



AX-102 - User's Guide



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# 2. INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your purchase of AX-102 manual range digital multimeter, AX-102 series auto range digital multimeter. This range meters have been designed as a higher stable, higher reliable and anti-fall arrest 3 1/2 compact digital multimeter, with equipped 20mm LCD display for easy reading each digit and with dual integral A/D converter for large scale integrated circuit, as well as over-load protection circuit, to make this range meters as an excellent durable instrument.

This range meters measure AC/DC Voltage, AC/DC Current, Resistance, Diode Test, Continuity, Temperature, Battery and Non-Contact Voltage Detection. Proper use and care of this meter will provide many years of reliable service.

To fully utilize this meter, please keep this manual for reference carefully. Max. Display//2000 counts Basic Accuracy//0.5% DC Voltage Range//200mV-600V AC Voltage Range//2V-600V DC Current Range//200µA-10A AC Current Range//200µA-10A Resistance(W)//200W-20MW Temperature (°C)//-20°C-750°C Temperature (°F)//-4°F-1382°F Square wave output//-NCV (Non-Contact Voltage Detect)//Yes LINE (Live Wire Recognition)//Yes Diode Test//Yes Continuity Check//Yes Backlit//Yes Data Hold//Yes Auto Power Off//Yes Manual Range//-Auto Range//Yes Power Supply//1.5V x 2  $\,$ 

# 3. SAFETY

This range meters have been designed according to IEC1010 concerning electronic measuring instruments with 600V CAT III and pollution 2.





 $\triangle$  This symbol indicates that the operator must refer to an explanation in the operating instruction to avoid personal injury or damage to the meter.

- ÷ Grounding
- Double Insulation
- <sup>①</sup> Power Switch

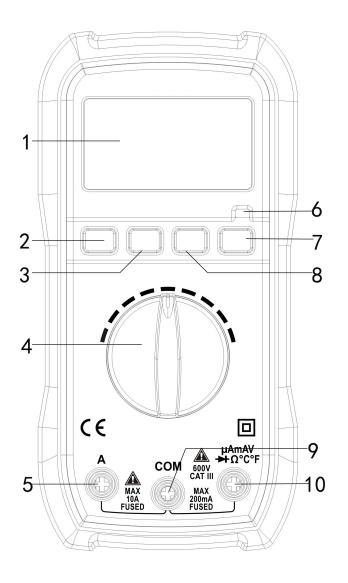
### **CAUTIONS:**

- Improper use of this meter can cause damage, shock, injury or death. Read and understand this user manual before operating the meter.
- Always remove the test leads before replacing the battery or fuses.
- Inspect the condition of the test leads and the meter itself for any damage before operating the meter.
- Do not measure voltage if the voltage on the terminals exceeds 1000V above earth ground.
- Use great care when making measurements if the voltages are greater 30VAC RMS or 60V DC, these voltages are considered a shock hazard.
- Always discharge capacitors and remove power from the device under test before performing Diode, Resistance or Continuity tests.
- To avoid damages to the meter, do not exceed the maximum limits of the input values shown in the specification.
- In case the device is going to be unused for an extended period of time, remove the batteries to prevent them from draining.





# 4. PANEL DESCRIPTION



- 1. LCD display
- 2. Select Button (shift the measurements of AC, DC current; Temperature, Diode & Continuity check)
- 3. Range button (Auto/Manual range shift)
- 4. Rotary switch

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5. 10A jacks

- 6. NCV/LINE LED Indicator
- 7. Backlit button
- 8. Data hold button
- 9. COM jack
- 10. V $\Omega$ mA Jack

Note: Tilt stand and battery compartment are on rear of unit

# 5. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

### 5.1. General Specifications

Max display 2000 count digital multimeter Overload protection, full range protection Data hold function Backlit LCD Auto power off Operating Temperature: 0°C~40°C (32°F~104°F) Operating Humidity: < 80%RH Storage Temperature: -10°C~60°C (14°F~122°F) Storage Humidity: < 70%RH Power Supply: 1.5V Battery x 2pcs Dimension: 144 x 70 x 32mm Weight: Approx. 200g (include battery) Accessory: user manual, test leads, gift-box, temperature probe

## 5.2. Measurement Specifications

**5.2.1.** Accuracy: ±(%readings + digit), warranty period: 12 months Environment temperature: 18°C~28°C; humidity: ≤80%

#### 5.2.2. DC Voltage

$$\label{eq:Range} \begin{split} & \text{Range}//\text{Resolution}//\text{Accuracy} \\ & 200\text{mV}//100\text{mV}//\pm(0.5\%\text{ reading}+2\text{ digits}) \\ & 2\text{V}//1\text{mV}//\pm(0.5\%\text{ reading}+3\text{ digits}) \\ & 20\text{V}//10\text{mV}//\pm(0.8\%\text{ reading}+3\text{ digits}) \end{split}$$

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200V//100mV// 500V//1V//±(0.8% reading + 5 digits) Overload Protection: 200mV Range at 250V DC or 250V AC RMS Other ranges at 600V DC or 600V AC RMS

### 5.2.3. AC Voltage

Range//Resolution//Accuracy 2V//1mV//±(1.0% reading + 10 digits) 20V//10mV//±(1.0% reading + 10 digits) 200V//0.1V//±(1.0% reading + 10 digits) 500V//1V//±(1.0% reading + 10 digits) 600V//1V//±(1.0% reading + 10 digits) Overload Protection: 600V DC or 600V AC RMS Frequency range: 40~400Hz

#### 5.2.4. DC Current

Range//Resolution//Accuracy 200 $\mu$ A//0.1 $\mu$ A// $\pm$ (1.0% reading + 5 digits) 2mA//1 $\mu$ A// $\pm$ (1.0% reading + 5 digits) 20mA//10 $\mu$ A// $\pm$ (1.0% reading + 5 digits) 200mA//100 $\mu$ A// $\pm$ (2.0% reading + 5 digits) 2A//1mA// $\pm$ (3.0% reading + 5 digits) 10A//10mA// $\pm$ (3.0% reading + 5 digits) Overload protection: fuse F200mA/250V No fuse for 10A range

#### 5.2.5. AC Current

Range//Resolution//Accuracy 200 $\mu$ A//0.1 $\mu$ A// $\pm$ (1.8% reading + 5 digits) 2mA//1 $\mu$ A// $\pm$ (1.8% reading + 5 digits) 20mA//10 $\mu$ A// $\pm$ (1.8% reading + 5 digits) 200mA//100 $\mu$ A// $\pm$ (2.5% reading + 5 digits) 2A//1mA// $\pm$ (3.0% reading + 5 digits) 10A//10mA// $\pm$ (3.0% reading + 5 digits) Overload protection: fuse F200mA/250V No fuse for 10A range







#### 5.2.6. Resistance

Range//Resolution//Accuracy  $200\Omega//0.1\Omega//\pm(1.0\% \text{ reading} + 2 \text{ digits})$   $2k\Omega//0.001k\Omega//\pm(1.0\% \text{ reading} + 2 \text{ digits})$   $20k\Omega//0.01k\Omega//\pm(1.0\% \text{ reading} + 2 \text{ digits})$   $200k\Omega//0.1k\Omega//\pm(1.0\% \text{ reading} + 2 \text{ digits})$   $2M\Omega//0.001Mk\Omega//\pm(1.0\% \text{ reading} + 2 \text{ digits})$   $20M\Omega//0.01M\Omega//\pm(1.0\% \text{ reading} + 2 \text{ digits})$ Overload protection: 250V DC or 250V AC RMS Maximum open circuit voltage: <3.2V

#### 5.2.7. Diode and Continuity

#### 5.2.8. Temperature

 $\label{eq:resolution} \begin{array}{l} \mbox{Range//Resolution//Accuracy} \\ -20^\circ\mbox{C} \sim 750^\circ\mbox{C}//1^\circ\mbox{C}//\pm(1.0\%\mbox{ reading}+2\mbox{ digits}) \\ -4^\circ\mbox{F} \sim 1832^\circ\mbox{F}//1^\circ\mbox{F}//\pm(1.0\%\mbox{ reading}+2\mbox{ digits}) \\ \mbox{Overload protection: } 250\mbox{V}\mbox{ DC}\mbox{ or } 250\mbox{V}\mbox{ AC}\mbox{ RMS} \end{array}$ 

# 6. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

## 6.1. AC and DC Voltage Measurement

#### **△ WARNING:**

Risk of electrocution. High-voltage circuits, both AC and DC, are very dangerous and should be measured with great care.

To avoid electrical shock and/or damage to the instrument, do not attempt to take any voltage measurement that might exceed 600VDC.

To avoid electrical shock and/or damage to the instrument, do not apply more than 600VDC between the common terminal and the earth ground.

1) Set the rotary switch to the voltage position. (V  $\overline{\mbox{ \ o }}$  / V~)

2) Insert the black test lead banana plug into the negative COM jack; insert the red test lead banana plug into the positive  $V/\Omega mA$  jack.

3) Touch the black test probe tip to the negative side of the circuit; touch the red test probe tip to the positive side of circuit.







4) Read the voltage in the LCD display. The polarity of red test lead connection will be indicated when making DC Voltage measurement.

## NOTE:

Unstable display may occur, especially at the low voltage range measurement, even no test leads insert at input terminals, if an erroneous readings suspected, short the V/ $\Omega$ mA jack and COM jack and make sure the zero displayed at LCD.

# 6.2. Current Measurement

### **△ WARNING:**

To avoid damage to the meter, check the fuse of the meter before current measurement.

User the proper terminals, function and range for any current measurement

Never attempt an open circuit potential to earth is greater than 250V, do not place the test leads in parallel with a circuit or component when the test leads are plugged into the current terminals.

1) Remove the power from the circuit under test and discharge the capacitors of the circuit, set the rotary switch to current measuring range.

2) Insert black test lead banana plug into the negative COM jack, for current measurement less than 200mA insert the red test lead banana plug into the mA jack, for current measurement between 200mA to 10A insert the red test lead banana plug into 10A jack.

3) Break the circuit under test, connect the black test lead to the more negative side of the break, and connect the red test lead to the more positive side of break.

4) Turn on the power of circuit under test and read the value in LCD display. If only display OL, which means the input over range and requested to select the higher range.

5) Turn off the power of circuit under test and discharge all capacitors, remove the test leads and recover the measured circuit.

6) Set the rotary switch to A~ position and apply the AC current measurement.

## 6.3. Diode Test and Continuity Check

## **△ WARNING:**

To avoid electric shock, disconnect power to the unit under test and discharge all capacitors before taking diode test.

1) Set the rotary switch to  $*_{0}$  position

2) Insert the black test lead banana plug into the negative COM jack, insert the red test lead banana plug into the positive V  $\Omega$ mA jack. For HK48 series push the SEL button to shift diode/continuity measurement 3) Place the red test lead on the anode of diode and black test lead on the cathode of diode, the meter will show the approx. forward voltage of diode, reverse voltage will indicate OL.







4) Touch the test probe tips to the circuit or wire you wish to check, the max. value of resistance under check will be showed in display, if the resistance is less than  $70\Omega\pm30\Omega$ , the audible signal will sound. NOTE:

In a circuit, a good diode should produce a forward bias reading of voltage, however, the reverse-bias reading can be variable based on resistance of other pathways between the probe tips.

To avoid electric shock, never measure continuity on circuits of wires that with voltage.

# 6.4. Resistance Measurement

### **▲ WARNING:**

To avoid electric shock, disconnect power to the unit under test and discharge all capacitors before taking any resistance measurements. Remove the batteries and unplug the line cords.

1) Set the rotary switch to the desired resistance range.

2) Insert the black test lead banana plug into the negative COM jack, insert the red test lead banana plug into the positive V  $\Omega$ mA jack.

3) Touch the test probe tips across the circuit or part under test. It is best to disconnect one side of the part under test so the rest of the circuit will not interfere with the resistance reading.

4) Read the resistance in the LCD display  $\mathbf{I}$ 

NOTE:

The measured value of a resistor in a circuit usually is different from the rated value of resistor, it because the test current of the meter flows through all possible paths between the probe tips.

In order to ensure the best accuracy in measurement of low resistance, short the test leads before the measurement and subtract this resistance value of the test leads.

For high resistance measurement, the meter may take a few seconds to stabilize the readings.

In the open circuit, the meter display OL to indicate the over range

#### 6.5. Temperature Measurement

#### **△ WARNING:**

To avoid electrical shock, do not perform temperature measurement when the input the voltage exceed 36V DC or 36V ACRMS.

1) Set the rotary switch to °C°F position, LCD displays values of environmental of temperature.

2) Insert the temperature probe into the input jack, insert red plug of thermo probe into  $+ \Omega^{\circ}C^{\circ}F$  jack, black plug of thermo probe into COM jack, making sure to observe the correct polarity.

3) Touch the temperature probe head to the part whose temperature you wish to measure, keep the probe touching the part under test until the reading stabilizes.







4) Read the temperature in the LCD display.

5) Push SEL button to shift the unit of °C or °F

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Due to external interference source, this function may cause wrong voltage detection, the detection result is for reference only.

Set the rotary switch to NCV position, contact the top part of meter with the circuit under test, the indicating LED will flash and audible signal will sound.

NOTE:

The detection result is for reference, do not determine the voltage by NCV detection ONLY.

Detection may interfere by socket design, insulation thickness and other variable conditions.

The external interference sources, such as flashlight, motor, etc, may cause the wrong detection.

# 6.7. LINE (Live Wire Recognition) Test

Set the rotary switch to LINE position, connect the black test lead to COM jack and red test lead to  $V\Omega mA$  jack, hold the insulation part of black test lead and not put into circuit under measurement; contact the red test lead to live wire, the buzzer of meter will be activated and red LED will be flickered, when the red test lead connect the earth line, the buzzer does not sound and LED will not flicker.

NOTE:

When the circuit is in serious leakage (approx. over 15V), the red test lead even contact earth line, the buzzer of meter will be sounded and LED will be flickered.

# 6.8. Display Backlit

Press the  $\circledast$  button for 1 or 2 seconds to turn on or off the display backlit function, the backlight will automatically turn off after 10 seconds.

# 7. MAINTENANCE

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# **△ WARNING:**

To avoid electric shock, disconnect the test leads from any source of voltage before removing the back cover or the battery or fuse covers.





To avoid electric shock, do not operate the meter until the battery and fuse covers are in place and fastened securely.

## 7.2. Battery Installation

To avoid the false readings, replace the battery as soon as the battery indicator i appears.

- 1) Turn power off and disconnect the test leads from the meter.
- 2) Open the rear battery cover by using screwdriver.
- 3) Insert the battery into battery holder, observing the correct polarity.
- 4) Put the battery cover back in place, secure with the screws.

### 7.3. Replacing the Fuses

- 1) Turn power off and disconnect the test leads from the meter.
- 2) Remove the battery cover and the battery.
- 3) Remove the screws securing the rear cover.
- 4) Gently remove the old fuse and install the new fuse into fuse holder.
- 5) Replace and secure the rear cover, battery and battery cover.