testing			
5	Bluetooth			

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 1
 Insulation resistance measurement mode

 2
 AC/DC voltage measurement mode

 3
 If / R capacitance/Resistance measurement mode

 4
 Power on/off

 5
 Increase; select high range or previous group of data

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ENTER

CLR

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TIME -

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TEST

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READ

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Figure 6.2 UT512E functional buttons

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6	Wi-Fi communication	
7	Pass resistance comparison testing	
8	USB communication	
9	Buzzer	
10	Analog bar graph of insulation resistance testing	
11	Leakage current display	
12	Data hold	
13	Indication of dangerous operation	
14	Monitoring display of voltage output	
15	Polarization index testing mode	
16	Dielectric constant testing mode	
17	DC voltage testing mode	
18	AC voltage testing mode	
19	Dielectric absorption ratio testing mode	
20	Inverted input of DC voltage testing	
21	Over-range test result	
22	Comparison resistance setting or timer setting	
23	Display area of measured insulation resistance, AC/DC voltage, capacitance, etc.	
24	Timer	
25	Stepping indication	
26	Resistance comparison mode	
27	Time1 of the timer	
28	Time2 of the timer	
29	Save data	
30	Read data	
31	Data storage capacity	

VIII. Button Operation

Power button

Long press this button for 2 seconds to turn on the tester (full symbols are displayed on LCD for 1 second), long press again to turn it off. The tester is designed with auto power off function.

• IR

Insulation resistance testing button: The default mode is continuous insulation resistance testing mode when powering on the tester. Short press this button to switch to insulation resistance testing function.

• V (UT512E)

AC/DC voltage testing button: Without high voltage output, short press "V" button to switch to AC/DC voltage testing mode. The tester can identify AC/DC voltage automatically.

DCV (UT512D)

DC voltage testing button: Without high voltage output, short press "DCV" button to switch to DC voltage testing mode. DC voltage can be tested only.

• ACV (UT512D)

AC voltage testing button: Without high voltage output, short press "ACV" button to switch to AC voltage testing mode. AC voltage can be tested only.

• + + / R (UT512E)

Capacitance/Resistance testing button: Without high voltage output, short press "H-/R" to switch to capacitance testing mode, short press again to switch to resistance testing mode.

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- A. Under insulation resistance measurement or capacitance measurement condition and without testing voltage output, short press ▲ to select high-range voltage output.
- B. For data reading, press ▲ to select last group of data.
- C. For time or resistance setting, press \blacktriangle to increase time or resistance.

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- A. Under insulation resistance measurement or capacitance measurement condition and without testing voltage output, short press ▼ to select low-range voltage output.
- B. For data reading, press ▼ to select next group of data.
- C. For time or resistance setting, press ▼ to decrease time or resistance.

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- B. When setting time or resistance, ◀ button is used as a cursor button to adjust time and resistance.
- C. After polarization index or absorption ratio measurement is completed, press to cyclically display polarization index or absorption ratio, insulation resistance in Time2 and Time1.

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- A. Under insulation resistance measurement condition and without testing voltage output, press ▶ to progressively increase at the step of corresponding range (increase by 120% at a step of 10% each).
- B. For time or resistance setting, ▶ button is used as a cursor button to adjust time and resistance.
- C. After polarization index or absorption ratio measurement is completed, press to cyclically display polarization index or absorption ratio, insulation resistance in Time2 and Time1.

• READ

Without high voltage output, short press "READ" to read latest group of saved data, and press \blacktriangle and \triangledown to select different data.

SAVE

Short press "SAVE" to save current displayed data. The LCD shows the symbol "FUL" and the number of group "999" to indicate full storage. To save next group of data, please clear the saved data.

Backlight button

Short press this button to turn on/off the backlight.

• Setting confirmation button

For setting parameter in non-testing state, short press "ENTER" to confirm the setting and exit the current setting.

• Setting cancellation/exit button

For setting parameter without high voltage output, short press "ESC" to cancel current setting and exit. Under "TIME" and "COMP" modes, short press "ESC" consecutively for twice to return to the interface of continuous insulation resistance measurement.

Data deletion button

In "READ" state, short press "CLR" and then press "ENTER" to delete current data, press "ESC" to exit data deletion function. In "READ" state, the symbol "CLR" and the storage capacity symbol "2Hz" flash when "CLR" is long pressed for 2 to 3 seconds, press "ENTER" to confirm clearing all saved data, press "ESC" to exit data deletion function. Note: To delete all saved data after short pressing "CLR", please long press "GLR" directly to enter after pressing exit button.

Data upload button

Short press this button to select USB data transfer mode, current transfer mode can be displayed on the LCD synchronously, select current mode to transfer data through confirmation button.

When connected to the computer software, press and hold this button to upload all stored data to the PC.

USB: Active uploading for the tester.

Timer setting button

The default mode of the tester is continuous insulation resistance measurement mode. Under insulation resistance measurement condition and without testing voltage output, perform time setting for insulation resistance measurement mode.

Short press "TIME" to cyclically select "Continuous Measurement", "Timer Measurement", "Polarization Index Measurement" and "Absorption Ratio Measurement", press "ENTER" to confirm the selection, press "ESC" to unselect and return to default measurement mode.

Comparison measurement button

Under insulation resistance measurement condition and without testing voltage output, short press "COMP" to select resistance comparison measurement as insulation resistance measurement mode, the default comparison value is $10M\Omega$.

Measurement button

This button is used to turn on/off insulation resistance measurement or capacitance measurement. Long press "TEST" for more than 2 seconds to start measurement. If current measurement function is enabled, the red warning light illuminates the background of "TEST" button. Short press "TEST" to exit measurement.

IX. Testing Instructions

9.1 Testing Preparation

(1) Press the power button for more than 2 seconds to turn on the tester. The tester enters default state after full symbols are displayed on LCD for about 1 second.



Fig. 9.1.1 Full symbols shown on LCD

(2) When the battery power indicator shows only one "segment" of power left, the indicator flashes to indicate that the battery power is almost used up, which means battery charging or replacement is needed. If the battery power indicator shows no "segment", it means the batter power cannot meet power demand, the tester must be charged or the battery must be replaced. The relation between "segment" left and "battery voltage" is shown in the table below:

Battery power symbol indicator	Battery voltage (UT512E)	Battery voltage (UT512D)	
No segment	≤13.5V (Power off after "2Hz" flashes 10 seconds)	≤9.0V (Power off after "2Hz" flashes 10 seconds)	
1 segment	13.6~14.3V ("1Hz" flashes)	9.1~10.4V ("1Hz" flashes)	
2 segments	14.4~15.1V	10.5~11.9V	
3 segments	15.2~16.0V	11.0~12.2V	
4 segments	>16V	>12.2V	

Note: Do not perform measurement during charging for UT512E, as interlock is designed between testing and charging ports in structure. UT512D cannot be charged, if low battery occurs, please replace with battery in same type.

9.2 Battery Charging (UT512E)

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UT512E is built with rechargeable lithium battery pack (14.8V, 5200mAh). Please charge with the supplied dedicated lithium battery charger (16.8V, 2A) (Figure 9.2.1), or remove the lithium battery pack and then charge it with the adapting charging stand (optional), as shown in figure 9.2.2.

When charging with battery charger in power on state, the battery power indicator and the charging symbol are displayed (not displayed when charging in power off state). When charging with the charging stand, the charging symbol lights up (lighting up red for "under charging"; green for fully charged; flashes in red and green alternately to indicate threshold state).

Note: The red indicator light at the battery charger only indicates energizing when connecting with power grid, it does not indicate if the battery is fully charged. Please observe the battery charging symbol on the LCD when powering on the tester, to judge if the battery is charged fully.

To prevent high-voltage electric shock caused by mistaken testing during charging, the tester is designed with poka-yoke mechanism to meet the safety standards, that is, the tester cannot be charged with the charger during test, and the test lead cannot be connected during charging.



Fig. 9.2.1 Tester charging

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Fig. 9.2.2 Charged with charging stand (optional: UT-W12)

Note: Before removing the lithium battery pack, please power off the tester and remove all test leads to prevent electric shock!

9.3 Basic Measurement Operations

9.3.1 Insulation Resistance Measurement

Note:

- ▲ To perform wiring and measurement operations, please wear high-voltage insulation gloves and protective gear before testing.
- A Before testing, please make sure that the measured object is de-energized, and do not measure the insulation of live equipment or circuit.
- Please operate the tester with care as high-voltage output exists. Please ensure good contact between measured object and test lead. Keep your hands away from the test clips before pressing "TEST" button to perform test.
- ▲ Do not short-circuit the two test leads during testing (high-voltage output state) or measure insulation resistance after high-voltage output, otherwise it may cause personal injury, fire or product damage.
- \triangle For resistance below 1MΩ at the 250V range, the measurement duration cannot exceed 10 seconds and multiple consecutive measurements cannot be performed. For resistance below 2MΩ at the 500V range, below 5MΩ at the 1000V range, and below 10MΩ at the 2500V range , the same limitations apply.

Calculation formula:
$$R = \frac{U}{I}$$
 (Ohm's law)

Where R is the measured insulation, U is the tester output voltage and I is the current of measured circuit.

9.3.1.1 Continuous Insulation Resistance Measurement

When the tester is powered on, it enters the default mode of continuous insulation resistance measurement (250V output voltage). Connect test leads with measured object, press ▲ and ▼ to select high-voltage range, press ◀ and ► to select fine-tuned step voltage, then press "TEST" to perform test, the LCD shows basic elements including battery power, high-voltage warning symbol ("2Hz" flashes), leakage current, real-time output voltage, measured insulation resistance, testing value of analog bar graph, continuous measurement duration, storage capacity, etc. Press "TEST" to end the testing turn off the testing voltage fast (discharge course is displayed), the LCD maintains current measured element on it.

9.3.1.2 Timer Measurement

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Onder insulation resistance testing condition without high voltage output, press "TIME" to enter timer measurement mode.

When cycling through in insulation resistance measurement mode, the display of timer measurement mode differs from that of other measurement modes. There is no time setting interface in the default continuous mode interface, there is PI symbol for polarization index measurement, and there is DAR symbol for absorption ratio measurement.

When entering timer measurement mode, Time1 and timer symbol are displayed on LCD, the default countdown of 05:00 flashes (mantissa) to indicate user can set the time. Press \blacktriangleleft and \blacktriangleright to select the digit (similar with cursor) of the time to be changed, press \blacktriangle and \lor to change the value of the selected digit of the time, then press "ENTER" to confirm and save the change or press "ESC" to cancel the change.

Press "TEST" to perform test, the LCD shows basic elements including battery power, high-voltage warning symbol, leakage current, real-time output voltage, measured insulation resistance, testing value of analog bar graph, Time1, set countdown time, storage capacity, etc.

When the set time is up, the test ends automatically, the testing indicator light turns off, and the tester automatically discharge fast (discharge course is displayed), the LCD maintains current measured element on it.

9.3.1.3 Polarization Index Measurement

Polarization Index (PI) refers to the value of measured resistance in 10 minutes to that in 1 minute. It takes 10 minutes to perform polarization index testing. If the time of insulation testing is 10 minutes or more, polarization index testing is completed and saved.

$$\mathsf{PI} = \frac{\mathsf{R}_{10\min}}{\mathsf{R}_{1\min}}$$

Polarization Index (PI)	4	42	2 1	1.0
Insulation condition	Very good	Good	Poor	Dangerous

Press "TIME" button under insulation resistance testing condition without high voltage output. When the LCD shows PI, it indicates the tester enters polarization index measurement mode.

Then, the LCD shows PI, Time1, Time2, timer symbol, etc. In initial interface, the default time of Times is 1 minute, that is 01:00 (the mantissa flashes to indicate user can set the parameter). The default time of Time2 is 10 minutes, that is 10:00. After completing setting Time1, the tester by default switches to setting state of Time2. Press "ENTER" to confirm and save the change, or press "ESC" to cancel the change.

Press "TEST" to perform test, the LCD shows basic elements including battery power, high-voltage warning symbol, leakage current, real-time output voltage, measured insulation resistance (Time1 or Time2), testing value of analog bar graph, Time1 or Time2, set countdown time, PI, storage capacity, etc.

When the set time is up, the test ends automatically, the testing indicator light turns off, the tester discharges fast, and the LCD shows the testing value. Press \blacktriangleleft and \blacktriangleright to cyclically display PI, insulation resistance in Time2, and insulation resistance in Time1.

9.3.1.4 Dielectric Absorption Ratio Measurement

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Dielectric Absorption Ratio (DAR) refers to the value of insulation resistance in 1 minute to that in 15 seconds. It takes 1 minute to perform absorption ratio testing. The measurement data of all insulation testing in less than 1 minute are deemed invalid. If the time of insulation testing is 1 minute or more, the absorption ratio testing is included in the result.

$$DAR = \frac{R_{1\min}}{R_{15s}}$$

Dielectric Absorption Ratio (DAR)	1.4	1.25 1.0	1.0
Insulation condition	Very good	Good	Dangerous

Press "TIME" button under insulation resistance testing condition without high voltage output. When the LCD shows DAR, it indicates the tester absorption ratio measurement mode.

Then, the LCD shows DAR, Time1, Time2, timer symbol, etc. In initial interface, the default time of Time1 is 15 seconds that is 00:15 (the mantissa flashes to indicate user can set the parameter). The default time of Time2 is 1 minute that is 01:00. After completing setting Time1, the tester by default switches to the setting state of Time2. Press "ENTER" to confirm and save the change, or press "ESC" to cancel the change.

Press "TEST" to perform test, the LCD shows basic elements including battery power, high-voltage warning symbol, leakage current, real-time output voltage, measured insulation resistance (Time1 or Time2), testing value of analog bar graph, Time1 or Time2, set countdown time, DAR, storage capacity, etc.

When the set time is up, the test ends automatically, the testing indicator light turns off, the tester discharges fast, and the LCD shows the testing value. Press \blacktriangleleft and \blacktriangleright to cyclically display DAR, insulation resistance in Time2, and insulation resistance in Time1.

9.3.1.5 Comparison Measurement

Press "COMP" button under insulation resistance testing condition without high voltage output. When the LCD shows "COMP", it indicates the tester enters comparison measurement mode. The default comparison resistance is $10M\Omega$, the initial interface flashes at the unit of $10M\Omega$ at a frequency of 1HZ, to indicate the tester is in comparison resistance setting state. Press \blacktriangleleft and \triangleright to select the digit and unit of comparison resistance to be changed, press \blacktriangle and \checkmark to adjust comparison resistance and unit, then press "ENTER" to save the parameter setting or press "ESC" to cancel the parameter setting. After that, hold down "TEST" for 2 seconds, if insulation resistance is less than comparison resistance, the symbol "FAIL" will appear on the LCD, otherwise "PASS" appears.

To return to the continuous measurement interface, please press "COMP" in "COMP" mode or press "ESC" twice consecutively.

9.3.2 Voltage Measurement

- 1) Connect red test lead with "LINE" input terminal, and black with "EARTH".
- Connect red and black alligator clips with measured circuit. For DC voltage measurement, if the voltage of red test lead is negative, the negative symbol "-" appears on the LCD.



Fig. 9.3.2.1 Wire connection of voltage measurement

Note:

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- ▲ Do not measure AC power supply over 750Vac or DC power supply over 1000Vdc. It is possible to display higher voltage (10%), but it may damage the tester.
- \triangle Avoid electric shock when working with high voltage.
- ▲ After completing all measurement operations, please disconnect the test lead with the measured circuit, and remove the test lead from the input terminal.

9.3.3 Capacitance Measurement (UT512E)

As a part of insulation measurement, the tester has circuit capacitance measurement function. When CAP/R button is pressed without high voltage output, the tester enters capacitance measurement function by default, with output voltage at 250V range. Under capacitance measurement function, there are only three voltage ranges including 250V, 500V and 1000V, which can be switched by pressing \blacktriangle and \blacktriangledown . For capacitance measurement, the tester calculates the capacitance by measuring the charge and voltage of measured circuit under charge.



Fig. 9.3.3.1 Wire connection of capacitance measurement

Calculation formula: $C = \frac{Q}{II}$

Where C is measured capacitance, Q is the accumulated charge in the measured object and U is the voltage of both ends of measured object.

Note: If the withstand voltage of the capacitor is less than the output voltage of the capacitor, please do not perform measurement to avoid capacitor damage. When measuring capacitor with polarity, please note that red test lead is the negative of power output and black is positive, to avoid breaking down the capacitor with polarity.

9.3.4 Low Resistance Measurement (UT512E)

Note: Be sure the circuit to be measured is de-energized before test. Do not measure live equipment or circuit.

As a part of insulation testing, the tester has small resistance measurement function $(0.1\Omega \sim 600\Omega)$. Without high-voltage output, press capacitance/resistance button to enter capacitance measurement by default, press again to switch to resistance measurement mode. ">>660\Omega" is displayed, as shown in figure 9.3.4.1. (With external voltage input, the danger symbol flashes, in such case, do not press the test button to measure resistance, as shown in figure 9.3.4.2.). Under resistance measurement function, connect the black grounding lead with EARTH terminal, connect the green shielded lead with GUARD terminal, and disconnect the red high-voltage lead; connect the green and black alligator clips with the circuit to be measured; press the test button, then wait for the measurement result. As shown in figure 9.3.4.3, the continuity of the grounding resistor is measured.



Figure 9.3.4.1





Figure 9.3.4.3 Wire connection of low resistance measurement

X. Wire Connection Modes 10.1 . Cable Insulation Resistance Testing

A. Two-wire connection

There is leakage current at the surface of inner insulation layer near the end of cable, the leakage current is included in the measured current of "-" terminal, causing the measured resistance to be lower than actual insulation resistance. This mode can be used for non-ultrahigh resistance measurement, as shown in the figure below:



Fig. 10.1.1 Two-wire connection

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B. High resistance measurement with three-wire connection

Wind the well-conducted bare wire around the exterior of inner insulation layer, connect the safety terminal with the exterior conductor of inner insulation layer in order to prevent current leakage at the surface of measured object. Surface leakage current is conducted to the safety terminal, so as to eliminate the surface leakage current at the measurement path between "+" and "-" poles, thus improving the measurement accuracy, as shown in the figure below:



Fig. 10.1.2 Three-wire connection

C. Ultra-high insulation resistance measurement with three-wire connection Wind the well-conducted bare wire around the exterior of inner insulation layer, connect the safety terminal with the exterior conductor of inner insulation layer and the unused cable. Surface leakage current is conducted to the safety terminal, so as to eliminate the surface leakage current at the measurement path between "+" and "-" poles, thus ensuring the measured insulation resistance is the insulation resistance between the selected cable and exterior insulator, and eliminating the leakage path between cables, as shown in the figure below:



Fig. 10.1.3 Three-wire connection

10.2 . Transformer Insulation Resistance Testing

A. Testing of insulation resistance between primary winding and grounding of secondary winding



Fig. 10.2.1 Connection of testing

B. Testing of insulation resistance between grounding of primary winding and secondary winding



Fig. 10.2.2 Connection of testing

C. Testing of insulation resistance between secondary windings



Fig. 10.2.3 Connection of testing

XI. Maintenance

Clean the casing:

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- 1. Wipe the surface using soft cloth or sponge dipped with water
- 2. Do not immerse the tester in water to avoid tester damage.
- 3. Do not store the tester if it is wet.
- 4. The calibration and maintenance must be performed by qualified professional repair personnel or specified repair department.

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