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## CLAMP ON AC/DC HiTESTER

### Instruction Manual

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#### Warranty

Warranty malfunctions occurring under conditions of normal use in conformity with the Instruction Manual and Product Precautionary Markings will be repaired free of charge. This warranty is valid for a period of three (3) years from the date of purchase. Please contact the distributor from which you purchased the product for further information on warranty provisions.

#### Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the Hioki 3287/3288/3288-20 Clamp On AC/DC HiTester. To obtain maximum performance from the instrument, please read this manual first, and keep it handy for future reference.

3288	Mean value rectification RMS method
3287	True RMS method
3288-20	

#### Information on download site

For details on the product application, the update file for the instrument, and the instruction manual, please check Hioki's website:

<https://cloud.gennect.net/dl>



#### Product registration

Register your product in order to receive important product information.

<https://www.hioki.com/global/support/myhioki/registration/>



#### Safety Notes

This instrument is designed to conform to IEC 61010 Safety Standards, and has been thoroughly tested for safety prior to shipment. However, using the instrument in a way not described in this manual may negate the provided safety features. Before using the instrument, be certain to carefully read the following safety notes.

#### Notation

In this document, the risk seriousness and the hazard levels are classified as follows.

	<b>DANGER</b> Imminent risk of operator death or serious injury
	<b>WARNING</b> Potential for operator death or serious injury
	<b>CAUTION</b> Potential for minor operator injury or device damage or malfunction
	Risk of electric shock
	Prohibited actions
	Actions that must be performed

#### Symbols affixed to the device

	Precaution or hazard (See corresponding topic.)
	Risk of electric shock
	Protected throughout by double insulation or reinforced insulation
	Device may be connected to or disconnected from a live conductor
	Grounding terminal
	DC (direct current)
	AC (alternating current)

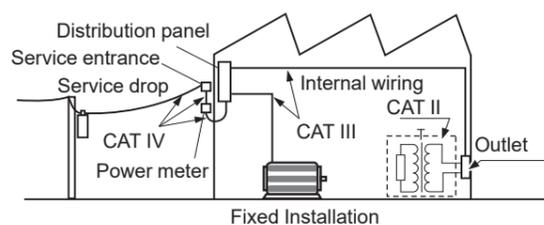
#### Accuracy

We define measurement tolerances in terms of rdg (reading) and dgt (digit) values, with the following meanings:

<b>rdg</b> (reading or displayed value)	The value currently being measured and indicated on the measuring instrument.
<b>dgt</b> (resolution)	The smallest displayable unit on a digital measuring instrument, i.e., the input value that causes the digital display to show a "1" as the least-significant digit.

#### Measurement categories

This instrument's current measurement part conforms to the safety requirements for CAT III 600 V and the voltage measurement part conforms to the safety requirements for CAT II 600 V, CAT III 300 V measuring instruments.



#### DANGER

**Measuring a location with a higher category number than the measurement category indicated on this device may result in a serious accident such as electric shock.**

**To avoid electric shock, do not touch the portion beyond the protective barrier during use.**

**Never apply voltage to the test leads when the resistance and continuity functions are selected.**

**Doing so may damage the instrument and result in bodily injury. To avoid electrical accidents, remove power from the circuit before measuring.**

#### WARNING

- To avoid electric shock, short circuits and damage to the instrument, disconnect the test leads from the measurement object before switching the rotary switch.
- To prevent electric shock, when measuring the voltage of a power line use a test lead that satisfies the following criteria:
  - Conforms to safety standards IEC61010 or EN61010
  - Of measurement category III or IV
  - Its rated voltage is higher than the voltage to be measured
- The optional test leads for this instrument conform to the safety standard EN61010. Use a test lead in accordance with its defined measurement category and rated voltage.
- To avoid an electric shock, operate the instrument at below a lower rated voltage between that indicated on the instrument and on test leads.
- Installing the instrument in inappropriate locations may cause a malfunction of instrument or may give rise to an accident. Avoid the following locations:
  - Exposed to direct sunlight or high temperature
  - Exposed to corrosive or combustible gases
  - Exposed to a strong electromagnetic field or electrostatic charge
  - Near induction heating systems (such as high-frequency induction heating systems and IH cooking equipment)
  - Susceptible to vibration
  - Exposed to water, oil, chemicals, or solvents
  - Exposed to high humidity or condensation
  - Exposed to high quantities of dust particles
- Since there is a risk of electric shock, check that the insulation on the test lead are neither ripped nor torn, and no metal conductor inside the wire are exposed before using the instrument. If damaged, replace them with those specified by our company.

- To prevent a short circuit accident, be sure to use the test leads with the sleeves attached when performing measurements in the CAT III measurement category.
- If the sleeves are inadvertently removed during measurement, stop the measurement.
- With regard to the electricity supply, there are risks of electric shock, heat generation, fire, and arc flash due to short circuits. If persons unfamiliar with electricity measuring instrument are to use the instrument, another person familiar with such instruments must supervise operations.
- This instrument is measured on a live line. To prevent electric shock, use appropriate protective insulation and adhere to applicable laws and regulations.
- Handle and dispose of batteries in accordance with local regulations.

#### CAUTION

- Do not place foreign objects between the jaw tips or insert foreign objects into the gaps of the jaws. Doing so may worsen the performances of the sensor or interfere with clamping action.
- Be careful to avoid dropping the instrument or otherwise subjecting them to mechanical shock, which could damage the jaw and adversely affect measurement.

#### CAUTION

Poor performance or damage from battery leakage could result. Observe the cautions listed below:

- Do not use batteries after their recommended expiry date.
- Do not allow weak batteries to remain in the instrument.
- Replace batteries only with the specified type.
- Remove the batteries from the instrument if it is to be stored for a long time.

- The indicator lights up when the remaining battery capacity is low. In this case, the instrument's reliability is not guaranteed. Replace the battery immediately.
- To avoid battery depletion, turn the rotary switch OFF after use (the auto power save feature consumes a small amount of current).

#### Inspection Before Measurement

- Verify that the instrument operates normally to ensure that no damage occurred during storage or shipping. If you find any damage, contact your authorized Hioki distributor or reseller.
- If damage is suspected, check the section below before contacting your authorized Hioki distributor or reseller.

#### (1) Check that the test lead is not broken.

Replace with the specified L9208 Test Lead.

#### (2) Check that the resistance measurement and continuity test operates normally.

Have the instrument repaired by the your authorized Hioki distributor or reseller. The instrument may have been subject to a voltage of greater than 600 V during resistance measurement or continuity testing.

#### (3) Check that the battery voltage is not low.

Replace the batteries.

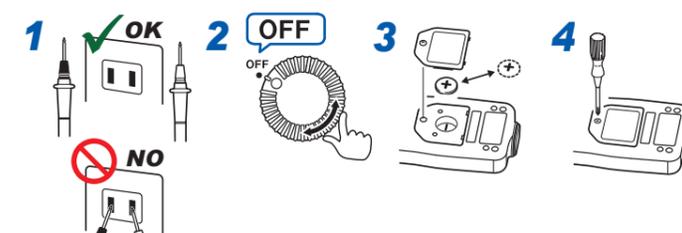
#### Maintenance/Inspection

##### Cleaning

- Measurements are degraded by dirt on the mating surfaces of the jaw, so keep the surfaces clean by gently wiping with a soft, dry cloth.
- To clean the device, wipe it gently with a soft cloth moistened with water or mild detergent.
- Wipe the LCD display gently with a soft, dry cloth.

##### Insert/Replace Batteries

Necessary tool: Phillips screwdriver and CR2032 Coin-shaped lithium battery



Do not turn the adjustment screw inside the battery case. Doing so will cause the instrument to report abnormal measured values.

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Perchlorate Material - special handling may apply.

See <https://dtsc.ca.gov/perchlorate/>

## Functions

Display will automatically turn off if the instrument is not used for 30 min. (Auto power-saving function)

- The auto power save function is activated automatically when the power is turned on. (Not possible to cancel)
- To resume instrument operation in the previous state, select the "OFF" position with the rotary switch and then move the switch to the desired function.

Automatically sets the measurement range to the most appropriate range (Auto-range function)

Displays [AUTO]

To set the measurement range arbitrarily (Manual-range function)

- Power on the tester while holding down the  $\Omega \leftrightarrow \sim V \leftrightarrow \equiv V$  or **HOLD** key to select a manual range for measuring AC current [ $\sim A$ ], DC current [ $\equiv A$ ], AC voltage [ $\sim V$ ], DC voltage [ $\equiv V$ ] or resistance [ $\Omega$ ].
- Note that this function is not available for continuity testing. Press the  $\Omega \leftrightarrow \sim V \leftrightarrow \equiv V$  key to step to the next range.
- To switch between AC voltage [ $\sim V$ ] and DC voltage [ $\equiv V$ ], press and hold the  $\sim V \leftrightarrow \equiv V$  key for at least one second.

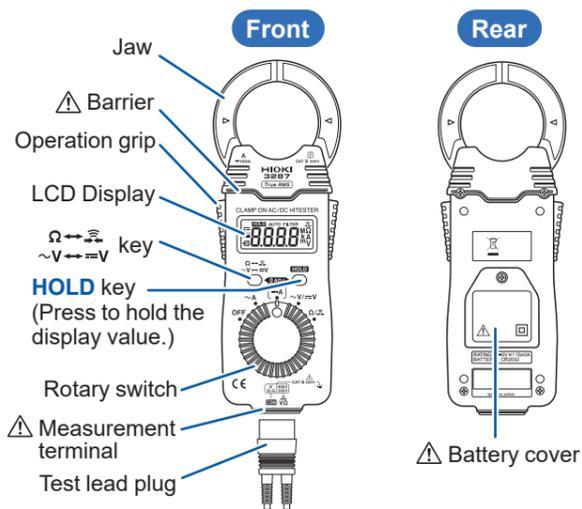
Indication when input exceeds the measurement range (Overflow indication)

Displays [OF] or [-OF]

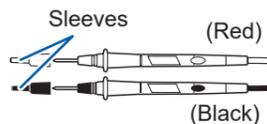
Zero-adjust Function

- The zero adjustment function compensates for sensor magnetization and changes in current display over time.
- Before measuring DC current [ $\equiv A$ ], you must perform zero adjustment by simultaneously pressing the  $\Omega \leftrightarrow \sim V \leftrightarrow \equiv V$  and **HOLD** keys while there is no input to the instrument.
- This function is only effective with measurement of DC current [ $\equiv A$ ].

## Parts Names



## Test leads



When attaching the L4933\*2 or L4934\*3 to the L9208 Test Lead\*1, remove the sleeves from the L9208 (in a CAT II state).

\*1: With the sleeves attached: CAT IV 600 V/CAT III 1000 V, 10 A  
Without the sleeves attached: CAT II 1000 V, 10 A

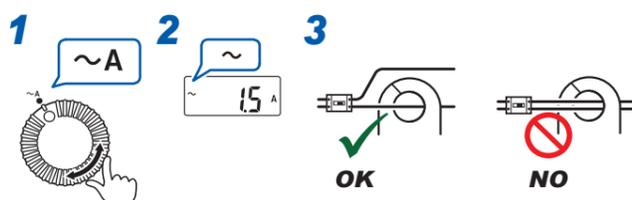
\*2: No measurement category, Maximum rated voltage to earth AC 30 V/DC 60 V, 3 A

\*3: CAT III 300 V/CAT II 600 V, 3 A

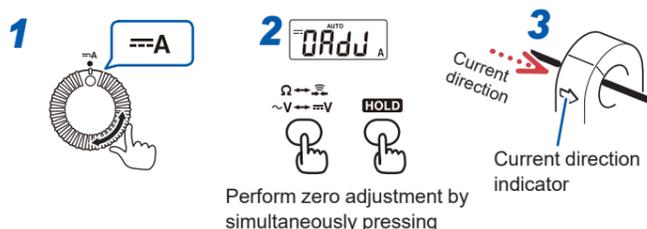
## Measurement Methods

### Current Measurement

#### AC Current Measurement [ $\sim A$ ]

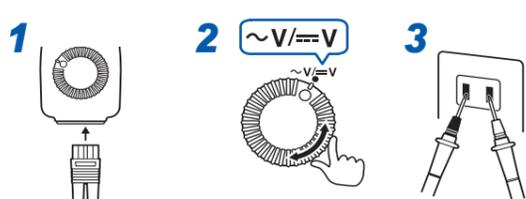


#### DC Current Measurement [ $\equiv A$ ]

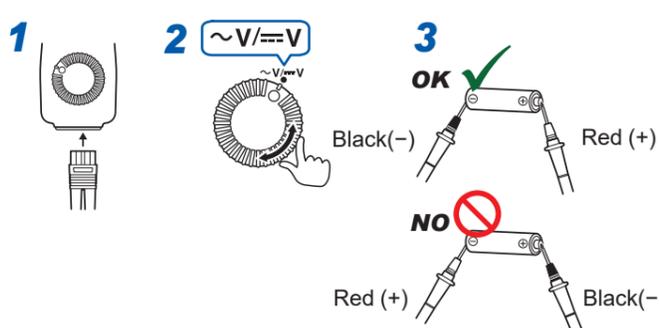


### Voltage Measurement

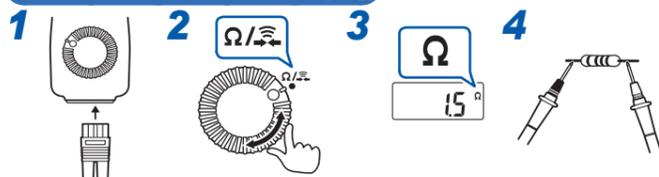
#### AC Voltage Measurement [ $\sim V$ ]



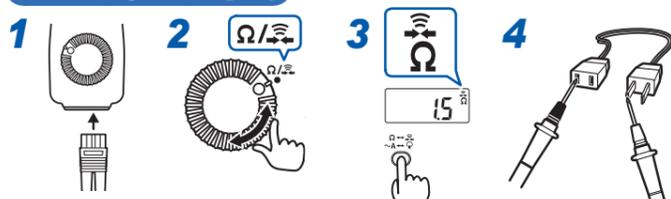
#### DC Voltage Measurement [ $\equiv V$ ]



### Resistance Measurement [ $\Omega$ ]



### Continuity check [ $\Omega$ ]



## Specifications

### General Specifications

<b>Operating environment</b>	Indoors, pollution degree 2, altitude up to 2000 m (6562 ft.)
<b>Operating temperature and humidity</b>	0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F) 80% RH or less (no condensation)
<b>Storage temperature and humidity</b>	-10°C to 50°C (14°F to 122°F), 80% RH or less (no condensation)
<b>Standards</b>	Safety: EN61010, EMC: EN61326
<b>Power supply</b>	CR2032 Coin-shaped lithium battery ×1 (3 V DC) Maximum rated power: 15 mVA
<b>Continuous operating time</b>	3287: Approx. 25 hours, 3288: Approx. 60 hours, 3288-20: Approx. 35 hours (continuous, unloaded)
<b>Dimensions</b>	Approx. 57W × 180H × 16D mm (2.24"W × 7.09"H × 0.63"D)
<b>Mass</b>	• 3287: Approx. 170 g (6.0 oz.) • 3288, 3288-20: Approx. 150 g (5.3 oz.)
<b>Product warranty period</b>	3 years
<b>Accessories</b>	• CR2032 Coin-shaped lithium battery • 9398 Carrying Case • L9208 Test lead • Instruction Manual (Please visit Hioki's website to check for versions in other language.)
<b>Option</b>	• 9209 Test Leads Holder • L4933 Contact Pin Set (Can be connected to the tip of the L9208, which comes with the instrument.) • L4934 Small Alligator Clip Set (Can be connected to the tip of the L9208, which comes with the instrument.)

### Basic Specifications

<b>Maximum input current</b>	3287: 100 A AC/DC continuous (ACA/DCA) 3288, 3288-20: 1000 A AC/DC continuous (ACA/DCA)
<b>Maximum input voltage</b>	600 V AC/DC (ACV/DCV)
<b>Overload protection</b>	600 V AC/DC (ACV/DCV) 250 V AC/DC ( $\Omega$ /continuity)
<b>Maximum rated voltage to earth</b>	• Jaw 600 V (Measurement category III), (Anticipated transient overvoltage: 6000 V) • Voltage measurement terminal (ACV/DCV) 300 V (Measurement category III) (Anticipated transient overvoltage: 4000 V)
<b>AC measurement method</b>	3288: Mean value rectification RMS method 3287, 3288-20: True RMS method
<b>Display update rate</b>	400 ms ±25 ms
<b>Crest factor</b>	• 3287: 2.5 max. Current range: 150 A max., Voltage range: 1000 V max. • 3288-20: 3 max. Current range: 1000 A range is 2 max., Voltage range: 1.5 max.
<b>Zero-display range</b>	5 counts or less (current measurement only)
<b>Effects of conductor position</b>	• 3287: within ±1.0% • 3288, 3288-20: within ±2.0% (At all positions around the sensor's centerpoint reference)
<b>Maximum measurable conductor diameter</b>	φ35 mm or less

## Accuracy Specifications

- Conditions of guaranteed accuracy**
- Guaranteed accuracy period: 1 year (Number of jaw open/close cycles: 10,000 or less)
  - Battery warning indicator is not lighting
  - Temperature and humidity for guaranteed accuracy: 23°C ±5°C (73.0°F ±9.0°F), 80% RH or less (no condensation)
  - Temperature characteristic: 0°C to 40°C  
Measurement accuracy × 0.1/°C is added

### AC current measurement (ACA)

3287				
Range	Accuracy guarantee range	Accuracy		
		45 Hz ≤ f ≤ 66 Hz	10 Hz ≤ f < 20 Hz	20 Hz ≤ f < 45 Hz 66 Hz < f ≤ 1 kHz
10.00 A	0.10 A to 10.00 A	±1.5% rdg ±5 dgt	±5.0% rdg ±5 dgt	±2.0% rdg ±5 dgt
100.0 A	1.0 A to 100.0 A			
3288/3288-20				
Range	Accuracy guarantee range	Accuracy		
		45 Hz ≤ f ≤ 66 Hz	10 Hz ≤ f < 45 Hz 66 Hz < f ≤ 500 Hz	
100.0 A	1.0 A to 100.0 A	±1.5% rdg ±5 dgt	±2.0% rdg ±5 dgt	
1000 A	10 A to 1000 A			

### DC current measurement (DCA)

3287		
Range	Accuracy guarantee range	Accuracy
10.00 A	0.10 A to 10.00 A	±1.5% rdg ±5 dgt
100.0 A	1.0 A to 100.0 A	
3288/3288-20		
Range	Accuracy guarantee range	Accuracy
100.0 A	1.0 A to 100.0 A	±1.5% rdg ±5 dgt
1000 A	10 A to 1000 A	

### AC voltage measurement (ACV)

Range	Accuracy guarantee range	Accuracy	Input impedance
			30 Hz ≤ f ≤ 500 Hz
4.200 V	0.400 V to 4.199 V	±2.3% rdg ±8 dgt	11 MΩ ±5%
42.00 V	4.00 V to 41.99 V		10 MΩ ±5%
420.0 V	40.0 V to 419.9 V	±1.3% rdg ±4 dgt	10 MΩ ±5%
600 V	400 V to 600 V		10 MΩ ±5%

### DC voltage measurement (DCV)

Range	Accuracy guarantee range	Accuracy	Input impedance
420.0 mV	40.0 mV to 419.9 mV	±1.3% rdg ±4 dgt	100 MΩ or more
4.200 V	0.400 V to 4.199 V		11 MΩ ±5%
42.00 V	4.00 V to 41.99 V	±1.3% rdg ±4 dgt	10 MΩ ±5%
420.0 V	40.0 V to 419.9 V		10 MΩ ±5%
600 V	400 V to 600 V		10 MΩ ±5%

### Resistance measurement ( $\Omega$ )

Range	Accuracy guarantee range	Accuracy	Open terminal voltage
420.0 Ω	40.0 Ω to 419.9 Ω	±2.0% rdg ±4 dgt	3.4 V or less
4.200 kΩ	0.400 kΩ to 4.199 kΩ		0.7 V (typ.) 3.4 V or less
42.00 kΩ	4.00 kΩ to 41.99 kΩ	±2.0% rdg ±4 dgt	0.47 V (typ.) 3.4 V or less
420.0 kΩ	40.0 kΩ to 419.9 kΩ		0.47 V (typ.) 3.4 V or less
4.200 MΩ	0.400 MΩ to 4.199 MΩ	±5.0% rdg ±4 dgt	0.47 V (typ.) 3.4 V or less
42.00 MΩ	4.00 MΩ to 41.99 MΩ		±10.0% rdg ±4 dgt 0.47 V (typ.) 3.4 V or less

### Continuity check

Range	Accuracy	Threshold level (beep sound)	Open terminal voltage
420.0 Ω	±2.0% rdg ±6 dgt	50 Ω ±40 Ω or less	3.4 V or less