

# **EASYTEST-COMBI519**

**User** manual





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### 1. PRECAUTIONS AND SAFETY MEASURES

The instrument has been designed in compliance with guidelines IEC/EN61557, BS7671 17th and 18th editions and IEC/EN61010, relevant to electronic measuring instruments. Before and after carrying out the measurements, carefully observe the following instructions:

- Do not carry out any voltage or current measurement in humid environments.
- Do not carry out any measurements in case gas, explosive materials or flammables are present, or in dusty environments.
- Avoid any contact with the circuit to be measured if no measurements are being carried out.
- Avoid contact with exposed metal parts, with unused measuring leads, etc.
- Do not carry out any measurement in case you find anomalies in the instrument such as deformations, breaks, substance leaks, absence of display on the screen, etc.
- Pay special attention when measuring voltages higher than 25V in special environments (such as construction sites, swimming pools, etc.) and higher than 50V in normal environments, since a risk of electrical shock exists.
- Only use original accessories.

The following symbols are used in this manual:



CAUTION: observe the instructions given in this manual; improper use could damage the instrument, its components or create dangerous situations for the operator



High voltage danger: electrical shock hazard



Double insulation



AC voltage or current



DC voltage or current



Connection to earth



The symbol indicates that the instrument must not be connected to systems with phase-to-phase rated delta voltage higher than 415V

### 1.1. PRELIMINARY INSTRUCTIONS

- This instrument has been designed for use in the environmental conditions specified in § 10.4.1. Do not use in different environmental conditions.
- The instrument may be used for measuring and verifying the safety of electrical systems. Do not use on systems exceeding the limit values specified in § 10.1
- We recommend following the normal safety rules devised to protect the user against dangerous currents and the instrument against incorrect use.
- Only the accessories supplied with the instrument guarantee compliance with safety standards. They must be in good conditions and be replaced with identical models, when necessary.
- Make sure the batteries are correctly installed.
- Before connecting the test leads to the circuit being measured, check that the desired function has been selected.



### 1.2. DURING USE

Please carefully read the following recommendations and instructions:

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### **CAUTION**

Failure to comply with the caution notes and/or instructions may damage the instrument and/or its components or be a source of danger for the operator.

- Before changing function, disconnect the test leads from the circuit under test.
- When the instrument is connected to the circuit under test, never touch any terminal, even if unused.
- Avoid measuring resistance if external voltages are present. Even if the instrument is protected, excessive voltage could cause damage.

### 1.3. AFTER USE

When measurements are completed, turn off the instrument by pressing and holding the **ON/OFF** key for some seconds. If the instrument is not to be used for a long time, remove the batteries and follow the instructions given in § 3.3.

### 1.4. DEFINITION OF MEASUREMENT (OVERVOLTAGE) CATEGORY

Standard "IEC/EN61010-1: Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use, Part 1: General requirements" defines what measurement category, commonly called overvoltage category, is. § 6.7.4: Measured circuits, reads: circuits are divided into the following measurement categories:

- Measurement category IV is for measurements performed at the source of a low-voltage installation.
  - Examples are electricity meters and measurements on primary overcurrent protection devices and ripple control units.
- **Measurement category III** is for measurements performed on installations inside buildings.
  - Examples are measurements on distribution boards, circuit breakers, wiring, including cables, bus-bars, junction boxes, switches, socket-outlets in fixed installation, and equipment for industrial use and some other equipment, for example, stationary motors with permanent connection to fixed installation.
- **Measurement category 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.
- Measurement category I is for measurements performed on circuits not directly connected to MAINS.
  - Examples are measurements on circuits not derived from MAINS, and specially protected (internal) MAINS-derived circuits. In the latter case, transient stresses are variable; for that reason, the standard requires that the transient withstand capability of the equipment is made known to the user.



### 2. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

### 2.1. FOREWORD

This user manual is referred to the following models **EASYTEST** and **COMBI521**. Unless otherwise specified, the "instrument" is referred to COMBI519 model. The following Table 1 shows the possible functions

Name	Mesurement description	EASYTEST	COMBI519
AUTO	AUTO sequence of Ra $\clubsuit$ , RCD, M $\Omega$ measures	✓	✓
DMM	Multimeter function (AC Voltage, Frequency)	✓	<b>✓</b>
RPE	Continuity test of earth, protective equipotential conductors with 200mA	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
LoΩ	Continuity test of earth, protective equipotential conductors with 10A and relative optional accessory EQUITEST	✓	✓
МΩ	Measurement of insulation resistance (L-PE L-N, N-PE modes)	✓	✓
RCD	Test on molded case RCD (STD) AC, A/F, B/B+ and DD General and Selective up to 1000mA	✓ (A/F, AC, DD)	✓ (A/F, AC, B/B+, DD)
LOOP	Measurement of global earth resistance (Rap → ) and Line/Loop impedance (L-N, L-L, L-PE) with calculation of prospective short circuit current	✓	✓
LoZ	Measurement of Line/Loop impedance (L-N, L-L, L-PE) with calculation of prospective short circuit current (with IMP57 optional accessory)		<b>✓</b>
1,2,3	Detection of phase rotation and concordance test with 1-wire method	✓	✓
ΔV%	Measurement of percentage voltage drop on main lines	✓	<b>✓</b>

Table 1: Characteristics of models



### 2.2. INSTRUMENT FUNCTIONS

The instrument can perform the following tests:

•	RPE	Continuity test of earth, protective and equipotential conductors with
		test current higher than 200mA and open-circuit voltage between 4V and 24V.

- $M\Omega$  Measurement of insulation resistance with continuous test voltage of 50V, 100V, 250V, 500V or 1000V DC.
- LOOP

  Measurement of line/fault loop impedance P-N, P-P, P-E with calculation of the prospective short-circuit current, overall earth resistance without causing the RCD's tripping (RA♣), check of the breaking capacity of magnetothermal protections (MCB) and fuses, protection check in case of indirect contacts with 2-wire and 3-wire connection
- LoZ
   Measurement of line impedance/Loop P-N, P-P, P-E with calculation of the prospective short-circuit current with high resolution (0.1mΩ) (by means of optional accessory IMP57)
- ΔV% Measurement of percentage voltage drop on mains.
- $\textbf{Lo}\Omega$  Continuity test of earth, protective and equipotential conductors with test current higher than 10A (by means of optional accessory EQUITEST)
- RCD Test on molded-case standard, General and Selective RCDs of type A/F (^^/w), AC (^√), B/B+ (==/==+) and DD of the following parameters: tripping time, tripping current, contact voltage.
- AUTO Automatic sequence measurements of RA<sup>+</sup>, RCD, MΩ functions with 3-wire connection.
- 1,2,3 Indication of phase sequence with 1-terminal method.
- **DMM** Multimeter function for Phase-Neutral, Phase-Phase, Phase-PE voltage and frequency measurements.



### 3. PREPARATION FOR USE

### 3.1. INITIAL CHECKS

Before shipping, the instrument has been checked from an electric as well as a mechanical point of view. All possible precautions have been taken so that the instrument is delivered undamaged. However, we recommend checking it to detect any damage possibly suffered during transport. In case anomalies are found, immediately contact the Dealer. We also recommend checking that the packaging contains all the components. In case of discrepancy, please contact the Dealer. In case the instrument should be returned, please follow the instructions given in § 11.

### 3.2. INSTRUMENT POWER SUPPLY

The instrument is powered by 6x1.5V alkaline batteries of type AA LR06 supplied with the instrument. The "" symbol indicates the charge level of the batteries. To replace the batteries, refer to § 9.2.

### The instrument is capable of keeping data stored even without batteries.

The instrument has an AutoPower OFF function (which can be deactivated) after 10 minutes' idling.

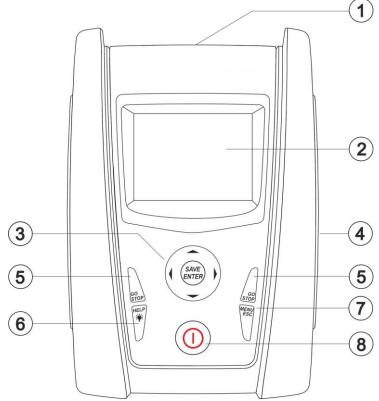
### 3.3. STORAGE

In order to guarantee precise measurement, after a long storage time under extreme environmental conditions, wait for the instrument to come back to normal condition (see § 10.4.1).



### 4. NOMENCLATURE

### 4.1. INSTRUMENT DESCRIPTION



### **CAPTION:**

- 1. Inputs
- 2. LCD display
- 3. ▼,▲, ▶, ◀, SAVE/ENTER keys
- 4. Compartment of the connector for optical cable/USB port
- 5. **GO/STOP** key
- 6. HELP/¥ key
- 7. ESC/MENU key
- 8. **ON/OFF** key

Fig. 1: Description of the front part of the instrument



### **CAPTION:**

- Connector for remote switch probe
- 2. **B1, B3, B4** inputs

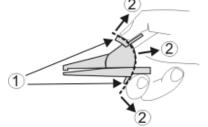
Fig. 2: Description of the upper part of the instrument

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The instrument checks <u>voltage on PE</u> by comparing the voltage at B4 input to the ground potential induced on the instrument's side through the user's hand. Therefore, in order to check voltage on PE, <u>it is mandatory to hold the instrument case on the left or on the right side.</u>

**CAUTION** 

### 4.2. DESCRIPTION OF MEASURING LEADS



### **CAPTION**:

- 1. Hand protection
- 2. Safe area

Fig. 3: Description of measuring leads



### 4.3. KEYBOARD DESCRIPTION

The keyboard includes the following keys:



**ON/OFF** key to switch on/off the instrument



**ESC** key to exit the selected menu without confirming **MENU** key to go back to the general menu at any time



 $\blacktriangleleft$   $\blacktriangleright$   $\blacktriangledown$  keys to move the cursor through the different screens in order to select the desired programming parameters

**SAVE/ENTER** key to save the selected setup parameters (**SAVE**) and to select the desired function (**ENTER**) from the menu



**GO** key to start measurement **STOP** key to stop measurement



**HELP** key to access the online help and display the possible connections between the instrument and the system for each selected function

\* key (continuos pressure) to adjust the display backlight

### 4.4. DISPLAY DESCRIPTION

The display is a COG LCD module, 128x128 points. The first line of the display indicates the type of active measurement, the date/time and the battery charge indication.

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### 4.5. INITIAL SCREEN

When switching on the instrument, the initial screen appears for a few seconds. It shows:

- The instrument model
- The manufacturer
- The serial number (SN:) of the instrument
- The Firmware version of the two instrument's internal microprocessors (FW and HW)
- The date of instrument calibration (Calibration date:)

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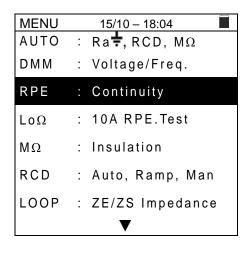
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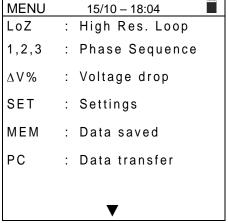
After a few seconds, the instrument switches to general menu screen.



### 5. GENERAL MENU

Pressing the **MENU/ESC** key in any condition of the instrument allows going back to the general menu in which internal parameters may be set and the desired measuring function may be selected.



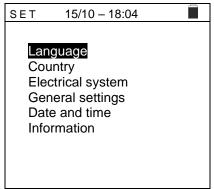


Upon selecting one of the listed measurements with the cursor and confirming with **ENTER**, the instrument shows the desired measurement on the display.

### 5.1. SET – INSTRUMENT SETTINGS

Move the cursor to **SET** by means of the arrow keys  $(\blacktriangle, \blacktriangledown)$  and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the displays shows the screen which allows accessing the various instrument settings.

The settings will remain valid also after switching off the instrument.



### 5.1.1. Language

Move the cursor to **Language** by means of the arrow keys  $(\blacktriangle, \blacktriangledown)$  and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the display shows the screen which allows setting the instrument language.

Select the desired option by means of the arrow keys  $(\blacktriangle, \blacktriangledown)$ . To store settings, press the **ENTER** key, to quit without confirming the changes made, press the **ESC** key.





### **5.1.2.** Country

Move the cursor to **Country** by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the display shows the screen which allows selecting the country of reference, which will influence the LOOP and Ra to German measurements.

Select the desired option by means of the arrow keys  $(\blacktriangle, \blacktriangledown)$ . To store settings, press the **ENTER** key, to quit without confirming the changes made, press the **ESC** key.

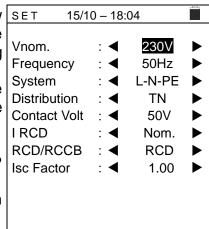


### 5.1.3. Electrical system

Move the cursor to **Electrical system** by means of the arrow keys  $(\blacktriangle, \blacktriangledown)$  and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the display shows the screen which allows setting the following parameters:

- ➤ **Vnom** → Phase-Neutral or Phase-PE nominal voltage (110V,115V,120V,127V,133V,220V,230V,240V) to be used in the calculation of prospective short-circuit current
- ➤ **Frequency** → system frequency (50Hz, 60Hz)
- ➤ System → the type of connection in the RCD and LOOP functions (L-N-PE or L-L-PE)
- ➤ Distribution → the type of electric power supply system (TT, TN or IT)
- ➤ Contact Volt → limit of contact voltage (25V, 50V)
- ▶ I RCD → type of trip-out RCD current visualization (Real, Nom). With the "Nom" option, the instrument shows the normalized value of trip-out current (referred to the nominal current). Example: for RCD type A with Idn=30mA, the actual value of normalized trip-out current can be up to 30mA. With the "Real" option, the instrument shows the actual value of trip-out current by considering the coefficients indicated by guidelines IEC/EN61008 and IEC/EN61009 (1.414 for RCD type A, 1 for RCD type AC, 2 for RCD type B). Example: for RCD type A with Idn=30mA, the actual value of trip-out current can be up to 30mA \* 1.414 = 42mA.
- ➤ RCD/RCCB → When selecting the "RCD" option, the instrument performs the tripping time test with all multipliers in normal conditions. When selecting the "RCCB" option, only for 30mA devices, the instrument performs the tripping time test with x5 multipliers with a test current of 250mA (type AC) and 350mA (type A).
- ➤ Isc Factor → (only for Norway) possibility to select the value of the ISC factor (0.01 ÷ 1.00) to be used in the calculation of prospective short-circuit current.

Select the desired option by means of the arrow keys  $(\blacktriangle, \blacktriangledown)$ . To store settings, press the **ENTER** key, to quit without confirming the changes made, press the **ESC** key

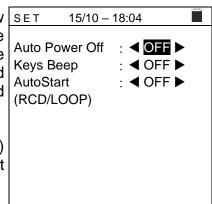




### 5.1.4. General settings

Move the cursor to **General settings** by means of the arrow keys ( $\blacktriangle$ , $\blacktriangledown$ ) and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the display shows the screen which allows enabling/disabling the auto power off function, the sound of the function keys and the Auto Start (automatic start) function in the RCD and LOOP functions (see § 5.1.5).

Select the desired option by means of the arrow keys  $(\blacktriangle, \blacktriangledown)$  and  $(\blacktriangleleft, \blacktriangleright)$ . To store settings, press the **ENTER** key, to quit without confirming the changes made, press the **ESC** key



### 5.1.5. Auto Start feature

The AutoStart feature allows automatically performing the RCD and LOOP measurements. In order to correctly use the AutoStart mode, it is NECESSARY to run the FIRST test by pressing the GO/STOP key on the instrument or the START key on the remote switch probe.

After completing the first test, as soon as the instrument detects a steady input voltage within the allowed range, it runs the test automatically with no need to press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument or the **START** key on the remote switch probe.

### 5.1.6. Date and time

Move the cursor to **Date and time** by means of the arrow keys  $(\blacktriangle, \blacktriangledown)$  and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the display shows the screen which allows setting the system date/time. Select "Format" to set the European system ("DD/MM/YY, hh:mm" **EU** format) or the American system ("MM/DD/YY hh:mm" **USA** format).

Select the desired option by means of the arrow keys  $(\blacktriangle, \blacktriangledown)$  and  $(\blacktriangleleft, \blacktriangleright)$ . To store settings, press the **ENTER** key, to quit without confirming the changes made, press the **ESC** key.

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### 5.1.7. Information

Move the cursor to **Info** by means of the arrow keys (♠,▼) SET and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the display shows the initial screen as indicated in the screen to the side.

Press the **ESC** key to return to the main menu.





### 6. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

### 6.1. AUTO: AUTOMATIC TEST SEQUENCE (RA $\stackrel{\downarrow}{+}$ , RCD, M $\Omega$ )

This function allows performing the following measurements in an automatic sequence:

- Overall earth resistance without causing the RCD's tripping (Ra‡)
- ➤ Tripping current and tripping time of General RCDs type A/F (^^/w), AC (^) or B/B+ (==/==+)
- Insulation resistance with test voltages 50, 100, 250, 500, 1000 VDC



### CAUTION

Some combinations of test parameters could be unavailable in compliance with the technical specifications of the instrument and the RCD tables (see § 10.1 – empty cells of RCD tables mean unavailable situations)

### **CAUTION**



Testing the RCD's tripping time causes the RCD's tripping. Therefore, check that there are NO users or loads connected downstream of the RCD being tested which could be damaged by a system downtime. Disconnect all loads connected downstream of the RCD as they could produce leakage currents further to those produced by the instrument, thus invalidating the results of the test.

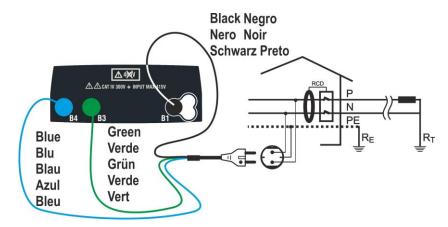


Fig. 4: Instrument connection through mains plug

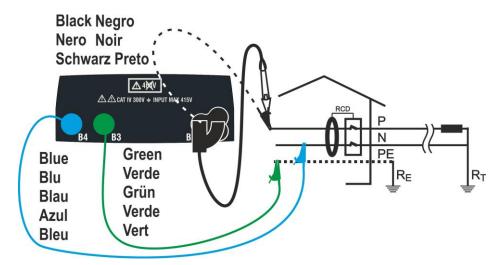


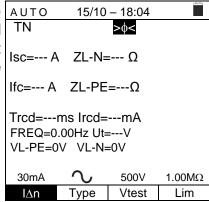
Fig. 5: Instrument connection by means of single cables and remote switch probe



### TN systems

Press the MENU key, move the cursor to AUTO in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

Select "UK" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "TN", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3).



- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value
  - $\triangleright$  I∆n  $\rightarrow$  The virtual key allows setting the nominal value of the RCD's tripping current, which may be: 6mA, 10mA, 30mA.

  - ➤ Vtest → This key allows selecting the DC test voltage generated during measurement. The following values are available: 50V, 100V, 250V, 500V, 1000V.
  - ightharpoonup Lim ightharpoonup This key allows the selection of the minimum limit threshold in order to consider the insulation measurement correct. The following values are available: 0.05MΩ, 0.10MΩ, 0.23MΩ, 0.25MΩ, 0.50MΩ, 1.00MΩ, 100MΩ.

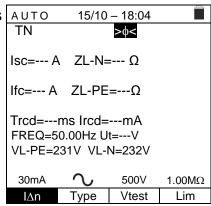
### CAUTION



- Make sure to select the correct value when setting the RCD's test current.
  If setting a current higher than the nominal current of the device being
  tested, the RCD would be tested at a current higher than the correct one,
  thus facilitating a faster tripping of the switch.
- The "▶ø◄" symbol indicates that the test cables or the plug cable have already been calibrated in the LOOP section (see § 6.7.2). The AUTO function takes this value as a reference.
- 3. Insert the green, blue and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B1, B3 and B4 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 4 or Fig. 5



4. Note the correct voltage values between L-N and L-PE as shown in the screen to the side.



5. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument or the **START** key on the remote switch probe. The instrument will start the automatic test sequence.



### CAUTION

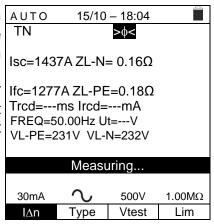
If message "Measuring..." appears on the display, the instrument is performing measurement. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the test leads of the instrument from the mains.

6. The Ra‡ test starts and the screen to the side appears on the display. After approx. 20s, the Ra‡ ends and the values of Z<sub>L-N</sub>, Z<sub>L-PE</sub>, IscMin, IFCMin immediately appear on the display.

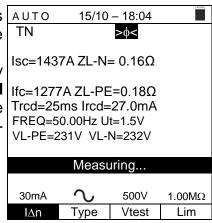
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In case of a **positive** result of all the tests sequentially performed as  $Ra \neq (Z_{L-N} \text{ and } Z_{L-PE} < 199\Omega)$ , the instrument goes on with the test on the trip-out current and trip-out time of the RCD.



7. The **RCD** test starts and the screen to the side appears on the display. The trip-out current and the trip-out time values appear on the display.



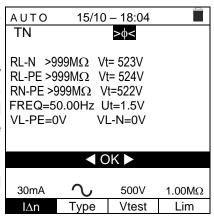


The insulation test starts and the screen to the side AUTO appears on the display. The RL-N, RL-PE and RN-PE values appear on the display.

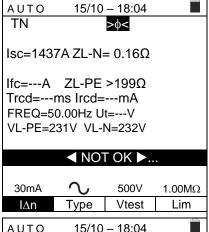
In case of a positive result of all the tests sequentially performed during the insulation test (insulation resistance > minimum limit threshold), the instrument has completed its tasks, shows the "OK" message and displays the screen to the side.

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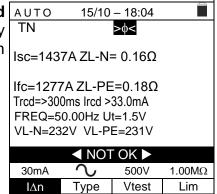
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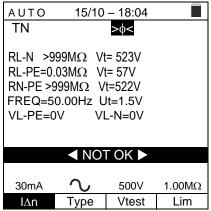
9. In case of a **negative** result of the Rattest (Z<sub>L-N</sub> and/or AUTO  $Z_{L-PE} > 199\Omega$ ), the auto test is automatically blocked, the message "NOT OK" is shown and the screen to the side is displayed.



10. In case of a negative result of the RCD test (Trcd AUTO >300ms or Ircd > 33.0mA), the auto test is automatically blocked, the message "NOT OK" is shown and the screen to the side is displayed.



11. In case of a negative result of the Insulation test AUTO (insulation resistance < minimum limit threshold), the auto test is automatically blocked, the message "NOT OK" is shown and the screen to the side is displayed.



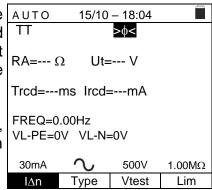
12. Press the SAVE key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the ESC/MENU key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen.



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Press the MENU key, move the cursor to AUTO in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

Select "UK" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "TT", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3)



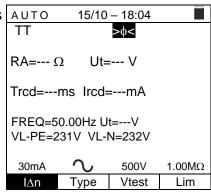
- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value.
  - $\triangleright$  I∆n  $\rightarrow$  The virtual key allows setting the nominal value of the RCD's tripping current, which may be: 6mA, 10mA, 30mA.

  - ➤ Vtest → This key allows selecting the DC test voltage generated during measurement. The following values are available: 50V, 100V, 250V, 500V, 1000V.
  - ightharpoonup Lim ightharpoonup This key allows the selection of the minimum limit threshold in order to consider the insulation measurement correct. The following values are available: 0.05MΩ, 0.10MΩ, 0.23MΩ, 0.25MΩ, 0.50MΩ, 1.00MΩ, 100MΩ.

### CAUTION



- Make sure to select the correct value when setting the RCD's test current.
   If setting a current higher than the nominal current of the device being tested, the RCD would be tested at a current higher than the correct one, thus facilitating a faster tripping of the switch.
- The "▶ø◄" symbol indicates that the test cables or the plug cablehas already been calibrated in the LOOP section (see § 6.7). The AUTO function takes this value as a reference.
- 3. Insert the green, blue and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B1, B3 and B4 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 4 or Fig. 5.
- 4. Note the correct voltage values between L-N and L-PE as shown in the screen to the side.



5. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument or the **START** key on the remote switch probe. The instrument will start the automatic test sequence.

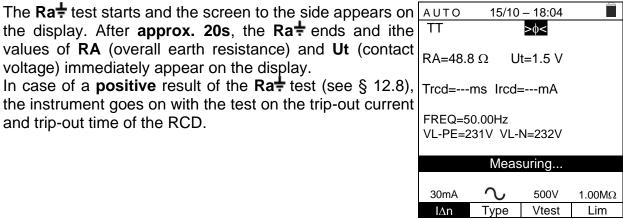




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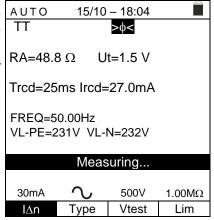
If message "Measuring..." appears on the display, the instrument is performing measurement. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the test leads of the instrument from the mains.

the display. After approx. 20s, the Ra = ends and ithe values of RA (overall earth resistance) and Ut (contact voltage) immediately appear on the display. In case of a **positive** result of the Rat test (see § 12.8), the instrument goes on with the test on the trip-out current and trip-out time of the RCD.



The **RCD** test starts and the screen to the side appears 7. on the display. The trip-out current and the trip-out time values appear on the display.

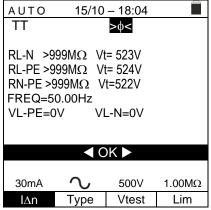
In case of a **positive** result of all the tests sequentially performed during RCD test (Trcd and Ircd parameters) | Trcd=25ms Ircd=27.0mA (see § 12.4), the instrument goes on with the test on insulation resistance between L-N, L-PE and N-PE conductors.



8. The insulation test starts and the screen to the side AUTO appears on the display. The RL-N, RL-PE and RN-PE values appear on the display.

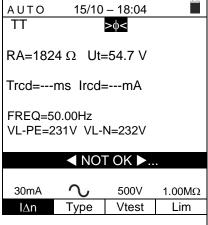
In case of a positive result of all the test sequentially performed during insulation test (insulation resistance > minimum limit threshold), the instrument has completed its tasks, shows the "OK" message and displays the screen to the side.

Press (◀, ▶) in order to display the values of the second available page.

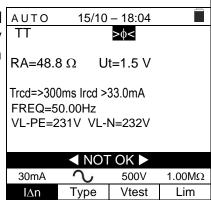




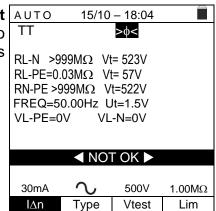
9. In case of a **negative** result of the **Ra** test (see § 12.8), the auto test is automatically blocked, the message "NOT OK" is shown and the screen to the side is displayed.



10. In case of a **negative** result of the **RCD test** (**Trcd** >300ms or **Ircd** > 33.0mA), the auto test is automatically blocked, the message "NOT OK" is shown and the screen to the side is displayed.



11. In case of a **negative** result of the **Insulation test** (insulation resistance < minimum limit threshold), the auto test is automatically blocked, the message "NOT OK" is shown and the screen to the side is displayed.

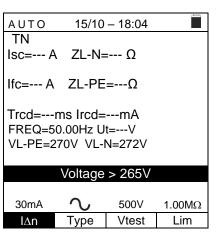


12. Press the **SAVE** key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the **ESC/MENU** key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen.

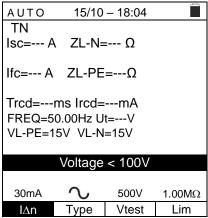


### 6.1.1. Anomalous situations

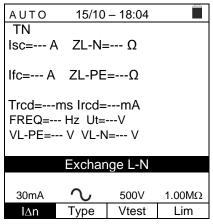
1. If the instrument detects a L-N or L-PE voltage higher than the maximum limit (265V), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side. Check the connection of measuring cables.



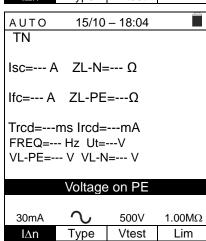
2. If the instrument detects a L-N or L-PE voltage lower than the minimum limit (100V), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side. Check that the system being tested is supplied.



3. If the instrument detects that the phase and neutral leads are inverted, it does not carry out the test and a screen similar to the one reported to the side is displayed. Rotate the mains plug or check the connection of the measuring cables.  $\frac{A \cup TO}{TN}$ Isc=--- A ZL-N=---  $\Omega$  If C=--- A ZL-PE=--- $\Omega$ 



4. If the instrument detects a dangerous voltage on PE conductor, it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side.





### 6.2. DMM: DIGITAL MULTIMETER FUNCTION

This function allows reading the real time TRMS values of P-N Voltage, P-PE Voltage, N-PE Voltage and Frequency (@ P-N inputs) when the instrument is connected to an installation.

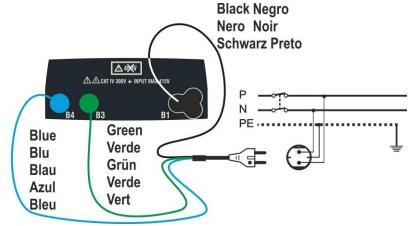


Fig. 6: Instrument connection through mains plug

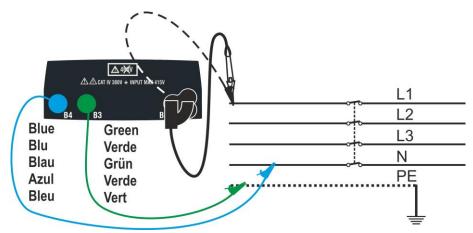


Fig. 7: Instrument connection by means of single cables and remote switch probe

 Press the MENU key, move the cursor to DMM in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

,	DMM	15/10 -	- 18:04	
l				
•	FREQ.	=	0.00	Hz
	VL-N	=	0	V
	VL-PE	=	0	V
	VN-PE	=	0	V

2. Insert the green, blue and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B1, B3 and B4 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 6 or Fig. 7.



3. The TRMS values of L-N voltage, L-PE voltage, N-PE voltage and the frequency of L-N voltage are shown on the display.

Press the **GO/STOP** key to enable/disable the "HOLD" function in order to fix the value on the display.

DMM	15/10 – 18:04				
FREQ.	=	50.00	Hz		
VL-N	=	230	V		
VL-PE	=	230	V		
VN-PE	=	2	V		
	HC	DLD			

### **CAUTION**



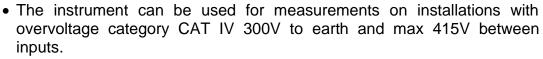
These data cannot be saved in the instrument's internal memory.



### 6.3. RPE: CONTINUITY OF PROTECTIVE CONDUCTORS

This function is performed in compliance with standards IEC/EN61557-4, BS7671 17th/18th edition and allows measuring the resistance of protective and equipotential conductors.

### **CAUTION**





- We recommend holding the alligator clip respecting the safety area created by the hand protection (see § 4.2).
- Check that no voltage is present at the ends of the item to be tested before carrying out a continuity test.
  - The results may be influenced by the presence of auxiliary circuits connected in parallel with the item to be tested or by transient currents.

The following operating modes are available:

- **STD** The test is activated by pressing the **GO/STOP** key (or **START** on the remote switch probe). Recommended mode
- TMR The user can set a sufficiently long time to be able to move the tip on the conductors being examined while the instrument performs the test. For the whole duration of measurement, the instrument emits a short acoustic signal every 3 seconds. The user shall touch the metal part under test while the instrument beeps. If, during measurement, a result takes a value higher than the set limit, the instrument emits a continuous acoustic signal. To stop the test, press the GO/STOP key or the START key on the remote switch probe again.
- >φ< Compensation of the resistance of the cables used for measurement. The instrument automatically subtracts the value of cable resistance from the measured resistance value. Therefore, it is necessary that this value is measured (by the >φ< function) each time the measuring cables are changed or extended.</li>



### CAUTION

Continuity test is carried out by supplying a current higher than 200mA in case the resistance does not exceed ca.  $5\Omega$  (including resistance of the test cables). For higher resistance values, the instrument carries out the test with a current lower than 200mA.

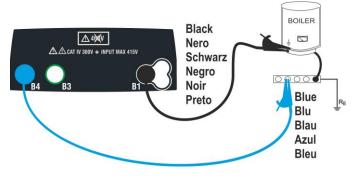


Fig. 8: Continuity test by means of single cables



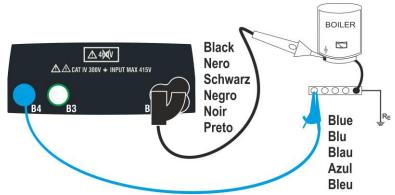
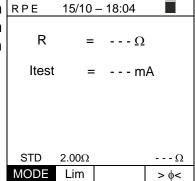


Fig. 9: Continuity test by means of remote switch probe

1. Press the **MENU** key, move the cursor to **RPE** in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.



- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value:
  - ➤ MODE → this virtual key allows setting the test mode. The following options are available: STD, TMR.
  - ightharpoonup this virtual key allows the selection of the maximum limit to consider the measured value correct. It is possible to set a limit included in the range: **0.01**Ω ÷ **9.99**Ω in steps of 0.01Ω.
  - ➤ Time (TMR mode) → this virtual key allows you to set the duration of the measurement in the range: 3s ÷ 99s in steps of 3s.
- 3. Insert the blue and black connectors of the single cables into the corresponding inputs B4 and B1 of the instrument. Apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1.
- 4. Should the length of the cables provided be insufficient for the measurement to be performed, extend the blue cable.
- 5. Select the  $>\phi<$  mode to compensate the resistance of the cables used for measuring according to the instructions given in 6.3.2.



### **CAUTION**

Before connecting the test leads, make sure that there is no voltage at the ends of the conductor to be tested.

6. Connect the test leads to the ends of the conductor to be tested as shown in Fig. 8 or Fig. 9.





### **CAUTION**

Always make sure, before any test, that the compensation resistance value of the cables is referred to the cables currently used. In case of doubt, repeat the cable calibration procedure as indicated in § 6.3.2.

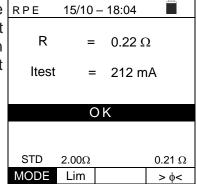
7. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument or the **START** key on the remote switch probe. The instrument will start the measurement.



### **CAUTION**

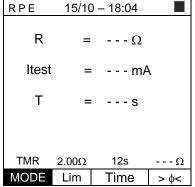
If message "**Measuring...**" appears on the display, the instrument is performing measurement. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the test leads of the instrument from the conductor under test.

8. At the end of measurement, the instrument shows on the display the message "OK" in case of a positive result (value lower than the set limit threshold) or "NOT OK" in case of a negative result (value higher than the set limit threshold).

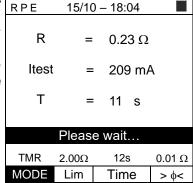


### 6.3.1. TMR mode

With the arrow keys (▲,▼) select the "TMR" option in the "Mode" section. The instrument displays a screen like the one shown to the side. Set the measurement duration in the "Time" section and follow the steps from point 2 to point 6 of § 6.2.

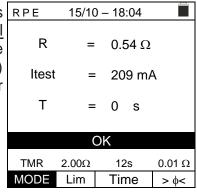


2. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument or the **START** key on the remote switch probe. The instrument starts a series of continuous measurements for the entire duration set with a countdown, giving a short beep every 3 seconds and alternating the words "**Measuring...**" and "**Please wait...**".





3. At the end of the set duration time, the instrument shows on the display the maximum value among all the partial measurements performed and the message "OK" in case of a positive result (value lower than the set limit threshold) or "NOT OK" in case of a negative result (value higher than the set limit threshold).



4. Press the **SAVE** key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the **ESC/MENU** key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen.

### 6.3.2. $> \phi < mode$

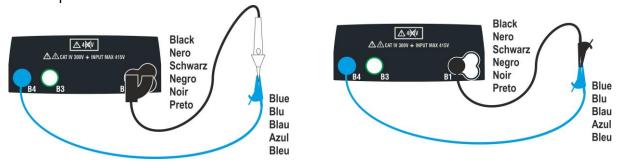


Fig. 10: Compensation of single cables and remote switch probe resistance

- 1. Use the  $\triangleleft$ ,  $\triangleright$  keys to select the the virtual key  $\triangleright \phi <$
- 2. Connect the alligator clips and/or test leads and/or remote switch probe to the conductor to be tested as indicated in Fig. 10.
- 3. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument or the **START** key on the remote switch probe. The instrument starts the calibration procedure of the cables, immediately followed by the verification of the compensated value.



### **CAUTION**

If message "**Measuring...**" appears on the display, the instrument is performing measurement. If message "**Verify**" appears on the display, the instrument is verifying the calibrated value. During this whole stage, do not unshort the test leads of the instrument.

4. Once calibration is completed, in case the detected value is lower than  $5\Omega$ , the instrument gives a double acoustic signal which indicates the positive result of the test and displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

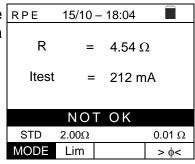
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5. In order to delete the compensation resistance value of the cables, it is necessary to perform a cable calibration procedure with a resistance higher than  $5\Omega$  at test leads (e.g. with open test leads).

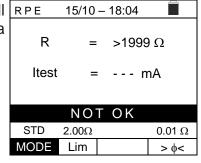


### 6.3.3. Anomalous situations

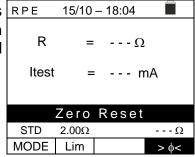
1. In case the detected value is higher than the set limit, the RPE instrument gives a long acoustic signal and displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.



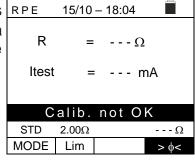
2. If the instrument detects a resistance higher than the full RPE scale, it emits a prolonged acoustic signal and displays a screen like the one to the side.



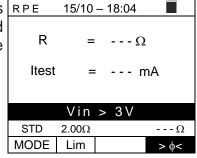
3. When using the >φ< mode, in case the instrument detects a calibration reset (performing the operation with open terminals), the instrument gives out a long sound and displays a screen like the one to the side.



4. When using the  $> \phi <$  mode, in case the instrument detects a resistance higher than  $5\Omega$  at its terminals, it emits a prolonged acoustic signal, resets the compensated value and displays a screen like the one to the side.



5. If the instrument detects a voltage higher than 3V at its terminals, it does not perform the test, emits a prolonged acoustic signal and displays a screen like the one to the side.





### 6.4. LOΩ: CONTINUITY OF PROTECTIVE CONDUCTORS WITH 10A

This function allows measuring the resistance of protective and equipotential conductors with a test current >10A by using the EQUITEST optional accessory connected to the instrument through the C2050 cable. The optional accessory EQUITEST must be directly powered by the mains on which measurements are performed. For detailed information, please refer to the user manual of the EQUITEST accessory.

### CAUTION

- The instrument can be used for measurements on installations with overvoltage category CAT IV 300V to earth and max 415V between inputs.
- We recommend holding the alligator clip respecting the safety area created by the hand protection (see § 4.2).



- Check that no voltage is present at the ends of the item to be tested before carrying out a continuity test.
  - The results may be influenced by the presence of auxiliary circuits connected in parallel with the item to be tested or by transient currents.
- Continuity test is carried out by supplying a current **higher than 10A** in case the resistance does not exceed ca.  $0.7\Omega$  (including resistance of the test cables). The 4-wire method allows extending the test leads without any preliminary calibration.
- Press the MENU key, move the cursor to LoΩ in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

1	LoΩ	15/10	– 18:04	
า ส	R	=	Ω	
	Itest	=	A	
	0.500 Ω		MAN	
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- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the value of parameters:
  - ightharpoonup Lim ightharpoonup this virtual key allows the selection of the maximum limit to consider the measured value correct. It is possible to set a limit included in the range: **0.003**Ω ÷ **0.500**Ω in steps of 0.001Ω
  - ➤ MODE → The virtual key allows the setting of the measurement modes. The following options are possible: MAN (the measurement is activated manually by using the GO/STOP key), AUTO (the measurement is automatically started after connecting the EQUITEST accessory to the cable under test without pressing the GO/STOP key
- 3. Connect the EQUITEST accessory to the mains (230/240V 50/60Hz) and check that the green LED lights up. Connect the accessory to the instrument through the **C2050** cable. Subsequently, the "Conn." message is shown indicating the correct detection by the instrument.

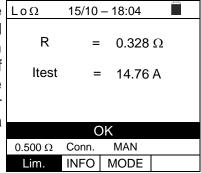
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	$0.500~\Omega$	Conn.	MAN
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4. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the "INFO" item. The screen to the side is shown on the display indicating the information relevant to the accessory.

	$Lo\Omega$	15/10	<b>- 18:04</b>	
•		EQUI	TEST	
	SN:	21	0600023	
	FW:	1.0	00	
	HW:	1.0		
	CalDate:	30		
	Status:	Co		
	$0.500~\Omega$	Conn.	MAN	
	Lim.	INFO	MODE	
		•	•	•

- 5. Connect the alligator clips to the conductor to be tested (see the user manual of EQUITEST accessory for each details)
- 6. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument. The instrument will start the measurement (in case of MAN mode selection) or perform automatic measurement (in case of AUTO mode selection. At the end of measurement, the instrument shows on the display the message "**OK**" in case of a positive result (value lower than the set limit threshold) or "**NOT OK**" in case of a negative result (value higher than the set limit threshold).

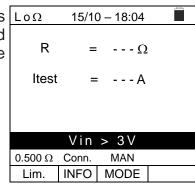


7. Press the **SAVE** key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the **ESC/MENU** key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen.

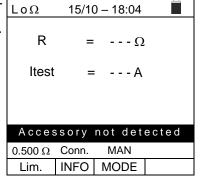


### 6.4.1. Anomalous situations

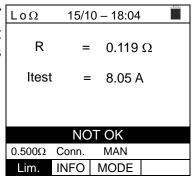
1. If the instrument detects a voltage higher than 3V at its terminals, it does not perform the test, it emits a prolonged acoustic signal and displays a screen like the one to the side.



2. If the instrument does not detect the EQUITEST accessory, it displays a screen like the one to the side. Check the connections with the accessory.



3. The instrument shows on the display the message "NOT  $\square$  OK" in case of a positive result (value lower than the set limit threshold) but with test current lower than 10A, as indicated in the screen like the one to the side.





### 6.5. $M\Omega$ : MEASUREMENT OF INSULATION RESISTANCE

This function is performed in compliance with standards IEC/EN61557-2, BS7671 17th/18th edition and allows measuring the insulation resistance between the active conductors and between each active conductor and the earth. The following operating modes are available:

- MAN the test can be carried out between the L-N, L-PE or N-PE conductors and has a fixed duration of 3s when the GO/STOP key is pressed on the instrument (or START on the remote switch probe). Recommended mode
- TMR the test is carried out between the L-PE conductors and has a programmable duration in the range 3s ÷ 999s in steps of 1s by pressing the GO/STOP key on the instrument (or START of the remote switch probe). It is possible to perform DAR (Dielectric Absorbtion Ratio) duration test for test time >60s and PI (Polarization Index) for test time > 600s (10min) (see § 12.2.1 and § 12.2.2)

 AUTO the instrument performs an automatic sequence test between the L-N, L-PE and N-PE conductors when the GO/STOP key is pressed on the instrument (or START of the remote switch probe).

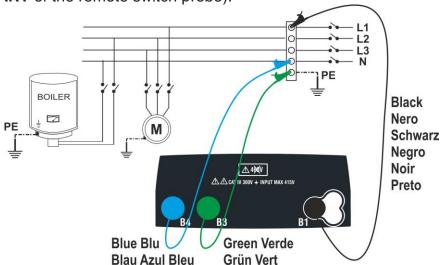


Fig. 11: Insulation test between L-N-PE by means of single cables (MAN and AUTO modes)

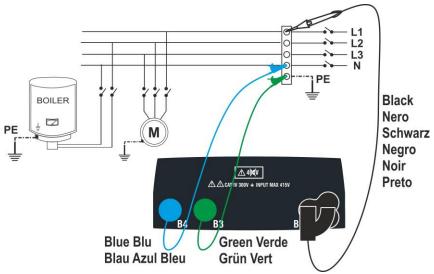


Fig. 12: Insulation between L-N-PE with single cables and remote switch probe (MAN and AUTO)



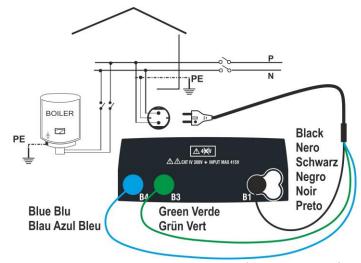


Fig. 13: Insulation between L-N-PE by means of mains plug (MAN and AUTO)

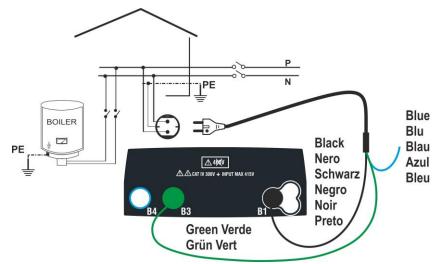


Fig. 14: Insulation between L-PE by means of mains plug (TMR mode)

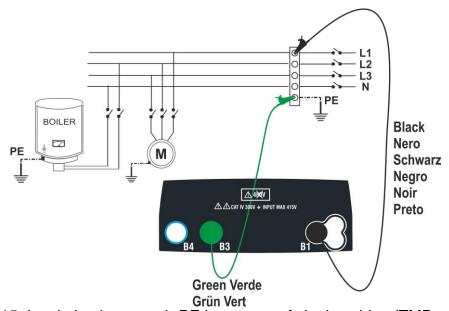


Fig. 15: Insulation between L-PE by means of single cables (TMR mode)



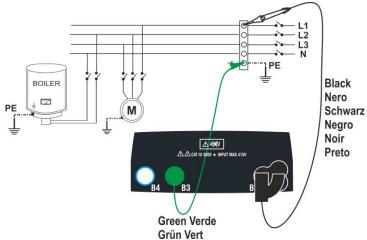
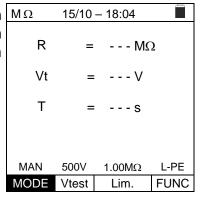


Fig. 16: Insulation between L-PE by means of single cables and remote switch probe (TMR mode))

Press the MENU key, move the cursor to MΩ in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.



- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value:
  - ➤ **MODE** → This key allows setting the test mode. The following options are available: **MAN, TMR, AUTO**.
  - ➤ Vtest → This key allows selecting the DC test voltage generated during measurement. The following values are available: 50V, 100V, 250V, 500V, 1000V.
  - ightharpoonup Lim ightharpoonup This key allows the selection of the minimum limit threshold in order to consider the measurement correct. The following values are available: 0.05MΩ, 0.10MΩ, 0.23MΩ, 0.25MΩ, 0.50MΩ, 1.00MΩ, 100MΩ.
  - ➤ FUNC → This key allows setting the connection type L-N, L-PE or N-PE in MAN mode.
  - ➤ Temp → Only in TMR mode, this virtual key allows setting the duration time of test in the range: 3s ÷ 999s.
- 3. We suggest setting the value of the voltage supplied while measuring and the minimum limit to consider the measure correct according to the prescriptions of the reference standard (see § 12.2).
- 4. Insert the green and black connectors of the single cables into the corresponding inputs B1, B3, B4 (MAN and AUTO modes) or B1, B3 (TMR mode) of the instrument. Apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Should the length of the cables provided be insufficient for the measurement to be performed, extend the green cable.







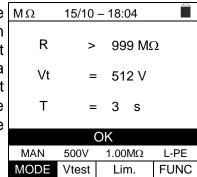
- Disconnect any cable not strictly involved in measurement.
- Before connecting the test leads, make sure that there is no voltage at the ends of the conductors to be tested.
- 5. Connect the test leads and remote switch probe to the ends of the conductors to be tested as shown in Fig. 11, Fig. 12, Fig. 13, Fig. 14, Fig. 15, or Fig. 16.
- 6. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument or the **START** key on the remote switch probe. The instrument will start the measurement.



### CAUTION

If message "Measuring..." appears on the display, the instrument is performing measurement. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the test leads of the instrument from the conductors under test, as the circuit being tested could remain charged with a dangerous voltage due to the stray capacitances of the system.

- 7. Regardless of the operating mode selected, the instrument, at the end of each test, applies a resistance to the output leads to discharge the stray capacitances in the circuit.
- 8. At the end of measurement (fixed duration of 3s), the instrument shows on the display the message " $\mathbf{OK}$ " in case of a positive result (value higher than the set minimum limit threshold) or " $\mathbf{NOT}$   $\mathbf{OK}$ " in case of a negative result (value lower than the minimum limit threshold set). The message " $\mathbf{>999M}\Omega$ " indicates the instrument's out of scale, which normally appears to be the best possible result.

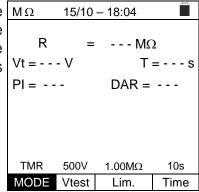


9. Press the **SAVE** key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the **ESC/MENU** key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen.

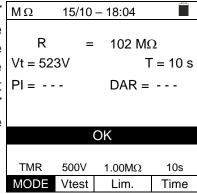


### 6.5.1. TMR mode

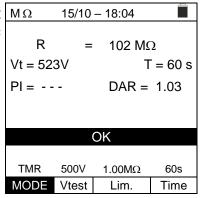
With the arrow keys (▲, ▼) select the "TMR" option in the "MΩ "Mode" section. The instrument displays a screen like the one shown to the side. Set the duration of the measurement in the "Time" section and follow the steps from point 2 to point 5 of § 6.4.



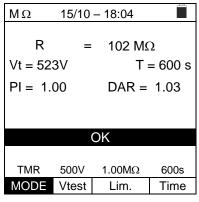
2. Press the GO/STOP key on the instrument or the START key on the remote switch probe. The instrument starts the measurement for the entire duration set, showing the "Measuring..." message. The instrument shows the message "OK" on the display in case of a positive result (value higher than the set minimum threshold) or "NOT OK" in case of a negative result (value lower than the minimum limit set).



3. With a <u>measurement duration  $\geq$  60s</u>, the instrument shows the indication of the DAR parameter (Dielectric Absorbtion Ratio) as shown in the screen to the side.



4. With a <u>measurement duration ≥ 600s</u>, the instrument shows the indication of the DAR parameter (Dielectric Absorbtion Ratio) and of the PI prameter (Polarisation Index) as shown in the screen to the side.





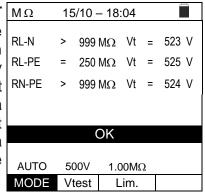
#### 6.5.2. **AUTO** mode

 With the arrow keys (▲,▼) select the "AUTO" option in the "Mode" section. The instrument displays a screen like the one shown to the side. Set the duration of the measurement in the "Time" section and follow the steps from point 2 to point 5 of § 6.4.

The instrument performs the insulation test between: L-N, L-PE and N-PE. Since some loads could still be connected between L-N, the instrument performs a preliminary test by using 50V as test voltage. If the RL-N is higher than  $50k\Omega$ , a new insulation test between L-N is performed by using the Vtest value. Finally, the instrument performs L-PE and N-PE insulation test.

$M\Omega$	15/10 – 18:04			
RL-N	=	MΩ Vt	=	V
RL-PE	=	MΩ Vt	=	V
RN-PE	=	MΩ Vt	=	V
AUTO	500V	1.00M	lO.	
AOTO	300 V	1.001	12.2	
MODE	Vtest	Lim.		

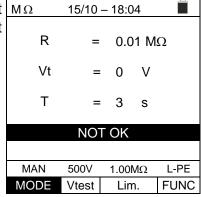
2. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument or the **START** key on the remote switch probe. The instrument starts the automatic sequential measurement of the insulation resistance between L-N, L-PE and N-PE respectively by showing the "**Measuring...**" message. The instrument shows the message "**OK**" on the display in case of a positive result of each test (value higher than the set minimum limit threshold) or "**NOT OK**" in case of a negative result of at least one test (value lower than the set minimum limit threshold).



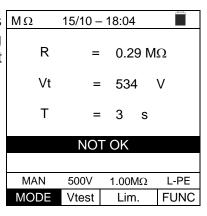


#### 6.5.3. Anomalous situations

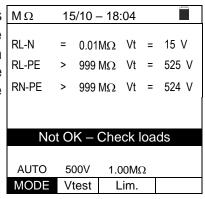
1. If the instrument fails to generate the nominal voltage, it emits a long acoustic signal to indicate the negative result of the test and displays a screen like the one at the side.



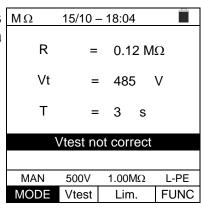
2. At the end of the test, if the measured resistance value is lower than the set limit, the instrument emits a long acoustic signal to indicate the negative result of the test and displays a screen like the one at the side.



3. In AUTO mode, if the insulation measurement L-N is  $<50 k\Omega = 0.05 M\Omega$ , all the tests are completed or if the STOP key has been pressed, if RL-PE and RN-PE> Lim and Vt> Vnom, the instrument shows a screen like the one at the side. Disconnect the loads and resume the test.

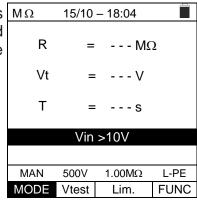


4. At the end of the test, if the value of the test voltage is lower than the nominal value, the instrument displays a screen like the one at the side.





5. If the instrument detects a voltage <a href="https://example.com/higher-than-10V">higher than 10V</a> at its terminals, it does not perform the test, emits a prolonged acoustic signal and displays a screen like the one at the side.





#### 6.6. RCD: TEST ON DIFFERENTIAL SWITCHES

This function is performed in compliance with standard IEC/EN61557-6, BS7671 17th/18th edition and allows measuring the tripping time and current of molded-case differential switches of type A/F ( \( \Lambda \) A/W), AC ( \( \lambda \)), B/B+ ( \( \lambda \) and DD being General (G) and Selective (S).

# CAUTION



The instrument checks <u>voltage on PE</u> by comparing the voltage at B4 input and the ground potential induced on the instrument's side through the user's hand. Therefore, in order to check voltage on PE, <u>it is mandatory to hold the instrument case on the left or on the right side.</u>

# **CAUTION**



- Some combinations of test parameters could be unavailable in compliance with the technical specifications of the instrument and the RCD tables (see § 10.1 –empty cells of RCD tables mean unavailable situations)
- The RCD-DD option is not included in the AUTO function sequence

The following operating modes are available:

- AUTO the instrument performs tripping time measurement automatically with a leakage current equal to half, once or five times the set value of nominal current and with a leakage current in phase with the positive (↑) and negative (↓) half-wave of the mains voltage. Recommended mode for RDC test
- AUTO the instrument performs tripping time measurement automatically with a leakage current equal to half, once or five times the set value of nominal current and with a leakage current in phase with the positive (↑) and negative (↓) half-wave of the mains voltage and also real tripping current
- x½ the instrument performs tripping time measurement with a leakage current equal to half the set value of nominal current with the positive (↑) and negative (↓) half-wave of the mains voltage
- x1 the instrument performs tripping time measurement with a leakage current equal to once the set value of nominal current with the positive (↑) and negative (↓) half-wave of the mains voltage
- x5 the instrument performs tripping time measurement with a leakage current equal to five times the set value of nominal current with the positive (↑) and negative (↓) half-wave of the mains voltage
- the instrument performs measurement with an increasing leakage current.

  This test could be performed to determine the real tripping current of the RCD with the positive (↑) and negative (↓) half-wave of the mains voltage

# **CAUTION**



Testing an RCD causes the RCD's tripping. Therefore, check that there are NO users or loads connected downstream of the RCD being tested which could be damaged by a system downtime.

If possible, disconnect all loads connected downstream of the RCD as they could produce leakage currents further to those produced by the instrument, thus invalidating the results of the test.



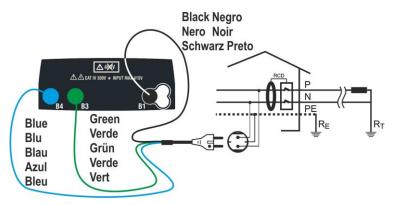


Fig. 17: Connection for single-phase 230V system by means of mains plug

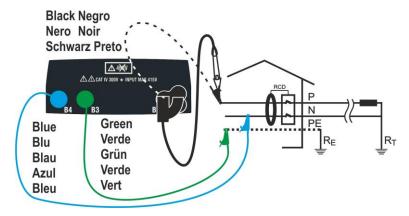


Fig. 18: Connection for single-phase 230V system with single cables and remote probe

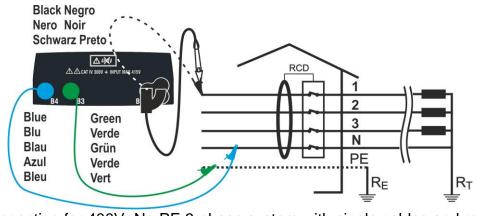


Fig. 19: Connection for 400V+N+ PE 3-phase system with single cables and remote probe

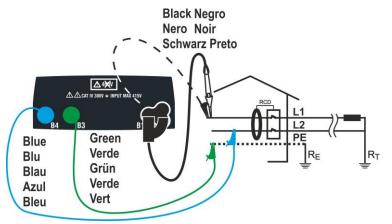


Fig. 20: Connection for L-L-PE 2-phase system with single cables and remote probe



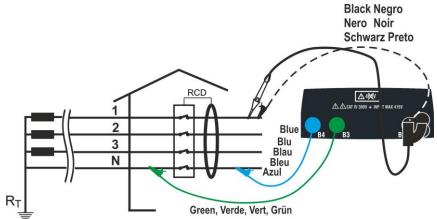


Fig. 21: Connection for a 400V + N (no PE) three-phase system by means of single cables and remote switch probe

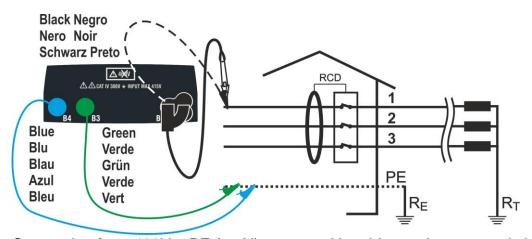


Fig. 22: Connection for a 400V + PE (no N) system with cables and remote switch probe

 Press the MENU key, move the cursor to RCD in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

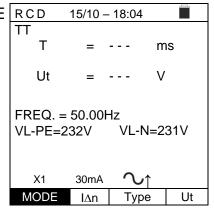
Select "UK" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "TN, TN or IT", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3).

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, 4, 4,	FREQ. VL-PE=		Hz VL-N=	0V	
	X1	30mA	$\sim_{\uparrow}$		
	MODE	l∆n	Type		Ut

- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value:
  - ➤ MODE → The virtual key allows setting the measuring mode of the instrument, which may be: AUTO, x½, x1, x5, ■
  - ► I∆n → The virtual key allows setting the nominal value of the RCD's tripping current, which may be: 6mA, 10mA, 30mA, 100mA, 300mA, 500mA, 650mA, 1000mA
  - Type → The virtual key enables the selection of the RCD type, which may be: A/F (^^/w General), (^^/w Selective), AC (^ General), AC (^ Selective) B/B+ (==/==+) and DD with polarity positive (↑) or negative (↓)
  - ➤ Ut → The virtual key allows setting the possible visualization of the contact voltage value at the end of measurement. Options: Ut or NoUt

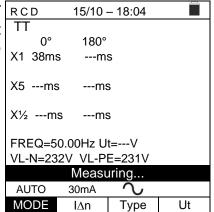


- 3. Insert the green, blue and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B3, B4 and B1 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 17, Fig. 18, Fig. 19, Fig. 20, Fig. 21, Fig. 22.
- 4. Note the correct voltage values between L-N and L-PE RCD as shown in the screen to the side.



#### 6.6.1. AUTO mode

Press the GO/STOP key on the instrument, the START key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument will start the measurement.

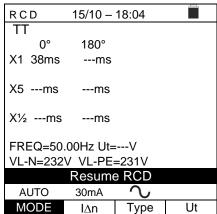




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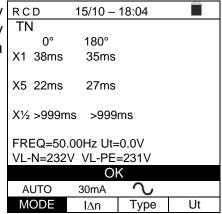
If message "Measuring..." appears on the display, the instrument is performing measurement. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the test leads of the instrument from the mains.

- 6. The **AUTO** mode provides for the automatic execution of RCD 6 measurements in a sequence:
  - ➤ IdN x 1 with phase 0° (the RCD must trip, reset the switch, message "Resume RCD" is shown)
  - ➤ IdN x 1 with phase 180° (the RCD <u>must</u> trip, reset the switch, message "Resume RCD" is shown)
  - ➤ IdN x 5 with phase 0° (the RCD <u>must</u> trip, reset the switch, message "Resume RCD" is shown)
  - ➤ IdN x 5 with phase 180° (the RCD <u>must</u> trip, reset the switch, message "Resume RCD" is shown)
  - ➤ IdN x½ with phase 0° (RCD must not trip)
  - ➤ IdN x½ with 180° (RCD must not trip, end of test)





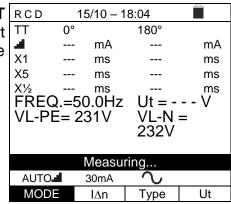
7. In case of a **positive** result (all tripping times comply with what indicated in 12.4) of all the test sequentially performed, the "**OK**" message is shown and the screen to the side is displayed by the instrument.



8. Press the **SAVE** key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the **ESC/MENU** key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen.

#### 6.6.2. AUTO mode

 Press the GO/STOP key on the instrument, the START key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument will start the measurement.

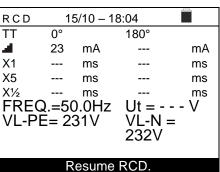




# **CAUTION**

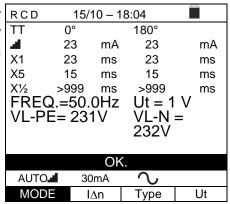
If message "**Measuring...**" appears on the display, the instrument is performing measurement. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the test leads of the instrument from the mains.

- 6. The **AUTO I** mode provides for the automatic RCD execution of 8 measurements in a sequence:
  - ➤ **d** (Ramp) with phase 0° (the RCD <u>must</u> trip, reset the switch, message "Resume RCD" is shown)
  - (Ramp) with phase 180° (the RCD must trip, reset the switch, message "Resume RCD" is shown)
  - ➤ IdN x 1 with phase 0° (the RCD <u>must</u> trip, reset the switch, message "Resume RCD" is shown)
  - IdN x 1 with phase 180° (the RCD must trip, reset the switch, message "Resume RCD" is shown)
  - ➤ IdN x 5 with phase 0° (the RCD <u>must</u> trip, reset the switch, message "Resume RCD" is shown)
  - ➤ IdN x 5 with phase 180° (the RCD <u>must</u> trip, reset the switch, message "Resume RCD" is shown)
  - ➤ IdN x½ with phase 0° (RCD must not trip)
  - ➤ IdN x½ with 180° (RCD must not trip, end of test)





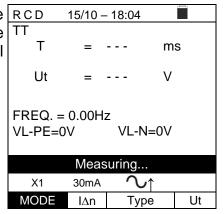
7. In case of a **positive** result (all tripping times comply with what indicated in 12.4) of all the tests sequentially performed, the "**OK**" message is shown and the screen to the side is displayed by the instrument.



8. Press the **SAVE** key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the **ESC/MENU** key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen.

# 6.6.3. $x\frac{1}{2}$ , x1, x5 modes

5. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument will start the measurement.

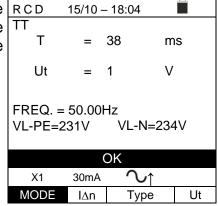




# CAUTION

If message "**Measuring...**" appears on the display, the instrument is performing measurement. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the test leads of the instrument from the mains.

6. When the RCD trips and breaks the circuit, if the RCD tripping time is within the limits reported in 12.4, the instrument gives a double acoustic signal, shows the "OK" message and displays the screen to the side.

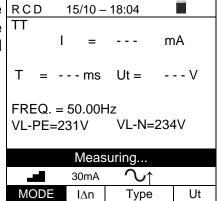




#### 6.6.4. **Mode**

The standard defines the tripping times for RCDs at nominal current. The **d** mode is used to detect the tripping time at tripping current (which could also be lower than the nominal current).

5. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument will start the measurement.

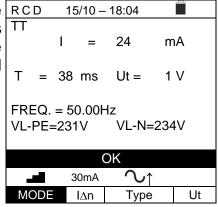




# **CAUTION**

If message "**Measuring...**" appears on the display, the instrument is performing measurement. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the test leads of the instrument from the mains.

- 6. According to standard EN61008, the test for selective RCDs requires an interval of 60 seconds between the tests. The **d** mode is therefore unavailable for selective RCDs, of each type.
- 7. When the RCD trips and breaks the circuit, if the tripping current and tripping time are within the limits reported in 12.4, the instrument gives a double acoustic signal, shows the "**OK**" message and displays the screen to the side.

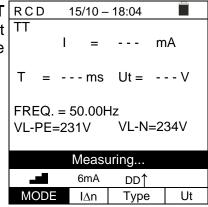




#### 6.6.5. DD Mode

The standard IEC62955 defines the tripping times and current for RCD-DD (Detecting Devices) types at nominal current of 6mA only. The x1 and options are only available in this mode

5. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** RCD key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument will start the measurement.

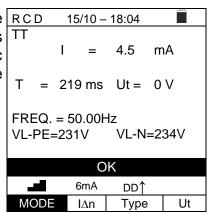




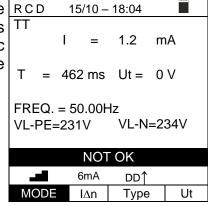
# **CAUTION**

If message "Measuring..." appears on the display, the instrument is performing measurement. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the test leads of the instrument from the mains.

6. When the RCD trips and breaks the circuit, if the tripping current and tripping time are within the limits reported in 10.1, the instrument gives a double acoustic signal, shows the "**OK**" message and displays the screen to the side.



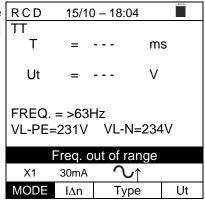
7. When the RCD trips and breaks the circuit, if the tripping current and tripping time are external the limits reported in 10.1, the instrument gives a double acoustic signal, shows the "NOT OK" message and displays the screen to the side.



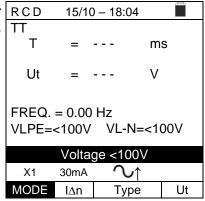


#### 6.6.6. Anomalous situations

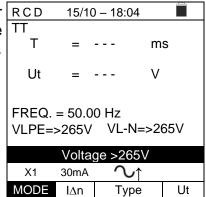
1. If the instrument detects a frequency higher than the RCD maximum limit (63Hz), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side.



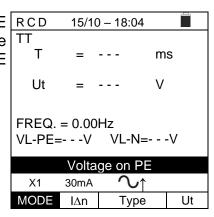
2. If the instrument detects a L-N or L-PE voltage lower than the minimum limit (100V), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side. Check that the system being tested is supplied



3. If the instrument detects a L-N or L-PE voltage higher than the maximum limit (265V), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side. Check the connection of measuring cables.

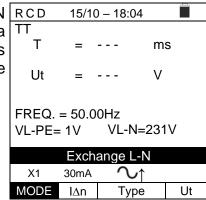


4. If the instrument detects a dangerous voltage on PE conductor, it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests. Check the PE conductor and earth connection efficiency.

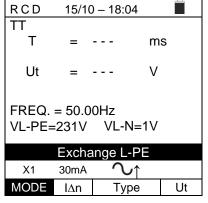




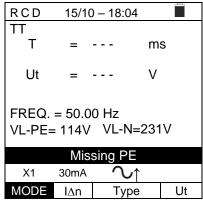
5. If the instrument detects that the phase L and neutral N leads are inverted, it does not carry out the test and a screen similar to the one reported to the side is displayed. Rotate the mains plug or check the connection of measuring cables.



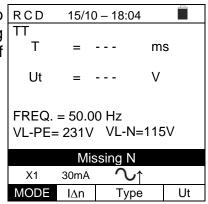
6. If the instrument detects that the phase and PE leads are inverted, it does not carry out the test and a screen similar to the one reported to the side is displayed. Check the connection of measuring cables.



7. If the instrument detects the absence of the signal to terminal B3 (PE conductor), it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests.

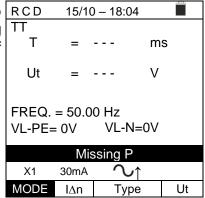


8. If the instrument detects the absence of the signal to terminal B4 (neutral conductor), it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests.

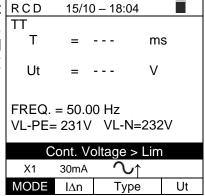




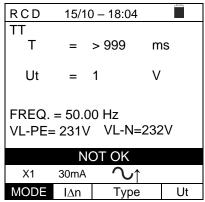
 If the instrument detects the absence of the signal to terminal B1 (phase conductor), it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests.



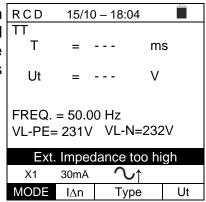
10. If the instrument detects a dangerous contact voltage Ut (above the set limit of 25V or 50V) in the initial pre-test, it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests. Check the PE conductor and earth connection efficiency.



11. If the RCD does not trip within the maximum duration of the test, the instrument gives a long acoustic signal which signals the negative result of the test and then displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side. Check that the set type of RCD matches the type of RCD being tested.



12. If the instrument detects, at the input terminals, too high an external impedance so that it cannot let the nominal current flow, it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the test. Disconnect the possible loads downstream of the RCD before performing the test





#### 6.7. LOOP: LINE/LOOP IMPEDANCE AND OVERALL EARTH RESISTANCE

This function is performed in compliance with standard IEC/EN61557-3, BS7671 17th/18th edition and allows measuring the line impedance, the fault loop impedance and the prospective short-circuit current.

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# **CAUTION**

Depending on the selected electrical system (TT, TN or IT), some connections and function modes are disabled by the instruments (see Table 2: Conditions of positive outcome depending on the test parameters).

The following operating modes are available:

- L-N Standard (STD) measurement of the line impedance between the phase conductor and the neutral conductor and calculation of the prospective phase-to-neutral short-circuit current.
- L-L Standard (STD) measurement of the line impedance between the two phase conductors and calculation of the pospective phase-to-phase short-circuit current.
- L-PE Standard (STD) measurement of the fault loop impedance between the phase conductor and the earth conductor and calculation of the prospective phase-to-earth short-circuit current.
- Ra + Fault loop impedance without causing the protections' tripping in TN systems (see § 12.7) and overall earth resistance (TT systems) with neutral (3-wire) and without neutral (2-wire) (see § 12.8).

# CAUTION



The instrument checks <u>voltage on PE</u> by comparing the voltage at B4 input and the ground potential induced on the instrument's side through the user's hand. Therefore, in order to check voltage on PE, <u>it is mandatory to hold the instrument case on the left or on the right side.</u>



# **CAUTION**

The measurement of line impedance or fault loop impedance involves the circulation of a maximum current according to the technical specifications of the instrument (see § 10.1). This could cause the tripping of possible magnetothermal or differential protections at lower tripping currents.

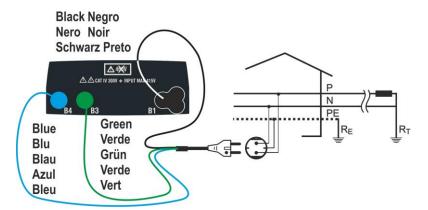


Fig. 23: P-N/P-PE test for single-phase/two-phase 230V systems with mains plug



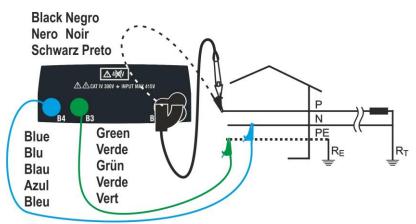


Fig. 24: P-N/P-PE test for single-phase/two-phase systems with cables and remote probe

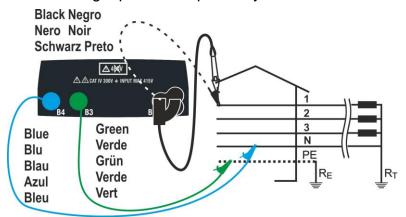


Fig. 25: P-N/P-PE test for 400V+N+PE three-phase with single cables and remote probe

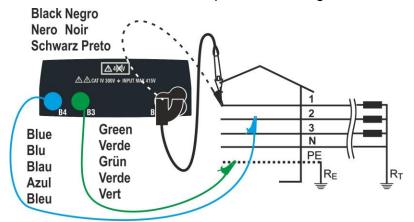


Fig. 26: P-P measurement for 400V+N+PE three-phase systems

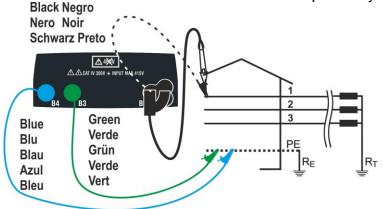


Fig. 27: P-PE/P-N test for 400V + PE systems by means of single cables and remote probe



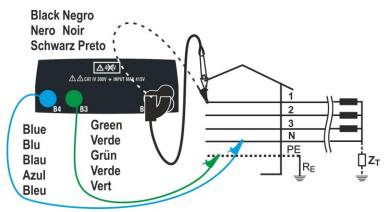


Fig. 28: P-PE measurement for IT systems by means of single cables and remote probe

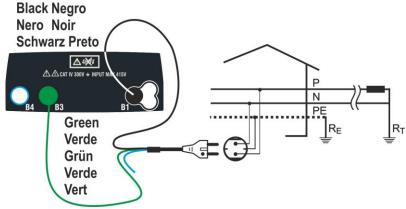


Fig. 29: P-PE 2-wire test for single-phase/two-phase 230V systems with mains plug

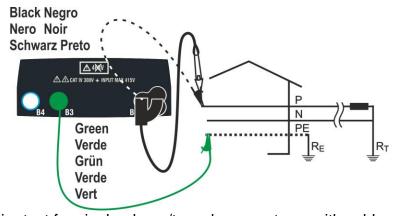


Fig. 30: P-PE 2-wire test for single-phase/two-phase systems with cables and remote probe

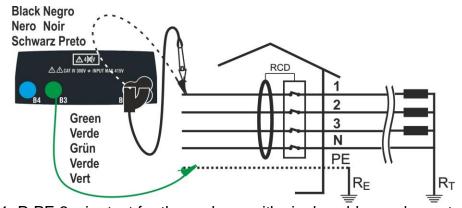


Fig. 31: P-PE 2-wire test for three-phase with single cables and remote probe



## 6.7.1. Test types

The protection of electrical lines is the essential part of a project to guarantee correct functionality and avoid injury to persons or damage of property. To this purpose, the safety guidelines impose on electrical designers to also design the electrical installation in order to obtain:

- 1. The protection from short-circuits, i.e. the breaking capacity of the protection device must not be lower than the prospective short-circuit current in the point in which the device is installed.
- 2. The protection from indirect contacts.

In order to verify the a.m. conditions, the instrument performs the following functions:

- Ra ÷ (Ut) Check of protection from indirect contact According to the type of distribution system (TT, TN, IT) set by the user, the instrument performs the measurement and verifies the condition imposed by the guidelines. Should it be reached, the instrument gives a positive outcome (see § 12.6, 12.8, 12.9).
  - **Br.Cap** Check of protection's breaking capacity The instrument detects the value of the line impedance upstream of the measured point, calculates the maximum value of short-circuit current and gives a positive outcome if the value is lower than the limit set by the user (see § 12.5).
  - **TripT** Check of the coordination of protections The instrument detects the value of the line impedance upstream of the measured point, calculates the minimum value of short-circuit current and the corresponding value of the trip-out time (t) of the protection device, and gives a positive outcome if the value is lower than the limit set by the user (see § 12.10).
  - STD Generic test

The following table summarizes the possible measures executable depending on the type of system (TT, TN and IT), of selected modes and the relationships that define limit values.



		TT	TN	IT
	Mode	Condition x OK outcome	Condition x OK outcome	Condition x OK outcome
	STD	No outcome	No outcome	No outcome
	Br.Cap	Isc L-L max < BC	Isc L-L max < BC	Isc L-L max < BC
L-L	TripT	(IscL-Lmin 2P) →Tmax → Tmax < Tlim	(IscL-L min 2P) →Tmax →Tmax < Tlim	(IscL-Lmin 2F) →Tmax → Tmax < Tlim
	Ut			
	STD	No outcome	No outcome	No outcome
L-N	Br.Cap	Isc L-N max < BC	Isc L-N max < BC	Isc L-N max < BC
L-N	TripT	$(\operatorname{Isc}\operatorname{L-N}\operatorname{min}) \to \operatorname{Tmax} \to \operatorname{Tmax} < \operatorname{Tlim}$	$(\operatorname{Isc} L-\operatorname{N} \operatorname{min}) \to \operatorname{Tmax} \to \operatorname{Tmax} < \operatorname{Tlim}$	(Isc L-N min ) →Tmax → Tmax < Tlim
	Ut			
	STD		No outcome	
	Br.Cap		Isc L-PE max< BC	
L-PE	TripT		(Ipfc L-PE min ) →Tmax → Tmax < Tlim	
	Ut		ZL-PE < ZLimit (UK)	Utmeas < Utlim
Ra	Ut 2W	Utlim/Ra meas = Isc L-PE MIN > Idn (RCD)	ZLPEmeas < ZLIM (Table UK) ZLPEmeas < ZLIM (Table UK) Ra meas x Idn < Ut lim (other Nations)	
÷	Ut 3W		ZLPEmeas < ZLIM (Table UK) ZLPEmeas < ZLIM (Table UK) Ra meas x Idn < Ut lim (other Nations)	

Table 2: Conditions of positive outcome depending on the test parameters

# Where:

Empty cells	Mode unavailablefor this particular combination of electric system
Isc L-L_Min2P	Prospective short-circuit current minimum two-phase Phase-Phase
Isc L-N_Max	Prospective short-circuit current maximum Phase-Neutral
Isc L-N_Min	Prospective short-circuit current minimum Phase-Neutral
Isc L-PE_Max	Prospective short-circuit current maximum Phase-PE
Isc L-PE_Min	Prospective short-circuit current minimum Phase-PE
BC	Breaking Capacity of the protection device - kA
Z Limit	Max allowed limit impedance according to type of protection
Tmax	Maximum trip-out time of the protection device
Tlim	Limit time of fault extinction by the protection set by the user
Ut meas	Contact voltage measured
Ut lim	Contact voltage limit (25V or 50V)
Ra meas	Overall earth resistance measured
ldn	Tripout current of RCD devices
Ipsc	Prospective short-circuit current
Ipfc	Prospective fault current



#### 6.7.2. Test cable calibration (ZEROLOOP)

In order to obtain better results, it is <u>strongly recommended</u> to perform the preliminary calibration of the test cables or of the cable with mains plug by using the **ZEROLOOP** accessory before performing the test. In this way, the instrument automatically subtracts the resistance of the test cables, providing the actual result on the display. By way of example, the procedure for the LOOP STD Generic mode is described below and can be extended to all other cases.

 Press the MENU key, move the cursor to LOOP in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Select the function "CAL". Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

Э	LOOP	15/10 – 18:04	
b	TN		
	RL	<b>=</b> Ω	
	RN	<b>=</b> Ω	
C	RPE	<b>=</b> Ω	
	FREQ. =	= 0.00Hz OV VL-N=0V	
	CAL		
	FUNC		

- Insert the ZEROLOOP metallic accessory into the three banana connectors of the measurement cables (L-N-PE) or into the metal connectors of the mains plug (differently for the various types depending on the country of use), as shown in the following Table 3: Connection of ZEROLOOP accessory
- 3. .

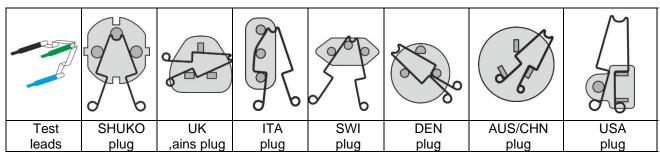
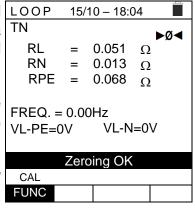


Table 3: Connection of ZEROLOOP accessory

3. Press the **GO/STOP** key to start calibration. In the **RL**, **RN** LOOP and **RPE** field, the resistance of test leads is shown for a few seconds. This value will automatically be subtracted by the instrument at the end of Loop measurement.

The instrument displays the " $\flat \emptyset \blacktriangleleft$ " symbol to indicate the positive outcome of teast leads' calibration (**Rcal** <1 $\Omega$ ) and the screen to the side appears on the display.

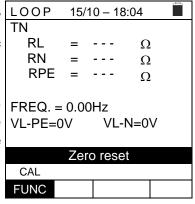
Go back to the measurement main screen. Note the ">ø<" symbol which means the successful test leads' calibration and proceed with the measurements described in the following paragraphs.





4. The value of the test leads/mains plug resistance is maintained by the instrument up to the reset operation performed by the user (for example, for the insertion of cables with different lengths).

To reset the saved calibration value, remove the ZEROLOOP accessory and press the **GO/STOP** key. The " $\blacktriangleright \emptyset \blacktriangleleft$ " symbol disappears and the screen to the side appears on the display.





#### 6.7.3. STD Mode – Generic test

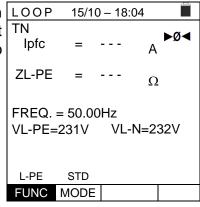
This mode performs the impedance measurement and the calculation of prospective short-circuit current without any evaluation. Therefore, at the end of the test, no outcome is given by the instrument.

 Press the MENU key, move the cursor to LOOP in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

Select "Europe" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "TN, TN or IT", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz", the system "L-N-PE" or "L-L-PE" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3).

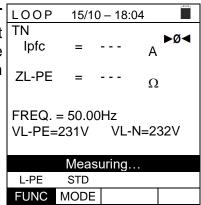
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d	TN		
nt	Ipfc	=	Α
е	ZL-PE	=	Ω
S	FREQ. :	= 0.00Hz 0V VL-I	
n	VL-PE=	0V VL-I	V=0V
е			
	L-PE	STD	
	FUNC	MODE	

- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value.
  - FUNC → the virtual key allows setting the measuring mode of the instrument, which may be: L-N, L-L or L-PE.
  - ➤ MODE → the virtual key allows setting the instrument's operating mode. Select the STD option.
- 3. If possible, disconnect all loads connected downstream of the point to be measured, as the impedance of these users could distort the test results. Perform the preliminary calibration of the test leads as described in § 6.7.2.
- 4. Insert the green, blue and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B3, B4 and B1 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the mains plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 23, Fig. 24, Fig. 25, Fig. 26 or Fig. 27.
- 5. Note the presence of the correct voltage values between LOOP L-N and L-PE corresponding to the selections carried out in the initial phase (see § 5.1.3) as shown in the screen to the side.



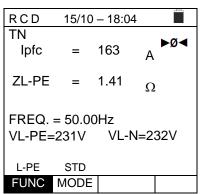


6. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** LOOP key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument starts the measurement and the "**Measuring...**" message is shown on the display.



7. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the measuring leads of the instrument from the system under test. The following screen appears on the instrument's display.

The value of the prospective short-circuit current (lpfc) is shown in the upper part of the display, while the Line/Fault loop  $Z_{L\text{-PE}}$  impedance is shown in the bottom part of the display.



The Standard (Std) prospective short-circuit current (Isc) FUNC MODE is calculated using the following formulas:

$$I_{SCL-PE} = \frac{U_{NOM}}{Z_{L-PE}} \qquad I_{SCL-N} = \frac{U_{NOM}}{Z_{L-N}} \qquad I_{SCL-L} = \frac{\sqrt{3} \ U_{NOM}}{Z_{L-L}}$$

 $Z_{MEAS}$  = measured L-L,L-N,L-PE loop impedance  $U_{NOM}$  = nominal voltage (depending on the system)



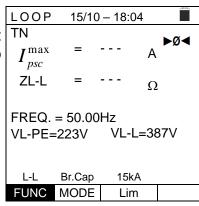
6.7.4. Br.Cap mode – Verification of the breaking capacity of protection devices

 Press the MENU key, move the cursor to LOOP in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

Select "Europe" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "TN, TN or IT", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3).

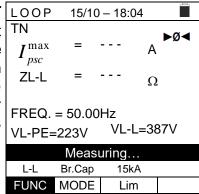
,	LOOP	15/10	- 18:04		
ł	TN				
t	I <sup>max</sup>	=		A	
,	* psc			_	
	ZL-L	=		Ω	
	FREQ.		Hz		
6	VL-PE=	:0V	VL-L=	0\	/
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t		D. O.	451.4		
	L-L	Br.Cap	15kA		
	<b>FUNC</b>	MODE	Lim		
			•		

- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value.
  - FUNC → the virtual key allows setting the measuring mode of the instrument, which may be: L-N, L-L or L-PE.
  - ➤ **MODE** → the virtual key allows setting the instrument's operating mode. Select the **Br.Cap** option.
  - ➤ Lim → the virtual key allows setting the maximum tripping current, expressed in "kA", at which the protection must break the circuit, in the range: 0.1kA ÷ 999kA.
- 3. If possible, disconnect all loads connected downstream of the point to be measured, as the impedance of these users could distort the test results. Perform the preliminary calibration of the test leads as described in § 6.7.2
- 4. Insert the green, blue and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B3, B4 and B1 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the Mains Plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 23, Fig. 24, Fig. 25, Fig. 26 or Fig. 27.
- 5. Note the presence of the correct voltage values between LOOP L-L and L-PE corresponding to the selections carried out in the initial phase (see § 5.1.3) as shown in the screen to the side.

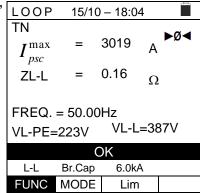




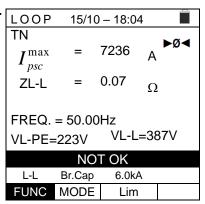
6. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument starts the measurement and the "**Measuring...**" message is shown at display. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the measuring leads of the instrument from the system under test. The following screen appears on the instrument's display.



7. In case of **positive** result (IpscMAX < Lim), the "**OK**" LOOP outcome message is shown on the display.



8. In case of **negative** result (lpscMAX > Lim), the "**NOT** LOOP **OK**" outcome message is shown on the display.



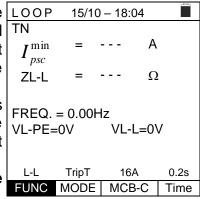


# 6.7.5. TripT - Verification of protection coordination

Press the MENU key, move the cursor to LOOP in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

Select "Europe" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "TN, TN or IT", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3).

NOTE: for countries different from "Europe", the MCB and Fuse reference type can be changed.



- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value.
  - FUNC → the virtual key allows setting the measuring mode of the instrument, which may be: L-N, L-L or L-PE.
  - ➤ MODE → the virtual key allows setting the instrument's operating mode. Select the **TripT** option.
  - ➤ Type of protection → the virtual key allows setting the type of protection (Fuse of type gG, aM or magnetothermal MCB in curve B, C, D, K) and the relevant nominal currents considering the below available values:

**MCB curve B** → 3A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A

**MCB curve C** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A

**MCB curve D, K** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A

**Fuse gG** → 2A, 4A, 6A, 8A, 10A, 12A, 13A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A, 800A, 1000A, 1250A

**Fuse aM** → 2A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 12A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A

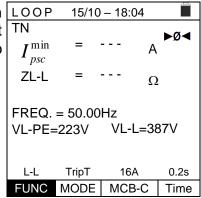
**Time**  $\rightarrow$  the virtual key allows setting the protection's tripping time among the options: **0.1s**, **0.2s**, **0.4s**, **1s**, **5s** 

press the **SAVE** key to save the selected parameter and go back to the measurement screen

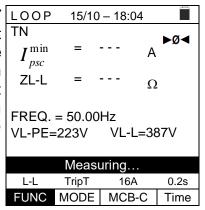
- 3. If possible, disconnect all loads connected downstream of the point to be measured, as the impedance of these users could distort the test results. Perform the preliminary calibration of the test leads as described in § 6.7.2.
- 4. Insert the green, blue and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B3, B4 and B1 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the Mains Plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 23, Fig. 24, Fig. 25, Fig. 26 or Fig. 27



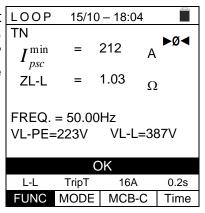
5. Note the presence of the correct voltage values between LOOP L-L and L-PE corresponding to the selections carried out in the initial phase (see § 5.1.3) as shown in the screen to the side.



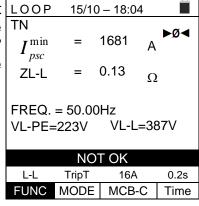
6. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument starts the measurement and the "**Measuring...**" message is shown on the display. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the measuring leads of the instrument from the system under test. The following screen appears on the instrument's display.



7. In case of **positive** result (minimum short-circuit current interrupted by the protection device within the time indicated by the performed selections), the "**OK**" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument.  $I_{psc}^{min}$ 



8. In case of **negative** result (minimum short-circuit current NOT interrupted by the protection device within the time indicated by the performed selections), the "**NOT OK**" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument.  $I_{psc}^{min}$ ZL-L





6.7.6. Ra = 2-wire test - Verification of protection against indirect contacts

1. Press the MENU key, move the cursor to LOOP in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side. Select "Europe" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "TN", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3).

NOTE: for countries different from "Europe", the MCB and Fuse reference type can be changed.

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	= -	0	1
ZL-F C		22	'
		_	
FREQ.	= 0.00H	IZ	
VL-PE=	=0V		
Pa≟	2\\/iro	160	0.2s
	ZVVIIE	10/4	
<b>FUNC</b>	MODE	MCB-C	Time
	VL-PE= <sub>Ra÷</sub>	TN $I_{pfc}^{min} = I_{pfc}^{min}$ ZL-PE = FREQ. = 0.00H VL-PE=0V	TN $I_{pfc}^{min} = \cdots A$ $ZL-PE = \cdots \Omega$ FREQ. = 0.00Hz $VL-PE=0V$ Ra\ddots 2Wire 16A

- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value.
  - FUNC → the virtual key allows setting the measuring mode of the instrument, which may be: Ra +.
  - ➤ MODE → the virtual key allows setting the instrument's operating mode. Select the 2Wire option.
  - ➤ Type of protection → the virtual key allows setting the type of protection (Fuse of type gG, aM or magnetothermal MCB in curve B, C, D, K) and the relevant nominal currents considering the below available values:

**MCB curve B** → 3A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A,100A,125A,160A,200A

**MCB curve C** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A

**MCB curve D, K** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A

**Fuse gG** → 2A, 4A, 6A, 8A, 10A, 12A, 13A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A, 800A, 1000A, 1250A

**Fuse aM** → 2A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 12A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A

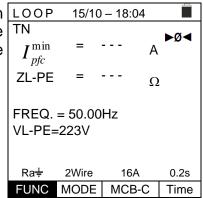
➤ Time → the virtual key allows setting the protection's tripping time among the options: 0.1s, 0.2s, 0.4s, 1s, 5s.

press the **SAVE** key to save the selected parameter and go back to the measurement screen

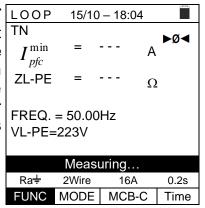
- 3. If possible, disconnect all loads connected downstream of the point to be measured, as the impedance of these users could distort the test results. Perform the preliminary calibration of the test leads as described in § 6.7.2.
- 4. Insert the green and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B3 and B1 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the Mains Plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 29, Fig. 30 or Fig. 31.



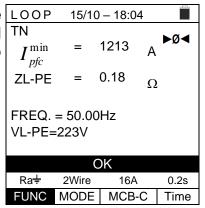
5. Note the presence of the correct voltage values between LOOP L-PE corresponding to the selections carried out in the initial phase (see § 5.1.3) as shown in the screen to the side.



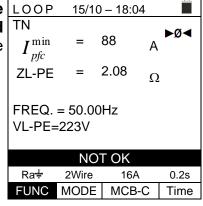
6. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument starts the measurement and the "**Measuring...**" message is shown at display. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the measuring leads of the instrument from the system under test. The following screen appears on the instrument's display.



7. In case of **positive** result ( $Z_{L-PE} \le to$  limit impedance relative to protection device within the specified time – see § 12.10), the "OK" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument.



8. In case of **negative** result ( $Z_{L-PE}$  > **to limit impedance** relative to protection device within the specified time – see § 12.10), the "**NOT OK**" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument.





6.7.7. Ra 

+ 3-wire test - Verification of protection against indirect contacts

1. Press the **MENU** key, move the cursor to **AUTO** in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side. Select "Europe" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "TN", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3).

NOTE: for countries different from "Europe", the MCB and Fuse reference type can be changed.

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,	LOOP	15/10	- 18:04	
ı	TN			
t •	Isc= A	. ZL-N=	Ω	
,	Ifc= A	ZL-PE	=Ω	
ŧ	FREQ=0	0.00Hz V VL-P	E=0V	
3				
	Ra÷	3Wire	16A	0.2s
	FUNC	MODE	MCB-C	Time

- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value.
  - FUNC → the virtual key allows setting the measuring mode of the instrument, which may be: Ra +.
  - ➤ MODE → the virtual key allows setting the instrument's operating mode. Select the 3Wire option.
  - ➤ Type of protection → the virtual key allows setting the type of protection (Fuse of type gG, aM or magnetothermal MCB in curve B, C, D, K) and the relevant nominal currents considering the below available values:

**MCB curve B** → 3A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A

**MCB curve C** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A

**MCB curve D, K** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A

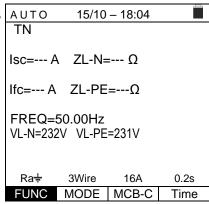
**Fuse gG** → 2A, 4A, 6A, 8A, 10A, 12A, 13A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A, 800A, 1000A, 1250A

**Fuse aM** → 2A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 12A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A

- ➤ Time → the virtual key allows to set type of protection tripping time among the options: 0.1s, 0.2s, 0.4s, 1s, 5s
- \ press **SAVE** key to save the selected parameter and retire to the measurement screen
- 3. If possible, disconnect all loads connected downstream of the point to be measured, as the impedance of these users could distort the test results. Perform the preliminary calibration of the test leads as described in § 6.7.2
- 4. Insert the green, blue and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B3, B4 and B1 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the Mains Plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 23, Fig. 24, Fig. 25, Fig. 26 or Fig. 27.

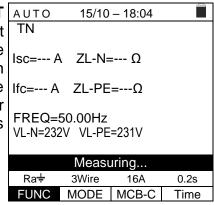


5. Note the correct voltage values between L-N and L-PE as shown in the screen to the side.

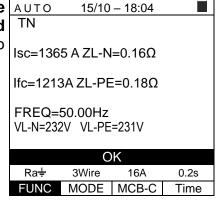


6. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument starts the measurement and the "**Measuring...**" message is shown at display. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the measuring leads of the instrument from the system under test. The following screen appears on the instrument's display.

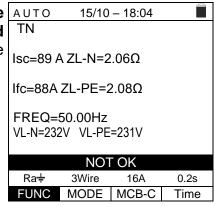
| AUTO 15/10 – 18:0 | TN | Isc=--- A | ZL-N=--- Ω | Ifc=--- A | ZL-PE=---Ω | FREQ=50.00Hz | VL-N=232V | VL-PE=231V | VL-N=232V | VL-PE=231V | VL-N=232V | VL-PE=231V | VL-N=232V | VL-PE=231V | VL-N=232V | VL-N=232



7. In case of **positive** result (**Z**<sub>L-PE</sub> ≤ **to limit impedance** relative to protection device within the specified time – see § 12.10), the "**OK**" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument.



8. In case of negative result (Z<sub>L-PE</sub> > to limit impedance relative to protection device within the specified time – see § 12.10), the "NOT OK" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument.

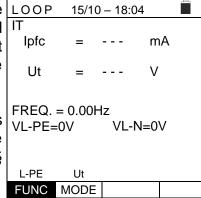




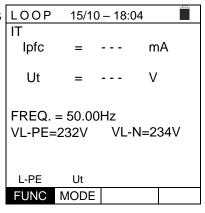
6.7.8. Verification of protection against indirect contacts (IT systems)

1. Press the **MENU** key, move the cursor to **LOOP** in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

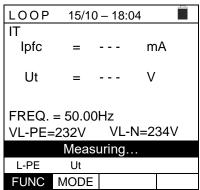
Select "Europe" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "IT", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3).



- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value:
  - FUNC → the virtual key allows setting the measuring mode of the instrument, which may be L-PE.
  - $\rightarrow$  MODE  $\rightarrow$  fixed Ut limit set by the user (see § 5.1.2).
- 3. If possible, disconnect all loads connected downstream of the point to be measured, as the impedance of these users could distort the test results. <u>Perform the preliminary</u> calibration of the test leads as described in § 6.7.2.
- 4. Insert the green, blue and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B3, B4 and B1 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the mains plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 28.
- 5. Note the correct voltage values between L-N and L-PE as LOOP shown in the screen to the side.

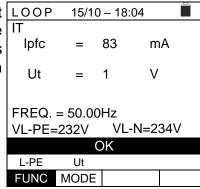


6. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument starts the measurement and the "**Measuring...**" message is shown on the display. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the measuring leads of the instrument from the system under test. The following screen appears on the instrument's display.

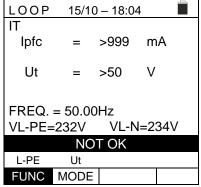




7. In case of **positive** result (contact voltage at the point <50V or <25V), the "**OK**" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument. The screen contains the value of the first fault current measured, expressed in **mA** (see § 12.9).



8. In case of **negative** result (contact voltage at the point >50V or >25V), the "**NOT OK**" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument.

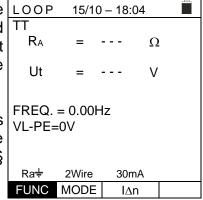




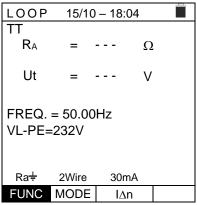
6.7.9. Verification of protection against indirect contacts (TT systems)

Press the MENU key, move the cursor to LOOP in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.

Select "Europe" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "TT", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3).

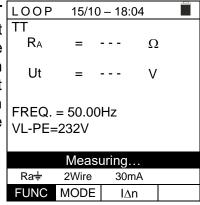


- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value:
  - FUNC → the virtual key allows setting the measuring mode of the instrument, which may be Ra +
  - ➤ **MODE** → fixed **2-Wire** mode
  - ▶ I∆n → The virtual key allows setting the nominal value of the RCD's tripping current, which may be: 6mA, 10mA, 30mA, 100mA, 300mA, 500mA, 650mA, 1000mA
    Press the SAVE key to save the selected parameter and go back to the measurement screen.
- 3. If possible, disconnect all loads connected downstream of the point to be measured, as the impedance of these users could distort the test results. Perform the preliminary calibration of the test leads as described in § 6.7.2.
- 4. Insert the green and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B3 and B1 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the Mains Plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 29, Fig. 30 or Fig. 31.
- 5. Note the correct voltage values between L-PE as shown LOOP in the screen to the side.

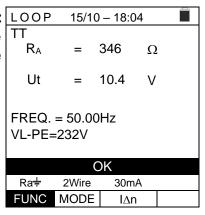




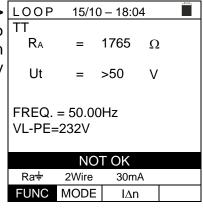
6. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument starts the measurement and the "**Measuring...**" message is shown on the display. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the measuring leads of the instrument from the system under test. The following screen appears on the instrument's display.



7. In case of **positive** result (**overall earth resistance** R<sub>A</sub> < LOOP (**Utlim/I**Δ**n**), the "**OK**" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument. The screen contains the contact voltage value on the secondary display.



8. In case of **negative** result (**overall earth resistance** R<sub>A</sub> > LOOP (**Utlim/IΔn**), the "**NOT OK**" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument. The screen contains the contact voltage value on the secondary display.





6.7.10. Verification of protection against indirect contacts (TN systems)

9. Press the **MENU** key, move the cursor to **LOOP** in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.Select "Europe" as a country (see § 5.1.2), the options "TN", "25 or 50V", "50Hz or 60Hz" and the reference voltage in the general settings of the instrument (see § 5.1.3).

NOTE: for countries different from "Europe", the MCB and Fuse reference type can be changed.

LOOP	15/10	- 18:04			
TN					
$I^{\min}$	=	A	١		
10		_			
ZL-PE	=	(	2		
		Z			
VL-PE=	•0V	VL-N=0	)V		
I DE	1.14	161	0.2s		
L-7 E	Οl	IOA	0.25		
FUNC	MODE	MCB-C	Time		
	TN $I_{pfc}^{\min}$ ZL-PE FREQ. VL-PE=	$I_{pfc}^{min}$ = $I_{pfc}^{m$	TN $I_{pfc}^{min} = A$ ZL-PE = $G$ FREQ. = 0.00Hz VL-PE=0V VL-N=0		

- 10. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value
  - FUNC → the virtual key allows setting the measuring mode of the instrument, which may be L-PE
  - ➤ MODE → the virtual key allows setting the instrument's operating mode. Select the Ut option
  - ➤ Type of protection → the virtual key allows setting the type of protection (Fuse of type gG, aM or magnetothermal MCB in curve B, C, D, K) and the relevant nominal currents considering the below available values:

**MCB curve B** → 3Å, 6Å, 10Å, 13Å, 15Å, 16Å, 20Å, 25Å, 32Å, 40Å, 45Å, 50Å, 63Å, 80Å, 100Å, 125Å, 160Å, 200Å

**MCB curve C** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A

**MCB curve D, K** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A

**Fuse gG** → 2A, 4A, 6A, 8A, 10A, 12A, 13A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A, 800A, 1000A, 1250A

**Fuse aM** → 2A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 12A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A, 160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A

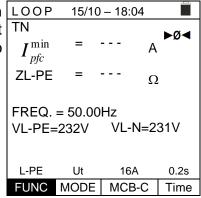
➤ Time → the virtual key allows setting the protection's tripping time among the options: 0.1s, 0.2s, 0.4s, 1s, 5s.

Press the **SAVE** key to save the selected parameter and go back to the measurement screen

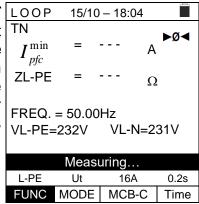
- 11. If possible, disconnect all loads connected downstream of the point to be measured, as the impedance of these users could distort the test results. <u>Perform the preliminary</u> calibration of the test leads as described in § 6.7.2.
- 12. Insert the green, blue and black connectors of the three-pin plug cable into the corresponding inputs B3, B4 and B1 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cables and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the Mains Plug, the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 23, Fig. 24, Fig. 25, Fig. 26 or Fig. 27



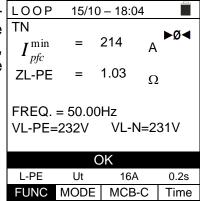
13. Note the presence of the correct voltage values between L-N and L-PE corresponding to the selections carried out in the initial phase (see § 5.1.3) as shown in the screen to the side.

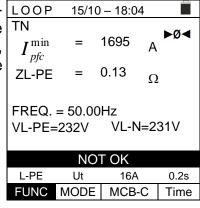


14. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument, the **START** key on the remote switch probe or use the AutoStart feature (see § 5.1.5). The instrument starts the measurement and the "**Measuring...**" message is shown at display. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the measuring leads of the instrument from the system under test. The following screen appears on the instrument's display.



15. In case of **positive** result (calculated minimum short-circuit current HIGHER than tripping current of the protection device within the specified time – see § 12.6), the "**OK**" message and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument.



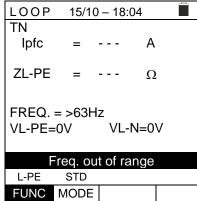


17. Press the **SAVE** key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the **ESC/MENU** key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen.



#### 6.7.11. Anomalous situations

1. If the instrument detects a frequency higher than the LOOP maximum limit (63Hz), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side.



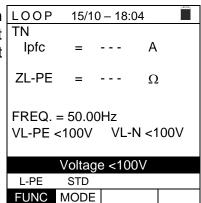
2. If the instrument detects a L-N or L-PE voltage lower than the minimum limit (100V), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side. Check that the system being tested is supplied.

LOOP

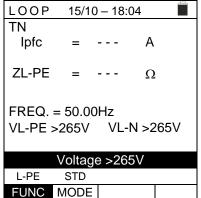
TN

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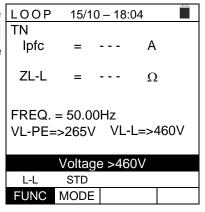
ZL-PE



3. If the instrument detects a L-N or L-PE voltage higher than the maximum limit (265V), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side. Check the connection of measuring cables.

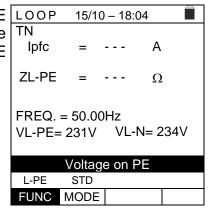


4. If the instrument detects a L-L voltage higher than the maximum limit (460V), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side. Check the connection of measuring cables.

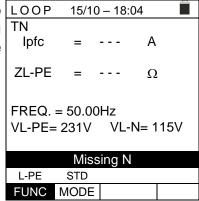




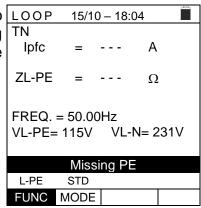
5. If the instrument detects a dangerous voltage on PE conductor, it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests. Check the PE conductor and earth connection efficiency.



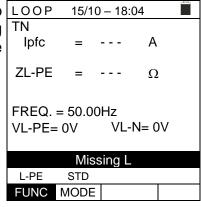
6. If the instrument detects the absence of the signal to terminal B4 (neutral conductor), it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests.



7. If the instrument detects the absence of the signal to terminal B3 (PE conductor), it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests

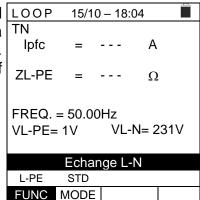


8. If the instrument detects the absence of the signal to terminal B1 (phase conductor), it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests

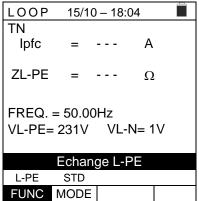




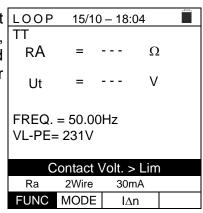
9. If the instrument detects that the phase L and neutral N leads are inverted, it does not carry out the test and a screen similar to the one reported to the side is displayed. Rotate the mains plug or check the connection of measuring cables.



10. If the instrument detects that the phase and PE leads are inverted, it does not carry out the test and a screen similar to the one reported to the side is displayed. Check the connection of measuring cables.



11. If the instrument detects a dangerous contact voltage Ut (above the set limit of 25V or 50V) in the starting pre-test, it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests. Check the PE conductor and earth connection efficiency.



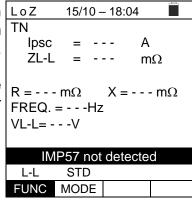


# 6.8. LOZ: LINE/LOOP IMPEDANCE WITH HIGH RESOLUTION

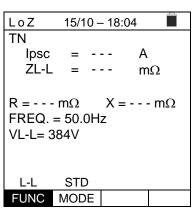
This Line/loop impedance measurements with high resolution  $(0.1m\Omega)$  is performed by using the optional accessory **IMP57** connected to the Master unit through the optical cable/RS-232 C2001 supplied with same accessory. The IMP57 must be directly powered by the mains on which measurements are performed. For detailed information, please refer to the user manual of the accessory IMP57.

Please find below the procedure for the measurement of <u>STD L-L impedance in TN systems</u>. The same procedures can be applied to any other case considering what is reported in previous § 6.7.

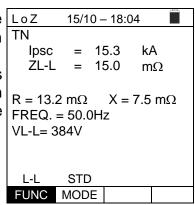
Press the MENU key, move the cursor to LoZ in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.
 The "IMP57 not detected" message indicates that the IMP57 accessory is not connected to the instrument or not powered directly by the mains



2. Connect the IMP57 to the instrument via the cable C2001 and to the powered system via the input terminals C1, C2 and P1, P2 placed on it (see the IMP57 user manual). The following screen appears on the display



3. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument to start the test. The following screen is shown on the display (in case of L-L measurement in STD mode). The standard (STD) prospective short-circuit current is shown on the display. The L-L Loop impedance values, in addition to its resistive and reactive components, are shown in the central part of the display, expressed in  $\mathbf{m}\Omega$ 



4. Press the **SAVE** key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the **ESC/MENU** key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen



# 6.9. 1,2,3: PHASE SEQUENCE AND PHASE CONCORDANCE TEST

This function allows testing the phase sequence and concordance with 1-wire method by direct contact with live parts (not on cables with insulating sheath).



Fig. 32: Phase sequence check with test leads

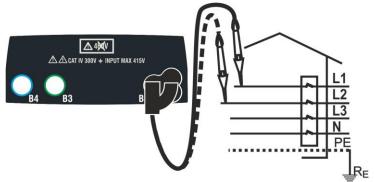
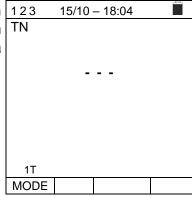


Fig. 33: Phase sequence check with remote switch probe

1. Press the **MENU** key, move the cursor to **123** in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with **ENTER**. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.



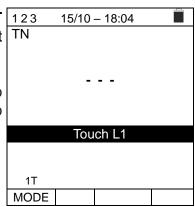
2. Insert the black lead connector into the corresponding input B1 of the instrument. As an alternative, use the single cable and apply the relevant alligator clips to the free ends of the cables. It is also possible to use the remote switch probe by inserting its multipolar connector into the input B1. Connect the alligator clips or the remote switch probe to the electrical mains according to Fig. 32 or Fig. 33.



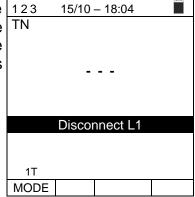
3. Press the **GO/STOP** key on the instrument or the **START** 123 key on the remote switch probe. The instrument will start the test.

The "**Touch L1**" message is shown on the display to indicate that the instrument is waiting to be connected to the L1 phase of the system being tested.

Touch the live part of L1 phase.



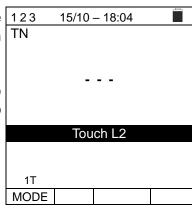
4. The instrument gives out a long sound until input voltage is present. At the end of phase L1 acquisition, the instrument is in standby, waiting for the signal on phase L2, and showing the "**Disconnect L1**" message, as shown in the screen to the side.



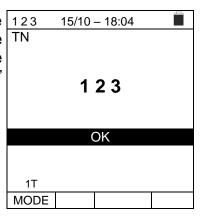
5. Under these conditions, connect the alligator clips, the tips or the remote switch probe to phase L2 in accordance to Fig. 32 or Fig. 33.

The "**Touch L2**" message is shown on the display to indicate that the instrument is waiting to be connected to the L2 phase of the system being tested.

Touch the live part of L2 phase.

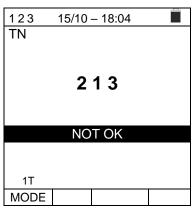


6. The instrument gives out a long sound until input voltage is present. At the end of the test, if the detected phase sequence is correct, the instrument displays a screen like the one shown to the side (result "123") and the "OK" message.

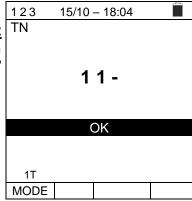




7. At the end of the test, if the detected phase sequence is incorrect, the instrument displays a screen like the one shown to the side (result "213") and the "NOT OK" message.



8. At the end of the test, if the two detected voltages are in phase (phase concordance between two distinct three-phase systems), the instrument displays a screen like the one to the side (result "11-") and the "OK" message.

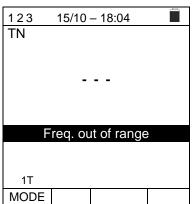


9. Press the **SAVE** key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the **ESC/MENU** key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen.

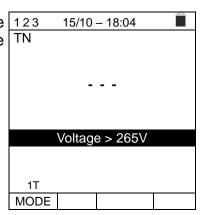


# 6.9.1. Anomalous situations

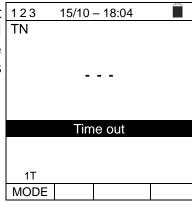
1. If the instrument detects an input voltage frequency exceeding the allowed full scale, it will display a screen like the one to the side.



2. If the instrument detects an input L-PE voltage 123 exceeding 265V, it will display a screen like the one to the side.



3. If, between the test start and the acquisition of the first voltage or between the acquisition of the first and second voltage, a time longer than approx. 10s has elapsed, the instrument displays a screen like the one to the side. It is necessary to repeat the test.





#### 6.10. △V%: VOLTAGE DROP OF MAINS

This feature allows evaluating the percentage value of voltage drop between two points of mains in which a protection device is installed and comparing this value to possible limit values specified by guidelines. The following modes are available:

- L-N Measurement of Phase to Neutral line impedance. The test can be performed also with high resolution  $(0.1 \text{m}\Omega)$  with optional accessory IMP57
- L-L Measurement of Phase to Phase line impedance. The test can be performed also with high resolution  $(0.1 \text{m}\Omega)$  with optional accessory IMP57

#### CAUTION



The measurement of line impedance or fault loop impedance involves the circulation of a maximum current according to the technical specifications of the instrument (see § 10.1). This could cause the tripping of possible magnetothermal or differential protections at lower tripping currents.

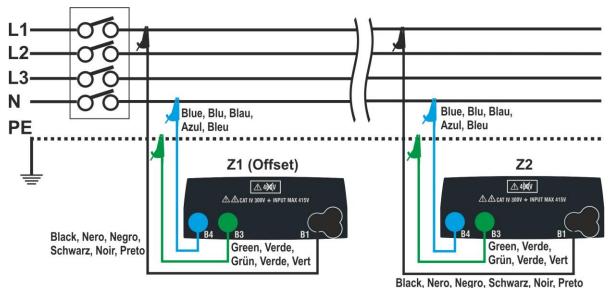


Fig. 34: Connection of the instrument for L-N mode voltage drop measurement

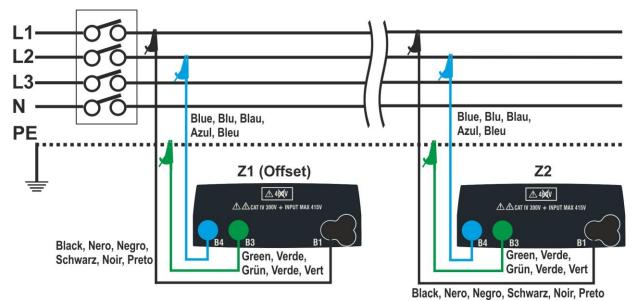
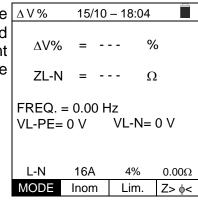


Fig. 35: Connection of the instrument for L-L mode voltage drop measurement



Press the MENU key, move the cursor to ΔV% in the main menu by means of the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. Subsequently, the instrument displays a screen similar to the one reported here to the side.



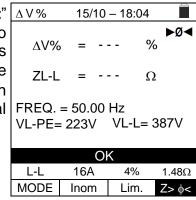
- 2. Use the ◀, ▶ keys to select the parameter to be modified, and the ▲, ▼ keys to modify the parameter value:
  - ➤ MODE → this virtual key allows setting the test mode. The following options are available: L-N, L-L, CAL.
  - ➤ Inom → this virtual key allows setting the value of rated current of protection device in the range 1A to 999A in steps of 1A.
  - ightharpoonup this virtual key allows setting the maximum allowed limit value of voltage drop ( $\Delta V\%$ ) for the mains being tested.
  - ➤ Z>φ

    → this position allows performing the first Z1(Offset) impedance measurement. In this case, the instrument will measure the zeroed impedance upstream of the initial point of the mains being tested, taking it as a starting reference.
- 3. Select the CAL mode by means of the arrow keys ▲,▼ and perform the calibration of the test cables or of the cable with mains plug by using the ZEROLOOP accessory before performing the test (see § 6.7.2).
- 4. Connect the instrument to the initial point of the mains being tested (typically downstream of a protection device) according to Fig. 34 or Fig. 35 in order to carry out the first Z1 (Offset) impedance measurement. In this case, the instrument will measure the impedance upstream of the initial point of the mains being tested, taking it as starting reference. The following screen (referred to L-L measurement) appears on the display.
- 5. Use the ◀, ▶ keys and move the cursor to the "Z>•\operation of the "Z>•\operation of the "Z>•\operation of the instrument to start the test. The following screen is shown on the display.

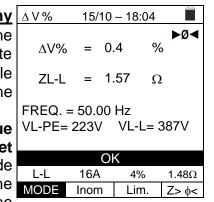
,	Δ٧%	15/10	<b>–</b> 18:04	
	ΔV%	= -	9	bø∢ %
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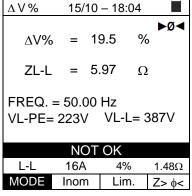
6. Use the ◀, ▶ keys and move the cursor to the "Z>φ<" position. Press the GO/STOP key on the instrument to start the test. The result of the Z1(offset) measurement is shown on the display above the "Z>φ<" symbol. If the Z1(offset) value <10Ω, the "OK" outcome is shown on the display and is automatically saved in the internal buffer.



- 7. Connect the instrument to the final point of the mains being tested according to Fig. 34 or Fig. 35 in order to measure the **Z2** impedance at the end of the line. Note the previously measured Z1 (Offset) value displayed.
- 8. Use the ◀, ▶ keys and move the cursor to any position except "Z>φ<". Press the GO/STOP key on the instrument to measure the Z2 impedance and complete the ΔV% voltage drop measurement. During this whole stage, do not disconnect the measuring leads of the instrument from the system being tested. In case of positive result (maximum percentage value of calculated voltage drop according to § 12.11 < set limit value), the "OK" outcome and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument. The screen contains the value of the Z2 end-of-line impedance together with the Z1 (Offset) value.



9. In case of negative result (maximum percentage value of calculated voltage drop according to § 12.11 > set limit value), the "NOT OK" outcome and the screen to the side are displayed by the instrument. The screen contains the value of the Z2 end-of-line impedance together with the Z1 (Offset) value.

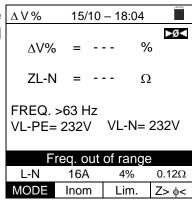


10. Press the **SAVE** key to store the test result in the instrument's memory (see § 7.1) or the **ESC/MENU** key to exit the screen without saving and go back to the main measuring screen.

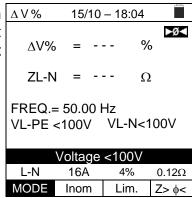


#### 6.10.1. Anomalous situations

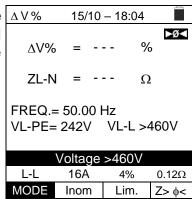
1. If the instrument detects a frequency higher than the ΔV% maximum limit (63Hz), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side.



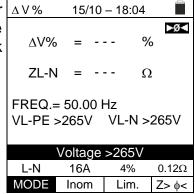
2. If the instrument detects a L-N or L-PE voltage lower than the minimum limit (100V), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side. Check that the system being tested is supplied.



3. If the instrument detects an L-L voltage higher than the maximum limit (460V), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side. Check the connection of measuring cables.

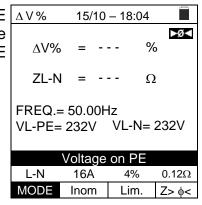


4. If the instrument detects a L-N or L-PE voltage higher than the maximum limit (265V), it does not carry out the test and displays a screen like the one to the side. Check the connection of measuring cables.

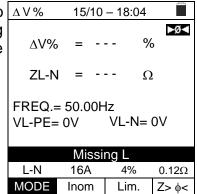




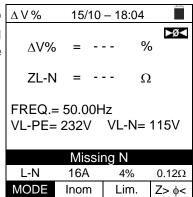
If the instrument detects a dangerous voltage on PE conductor, it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests. Check the PE conductor and earth connection efficiency.



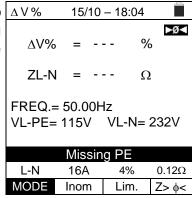
6. If the instrument detects the absence of the signal to terminal B1 (phase conductor), it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests.  $\Delta V \%$ 



7. If the instrument detects the absence of the signal to terminal B4 (neutral conductor), it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests.

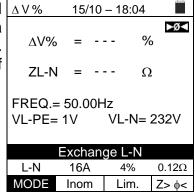


8. If the instrument detects the absence of the signal to terminal B3 (PE conductor), it provides the warning screen shown to the side and blocks the execution of the tests.

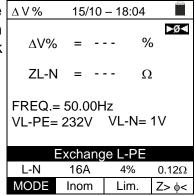




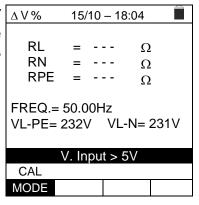
9. If the instrument detects that the phase L and neutral N leads are inverted, it does not carry out the test and a screen similar to the one reported to the side is displayed. Rotate the mains plug or check the connection of measuring cables.



If the instrument detects that the phase and PE leads are inverted, it does not carry out the test and a screen similar to the one reported to the side is displayed. Check the connection of measuring cables.



11. If the instrument detects a VL-PE, VL-N or VN-PE >5V during the test leads' calibration, it does not carry out the test and a screen similar to the one reported to the side is displayed. Check the connection of measuring cables.



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Measure

Module

Installation String

Comment: max 30 digits

003

001



#### 7. STORING RESULTS

The instrument allows saving max 999 measured values. The saved data can be recalled to the display and deleted at any moment, and, upon saving, they can be associated with up to a maximum of 3 levels of numeric markers relevant to the installation name, the PV string and the PV module (with max value 250). For each level, 20 marker names are available, which can be customized by the user, if needed, through PC connection with the provided management software. It is also possible to add a comment associated with each measure.

#### 7.1. SAVING MEASURES

- 1. Press the **SAVE/ENTER** key with the measured result on SAVE the display. The screen to the side appears on the display. It contains:
  - ➤ Item "Measurement" which identifies the first available memory location
  - > The first marker (e.g.: "Installation") to which a numeric value between 1 ÷ 250 can be associated
  - ➤ The second marker (e.g.: "String") to which a numeric value between 0 (- - -) ÷ 250 can be associated
  - ➤ The third marker (e.g.: "Module") to which a numeric value between 0 (- - -) ÷ 250 can be associated
  - > Item "Comment" associated with the measure, in which a text of max 30 digits can be entered
- 2. Use the arrow keys ◀ or ▶ to select the marker and the SAVE arrow keys  $(\blacktriangle, \blacktriangledown)$  to change the label of the associated numeric value (e.g.: "Area") among those available of customizable by the user (max 20 names).
- 3. Select item "Comment" and press the SAVE/ENTER ke to enter the desired text. The following screen with virtual keyboard appears on the display:

Measure	003
Area	001
String	
Module	
Comment: max 30 d	igits
	Area String

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- 4. Use the arrow keys ◀ or ▶ to move the cursor to the SAVE selected digit and press the SAVE/ENTER key to enter comment.
- 5. Move the cursor to "DEL" and press the **SAVE/ENTER** key to delete the selected digit.
- 6. Move the cursor to "END" and press the SAVE/ENTER key to confirm the written comment and go back to the previous screen.



7. Press the SAVE/ENTER key to confirm saving the measure or ESC/MENU to exit without saving.



# 7.2. RECALL OF DATA TO DISPLAY AND MEMORY DELETION

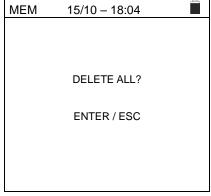
- Position the cursor onto MEM by using the arrow keys (▲,▼) and confirm with ENTER. The screen to the side appears on the display. The screen contains:
  - ➤ The number of the memory location where the measure is saved
  - > The date in which the measure was saved
  - > The type of measure saved
  - ➤ The total number of saved measures for each screen and the residual available memory

MEM	15/10 –				
N.	Da	ite	Type		
001	14/0	1/21	RPE		
002	15/0	1/21	$M\Omega$		
003	15/0	1/21	$Lo\Omega$		
004	15/0	1/21	LoZ		
005	16/0	1/21	Auto		
006	17/0	1/21	Loop		
007	19/0	1/21	ΔV%		
Tot: 007		Free: 9	92		
$\wedge \downarrow$	$\uparrow \downarrow$	All			
Rec	Pag	DEL			

- 2. Use the arrow keys (▲,▼) to select the measure to be recalled to display.
- 3. Press the **SAVE/ENTER** key to display the saved measure. Press the **ESC/MENU** key to go back to the previous screen.
- 4. Use the arrow keys ◀ or ▶ to select option "Pag" and proceed to the next screen.
- 5. Select the option "DEL" to delete the whole content of the instrument's memory ("All" option) or the last saved data ("Last" option). The following screen appears on the display:

MEM	15/02 –	18:04	
N.	Da	ite	Type
001	14/0	1/21	RPE
002	15/0	1/21	$M\Omega$
003	15/0	1/21	$Lo\Omega$
004	15/0	1/21	LoZ
005	16/0	1/21	Auto
006	17/0	1/21	Loop
007	19/0	1/21	$\Delta$ V%
Tot: 007		Free: 9	92
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Rec	Pag	DEL	

- 6. Press the **SAVE/ENTER** key to confirm data deletion. MEM The message "**Memory empty**" is shown on the display.
- 7. Press the **MENU/ESC** key to exit the function and go back to the general menu.





# 8. CONNECTING THE INSTRUMENT TO THE PC

# **CAUTION**

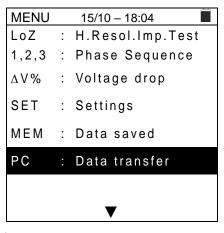
- The connection between instrument and PC is realized by means of cable C2006.
- In order to transfer the data onto a PC, it is necessary to install beforehand the management software on the PC itself.



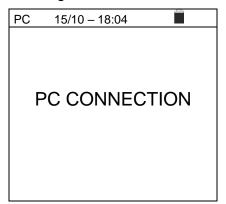
- Before connecting, it is necessary to select the port to be used and the correct baud rate (57600 bps) on the PC. To set these parameters, launch the provided management software and refer to the program's on-line help.
- The selected port must not be engaged by other devices or applications, e.g. a mouse, a modem, etc. Close any applications running using the Microsoft Windows Task Manager function, if necessary.
- The optical port emits invisible LED radiations. Do not directly observe with optical instruments. Class 1M LED apparatus according to standard IEC/EN 60825-1.

To transfer data to the PC, follow this procedure:

- 1. Switch on the instrument by pressing the **ON/OFF** key.
- 2. Connect the instrument to the PC via the provided optical/USB cable C2006.
- 3. Press the **ESC/MENU** key to open the main menu.
- 4. Use the arrow keys (▲,▼) to select "PC", to access data transfer mode and confirm with SAVE/ENTER.



5. The instrument shows the following screen:



6. Use the software controls to activate data transfer (please refer to the on-line help of the program).



#### 9. MAINTENANCE

#### 9.1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- While using and storing the instrument, carefully observe the recommendations listed in this manual in order to prevent possible damage or danger during use.
- ➤ Do not use the instrument in environments with high humidity levels or high temperatures. Do not expose to direct sunlight.
- Always switch off the instrument after use. Should the instrument remain unused for a long time, remove the batteries to avoid liquid leaks that could damage the instrument's internal circuits.

# 9.2. REPLACEMENT OF THE BATTERIES

When the LCD display shows the low battery symbol "\[ \bigcup", replace the alkaline batteries.



# CAUTION

Only expert and trained technicians should perform this operation. Before carrying out this operation, make sure you have disconnected all cables from the input terminals.

- 1. Switch off the instrument by pressing the **ON/OFF** key.
- 2. Remove the cables from the inputs
- 3. Loosen the battery compartment cover fastening screw and remove the cover.
- 4. Remove all the batteries from the battery compartment and replace them with new batteries of the right type only (§ 10.3), making sure to respect the indicated polarities.
- 5. Restore the battery compartment cover into place and fasten it by means of the relevant screw.
- 6. Do not scatter old batteries into the environment. Use the relevant containers for disposal.

# 9.3. CLEANING THE INSTRUMENT

Use a soft and dry cloth to clean the instrument. Never use wet cloths, solvents, water, etc.

# 9.4. END OF LIFE



**CAUTION**: the symbol on the instrument indicates that the appliance and its accessories must be collected separately and correctly disposed of.



# 10. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Accuracy is calculated as: ±[%reading + (no. of digits) \* resolution] at 23°C, <80%RH

# 10.1. TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

**AC TRMS voltage** 

Range [V]	Resolution [V]	Accuracy
15 ÷ 460	1	±(3%rdg + 2dgt)

Frequency

Range [Hz]	Resolution [Hz]	Accuracy		
47.50 ÷ 52.50 / 57.00 ÷ 63.00	0.01	±(0.1%rdg+1dgt)		

Continuity of protective conductor (RPE)

Range [Ω]	Resolution [ $\Omega$ ]	Accuracy
0.00 ÷ 9.99	0.01	
10.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	$\pm$ (5.0%rdg + 3dgt)
100 ÷ 1999	1	

Test current: >200mA DC up to  $5\Omega$  (test leads included)

Test current generated: 1mA resolution, range 0  $\div$  250mA Open-circuit voltage:  $4 < V_0 < 24$ VDC

Safety protection: error message for input voltage >10V

Insulation resistance (M $\Omega$ )

Test voltage [V]	Range [MΩ]	Resolution [MΩ]	Accuracy		
	0.01 ÷ 9.99	0.01	1/2 00/ rda 1 2dat)		
50	10.0 ÷ 49.9	0.1	$\pm$ (2.0%rdg + 2dgt)		
	50.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	±(5.0%rdg + 2dgt)		
	0.01 ÷ 9.99	0.01	±(2,00/rdg, 1, 2dgt)		
100	10.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	$\pm$ (2.0%rdg + 2dgt)		
	100 ÷ 199	1	$\pm$ (5.0%rdg + 2dgt)		
	0.01 ÷ 9.99	0.01			
250	10.0 ÷ 199.9	0.1	±(2.0%rdg + 2dgt)		
250	200 ÷ 249	1			
	250 ÷ 499	I	±(5.0%rdg + 2dgt)		
	0.01 ÷ 9.99	0.01			
500	10.0 ÷ 199.9	0.1	$\pm$ (2.0%rdg + 2dgt)		
500	200 ÷ 499	1			
	500 ÷ 999	I	±(5.0%rdg + 2dgt)		
	0.01 ÷ 9.99	0.01			
1000	10.0 ÷ 199.9	0.1	$\pm$ (2.0%rdg + 2dgt)		
	200 ÷ 1999	1			

Open-circuit voltage rated test voltage -0% +10%

Rated measuring current: >1mA with 1k $\Omega$  x Vnom (50V, 100V, 250V, 1000V), >2.2mA with 230k $\Omega$  @ 500V

Short-circuit current <a>6.0mA for each test voltage</a> Safety protection: <a>6.0mA for each test voltage</a> >10V

Line/Loop impedance (Phase-Phase, Phase-Neutral, Phase-Earth)

Range [Ω]	Resolution [Ω]	Accuracy (*)
0.01 ÷ 9.99	0.01	1/E0/rda 1 2 dat)
10.0 ÷ 199.9	0.1	$\pm$ (5%rdg + 3 dgt)

(\*) 0.1m $\Omega$  in range 0.1  $\div$  199.9 m $\Omega$  (by using the optional accessory IMP57) Maximum test current: 3.31A (at 265V); 5.71A (at 457V) P-N/P-P Test voltage: (100V  $\div$ 265V) / (100V $\div$ 460V); 50/60Hz  $\pm$ 5%

Protection types: MCB (B, C, D, K), Fuse (aM, gG, BS882-2, BS88-3, BS3036, BS1362)

First fault current - IT systems

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Range [mA]	Resolution [mA]	Accuracy
0.1 ÷ 0.9	0.1	±(5%rdg+1dgt)
1 ÷ 999	1	±(5%rdg + 3dgt)

Limit contact voltage (ULIM): 25V, 50V



Test on RCD protection (molded-case type)

Differential protection type (RCD): AC (√), A/F (⋘), B/B+(::::\*),General (G), Selective (S) Voltage range P-PE, P-N: 100V ÷265V RCD type A, A/F and B/B+ (I∆N ≤100mA)

190V  $\div$ 265V RCD type B/B+ (I $\triangle$ N = 300mA)

Voltage range N-PE : <10V

Rated tripping currents (IΔN): 6mA,10mA, 30mA, 100mA, 300mA, 500mA, 650mA, 1000mA

Frequency: 50/60Hz  $\pm 5\%$ 

Molded-case RCD tripping current **■** - (for General RCDs only)

RCD type	IΔN	Range I∆ <sub>N</sub> [mA]	Resolution [mA]	Accuracy
AC, A/F, B/B+	6mA,10mA			- 0%, +10%l∆N
AC, A/F, B/B+	30mA ≤I∆N ≤300mA	(0.2 ÷ 1.1) I∆N	$\leq 0.1 I_{\Delta N}$	00/ 150/1
AC, A/F	500mA ≤I∆N ≤650mA			- 0%, +5%I <sub>∆N</sub>

Measurement duration of molded-case RCD tripping time - TT/TN systems

	x 1/2			x 1	x 5		Α	UTO	_		AUT	0+_	
	\	G	S	G	S	G	S	G	S	G	S	G	S
6mA	AC A/F B/B+	999 999 999	999 999 999	999 999 999	999 999 999	50 50	150 150	<b>✓</b> ✓	<b>✓</b>	310 310 310		<ul><li>✓</li><li>✓</li></ul>	
10mA	AC A/F B/B+	999 999 999	999 999 999	999 999 999	999 999 999	50 50	150 150	<b>✓</b> ✓	<b>*</b>	310 310 310		<b>✓</b>	
30mA	AC A/F B/B+	999 999 999	999 999 999	999 999 999	999 999 999	50 50	150 150	<b>✓</b> ✓	<b>✓</b>	310 310 310		<b>✓</b>	
100mA	AC A/F B/B+	999 999 999	999 999 999	999 999 999	999 999 999	50 50	150 150	<b>✓</b> ✓	<b>*</b>	310 310 310			
300mA	AC A/F B/B+	999 999 999	999 999 999	999 999 999	999 999 999	50 50	150 150	<b>✓</b> ✓	<b>✓</b>	310 310 310			
500mA 650mA	AC A/F B/B+	999 999	999 999	999 999	999 999	50	150	<b>✓</b>	✓	310 310			
1000mA	AC A/F B/B+	999 999	999 999	999 999									

Table with duration of tripping time measurement [ms] - Resolution: 1ms, Accuracy:±(2.0%reading + 2digits)

Measurement duration of molded-case RCD tripping time – IT systems

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	\	G	S	G	S	G	S	G	S	G	S	G	S	
6mA	AC	999	999	999	999	50	150	✓	✓	310		✓		
10mA	A/F	999	999	999	999	50	150	✓	$\checkmark$	310		✓		
30mA	B/B+	999	999	999	999					310				
100mA	AC	999	999	999	999	50	150	✓	✓	310				
300mA	A/F	999	999	999	999	50	150	✓	$\checkmark$	310				
JUUIIA	B/B+	999	999	999	999					310				
500m A	AC	999	999	999	999	50	150	✓		310				
500mA 650mA	A/F	999	999	999	999			✓		310				
OJUIIA	B/B+													
	AC	999	999	999	999									
1000mA	A/F	999	999	999	999									
	B/B+													

Table with duration of tripping time measurement [ms] - Resolution: 1ms, Accuracy:±(2.0%reading + 2digits)



Test on RCD protection (DD type)

Differential protection type (RCD): DD type (compliance with IEC62955 guideline), General (G)

Voltage range Phase-Earth, Phase-Neutral: 100V  $\div$ 265V Rated tripping currents (I $\Delta$ N): 6mA Frequency: 50/60Hz  $\pm$  5%

DD type RCD tripping current **-** (for General RCD only)

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RCD type	IΔN	Range [mA]	Resolution [mA]	Accuracy
DD	6mA	$(0.2 \div 1.1) I_{\Delta N}$	$\leq 0.1I_{\Delta N}$	- 0%, +10%l <sub>∆N</sub>

DD type RCD tripping time x1 - (for General RCD only)

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RCD type	IΔN	Range [ms]	Resolution [ms]	Accuracy
DD	6mA	10000	1	±(2%rdg + 2digits)

# Overall earth resistance without RCD tripping (Ra + )

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Voltage range P-PE, P-N:} & 100\mbox{V} \div 265\mbox{V} \\ \mbox{Voltage range N-PE:} & <10\mbox{V} \\ \mbox{Frequency:} & 50/60\mbox{Hz} \pm 5\% \\ \end{array}$ 

Overall earth resistance in systems with Neutral (3-wire) – (30mA or higher RCD)

Range [Ω]	Resolution [Ω]	Accuracy
$0.05 \div 9.99$	0.01	(E0/rda : Odat)
10.0 ÷ 199.9	0.1	±(5%rdg +8dgt)

Overall earth resistance in systems with Neutral (3-wire) – (6mA and 10mA RCD)

Range [Ω]	Resolution [ $\Omega$ ]	Accuracy
$0.05 \div 9.99$	0.01	\( \( \( \)
10.0 ÷ 199.9	0.1	±(5%rdg +30dgt)

Overall earth resistance in systems withot Neutral (2-wire) - (30mA or higher RCD)

Range [Ω]	Resolution [ $\Omega$ ]	Accuracy
$0.05 \div 9.99$	0.01	
10.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	±(5%rdg +8dgt)
100 ÷ 1999	1	

Overall earth resistance in systems withou Neutral (2-wire) – (6mA and 10mA RCD)

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Range $[\Omega]$	Resolution [Ω]	Accuracy			
$0.05 \div 9.99$	0.01				
10.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	±(5%rdg +30dgt)			
100 ÷ 1999	1				

Contact voltage (measured during RCD and Ra + test)

Contact Voltage (incasared during NOD and Na 1 test)			
Range [V]	Resolution [V]	Accuracy	
0 ÷ Ut LIM	0.1	-0%, +(5.0%rdg + 3V)	

Phase rotation with 1 test lead

Voltage range P-N, P-PE[V]	Frequency range				
100 ÷ 265	50Hz/60Hz ± 5%				

Measurement is only carried out by direct contact with metal live parts (not on insulation sheath).



10.2. REFERENCE GUIDELINES

Safety: IEC/EN61010-1,IEC/EN61010-2-030,IEC/EN61010-2-033

EMC: IEC/EN61010-2-034, IEC/EN61557-1

Technical documentation: IEC/EN61187
Safety of accessories: IEC/EN61010-031
Insulation: double insulation

Pollution level: 2

Max. operating altitude: 2000m (6562ft)

Measurement category: CAT IV 300V to earth, maximum 415V between inputs RPE: IEC/EN61557-4,BS7671 17th/18th ed., AS/NZS3000/3017 M $\Omega$ : IEC/EN61557-2,BS7671 17th/18th ed., AS/NZS3000/3017 RCD: IEC/EN61557-6 (only on Phase-Neutral-Earth systems)

RCD-DD: IEC62955

LOOP P-P, P-N, P-PE: IEC/EN61557-3,BS7671 17th/18th ed., AS/NZS3000/3017 Multifunction: IEC/EN61557-10,BS7671 17th/18thed., AS/NZS3000/3017

Short-circuit current: EN60909-0

# 10.3. GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

**Mechanical characteristics** 

Dimensions (L x W x H): 225 x 165 x 75mm; (9 x 6 x 3in)

Weight (batteries included): 1.2kg; (42 ounces)

Mechanical protection: IP40

**Power supply** 

Battery type: 6x1.5V alkaline batteries type AA IEC LR06 MN1500 or

6 x1.2V rechargeable NiMH type AA

Low battery indication: low battery symbol "—" on the display

Battery life: > 500 tests for each function

Auto Power OFF: after10 minutes' idling (if activated)

**Miscellaneous** 

Display: COG Black/white graphic LCD, 320x240pxl

# 10.4. ENVIRONMENT

#### 10.4.1. Environmental conditions for use

Reference temperature:  $23^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$ ;  $(73^{\circ}\text{F} \pm 41^{\circ}\text{F})$ Operating temperature:  $0^{\circ}\text{C} \div 40^{\circ}\text{C}$ ;  $(32^{\circ}\text{F} \div 104^{\circ}\text{F})$ 

Allowable relative humidity: <80%RH

Storage temperature:  $-10^{\circ}\text{C} \div 60^{\circ}\text{C}$ ;  $(14^{\circ}\text{F} \div 140^{\circ}\text{F})$ 

Storage humidity: <80%RH

This instrument satisfies the requirements of Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EU (LVD) and of EMC Directive 2014/35/EU

This instrument satisfies the requirements of European Directive 2011/65/EU (RoHS) and 2012/19/EU (WEEE)

# 10.5. ACCESSORIES

See enclosed packing list



#### 11. SERVICE

#### 11.1. WARRANTY CONDITIONS

This instrument is warranted against any material or manufacturing defect, in compliance with the general sales conditions. During the warranty period, defective parts may be replaced. However, the manufacturer reserves the right to repair or replace the product. Should the instrument be returned to the After-sales Service or to a Dealer, transport will be at the Customer's charge. However, shipment will be agreed in advance. A report will always be enclosed to a shipment, stating the reasons for the product's return. Only use original packaging for shipment. Any damage due to the use of non-original packaging material will be charged to the Customer. The manufacturer declines any responsibility for injury to people or damage to property.

The warranty shall not apply in the following cases:

- Repair and/or replacement of accessories and battery (not covered by warranty).
- Repairs that may become necessary as a consequence of an incorrect use of the instrument or due to its use together with non-compatible appliances.
- Repairs that may become necessary as a consequence of improper packaging.
- Repairs which may become necessary as a consequence of interventions performed by unauthorized personnel.
- Modifications to the instrument performed without the manufacturer's explicit authorization.
- Use not provided for in the instrument's specifications or in the instruction manual.

The content of this manual cannot be reproduced in any form without the manufacturer's authorization.

Our products are patented and our trademarks are registered. The manufacturer reserves the right to make changes in the specifications and prices if this is due to improvements in technology.

# 11.2. SERVICE

If the instrument does not operate properly, before contacting the After-sales Service, please check the conditions of batteries and cables and replace them, if necessary. Should the instrument still operate improperly, check that the product is operated according to the instructions given in this manual. Should the instrument be returned to the After-sales Service or to a Dealer, transport will be at the Customer's charge. However, shipment will be agreed in advance. A report will always be enclosed to a shipment, stating the reasons for the product's return. Only use original packaging for shipment; any damage due to the use of non-original packaging material will be charged to the Customer.



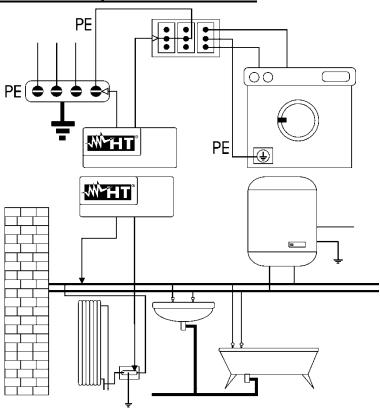
# 12. THEORETICAL APPENDIXES

# 12.1. CONTINUITY OF PROTECTIVE CONDUCTORS

Check the continuity of:

- Protective conductors (PE), main equalizing potential conductors (EQP), secondary equalizing potential conductors (EQS) in TT and TN-S systems
- Neutral conductors having functions of protective conductors (PEN) in TN-C systems. This test is to be preceded by a visual check verifying the existence of yellow-green protective and equalizing potential conductors as well as compliance of the sections used with the standards requirements.

# Parts of the system to be checked



Connect one of the test leads to the protective conductor of the socket and the other to the equalizing potential node of the earth installation.

Connect one of the test leads to the external mass (in this case the water pipe) and the other to the earth installation using, for example, the protective conductor of the closest socket.

Fig. 36: Examples for continuity measurements on conductors

Check the continuity among:

- Earth poles of all the plug sockets and earth collector or node
- Earth terminals of class I appliances (boilers, etc.) and earth collector or node
- Main external masses (water tubes, gas pipes, etc.) and earth collector or node
- Additional external masses between each other and to earth terminal.

#### Allowable values

The standards do not require the measurement of continuity resistance and the comparison of the results with limit values. The standards simply require that the instrument in use warns the operator if the test was not carried out with a current of at least 200mA and an open-circuit voltage ranging from 4 to 24V. The resistance values may be calculated according to the sections and lengths of the conductors under test. In general, if the instrument detects values of some ohms, the test may be considered as successful.



#### 12.2. INSULATION RESISTANCE

# Purpose of the test

Check that the insulation resistance of the installation complies with the requirements of the applicable guidelines. This test has to be performed with the circuit being tested not powered and with the possible loads it supplies disconnected.

#### Allowable values

The values of the measured voltage and of the minimum insulation resistance can be taken from the following table.

Circuit nominal voltage [V]	Test voltage [V]	Insulation resistance [M $\Omega$ ]
SELV and PELV *	250	≥ 0,250
Up to/equal to 500 V, except for the above-mentioned circuits	500	≥ 1,000
Over 500 V	1000	≥ 1,000

<sup>\*</sup> The terms SELV and PELV replace, in the standards' new wording, the old definitions of "Very low safety voltage" or "Very low functional voltage".

Table 4: Most common test types, insulation resistance measurement

# Parts of the system to be checked

Check the insulation resistance between:

- ➤ Each active conductor and the earth (the neutral conductor is considered as an active conductor except in TN-C power supply systems, where it is considered as part of the earthing (PEN)). During this measurement, all active conductors may be connected to each other. Should the measurement's result be outside the limits prescribed by the standards, the test must be repeated separately for each single conductor.
- > The active conductors. The guidelines recommend also checking the insulation between active conductors when possible.

If the system includes electronic devices, it is necessary to disconnect them from the system to prevent any damage. Should this not be possible, only perform the test between active conductors (which, in this case, must be connected to each other) and the earth connection.

In the presence of a very extended circuit, wires running side by side constitute a capacity that the instrument must load in order to obtain a correct measurement; in this case, it is advisable to hold the start button of the measurement (in case you run the test in manual mode) until the result is stable.

The "> full scale" message indicates that the insulation resistance measured by the instrument is higher than the maximum measurable resistance; this result is obviously much higher than the minimum limits indicated in the standard table above, so the insulation at that point is to be considered compliant.



# 12.2.1. Measurement of polarization index (PI)

The purpose of this diagnostic test is to evaluate the influence of the polarization effects. Upon the application of a high voltage to insulation, the electric dipoles distributed in the insulation align in the direction of the applied electric field. This phenomenon is called <u>polarization</u>. Because of the polarized molecules, a polarization (absorption) current generates, which lowers the total value of insulation resistance.

Parameter **PI** consists in the ratio between the value of insulation resistance measured after 1 minute and after 10 minutes. The test voltage is maintained throughout the whole duration of the test and, at the end, the instrument provides the value of ratio:

$$PI = \frac{Ins.re\ (10\,\text{min})}{Ins.re\ (1\,\text{min})}$$

Some reference values:

PI Value	Insulation condition
from 1.0 to 1.25	Not acceptable
from 1.4 to 1.6	Good
>1.6	Excellent

# 12.2.2. Dielectric Absorption Ratio (DAR)

Parameter **DAR** consists in the ratio between the value of insulation resistance measured after 30s and after 1 minute. The test voltage is maintained throughout the whole duration of the test and, at the end, the instrument provides the value of ratio:

$$DAR = \frac{Ins.re\ (1\,\text{min})}{Ins.re\ (30s)}$$

Some reference values:

DAR Value	Insulation condition
< 1.0	Dangerous
from 1.0 to 2.0	Questionable
from 2.0 to 4.0	Good
> 4.0	Excellent



#### 12.3. CHECKING CIRCUIT SEPARATION

A **SELV** system is a zero-category system or safety extra low voltage system characterized by power supply from an independent (e.g. batteries, small generator set) or safety source (e.g. safety transformer), protective separation from other electrical systems (double or reinforced insulation or earthed metal screen) and absence of earthed points (insulated from the earth).

A **PELV** system is a zero-category system or protective extra low voltage system characterized by power supply from an independent (e.g. batteries, small generator set) or safety source (e.g. safety transformer), protective separation from other electrical systems (double or reinforced insulation or earthed metal screen) and, unlike **SELV** systems, presence of earthed points (not insulated from the earth).

A system with **Electrical Separation** is a system characterized by a power supply from an insulation transformer or independent source with equivalent characteristics (e.g. motor generator set), protective separation from other electrical systems (insulation no lower than that of the insulation transformer), protective separation to earth (insulation no lower than that of the insulation transformer).

# Purpose of the test

The test, to be performed if protection is obtained through separation, must check that the insulation resistance measured as described below (according to the type of separation) complies with the limits reported in the table relating to insulation measurements.

# Parts of the system to be checked

- **SELV** System (Safety Extra Low Voltage):
  - ✓ Measure the resistance between the active parts of the circuit being tested (separated) and the active parts of the other circuits.
  - ✓ Measure the resistance between the active parts of the circuit to be tested (separated) and the earth.
- PELV System (Protective Extra Low Voltage):
  - ✓ Measure the resistance between the active parts of the circuit being tested (separated) and the active parts of the other circuits.

# • Electrical separation:

- ✓ Measure the resistance between the active parts of the circuit being tested (separated) and the active parts of the other circuits.
- ✓ Measure the resistance between the active parts of the circuit to be tested (separated) and the earth.

# Allowable values

The test has a positive result when the insulation resistance shows values higher or equal to those indicated in Table 4: Most common test types, insulation resistance measurement



# **EXAMPLE OF SEPARATION TEST BETWEEN ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS**

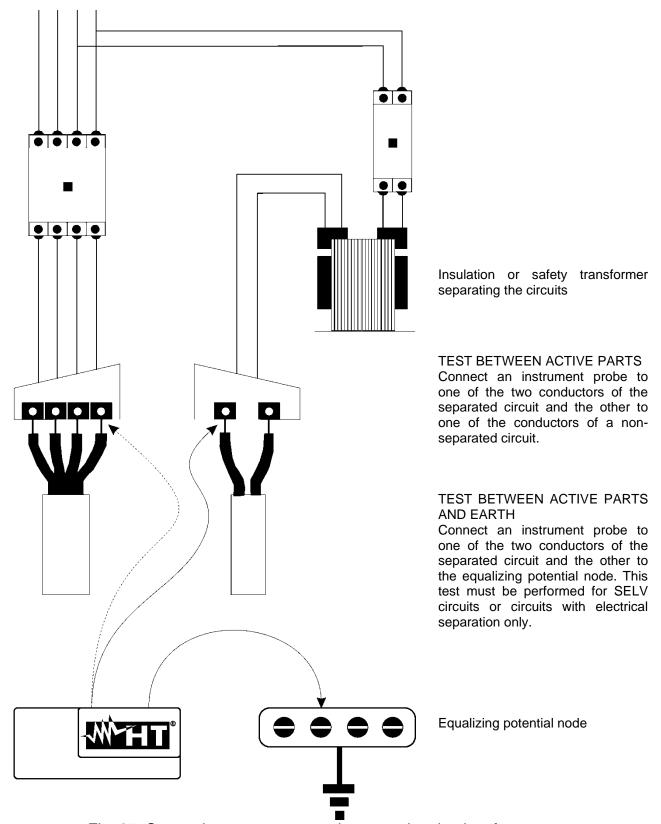


Fig. 37: Separation measurements between the circuits of a system



# 12.4. TEST ON DIFFERENTIAL SWITCHES (RCD)

# Purpose of the test

Checking that the General (G) and Selective (S) differential protection devices have been correctly installed and adjusted and that they maintain their characteristics over time. The check must make sure that the differential switch trips at a current not higher than its nominal operating current IdN and that the tripping time meets the following conditions, according to the case:

- The tripping time does not exceed the maximum time as prescribed by the standard for differential switches of a General type (according to what described in Table 5
- The tripping time is between the minimum and the maximum tripping time for differential switches of a Selective type (according to what described in Table 5

The differential switch test performed with the test key helps so that no "gluing effect" jeopardizes the operation of the device if it has remained unused for a long time. This test is only performed to ascertain the mechanical functionality of the device and it is not sufficient to declare the device's conformity to the standard regarding differential current devices. According to statistics, switch verification through test key, if performed once a month, reduces to a half the device's malfunction rate. However, this test only detects 24% of the defective differential switches.

# Parts of the system to be checked

All differential switches must be tested upon installation. In low-voltage systems, it is advisable to perform this test, fundamental in order to guarantee a correct safety level. In medical rooms, this test must be performed periodically on all differential switches as prescribed by the guidelines.

#### Allowable values

On each molded-case RCD, two tests must be performed on each differential switch: a test with a leakage current beginning in phase with the positive half-wave of voltage (0°) and a test with a leakage current beginning in phase with the negative half-wave of voltage (180°). The result to be considered is the higher one. The test with ½In must not cause the differential switch tripping.

RCD type	ldN x 1	IdN x 5 *	Description
General	0.3s	0.04s	Maximum tripping time in seconds
Coloctive C	0.13s	0.05s	Minimum tripping time in seconds
Selective S	0.5s	0.15s	Maximum tripping time in seconds

Table 5: Tripping times for general and selective differential switches

# Trip-out times' compliance with AS/NZS 3017 guideline (\*\*)

		½ l∆n (*)	I∆n	5 x l∆n		
RCD type	IdN [mA]	t∆ [ms]			Note	
1	≤10		40			
II	>10 ≤ 30		300	40	Maximum tripping time	
III	> 30	>999ms	>999ms 300		300 40	Maximum tripping time
17/101	. 20		500	150		
IV [S]	> 30		130	50	Minimum non-tripping time	

Table 6: Tripping times for general and selective differential switches in AUS/NZ country

<sup>(\*)</sup> Minimum test period for current of ½ IAn, RCD shall not trip

<sup>(\*\*)</sup> Test current and measurement accuracy correspond to AS/NZS 3017 requirements



# Measurement of tripping current for protection differential switches

- This test aims at checking the real tripping current of general differential switches (<u>it</u> does not apply to selective differential switches).
- In the presence of differential switches with selectable tripping current, it is useful to perform this test in order to check the real tripping current of the differential switch. For differential switches with fixed differential current, this test may be performed in order to detect possible leakages of the users connected to the system.
- > Should an earth system not be available, perform the test by connecting the instrument to a terminal on a conductor downstream of the differential device and a terminal on the other conductor upstream of the device.
- > Tripping current must be between ½Idn and Idn

# 12.5. VERIFICATION OF THE BREAKING CAPACITY OF PROTECTION DEVICES <u>Purpose of the test</u>

Checking that the breaking capacity of the protection device is higher than the maximum fault current possible in the system.

# Parts of the system to be checked

The test must be performed at the point in which the maximum short-circuit current is possible, normally immediately downstream of the protection device to be checked.

The test must be performed between phase and phase ( $Z_{pp}$ ) in three-phase systems and between phase and neutral ( $Z_{pn}$ ) in single-phase systems.

# **Allowable values**

The instrument performs the comparison between the measured value and the value calculated according to the following relationships:

$$BC > I_{MAX3\Phi} = C_{MAX} \cdot \frac{\frac{U_{L-L}^{NOM}}{\sqrt{3}}}{\frac{Z_{L-L}}{2}}$$

$$BC > I_{MAXL-N} = C_{MAX} \cdot \frac{U_{L-N}^{NOM}}{Z_{L-N}}$$

# Three-phase systems

# Single-phase systems

where: BC = breaking capacity of protection device

 $Z_{LL}$  = Impedance measured between phase and phase  $Z_{LN}$  = Impedance measured between phase and neutral

Measured voltage	U <sub>NOM</sub>	C <sub>MAX</sub>
230V-10% < Vmeasured < 230V+ 10%	230V	1.05
230V+10% < Vmeasured < 400V- 10%	Vmeasured	1.10
400V-10% < Vmeasured < 400V+ 10%	400V	1.05



# 12.6. VERIFY OF PROTECTION AGAINST INDIRECT CONTACTS IN TN SYSTEMS Purpose of the test

Protection against indirect contacts in TN systems must be guaranteed by means of a protection device against overcurrents (typically MCB or fuse), which switches off the power supply of the circuit or the electrical equipment in case of faults between an active part and a ground mass or a protection conductor within a interval <u>not exceeding 5s</u>, sufficient for the equipments, or in compliance with the times declared in the following Table 7. For other countries, please refer to the respective guidelines.

Uo [V]	Trip-out time of protection [s]
50 ÷ 120	8.0
120 ÷ 230	0.4
230 ÷ 400	0.2
>400	0.1

Table 7: Tripping times for protection devices

Uo = nominal AC voltage referred to the system's ground

The above condition is satisfied by the following relationshisp:

where:

Zs = Fault Loop P-PE impedance which includes the phase winding of the transformer, the line conductor up to the fault point and the protective conductor from the fault point to the star center of the transformer

la = Tripping current of the protection device within the time specified in Table 7

Uo = nominal AC voltage referred to ground



# **CAUTION**

The instrument must be used to measure fault loop impedance values at least 10 times higher than the resolution value of the instrument in order to minimize errors.

# Parts of the system to be checked

The test must necessarily be performed on TN and IT systems <u>not protected by differential devices.</u>

#### Allowable values

The measurement is aimed at ensuring that, in every point of the system, the following relationships are satisfied:

$$Ia \le I_{MINP-PE} = C_{MIN} \cdot \frac{U_{P-PE}^{NOM}}{Z_{P-PE}}$$

Measured voltage	U <sub>NOM</sub>	C <sub>MIN</sub>
230V-10% < Vmeasured < 230V+ 10%	230V	0.95
230V+10% < Vmeasured < 400V- 10%	Vmeasured	1.00
400V-10% < Vmeasured < 400V+ 10%	400V	0.95



Depending on the set values of phase-phase, phase-neutral or phase-PE voltage (see § 5.1.3) and the measured value of fault loop impedance, the instrument calculates the **minimum value** of the prospective short-circuit current to be interrupted by the protection device. For proper coordination, this value MUST always be greater than or equal to the **la** value of the tripping current of the type of protection considered as worst case

The la reference value (see Fig. 38) depends on:

- > Protection type (curve B, C, D, K)
- Rated current of the protection device In
- > Time of fault extinction by the protection

Tipically:  $Ia = 3 \div 5In$  (curve B),  $Ia = 5 \div 10In$  (curve C),  $Ia = 10 \div 20In$  (curves D,K)

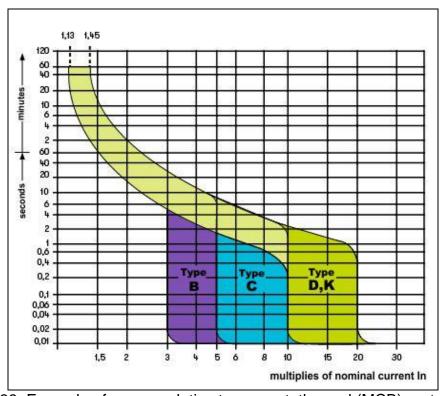


Fig. 38: Example of curves relative to magnetothermal (MCB) protection

The instrument allows the selection (\*) of the following parameters:

- MCB curve B → 3A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A,100A,125A,160A,200A
- ➤ MCB curve C → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A,100A,125A,160A,200A
- ➤ **MCB curve D, K** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A,100A,125A,160A,200A
- Fuse gG → 2A, 4A, 6A, 8A, 10A, 12A, 13A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A, 800A, 1000A, 1250A
- Fuse aM → 2A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 12A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A
- > Time of fault extinction by the protection selectable among: 0.1s, 0.2s, 0.4s, 1s, 5s
- (\*) The values could be subject to variations



# 12.7. RA TEST IN TN SYSTEMS

Protection against indirect contacts in TN systems must be guaranteed by means of a protection device against overcurrents (typically MCB or fuse) which switches off the power supply of the circuit or the electrical equipment in case of faults between an active part and a ground mass or a protection conductor within a interval <u>not exceeding 5s</u>, sufficient for the equipments.

# Parts of the system to be checked

The test must be performed at the point in which the minimum short-circuit current is possible, normally immediately downstream of the protection device to be checked.

The test must be performed between phase and PE ( $Z_{L-PE}$ ) and between phase and neutral ( $Z_{L-N}$ ) in three-phase systems or single-phase systems.

# Allowable values

The measurement is aimed at ensuring that, in every point of the system, the following relationships are satisfied:

$$Z_{L-PE} \le Z_{LIM}$$
 (1)

$$Z_{L-N} \le Z_{LIM}$$
 (2)

where:

 $Z_{L-PE}$  = Impedance measured between phase and PE

 $Z_{L-N}$  = Impedance measured between phase and neutral

 $Z_{LIM}$  = Maximum limit impedance depending on type (MCB or Fuse) and tripping time

of the selected protection (values depending on countries)

The following selections (\*) are available on the instrument:

- MCB curve B → 3A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A,100A,125A,160A,200A
- ➤ **MCB curve C** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A,100A,125A,160A,200A
- ➤ **MCB curve D, K** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A,100A,125A,160A,200A
- Fuse gG → 2A, 4A, 6A, 8A, 10A, 12A, 13A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A, 800A, 1000A, 1250A
- Fuse aM → 2A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 12A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A
- Time of fault extinction by the protection selectable among: 0.1s, 0.2s, 0.4s, 1s, 5s
- (\*) The values could be subject to variations



# 12.8. VERIFY OF PROTECTION AGAINST INDIRECT CONTACTS IN TT SYSTEMS Purpose of the test

Checking that the protection device is coordinated with the value of earth resistance. We cannot assume a priori a reference limit value for earth resistance when checking the measurement's result. It is necessary to check each time that the coordination prescribed by the standard is met.

# Parts of the system to be checked

Earth installation in operating conditions. The test must be performed without disconnecting the earth rods.

# Allowable values

The value of earth resistance, however measured, must satisfy the following relationship:

$$R_A < 50 / I_a$$

where:  $R_A$  = resistance measured of earth installation whose value can be determined with the following measurements:

- Impedance of the fault ring (\*)
- Earth resistance with two wires in socket (\*\*)
- Earth resistance obtained by the measurement of contact voltage Ut (\*\*)
- Earth resistance obtained by the tripping time test of the RCDs (A, AC), RCD S (A, AC) (\*\*)
- $I_a$  = tripping current of the automatic RCD or rated tripping current of the RCD (in case of RCD S 2 IdN) in Ampere
- 50 = safety limit voltage (reduced down to 25V in special environments)
- (\*) If the system protection is obtained through a differential switch, the measurement must be performed upstream of this switch or downstream of it by short-circuiting the switch in order to prevent it from tripping.
- (\*\*) These methods, although not currently provided for by guidelines, provide values that have been proven indicative of the earth resistance by numerous comparisons with the three-wire method.

# **EXAMPLE OF EARTH RESISTANCE CHECK**

System protected by a 30mA differential switch.

- Let us measure the earth resistance by using one of the above-mentioned methods.
- In order to understand if the system resistance is to be considered as compliant with the standards, we need to multiply the value found by 0.03A (30mA).
- ➤ If the result is lower than 50V (or 25V for special environments), the system can be considered as coordinated, as it satisfies the relationship indicated above.
- When dealing with 30mA differential switches (as in almost all private systems), the maximum allowable earth resistance is 50/0.03=1666Ω. This enables using also the indicated simplified methods which, although they do not provide an extremely precise value, provide a sufficiently approximated value for coordination calculation.



# 12.9. VERIFY OF PROTECTION AGAINST INDIRECT CONTACTS IN IT SYSTEMS

In IT systems, the active parts must be isolated from the ground or be connected to earth through an impedance of sufficiently high value. In case of a single earth fault, the first fault current is weak, and therefore it is not necessary to interrupt the circuit. This connection can be made to the neutral point of the system or to an artificial neutral point. If there is no neutral point, connection can be made to earth through the impedance of a line conductor. It is however necessary to take precautions to avoid the risk of harmful physiological effects on people in contact with conductive parts simultaneously accessible in case of a double earth fault.

# Purpose of the test

Verifying that the impedance of the ground probe which the masses are connected to satisfies the following relationship:

$$Z_E * I_d \leq U_L$$

where:

 $Z_E$  = L-PE impedance of the ground probe to which the masses are connected

Id = L-PE current of first fault (typically expressed in mA)

U<sub>L</sub> = Limit contact voltage 25V or 50V

# Parts of the system to be checked

The earth system under operating conditions. The verification should be performed without disconnecting the ground probes.



# 12.10. VERIFY OF PROTECTION COORDINATION L-L, L-N AND L-PE Purpose of the test

Testing the coordination of protective devices (typically MCB or fuse) present in a singlephase or three-phase installation as a function of the limit time of fault extinction by the protection set by the user and the calculated value of the short-circuit current.

# Parts of the system to be checked

The test must be performed at the point in which the minimum short-circuit current is possible, normally at the end of the line controlled by the protection device in the normal condition of the line. The test must performed between Phase-Phase in three-phase installations and between Phase-PE or Phase-PE in single-phase installations.

#### Allowable values

The instrument performs the comparison between the calculated value of short-circuit current and the **la** = tripping current of the protection device within the specified time, according to the following expressions:

$$I_{SCL-L\_Min2\Phi} > I_a \qquad \qquad \text{Three-phase system} \to \text{Loop L-L impedance}$$
 
$$I_{SCL-N\_Min} > I_a \qquad \qquad \text{Single-phase system} \to \text{Loop L-N impedance}$$
 
$$I_{SCL-PE\_Min} > I_a \qquad \qquad \text{Single-phase system} \to \text{Loop L-PE impedance}$$

where:

lsc L-L\_Min2F = Prospective short-circuit current minimum double phase L-L

Isc L-N\_Min = Prospective short-circuit current minimum L-N
Isc L-PE Min = Prospective short-circuit current minimum L-PE

The calculation of prospective short-circuit current is performed by the instrument based on the fault loop impedance measurement in compliance with the following relationships:

$$I_{SCL-L\_Min2\Phi} = C_{MIN} \cdot \frac{U_{L-L}^{NOM}}{Z_{L-L}} \qquad I_{SCL-N\_Min} = C_{MIN} \cdot \frac{U_{L-N}^{NOM}}{Z_{L-N}} \qquad I_{SCL-PE\_Min} = C_{MIN} \cdot \frac{U_{L-PE}^{NOM}}{Z_{L-PE}}$$

Phase - Phase

Phase – Neutral

Phase - PE

Measured voltage	U <sub>NOM</sub>	C <sub>MIN</sub>
230V-10% < Vmeasured < 230V+ 10%	230V	0,95
230V+10% < Vmeasured < 400V- 10%	Vmeasured	1,00
400V-10% < Vmeasured < 400V+ 10%	400V	0,95

#### where:

U L-L = Nominal Phase-Phase voltageU L-N = Nominal Phase-Neutral voltageU L-PE = Nominal Phase-PE voltage

Z L-L = Measured Phase-Phase ImpedanceZ L-N = Measured Phase-Neutral ImpedanceZ L-PE = Measured Phase-PE Impedance





# **CAUTION**

The instrument must be used to measure fault loop impedance values at least 10 times higher than the resolution value of the instrument in order to minimize errors.

Depending on the set values of nominal voltage (see § 5.1.3) and the measured value of fault loop impedance, the instrument calculates the **minimum value** of the prospective short-circuit current to be interrupted by the protection device. For proper coordination, this value MUST always be greater than or equal to the **la** value of the tripping current of the type of protection considered.

The la reference value depends on:

- Protection type (curve)
- Rated current of the protection device
- Time of fault extinction by the protection

The instrument allows the selection (\*) of the following parameters:

- MCB curve B → 3A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A,100A,125A,160A,200A
- ➤ MCB curve C → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A,100A,125A,160A,200A
- ➤ **MCB curve D, K** → 0.5A, 1A, 1.6A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 13A, 15A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 40A, 45A, 50A, 63A, 80A,100A,125A,160A,200A
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- Fuse aM → 2A, 4A, 6A, 10A, 12A, 16A, 20A, 25A, 32A, 35A, 40A, 50A, 63A, 80A, 100A, 125A,160A, 200A, 250A, 315A, 400A, 500A, 630A
- > Time of fault extinction by the protection selectable among: 0.1s, 0.2s, 0.4s, 1s, 5s
- (\*) The values could be subject to variations



#### 12.11. VERIFIY OF VOLTAGE DROP ON MAINS

Measurement voltage drop as a result of current flow through mains or a part of it can be very important. If necessary:

- Verify the capability of an existing mains line to supply a load
- Dimension a new installation
- > Search for possible causes of troubles on devices, loads, etc. connected to mains

# Purpose of the test

Measure the maximum percentage value of voltage drop between two points of mains.

# Parts of the system to be checked

The test includes two sequential impedance measurements in the initial point of mains power line (typically downstream of a protection device) and in the final point of the same line.

# Allowable values

The instrument compares the calculated value of  $\Delta V\%$  maximum voltage drop to the set limit value (according to applicable guidelines) according to the following relationship:

$$\Delta V\%_{MAX} = \frac{(Z_2 - Z_1) * I_{NOM}}{V_{NOM}} * 100$$

where:

Z<sub>2</sub> = End point impedance of the mains being tested

 $Z_1$  = Initial point impedance (Offset) of the mains being tested ( $Z_2 > Z_1$ )

INOM = Nominal current of protection device of the mains being tested

VNOM = Phase-Neutral or Phase-PE nominal voltage of the mains being tested



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