# MaxTester 610

Copper Test Set







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## **Regulatory Information**

# **USA Electromagnetic Interference Regulatory Statement**

Electronic test and measurement equipment is exempt from FCC part 15, subpart B compliance in the United States of America. However, EXFO Inc. makes reasonable efforts to ensure compliance to the applicable standards.

The limits set by these standards are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the user documentation, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

Modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

# Canada Electromagnetic Interference Regulatory Statement

This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference.

Cet équipement génère, utilise et peut émettre de l'énergie radio-fréquence et, s'il n'est pas installé et utilisé conformément à la documentation de l'utilisateur, il peut occasionner une interférence néfaste aux communications radio. L'utilisation de cet équipement dans une zone résidentielle est susceptible d'occasionner une interférence néfaste.

**Caution**: This equipment is not intended for use in residential environments and may not provide adequate protection to radio reception in such environments.

**Attention**: Cet appareil n'est pas destiné à être utilisé dans des environnements résidentiels et peut ne pas assurer la protection adéquate à la réception radioélectrique dans ce type d'environnements.

This is a class A, group 1 product.

Ceci est un produit de classe A, groupe 1.

➤ Class A equipment: Equipment that is, by virtue of its characteristics, highly unlikely to be used in a residential environment, including a home business shall be classified as class A and shall comply with the class A limits specified in the applicable ICES standard. Characteristics considered in this assessment include price, marketing and advertising methodology, the degree to which the functional design inhibits applications suitable to residential environments, or any combination of features that would effectively preclude the use of such equipment in a residential environment.

Classe A : Matériel qui, en raison de ses caractéristiques, ne sera fort probablement pas utilisé dans un milieu domiciliaire ni par des entreprises établies à domicile. Parmi les caractéristiques considérées dans cette évaluation, il y a le prix, les méthodes de commercialisation et de publicité, la mesure dans laquelle les fonctions de l'appareil font qu'il ne se prête pas à des applications convenant au milieu domiciliaire ou toute combinaison de ces caractéristiques qui aurait pour conséquence d'en prévenir effectivement l'utilisation à domicile. Utilisé également pour indiquer les limites d'émission correspondantes qui s'appliquent à un tel matériel.

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Classe B : Matériel qui ne peut pas être inclus dans la classe A. Utilisé également pour indiquer les limites d'émission correspondantes qui s'appliquent à un tel matériel.

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Appareils du groupe 1 : le groupe 1 réunit tous les appareils compris dans le domaine d'application de la présente Norme, qui ne sont pas classés comme étant des appareils du groupe 2. Le groupe 1 inclut les appareils scientifiques et de laboratoire, les processus industriels, appareils de mesure ou de contrôle.

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### **Supplier's Declaration of Conformity (SDoC)**

The SDoC for your product is as follows:

CAN ICES-001 (A) / NMB-001 (A)

### **EU and UK Electromagnetic Compatibility Regulatory Statement**

Warning: This is a class A product. In a domestic environment, this product may cause radio interference in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures. Your product is suitable for use in industrial electromagnetic environments.

### **Wireless Regulatory Documentation**

You may connect an external Wi-Fi/Bluetooth dongle to your unit to benefit from wireless features.

Refer to the user documentation of the external dongle for the relevant wireless regulatory documentation.

### **Simplified EU and UK Declaration of Conformity**

The full text of the declaration of conformity is available at the following Internet address: <a href="https://www.exfo.com/en/resources/legal-documentation">www.exfo.com/en/resources/legal-documentation</a>.

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# 1 Introducing the MaxTester 610

The MaxTester 610 is a handheld device designed to qualify and troubleshoot the copper-loop plant by using pass/fail-driven automated functionalities. The unit also verifies the location of faults during the installation and repair of voice and DSL circuits.

### **Product Description**

The MAX-610 Test Set case is an aluminum enclosure with rubber over mold, which makes it ideal for field use. Its display is a back-lit LCD featuring  $480 \times 800$  resolution. A membrane keypad mounted on the face of the unit features a 14-button keypad used to operate the test set. An external keyboard and mouse can also be used.

### **Key Features and Benefits**

- ➤ User-defined automatic testing
- Single-ended copper testing no remote device required
- ➤ Color display with graphical analysis
- Battery powered
- Rugged and weatherproof handheld unit
- EXFO Connect compatible
- Compatible with Teletech TS125 or Viavi UFED IIB Remote Far End Device (FED) for remote control circuit change
- ➤ Touchscreen option with stylus

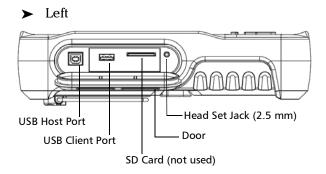
# **Typical Applications**

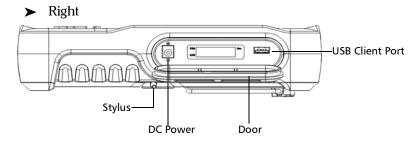
- ➤ Automatic Pair Quality Test toward remote test head or far end device (FED)
- ➤ Multimeter tests
- ➤ Noise tests including power influence and PSD
- ➤ Frequency tests including balance, load coils, and tracing tone
- ➤ Fault location tests including TDR and RFL
- ➤ SmartR<sup>™</sup> features including Pair Detective and FaultMapper
- ➤ Configurable pass/fail results for automated testing

### **Using the MAX-610**

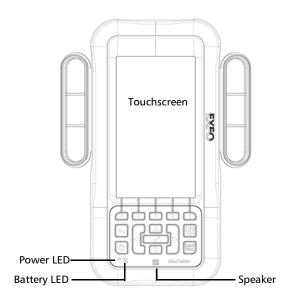
The MAX-610 is tested for IEC IP54 compliance which means that it is not affected by dust or water splashing against the enclosure from any direction. This protection is only valid when both side doors are properly closed. If the equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.

The MAX-610 is equipped with a series of interfaces shown in the following views:

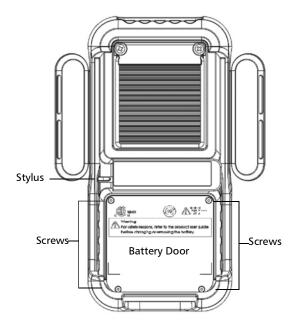




#### ➤ Front



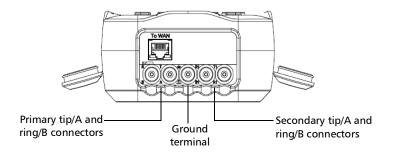
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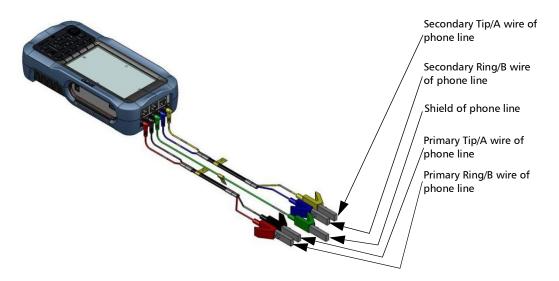
**Note:** The MAX-610 enclosure may become warm during normal use.

### **Cable Connections**

The graphics below show the connectors on the MAX-610 device.



**Note:** When connecting a DSL cable to the WAN port, use the RJ-45 plug end of the cable provided with the unit. There is a 1500 V maximum transient voltage on telecom ports. Basic insulation is needed for external telecom circuits.





### **WARNING**

A 50 to 500 Vcc limited power source may be present on connector T/R/G (A/B/E), T1/R1/G (A1/B1/E) when the unit is testing isolation resistance. Use with caution.



### **WARNING**

These connections are intended for the express purpose of electrical testing of common telephone line conductors, within the ranges specified in the Technical Specifications found on the EXFO Web site. The device is not intended to be used on telephone lines having voltages greater than 280 VAC or 400 VDC, and it is also not intended to be used on power distribution circuits.



### **CAUTION**

The unit is protected against damage caused by fault voltages that may be present on lines under test. Do not connect the unit if the maximum expected fault voltage is greater than 500 volts.

# **Technical Specifications**

To obtain this product's technical specifications, visit the EXFO Web site at *www.exfo.com*.

#### **Conventions**

Before using the product described in this guide, you should understand the following conventions:



### **WARNING**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in *death or serious injury*. Do not proceed unless you understand and meet the required conditions.



### **CAUTION**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in *minor or moderate injury*. Do not proceed unless you understand and meet the required conditions.



### **CAUTION**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in *component damage*. Do not proceed unless you understand and meet the required conditions.



### **IMPORTANT**

Refers to information about this product you should not overlook.

# 2 Safety Information



### **WARNING**

The use of controls, adjustments and procedures other than those specified herein may result in exposure to hazardous situations or impair the protection provided by this unit.



### **WARNING**

If the equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.



### WARNING

Use only accessories designed for your unit and approved by EXFO. For a complete list of accessories available for your unit, refer to its technical specifications or contact EXFO.



### **IMPORTANT**

Refer to the documentation provided by the manufacturers of any accessories used with your EXFO product. It may contain environmental and/or operating conditions limiting their use.



#### **IMPORTANT**

When you see the following symbol on your unit , make sure that you refer to the instructions provided in your user documentation. Ensure that you understand and meet the required conditions before using your product.



### **IMPORTANT**

Other safety instructions relevant for your product are located throughout this documentation, depending on the action to perform. Make sure to read them carefully when they apply to your situation.

## **Electrical Safety**

The AC adapter/charger provided with this unit (18 W/9 V) is specifically designed to work with your MaxTester.



#### WARNING

- ➤ Use the AC/DC adapter/charger indoors only.
- ➤ Use only with a Class II AC/DC adapter, power limited output.
- ➤ On the AC/DC adapter, replacing detachable mains supply cords with inadequately rated cords, may result in overheating of the cord and create a fire risk.
- ➤ The adapter shall have the appropriate safety mark (e.g. UL, CSA, TUV, CE, etc.) that is acceptable to the authorities in the country where the equipment is to be used.



### **CAUTION**

When using the MaxTester while connected to the AC/DC adapter/charger, make sure you do not position the equipment so that it is difficult to disconnect the adapter/charger from the AC mains.



### **WARNING**

Use only accessories that meet EXFO specifications.

# **Equipment Ratings**

Equipment Ratings			
Temperature			
➤ Operation	➤ 0 °C to 40 °C (32 °F to 104 °F)		
➤ Storage	➤ without battery: -40 °C to 70 °C (-104 °F to 158 °F)		
	➤ with battery (shipping): -20 °C to 60 °C (-68 °F to 140 °F)		
	➤ with battery (long time): -20 °C to 40 °C (-68 °F to 104 °F)		
Relative humidity <sup>a</sup>	➤ Unit: ≤ 95 % non-condensing		
	➤ AC adapter: 0 % to 80 % non-condensing		
Max operationaltitude	3000 m (9842 ft)		
Pollution degree	➤ 2 (unit connected to external power supply) <sup>b</sup>		
1	➤ 3 (unit operated from batteries) <sup>c</sup>		
Overvoltage category	➤ Unit: I		
	➤ AC adapter: II		
Input power <sup>d</sup>	➤ Unit with single battery: 9-24 V; 1.67 A		
1	➤ Unit with dual battery: 12-16 V; 3.8 A		
	$ ightharpoonup$ AC adapter: $\sim$ 100 - 240 V; 50/60 Hz; 4.16 A		
Measurement category	Not rated for measurement categories II, III, or IV		

a. Measured in 0 °C to 31 °C (32 °F to 87.8 °F) range, decreasing linearly to 50 % at 40 °C (104 °F).

b. For indoor use only.

Equipment is normally protected against exposure to direct sunlight, precipitation and full wind pressure.

d. Not exceeding  $\pm$  10 % of the nominal voltage.

# **Other Safety Symbols**

One or more of the following symbols may also appear on the MaxTester or its power supply.

Symbol	Meaning		
	Direct current		
$\sim$	Alternating current		

# 3 Getting Started with the MaxTester

## **Turning the Unit On/Off**

When you turn the unit on, you may use it immediately under normal conditions. When the unit is turned off, it keeps the following parameters in its internal memory:

- Setup including application settings, phone and cable books, and test lead characteristics.
- Profiles consisting of:
  - ➤ Test parameters
  - ➤ User-defined thresholds

**Note:** Save the current profile before turning the unit off, or else any changes are lost. See **Save Profile** on page 53 for more information.

- Regional, LCD, and energy-saving settings
- ➤ Test results saved internally vs. USB

There are two ways to turn off the MaxTester:

- ➤ *Suspend*: the next time you turn your unit on, you will quickly return to your work environment.
- ➤ Shutdown: completely cuts power to the unit; the unit will perform a complete restart routine the next time you use it. You should perform a shutdown if you do not intend to use your unit for a few hours or more.

#### To turn the unit on:

Press **b** to start. The unit initializes for a few seconds and displays the **Home** pane.

#### **Getting Started with the MaxTester**

Turning the Unit On/Off

#### To enter suspend mode:

Press **t** for about 2 seconds. The MaxTester will stay in suspend mode for 2 hours. After which it will automatically shutdown. This prevents complete battery discharge and ensures maximum battery performance.

**Note:** If you have the touchscreen option, you will not be able to wake up the MaxTester just by touching the display, after putting the unit into suspend mode. You must press to wake up the MaxTester.

#### To perform a shutdown:

Hold down **b** for at least 4 seconds. The shutdown process starts.

Note: If you hold down of for 12 seconds or more, the MaxTester may reset the date and time to incorrect values. Once the unit is powered back on, an Invalid Date and Time dialogue box will pop up displaying The unit date and time are probably invalid. (1/1/2006 12:00:25 PM). Please update the date and time in Date and Time on page 31 to ensure the delivery of all the functionalities the unit has to offer.

## **Using Menus and Keypad**

You can access various tools from the keypad or menu. Menu options may differ depending on your unit configuration.

**Home** menu is where you can access **Copper** tests, **System Settings**, or **EXFO Connect**. Each test has a sub menu.

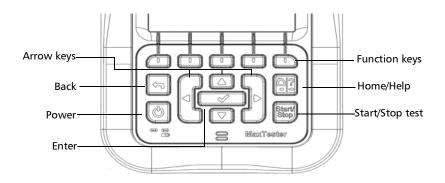
- ➤ To navigate through the items, use the arrow keys.
- ➤ To confirm a choice or enter a menu, press ✓.
- ➤ To cancel an action or test, or return to the previous item or pane, press ♠.
- ➤ Press once to return to the Main test menu or twice to return to the Home page.

**Note:** Pressing **\( \hat{\underline} \)** while a test is running will also stop the test and return to the main menu screen.

**Note:** You can also select an option directly by pressing the function keys corresponding to the on-screen buttons at the bottom of the screen.

Alternatively, if you have the touchscreen option, any reference to pushing buttons on the keypad can be replaced in most cases by clicking/tapping the touchscreen.

## **Keypad**



- ➤ Power button on the lower left side of the unit is used to power the unit on and off.
- ➤ Arrow Keys navigate the screen to access and modify parameters.
- ➤ Function Keys activate the corresponding on-screen function button.
- ➤ Home button brings you to the **Copper Main** page of the MaxTester 610 or to the **Home** page.

### **Using Screenshot Capture/Online Help**

Using the Home/Help button, you can take a screenshot of the current page display or view online help. If screenshots are **Enabled**, you will have to select **No** in the popup message before accessing the online help. (See below.)

### **Screenshot Capture**

#### To take a screenshot:

Press and hold the Home/Help button to capture the current page and save it with filename screenshot\_ddmmyyyy\_hhmmss where ddmmyyyy is 2-digit day, 2-digit month, 4-digit year; and hhmmss is 2-digit hour, 2-digit minute, and 2-digit second. (The date and time value format is dependent on the format selected in **System Settings\Date and Time**.)

- Screenshots can be Enabled/Disabled from the System Settings\Display and Language page.
- ➤ If **Enabled**, press and hold the ? key to capture a screenshot on any page.
- ➤ A popup message is displayed saying **Screenshot captured**, **Press**"Yes" to save or "No" to continue to Help. Pressing No will also discard the screenshot.

Note: If you selected USB as the screenshot file location and no USB is connected to the MaxTester, the following popup message is displayed: Screenshot not saved, Insert USB and press "Yes" to save it or press "No" to continue to Help.

➤ Disabling **Enable Screenshots** will take you to the online help page when pressing and holding the ? key, as previously described.

### **Online Help**

Online help is available at any time. Most test operations pause while you view help, but will resume automatically when you exit help.

#### To access help about the current function at any time:

Press and hold the ? key.

## **Installing or Upgrading the Applications**

All the necessary applications have been preinstalled and configured at the factory. However, you may have to upgrade the applications when new versions become available. You can either install all the applications at once using a single system image file.

When updates are available, you can download the new installation files (system image file or specific products) from EXFO Connect, or the EXFO Web site to a computer and then transfer the files to your unit with a USB memory key.

You can install new versions of system images or products, or revert to previous ones, but you cannot reinstall versions that are currently installed on your unit.By default, the regional and language settings that were in use before the update will be kept, but you can modify them if you prefer.

### **System Image**

A System Image corresponds to the operating system and embedded software components required by the MaxTester CQ-DSL unit. System Image also contains the basic application software required to update your unit and make it work.

#### **Installation Procedure**

The procedure below will guide you through the installation of the new version of software on your unit.

#### To install a new version of software on your unit using a USB key:

- **1.** Using your computer, if necessary, retrieve the desired system image file or product upgrade files from the EXFO Web site.
- **2.** Ensure the unit battery is fully charged, and/or connect your unit to the charger to provide a consistent power supply during the software upgrades.
- **3.** Copy the System Image files to the \SoftwareUpdate folder on your USB key.

**Note:** Ensure USB is configured for FAT32.

- **4.** Insert the USB key in the unit.
- **5.** Shut down the unit. When both LEDs are off, the shutdown is complete.



### **IMPORTANT**

The DC plug must be disconnected, since it will prevent the unit from shutting down.

- **6.** Restart your unit with the USB key connected. The unit will indicate **Checking for System Image...**.
- 7. When the End User License Agreement (EULA) is displayed, accept it. The installation will then proceed. It will require a few reboots of the unit and may take up to 5 minutes.
- **8.** Once installation is complete, you can remove your USB key from the unit.

#### **Troubleshooting System Image Installation**

If you have copied your System Image files to a USB key and updating your unit does not work, the problem could be:

- ➤ Files are not in the right folder on the USB key. They must be in \SoftwareUpdate (no space) folder
- ➤ System Image is already up-to-date. When the installed System Image is more recent than the version on the USB key, it will not install.

#### To find and view the System Image version currently installed:

From the MAX-610 unit **Home** pane, select **System**, then **Information**, and the **Information** tab.

Under **Software Information**, the following values are displayed:

- ➤ **System Image Version** is the System Image currently installed.
- ➤ MAX-610 is the version of the main test application.
- ➤ Max-600 Utilities is the version of the utilities to update the System Image and Software Options.

# 4 Setting Up the MaxTester 610

#### **Home**

**Home** presents the main menu page which allows you to navigate between **Copper Test**, **System Settings**, and **EXFO Connect** using the left/right arrow keys on the keypad.

Press **v** to bring up the sub-menu of the selected icon:

- Copper Test opens the Copper Main menu displaying the copper qualification testing applications.
- ➤ System Settings allow you to set the parameters of the unit such as language, date and time, and battery info. You can also view installed options, and software and hardware revision information. Plus, System Settings provides access to Upload Setup.
- ➤ EXFO Connect opens to EXFO Connect Client and Comms (Communications) Setup.

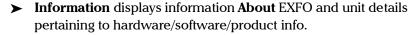
**Note:** If you have the touchscreen option, any reference to pushing buttons on the keypad can be replaced in most cases by clicking/tapping the touchscreen.



## **System Settings**

**System Settings** presents a menu of items to setup the unit.

- ➤ **Display and Language** provides the setup for backlight, information on the title bar, language choice, and **Touchscreen Calibration** if your unit has the touchscreen option.
- ➤ **Date & Time** sets the date and time and format.
- ➤ Battery Info displays the battery status and measurements, and allows you to set the power schemes.
- ➤ **Software Options** allow you to enable/disable purchased feature options.



- ➤ **Upload Setup** allows you to enable and select an upload method using the following function keys:
  - **➤** Upload Enable
  - ➤ FTP Setup
  - ➤ Wi-Fi Setup
  - **➤** Ethernet Setup
  - **▶** Bluetooth Setup

#### To navigate between the system settings:

- Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.



# **Display and Language**

To fit your environment, you may adjust the LCD brightness, display the time and Active Sync, and change the display language. If your unit has a touchscreen, you can also calibrate it here. Plus, you can **Enable Screenshots** which uses the Home/Help button. The values are kept in memory when you turn the unit off.

**Note:** The LCD **Backlight** consumes battery power; more brightness, more power consumption.

### To adjust the display settings:

- 1. From **\( \frac{1}{4} \)**, select **System Settings**, and then **Display and Language**.
- **2.** Use the up/down arrow keys to select the setting to change.
- **3.** Press to **✓** select it.
  - ➤ By using the up/down arrow keys, you can switch between preset brightness levels in the **Backlight** item. Press ✓ to confirm.
  - ➤ To display the time and Active Sync in the title bar, enable the item. Press ✓ after your selection to confirm.
  - ➤ Use the up/down arrow keys to navigate between the available languages, then press ✓ to select it. You will be prompted to restart your unit.
  - ➤ To set which **Home** page the unit defaults to when pressing **û**, highlight **Start MaxTester using:** and select from the list.
  - ➤ Touchscreen Calibration button is only present if your unit has a touchscreen and the functionality is enabled. To calibrate the touchscreen, press/tap/click the button to open a popup window



and select **Yes** or **No**. This screen will automatically display during power up, if calibration was never conducted and the data file is not available in memory.

- ➤ To Enable Screenshots, select Enabled (default), then the Screenshot file format in either JPG (default) or GIF, and where you would like to Save Screenshot to: USB (default), EXFO Connect Client, or FTP.
  - ➤ If USB, the image is saved to a directory called \\MaxTester\Screenshots on the USB memory device. If the directory does not exist, create it on the root directory of the USB memory device.

Note: If you selected USB as the screenshot file location and no USB is connected to the MaxTester, the following popup message is displayed: Screenshot not saved, Insert USB and press "Yes" to save it or press "No" to continue to Help.

- ➤ If EXFO Connect Client, the image is saved to \\DATA\EXFO\ECC\FileUpload and the EXFO Connect Client (ECC) manages the screenshots (for example delete). No change to ECC is required.
- ➤ If **FTP**, the image is saved locally to \\DATA\MaxTester\FTPUpload.

From **Result Manager\Upload\Upload Location**, select **FTP** to enable uploading screenshot images to the FTP server. If you select **USB** as the **Upload Location**, the image is uploaded to Removable Disk\MaxTester\Screenshots.

**Note:** FTP is available only if you have the FTP Result Upload option listed in System Settings | Software Options | Platform Options.

# **Remote Display**

The **Remote Display** function allows you to connect the MaxTester to your computer remotely, using PC TightVNC or RealVNC client application, and a Bluetooth or USB connection.

- ➤ Enable Remote Display button starts the Remote Display connection. Once the connection is setup successfully and the remote display server starts, the button changes to Stop Remote Display until the connection is dropped.
- > Connect to Device allows you to select a
  Bluetooth device that has been paired
  successfully or a USB Connection. A connection
  icon is displayed in the menu bar if the setup is successful. If you select



**Note:** The **USB Connection** for **Remote Display** uses RNDIS protocol and the Active Sync will not be functional when this USB connection is active.

➤ VNC Server IP address displays one of the following server IP addresses:

**None**, then the **Enable Remote Display** button is disabled.

- ➤ for a **USB Connection**, 169.254.0.1
- ➤ for a Bluetooth connection, 169.254.0.2
- ➤ for **None**, N/A
- ➤ Bluetooth Pairing
  - ➤ **Find Bluetooth Devices** button searches for and lists all discoverable Bluetooth devices. The list also displays all the device names that were previously paired with your MaxTester, whether or not a Bluetooth signal is currently present.
  - **Status** displays a Bluetooth symbol if the device is connected.

- ➤ Device Name (Bluetooth Address) displays the name of the device and its Bluetooth address.
- ➤ A third, right-hand column displays a checkmark if the device is **Paired**.

**Note:** Use only an EXFO certified Bluetooth dongle.

#### To initiate remote display:

- **1.** Connect the Bluetooth Dongle or **USB Connection** to a USB port on the MaxTester.
- **2.** Select the **Connect to Device** and press the up arrow key to highlight and press the **Enable Remote Display** button.

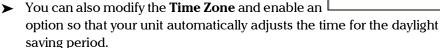
OR

- **3.** Press the down arrow key to highlight and press the **Find Bluetooth Devices** button to search for available Bluetooth devices.
- **4.** Press the down arrow key to highlight the list box and press **✓** to get into the list.
- **5.** In the list, press the up/down arrows to select a device to pair.
- **6.** Follow the instructions in the pop-up dialog boxes. Only one device can be paired at a time in the MaxTester.
- 7. Once you have connected to your device, press to come out of the list.
- **8.** Return to step #2 above to select your Bluetooth device and establish the VNC connection.

### **Date and Time**

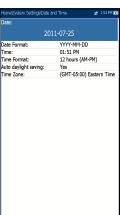
When saving results, the unit also saves the corresponding **Date** and **Time**.

- ➤ **Date** allows you to enter the date according to the following formats:
  - > yyyy-mm-dd
  - ➤ dd-mm-yyyy
  - ➤ mm-dd-yyyy
- ➤ The **Time Format** can be set according to the 12- or 24-hour formats.



#### To set the date and time:

- 1. Press **1**, select **System Settings**, and then **Date and Time**.
- 2. Use the up/down arrow keys to select any of the date or time settings.
- **3.** Press **v** to enable the modification controls.
  - **3a.** For the **Date** and **Time**, an edit screen is displayed with descriptive function keys.
  - **3b.** Use the arrow keys to modify the number values, then press **✓** to confirm the change and go back to the previous screen.
  - **3c.** If **12 hours (AM-PM)** is selected, when setting the **Time** in the edit screen, toggle the **AM/PM** function key for the desired period of the day. Press ← to go back to the previous screen without saving the new value.



# **Battery Info**

You can set your unit to automatically switch to suspend mode independently for the battery or DC power modes. This is useful for example if you want to save battery power but do not want to be hindered by unwanted switches between modes when using DC power.

- Power off completely shuts down the unit's power.
- ➤ Power suspend puts the unit in sleep mode; you can wake up the system by pressing **७**.

Note: If you hold down of for 12 seconds or more, the MaxTester may reset the date and time to incorrect values. Once the unit is powered back on, an Invalid Date and Time dialogue box will pop up displaying The unit date and time are probably invalid.

(1/1/2006 12:00:25 PM). Please update the date and time in System Settings/Date and Time to ensure the delivery of all the functionalities the unit has to offer.



- ➤ DC IN/BATTERY Idle timeout allows you to set the time duration for the unit to idle (no keys pressed or test being run) before turning off the LCD.
- ➤ DC IN/BATTERY suspend timeout allows you to set the time duration for the unit to enter sleep mode.

**Note:** Setting the **DC IN suspend timeout** to the lowest value and not to **Never** ensures the unit enters suspend mode while the charger is connected.

Battery charging time is quickest when the unit is in suspend mode.

➤ Power Save Mode is either Disable/Enable. When enabled, BATTERY Idle timeout and BATTERY suspend timeout are set to 5 min, Backlight to 50 %, and Modem Power OFF (including the unit) to Immediately. The selections are limited and the following warning message will popup:

Power Save mode is enabled. High Voltage Monitoring is active only while the test is in progress.

Default power scheme settings are:

- ➤ LCD backlight turns off after system idles (no keys pressed) for 10 min.
- ➤ Unit switches to suspend mode after timeout: 10 min.
- ➤ Power Save Mode is Disable requiring you to go to this page to see what will be changed before enabling it.

The chart displays the following battery measurements: capacity, current, and voltage. **Battery Status** indicates the current power level, as a percentage, for the battery. **Charging** is shown as the status only in dual battery pack units.

### To change the power scheme settings:

- 1. Press **1**, select **System Settings**, and then **Battery Info**.
- 2. Under DC IN or BATTERY, use the arrow keys to select Idle/suspend timeout modes. Press ✓ to view the list of available choices or use the left/right arrow keys.
- **3.** Select a new value, then press **✓** to confirm the choice. Repeat for the other modes as needed.

# **Software Options**

To activate a newly purchased option key on your MaxTester, please see the *Software Options* procedures in the *MaxTester CQ-DSL Release Notes* that accompanied your unit.

# **Copper Options**

This screen lists all the **Copper Configured Options** which are present on the unit. Possible options are as follow:

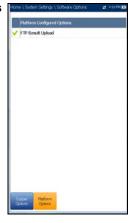
- ➤ TDR
- ➤ RFL
- ➤ FaultMapper
- **➤** Pair Detective
- ➤ Wideband Testing
- ➤ Near End Crosstalk
- ➤ High Voltage Isolation Resistance
- **➤** Stressed Balance Test
- ➤ Far End Device Test Control
- ➤ Return Loss
- ➤ ADSL+ and VDSL2 Data Rate Prediction
- ➤ VDSL2-35b Data Rate Prediction
- **➤** UFED Control



# **Platform Options**

This screen lists all the **Platform Configured Options** which are present on the unit. Possible options are:

- **➤** FTP Result Upload
- **➤** Touchscreen Support



# **Information**

### **About EXFO**

The **About** tab contains contact information should you require technical assistance.

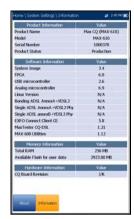


### **MAX-610 Information**

The **Information** tab displays information about the product, software, and memory installed on the device. The page also identifies hardware information.

# To view the complete version numbers of the software installed on the device:

- **1.** Press the **Information** tab again.
- **2.** Press the tab again to return to the original value.



# **Upload Setup**

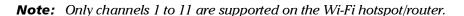
### **Upload Enable**

The **Upload Enable** function allows you to upload your test result files.

The **Out-band Upload Method** allows you to use one of the following methods:

**Wi-Fi** allows you to upload files from the MaxTester via a Wi-Fi hotspot/router and is available for the following results:

- ➤ Copper User Auto Test from Upload/Save Result tab
- Copper User Auto Test from Result Manager/Summary/Upload
- ➤ All Copper results from **Result Manager/Upload**



A Wi-Fi symbol, in the top right-hand corner of the navigation bar, identifies whether or not a connection is present. The Wi-Fi status is indicated as follows:

➤ Green icon indicates that the MaxTester is connected with a Wi-Fi hotspot.



➤ Yellow icon indicates that the Wi-Fi dongle is powered up and ok, but that the MaxTester is not connected to any Wi-Fi hotspot.





➤ Red icon indicates a problem with the Wi-Fi (dongle not attached, etc.).



- ➤ Bluetooth upload method allows you to communicate between the MAX-600 and the active mobile EXFO Sync app on your Android smart device/mobile phone. You must have a Bluetooth USB dongle connected to an available USB port on the MAX-600. When actively communicating, the Bluetooth icon appears in the top right-hand corner of the navigation bar.
- ➤ Ethernet is the default upload and if selected, displays an ethernet icon in the top right-hand corner of the navigation bar. It identifies whether or not a connection is present displaying a green or yellow icon similar to the Wi-Fi symbol described above.
- ➤ **Disable Upload** option disables uploading your files via Wi-Fi or Ethernet. You can export results to a USB memory device.

The **DSL In-band Upload** method supports DSL or Ethernet, and can be set to either **Enable** or **Disable**.

**Export to EXFO Connect Client** allows you to **Enable/Disable** this location to export your CO and DSL test reports.

### To select the Upload method:

- 1. Press **1**, select **System Settings**, and then **Upload Setup**.
- **2.** Select the **Upload Enable** tab.
- **3.** Use the left/right arrow keys.

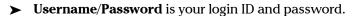
OR

- **4.** Press **✓** to view the list of available choices.
- **5.** Use the up/down arrow keys to make your selection and press **✓** to confirm.

### FTP Setup

The **FTP Setup** function allows you to configure the file transfer information using the following:

- ➤ Address Format allows you to select the FTP server address type:
  - ➤ IP Address
  - ➤ URL
- ➤ FTP Server Address allows you to set either the IP Address or URL.
- ➤ **Port** is a fixed numeric value for the signalling port used to establish an IP network session.



- ➤ **Mode** is either **Active** or **Passive** for the file transfer mode.
- ➤ **Transfer Type** is set to **Binary**, transferring files as a binary stream of data.
- ➤ Remote Directory can be used to specify the file upload directory on the FTP server, for example, dir1/dir2. If this field is left empty, the FTP upload will save the result file at root directory on FTP server.
- **Restore Default** button allows you to reset the entries to their defaults.

### To configure the setup options:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrows to select the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.



# **Wi-Fi Setup**

The **Wi-Fi Setup** pages allows you to connect your MaxTester to a Wi-Fi network.

➤ Select a Wi-Fi Network for Upload lists the available secure Wi-Fi networks in range and presently connected. (Unsecured Wi-Fi networks are not supported.) The last three networks that were connected are also listed, whether or not they are presently connected to the MaxTester.

**Note:** If you select a network from the list of previously selected networks (last 3), the MaxTester will try to join that network using the credentials saved for the selected network.



- ➤ **Status** displays a Wi-Fi symbol if the device is connected, and is dynamically updated with the present connectivity state of the networks.
- ➤ **Network Name** is the Wi-Fi network name.
- ➤ A third, right-hand column displays a checkmark indicating the network selected for upload.
- ➤ Forget Network button removes a previously joined network from the list.
- ➤ **Select Other Network** button opens a new page allowing you to search for a specific network.
- **Find Networks** button searches for available networks.

**Note:** Only Wi-Fi channels 1-11 are supported.

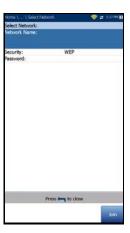
### To connect your MaxTester to a Wi-Fi network:

- **1.** Press the down arrow key to highlight the list box and press **✓** to get into the list.
- **2.** In the list, press the up/down arrows to select the desired network.
- **3.** Press **✓** to confirm a network and open the alphanumeric editor screen to enter your **Password**.
- **4.** Press to come out of the list.
- **5.** Press the down and left/right arrow keys to highlight the network buttons and press **✓**.

### **Select Network**

The **Select Network** page allows you to search for a specific Wi-Fi network.

- ➤ Network Name opens the alphanumeric editor screen allowing you to enter the name of the desired Wi-Fi network.
- ➤ **Security** lists the following wireless security protocols:
  - ➤ **WEP** (Wired Equivalent Privacy)
  - ➤ **WPA** (Wi-Fi Protected Access)
  - ➤ WPA2 (Wi-Fi Protected Access version 2)



**Note:** When using WPA encryption, some specific routers may have performance issues with the supplied Wi-Fi dongle. In this case, please use WPA2 encryption.

- ➤ **Password** opens the alphanumeric editor screen allowing you to enter the desired Wi-Fi network's password. Join function key replaces Done on the editor screen.
- ➤ **Join** function key allows your MaxTester to connect to the other network and it becomes the selected/preferred upload network.

### To configure the other network parameters:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- **5.** Press the **Join** function key to connect to the other Wi-Fi network.

# **Ethernet Setup**

The **Ethernet Setup** function allows you to configure the line and access modes, etc for an Ethernet connection, using the following parameters:

- ➤ Access Mode options are DHCP, Static, or PPPoE.
- ➤ WAN Link Speed is a choice between Auto (negotiated during the link establishment), 100 or 10 Mbit/s.
- ➤ WAN Connect Mode is Full- or Half-Duplex, when Link Speed is set to either 100 or 10 Mbit/s.
- ➤ VLAN Support enables the unit to tag/untag ethernet frames.



- ➤ VLAN ID is a virtual local area network (VLAN) tag ranging from 0 through 4094. The entry is available only when VLAN Support is Enable.
- ➤ **Vendor ID** is the name of the unit. This entry is available only when **Access Mode** is **DHCP**.
- ➤ Local Mac Address is the *internal* MAC address of the unit: either MaxTester or User Defined.
- ➤ Mac Address is a specific MAC address, in a hexadecimal format, if User Defined was selected for the previous parameter. This entry is available only when Access Mode is DHCP or Static.
- ➤ WAN Login Timeout is a numeric setup entry.

The following parameters are available only when Access Mode is PPPoE.

- ➤ Login Name/Password is your user ID and password.
- ➤ **Obtain IP** is either **Dynamic** where the access concentrator or broadband remote access server assigns a temporary IP address to the unit, or **Static** where you enter the IP address of the unit.

The following parameters are available only when **Access Mode** is **Static**.

- ➤ **IP Address** is the address for the unit that is actively connected to your network or the internet at the time of login.
- ➤ **Gateway** is the IP address of the default gateway.
- ➤ **Subnet Mask** is the network address used to identify if the IP address is within the same wide area network.
- ➤ **DNS1** is the address of the primary domain name server to be used by the unit. If DNS is unavailable, enter 0.0.0.0.
- ➤ **DNS2** is the address of the secondary domain name server to be used by the unit. If DNS is unavailable, enter 0.0.0.0.
- **Restore Default** button allows you to reset the entries to their defaults.

#### To configure the setup options:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrows to select the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

**Wait** 

Searching for Bluetooth devices

# **Bluetooth Setup**

The **Bluetooth Setup** tab allows you to search for available, nearby Bluetooth transceivers such as smart devices/mobile phones by selecting the **Find Bluetooth Devices** button. The page opens a **Searching for Bluetooth devices** dialog box while the MaxTester searches (about 10 seconds). Once paired, you can send/transfer XML result files from the MaxTester to your device.

> Select a Bluetooth Device for Upload lists the names of all discoverable Bluetooth devices with a unique services ID from the Android device that has EXFO Sync installed. The list also displays all the device names that were previously paired with your MaxTester, whether or not a Bluetooth signal is currently present.

**Note:** Ensure your Android device is discoverable in the Bluetooth setting, otherwise, it cannot be found by the MaxTester.

- **Status** displays a Bluetooth symbol if the device is connected.
- ➤ Device Name (Bluetooth Address) displays the name of the device and its Bluetooth address.
- A third, right-hand column displays a green checkmark if the device is Paired.
- Find Bluetooth Devices button allows you to re-initiate the search for discoverable Bluetooth devices.

#### To connect your MaxTester to a Bluetooth device:

- 1. Connect the Bluetooth Dongle to a USB port on the MaxTester.
- **2.** Press the up/down arrow key to highlight the list box and press **✓** to get into the list.

OR

- **3.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the **Find Bluetooth Devices** button and press **✓** to search for available devices.
- 4. In the list, press the up/down arrows to select a device to pair.
- **5.** Follow the instructions in the pop-up dialog boxes. If prompted, enter the PIN "0000" in the remote device during pairing. Only one device can be paired at a time in the MaxTester.
- **6.** Press to come out of the list.

# **EXFO Connect**

The **EXFO Connect** menu presents the following 2 sub-menus:

- ➤ **EXFO Connect Client** (ECC) opens to the main menu page which allows you to navigate between the ECC interfaces. Please refer to the *ECC User Guide*.
- ➤ Comms Setup allows you to configure the EXFO Connect communications upload setup.



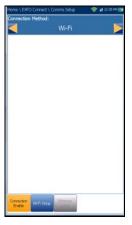
# **Comms Setup**

### **Connection Enable**

The **Connection Enable** tab allows you to choose the **Connection Method** for upload.

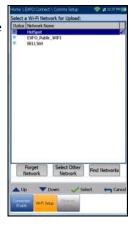
- ➤ Wi-Fi
- **➤** Ethernet
- ➤ **Disable Connection** option disables uploads via Wi-Fi or the Ethernet.

When **Wi-Fi** or **Ethernet** are selected, their respective icons are displayed in the top right-hand corner of the navigation bar. The status of whether or not a connection is present is indicated by the colour of the icon: green, yellow, or red.



# **Wi-Fi Setup**

The **Wi-Fi Setup** function for **Comms Setup** is the same as in the **System Settings/Upload Setup**. Please see *Wi-Fi Setup* on page 40.



### **Ethernet Setup**

The **Ethernet Setup** function for **Comms Setup** is the same as in the **System Settings/Upload Setup**. Please see *Ethernet Setup* on page 43.



# 5 Setting Up Copper Tests

The MaxTester is designed to test basic twisted pair quality, identify and locate faults, and troubleshoot noise and signal issues. These measurements offer a quick and thorough method to determine if the cable is capable of supporting xDSL technology. In addition, it utilizes noise measurements, longitudinal and stressed balance tests, and power spectral density tests to assist in the installation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of copper cables.

# **Copper Test Main Menu**

**Copper Main** presents the main copper menu page which allows you to navigate between all the copper qualification testing applications using the up/down, left/right arrow keys on the keypad.

Press **v** to run a test, bring up the sub-menu, or perform the application of the selected icon.

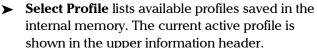


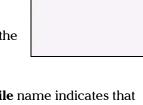
# **Test Configuration**

Before performing copper tests, you can set up the software settings and values for the cables. The MaxTester allows you to save test parameters and threshold settings to different profiles and reuse them as needed.

The **Test Configuration** menu provides the utilities to setup test parameters. The MaxTester supports several types of copper test applications. Test parameters and thresholds are saved into a test configuration profile. A **Profile Default** is provided with a predefined set of parameters for all test applications.

**Note:** Cable parameters are not included in these profiles but can be configured in **Setup**.





Select Profile

Selected Profile : Default

An asterisk "\*" on the currently **Selected Profile** name indicates that modifications have been made to this profile in the **Threshold Settings** or parameters of a particular test.

At power up, settings are read from the last loaded profile.

- ➤ **Profile Details** lists the tests for configuration:
  - **➤** Pair Detective
  - ➤ FaultMapper
  - ➤ Auto Test
  - **➤** Multimeter
  - ➤ Noise Tests
  - **➤** Frequency Tests
  - ➤ TDR

- ➤ Copy to USB allows you to copy all profiles found in the internal memory to an external USB device. If the profile name already exists in the destination folder, you will prompted to overwrite existing profile(s).
  - ➤ You can overwrite each file individually by pressing the **Yes** button, or overwrite all by pressing **Yes to All**.
  - ➤ If **Yes to All** is not pressed, then individual files may be overwritten by pressing **Yes**, or skipped by pressing **No**.
  - ➤ You can terminate the process by pressing **Cancel**.
- ➤ Copy from USB allows you to copy all profiles found on an external USB device to the unit.
- ➤ **Delete Profile** allows you to delete a profile (except the default profile) on the unit.
- ➤ **Profile Default** resets the current test setup to the factory default profile. If selected, a dialogue box pops up to confirm that all single and auto test settings will revert to factory test settings.
- ➤ Save Profile allows you to save changes made to selected profile. An asterisk "\*" on the Selected Profile name indicates that modifications have been made in the Threshold Settings or parameters of a particular test. the following function keys.

### To save a profile, use one of the following function keys:

- ➤ Save allows you to save to the currently selected profile name.
- ➤ Save As opens the alphanumeric editor screen allowing you to enter a new name for the profile selected.
- ➤ **Don't Save** deletes the message box without saving the changes to the currently selected profile.

### To navigate between the configuration icons:

- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.

### **Select Profile**

The **Select Profile** page lists the available profiles in the internal memory, by **Profile Name** and **Modification Date**.

The **Selected Profile** displays the current active profile.

### To select a profile:

 Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired entry and press ✓. The profile is loaded and the Selected Profile is updated with the current selection.



OR

2. Press to cancel your selection and go back to the **Test** Configuration menu.

### **Profile Details Main Menu**

You can view any of the currently selected test parameters from the **Profile Details** menu by selecting the desired test icon. An asterisk "\*" on the **Selected Profile** name indicates that modifications have been made to this profile in the threshold settings or parameters of a particular test.

Each test displays a sub-menu of test icons to select and view.

#### To select a test:

- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to display the sub-menu test icons.

### **Multimeter Profile Details**

The profile details **Multimeter** main menu allows you to view the test threshold and parameters of the following tests:

- **➤** Voltage
- ➤ Current
- ➤ Resistance
- ➤ Resistive Balance
- ➤ Isolation
- ➤ Capacitance/Opens
- ➤ Station Ground
- ➤ Stressed Balance





### To navigate between the test profiles:

- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.

### **Noise Tests Profile Details**

The profile details **Noise Tests** main menu allows you to view the test threshold and parameters of the following tests:

- ➤ VF Noise
- **➤** Power Influence
- **➤** VF Impulse Noise
- **➤** WB PSD Noise
- **➤** WB Impulse Noise
- ➤ NEXT

### To navigate between the test profiles:

- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press  $\checkmark$  to confirm your selection.



# **Frequency Tests Profile Details**

The profile details **Frequency Tests** main menu allows you to view the test threshold and parameters of the following tests:

- ➤ VF/AC Balance
- ➤ WB Balance
- **➤** WB Attenuation
- Return Loss
- ➤ TX/RX Tone
- RX Tone with FED

#### To navigate between the test profiles:

- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.

### **TDR Profile Details**

The profile details **TDR** menu allows you to select and view the parameters set for the following tests:

- ➤ Auto TDR
- Manual TDR
- ➤ xTalk TDR

### To navigate between the test profiles:

- **1.** Press the left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.





### **Auto Test Profile Details**

The profile details **Auto Test** main menu allows you to view the test threshold and parameters of the following tests:

- ➤ POTS Auto Test
- ➤ User Auto Test

### To navigate between the test profiles:

- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.



#### **Delete Profile**

**Delete Profile** lists all profiles found on the internal memory except the default profile, which cannot be removed.

Selected Profile displays the profile name in use.

### To delete a profile:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the entry to be removed and press **✓**.
- **2.** Press the **Delete** function key to remove the entry from the unit.

OR



**3.** Press ← to cancel your selection, remove any display message, and go back without impacting any profiles.

# Setup

The **Setup** function allows you to set up parameters common to all tests.

#### To access the Setup function:

- **1.** On the **Home** pane, highlight **Copper Test**, then press **✓**.
- **2.** From the **Copper Main** page select **Setup** and press **.**

**Setup** presents a menu of items to setup copper tests.

- ➤ Phone Book includes pages to setup and save groups of phone numbers.
- ➤ Cable Book includes pages to select, add, clone, and delete a cable, as well as modify its details.
- ➤ Application Settings include the following pages: General, Standard, Identification, File Name, and Buzzer. Current settings are kept in memory and are independent of the profiles.
- ➤ Factory Default allows you to revert the Phone

  Book and/or Application Settings to the factory default values.
- ➤ Test Lead Compensation overwrites the current test lead characteristics to start resistance and capacitance compensation based on the cable temperature of the test lead.

### To navigate between the setup icons:

- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **v** to confirm your selection.



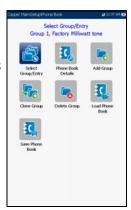
# **Phone Book**

The **Phone Book** menu presents a selection of functions which allow you to manage the groups of phone numbers relevant to performing the copper tests. It can include a maximum of 50 groups of up to 3 individual entries each. The functions are as follows:

- **➤** Select Group/Entry
- **➤** Phone Book Details
- ➤ Add Group
- ➤ Clone Group
- ➤ Delete Group
- ➤ Load Phone Book
- ➤ Save Phone Book

### To navigate between the phone book functions:

- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.



# **Select Group/Entry**

The page lists entries by **Group ID** and **Entry Name/Type**. There is 1 group of 3 factory default entries which cannot be edited or deleted. The **Phone Book** can include a maximum of 50 groups.

**Group # in use** displays the group number in use.

### To select a group and entry:

 Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired entry and press ✓. The Group # in Use is updated with the current selection.

OR



Press to cancel your selection and go back to the Phone Book menu.

### **Phone Book Details**

The **Phone Book Details** page allows you to view and modify the **Phone Book** parameters of the currently highlighted phone entry. As well, you can enable/disable entries 2 and 3 in each phone group. When creating a new phone group, only entry 1 is enabled. Entries 2 and 3 remain disabled until entry 1 is filled in.

➤ **Group ID** displays the group ID number. This is the only parameter that cannot be modified however you can navigate between the available phone groups.



- **Entry Name** is the name of the entry in the **Phone Book**.
- ➤ **Phone Number** is the 10-digit numeric phone number of the entry.

- ➤ **Type** displays the following list of values:
  - **➤** Milliwatt tone
  - ➤ Quiet line
  - **➤** Drop battery
  - ➤ (for additional line types)
- ➤ Enable displays either Yes or No.
- ➤ Accept function key validates and updates all the parameters of the Phone Book.

### To view and modify the group details:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- **5.** Press the **Accept** function key to update the **Phone Book** with your changes.

# **Add Group**

The **Add Group** page allows you to add a new group entry into the **Phone Book** using the following parameters for the currently highlighted **Group ID**.

- ➤ **Group ID** displays the group ID number. This parameter that cannot be modified.
- ➤ Entry Name is the name of the entry in the Phone Book.
- ➤ **Phone Number** is the 10-digit numeric phone number of the entry.
- ➤ **Type** displays the following list of values:
  - **➤** Milliwatt tone
  - ➤ Drop battery
  - ➤ Quiet line
  - ➤ (for additional line types)
- ➤ Enable displays either Yes or No.
- ➤ Add function key adds the new group entry to the **Phone Book**.

## To add a new group entry:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

**3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.



- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- **5.** Press the **Add** function key to append the new group entry to the end of the **Phone Book**. If the maximum number of **Phone Book** entries has been reached, delete an entry before adding a new one.

# **Clone Group**

The **Clone Group** page allows you to copy the details of an existing entry to a new group entry in the **Phone Book**. The page lists all entries by **Group ID**.

The list can display a maximum of 50 entries.

**Group # In Use** displays the **Group ID** number in use.

### To clone a group entry:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired entry.
- Press the Clone function key to copy the details of the highlighted entry and append a new Group ID to the list.



OR

**3.** Press to cancel your selection and go back to the **Phone Book** menu.

# **Delete Group**

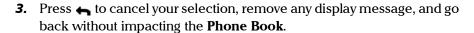
The **Delete Group** page allows you to delete a group entry from the **Phone Book.** The page lists all entries by **Group ID**.

**Group # in Use** displays the group number in use.

## To delete a group entry:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to select the entry to be removed.
- 2. Press the **Delete** function key to remove the selected entry from the **Phone Book**. If you try to delete a cable in use, a warning message pops-up and changes the **Group # in Use** to Group 1 by default.

OR





## **Load Phone Book**

The **Load Phone Book** page allows you to import a phone book. The page displays the file name and date of the last phone book loaded. Only .csv files are supported.

- ➤ The **Storage Location** lists the load destinations:
  - **➤** MT internal memory
  - **➤** USB
- ➤ **File Name** lists the phone book file name(s) to load.
- ➤ Load button imports the selected phone book.

  You will be prompted for confirmation since this action will overwrite the current phone book.
- ➤ **Cancel** button removes the confirmation/warning message without impacting the phone book.

### To load a phone book:

1. Select the **Storage Location** using the left/right arrow keys.

OR

- **2.** Press  $\checkmark$  to display the list of options.
- **3.** Using the up/down arrow keys, select a file name to load.
- **4.** Press **Load** and confirm. The unit will remove the existing phone book and replace it by the loaded one.

OR

**5.** Press **Cancel** to remove the message.

### **Save Phone Book**

The **Save Phone Book** page allows you to save or export a phone book.

- ➤ Save File allows you to enter a file name of the current phone book to save. By default, the name is phone book.csv.
- ➤ The **Storage Location** lists the save destinations:
  - **➤** MT internal memory
  - ➤ USB
- **Save** button saves the selected file.



**Note:** The unit will overwrite any document with the same file name found on the disk, without warning.

### To save a phone book:

- **1.** Accept the default file name or press **✓** to create a new one using the edit screen.
- 2. Select a Storage Location.
- 3. Press Save.

# **Dialer Function**

**Dialer** 

The **Dialer** function provides a dial-up path from the MAX-610 to another tester (or quiet termination or silent switchman) through a switched circuit network. DTMF (dual-tone multi-frequency) transmission is enabled via the phone keypad allowing you to place POTS calls. The dialer can be accessed from the **Copper Main** or **Multimeter** (if FED option enabled) pane and is also integrated into individual test screens to give you quick access to the manual dialer function, speed dial and last dialed lists, without exiting the current test application.



#### To access the Dialer function:

- On the Home pane use the up/down arrow keys to highlight Copper Test, then press ✓.
- **2.** From the **Copper Main** or **Multimeter** (if FED option enabled) page select **Dialer** and press ✓.

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**Dialer** provides the following functions:

- ➤ The means to call and signal voice switch test functions, such as drop battery, quiet line, and more.
- ➤ It is integrated with **POTS Auto Test** and other manual test screens for easy access to the switch functions during those tests. For example, when testing for load coils, you can remove the line battery and use the dialer function to signal the switch to drop battery, and then run the load coil test.



- ➤ It is DTMF and can also be used to control a DTMF FED (Far End Device) by entering specific FED DTMF commands. (EXFO offers a separate, integrated FED which is fully automated with test sequences.)
- ➤ Allows you to use the unit as a telephone (with the built-in speaker or external headset and the on-screen phone keypad as a dialer) when **Enter Number** is invoked, whether in the test results screens or through the separate dedicated **Dialer** application.

The following parameters can be accessed from this page:

- ➤ **Dialing Status** shows the current status of the dialed number.
- ➤ **Group ID** displays the group ID number of the dialed number if it was selected from the **Phone Book**.
- ➤ Entry ID displays the Entry Name of the dialed number if it was selected from the Phone Book.
- ➤ Enter Number displays the telephone number entered, or selected from the Recent Dialed Numbers list or Phone Book.



- ➤ **Recent Dialed Numbers** button opens a list of recently dialed numbers for selection.
- Select From Phone Book button allows you to select a number from the Phone Book.
- ➤ Function Keys:
  - ➤ **Dial/Hang Up** allows you to dial the selected or entered number, and hang up the dialer.
  - ➤ Add To PhoneBook saves the entered number to the Phone Book.
  - ➤ Mute/Unmute Speaker changes the speaker status.
  - ➤ Volume adjusts the volume level.

#### To dial a number:

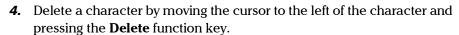
- Use the up/down arrow keys to highlight an entry or button and press ✓.
- **2.** Enter a new phone number using the on-screen keypad or select an existing one from the lists.
- **3.** Press the **Dial** function key to start the call.

### **Enter Number**

The **Enter Number** box is where you enter the phone number you wish to dial.

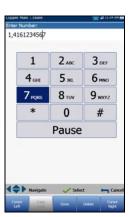
### To enter a phone number:

- Press any of the buttons on the keypad by using the navigation keys on the unit and pressing .
   The selected numbers are entered in the text box.
- **2.** Press **Pause** to enter a 1-second pause while dialing. For example, pressing **Pause** consecutively 3 times, creates a 3-second pause.
- **3.** Move left or right in the text box by using **Cursor Left/Right** function keys.



**5.** Press **Done** function key when you have completed entering a phone number.

**Note:** Alphabets on the keypad are for reference only. Pressing any of the buttons will not show the alpha-character in the text box.

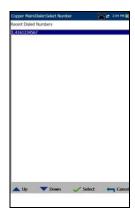


### **Recent Dialed Numbers**

The **Select Number** page lists a maximum of 8 recently dialed telephone numbers which you can select to make your call.

### To select a recently dialed number:

- **1.** Use the up/down arrow keys to select an entry.
- 2. Press ✓ to confirm your choice. The number is automatically entered in the Enter Number field of the Dialer page.



# **Select from Phone Book**

The **Select Entry** read-only page lists entries by **Group ID** and **Entry Name/Type**. There is 1 group of 3 factory default entries. The **Phone Book** can include a maximum of 50 groups.

- ➤ **Group # in Use** displays the group number in use.
- **Entry in use** displays the **Entry Name** in use.

## To select a group and entry:

Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired entry and press **\sqrt**. The **Group # in Use** is updated



with the current selection and automatically entered in the **Enter Number** field of the **Dialer** page.

### **Add to Phone Book**

The **Add Group** page allows you to add a new group entry into the **Phone Book** using the following parameters for the currently highlighted **Group ID**.

- ➤ **Group ID** displays the group ID number. This parameter that cannot be modified.
- ➤ Entry Name is the name of the entry in the Phone Book.
- ➤ **Phone Number** is the 10-digit numeric phone number of the entry.
- **Type** displays the following list of values:
  - **➤** Milliwatt tone
  - ➤ Drop battery
  - ➤ Quiet line
  - ➤ (for additional line types)
- ➤ Enable displays either Yes or No.
- ➤ Add function key adds the new group entry to the **Phone Book**.

## To add a number to the phone book:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- **5.** Press the **Add** function key to append the new group entry to the end of the **Phone Book**. If the maximum number of **Phone Book** entries has been reached, delete an entry before adding a new one.



# **Cable Book**

The **Cable Book** menu allows you to select, add, clone, and delete a cable, as well as modify its details, such as:

- ➤ Select Cable
- Cable Details
- ➤ Add Cable
- Clone Cable
- ➤ Delete Cable
- ➤ Load Cable Book
- ➤ Save Cable Book

### To navigate between the cable book functions:

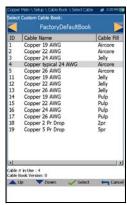
- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.

## **Select Cable**

The **Select Cable** page lists entries by **ID**, **Cable Name**, and **Cable Fill**. The list can display a maximum of 25 entries. Only the cables from the selected **Cable Book** will be available for selection in test screens.
Also, only cables from the **CableBookSettings** can be edited or deleted.

- ➤ Select Custom Cable Book
  - **➤** FactoryDefaultBook
  - **➤** CableBookSettings
  - ➤ ItalianCableBook





- ➤ UKCableBook
- ➤ FranceCableBook
- **Cable # in Use** displays the **ID** number of the cable in use.
- ➤ Cable Book Version displays the current edition number of the Cable Book in use.

#### To select a cable in use:

Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired entry and press ✓. The Cable # in Use is updated with the current selection displaying Cable Details.

OR

2. Press to cancel your selection and go back to the **Cable Book** menu.

#### Cable Details

The **Cable Details** page allows you to view the parameter details of the **Cable # in Use**, or select a **Cable ID** number by pressing the left/right arrow keys on the keypad and view its details. You can only modify cables from the **CableBookSettings** book.

- ➤ Cable Name is the name of the cable in the Cable Book.
- ➤ Cable Gauge is the gauge system for measuring wire sizes in AWG (American Wire Gauge) units or mm (metric wire size).
- ➤ Cable Fill is the type of material the cable is filled with: Aircore, Jelly, Pulp, 5 PR, or 2 PR.
- ➤ Capacitance T-R/A-B specifies a value for the capacitance per length constant.



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- ➤ Capacitance T/R to GND/A/B to E specifies a value for the capacitance per length to ground constant.
- **Resistance** specifies a value for the resistance constant of the cable.
- ➤ Attenuation @ 300 kHz specifies a value for the reduction in signal strength or insertion loss of the cable.
- VOP is the velocity of propagation for the cable defined in m/μsec (meters per microsecond), and as a ratio and percentage of the speed of light.
- ➤ **Temperature** specifies the temperature of reference at which all cable parameters have been measured, in either F (Fahrenheit) or C (Celsius) units. The measurement units are updated based on the **Temperature** settings in **Setup/Application Settings/Standard**.

### To view and modify the cable details:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- **5.** Press the **Accept** function key to update the cable details with your changes.

# **Add Cable**

The **Add Cable** page allows you to add a new cable entry into the **CableBookSettings** using the following parameters for the currently highlighted **Cable ID**.

- ➤ Cable ID displays the cable ID number. This parameter that cannot be modified.
- ➤ Cable Name is the name of the cable in the Cable Book.
- ➤ Cable Gauge is the gauge system for measuring wire sizes in AWG (American Wire Gauge) units or mm (metric wire size).



- ➤ Cable Fill allows you to select the type of material the cable can be filled with: Aircore, Jelly, Pulp 5, PR, or 2 PR.
- ➤ Capacitance T-R/A-B allows you to specify a value for the capacitance per length constant.
- ➤ Capacitance T/R to GND/A/B to E allows you to specify a value for the capacitance per length to ground constant.
- ➤ **Resistance** allows you specify a value for the resistance constant of the cable.
- ➤ Attenuation @ 300 kHz allows you to specify a value for the reduction in signal strength or insertion loss of the cable.
- **VOP** is the velocity of propagation for the cable defined in  $m/\mu$ sec (meters per microsecond), and as a ratio and percentage of the speed of light.
- ➤ **Temperature** specifies the temperature of reference at which all cable parameters have been measured.
- ➤ Add function key adds the new cable entry to the Cable Book.

#### To add a new cable entry:

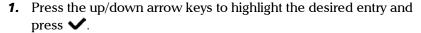
- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- 5. Press the Add function key to append the new cable entry to the end of the CableBookSettings. If the maximum number of Cable Book entries has been reached, delete an entry before adding a new one.

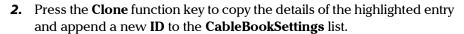
### **Clone Cable**

The **Clone Cable** page allows you to copy the cable details of an existing entry from the selected **Cable Book** to a new cable entry in the **CableBookSettings**. The page lists all entries by **ID**, **Cable Name**, and **Cable Fill**.

- ➤ Cable # in Use displays the ID number of the cable in use.
- ➤ Cable Book Version displays the current edition number of the Cable Book in use.

# To clone a cable entry:





OR

Press 
 to cancel your selection and go back to the Cable Book menu.



# **Delete Cable**

The **Delete Cable** page allows you to delete a cable entry from the selected **Custom Cable Book**. The page lists all entries by **Cable ID**, **Cable Name**, and **Cable Fill**.

- ➤ Cable # in Use displays the ID number of the cable in use.
- ➤ Cable Book Version displays the current edition number of the Cable Book in use.

### To delete a cable entry:

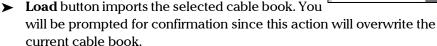
- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the entry to be removed and press **✓**.
- 2. Press the Delete function key to remove the entry from the Custom Cable Book. If you try to delete a cable in use, a warning message pops-up and changes the Cable # in Use to cable #1 by default.
  OR
- **3.** Press to cancel your selection, remove any display message, and go back without impacting the **Cable Book**.



### **Load Cable Book**

The **Load Cable Book** page allows you to import a cable book. The page displays the file name and date of the last phone book loaded. Only .csv files are supported.

- ➤ The **Storage Location** lists the load destinations:
  - **➤** MT internal memory
  - ➤ USB
- ➤ **File Name** lists the cable book file name(s) to load.



➤ Cancel button removes the confirmation/warning message without impacting the cable book.

#### To load a cable book:

**1.** Select the **Storage Location** using the left/right arrow keys.

OR

- **2.** Press **v** to display the list of options.
- **3.** Using the up/down arrow keys, select a file name to load.
- **4.** Press **Load** and confirm. The unit will remove the existing cable book and replace it by the loaded one.

OR

**5.** Press **Cancel** to remove the message.



# **Save Cable Book**

The **Save Cable Book** page allows you to save or export a cable book.

- ➤ Save File allows you to enter a file name of the current cable book to save. By default, the name is cable book.csv.
- ➤ The **Storage Location** lists the save destinations:
  - **➤** MT internal memory
  - ➤ USB
- **Save** button saves the selected file.



**Note:** The unit will overwrite any document with the same file name found on the disk, without warning.

#### To save a cable book:

- **1.** Accept the default file name or press **✓** to create a new one using the edit screen.
- 2. Select a Storage Location.
- 3. Press Save.

# **Application Settings**

Before executing the copper tests, set up the software settings and values for the cables. The MAX-610 allows you to save standard parameter settings to different profiles and reuse them as needed.

### To access Application Settings:

From the **Home** pane, select **Copper Test**, then **Setup**, and **Application Settings**.

### General

The **General** tab allows you to configure the unit with specific measurement values and graph viewing settings.

Each parameter is described below:

- ➤ Cable Temperature specifies the temperature of the cable under test in either F (Fahrenheit) or C (Celsius) units.
- ➤ Capacitance Measurement is either 3 Terminal or 2 Terminal. The latter method measures the capacitance across the 2 terminals specified (either T-R, T-G, R-G or A-B, A-E, B-E), whereas the



**3 Terminal** method measures the capacitance across the 2 terminals specified, and shorts the remaining (or unspecified) terminal to G/E. The **3 Terminal** method is more common and is the default. Continue to use it unless you know you need the **2 Terminal** method.

**Note:** In order to correctly determine cable length by using the **Capacitance Measurement**, the **Cable Book** must contain both 3/2 Terminal values.

**Note:** The accuracy of the **2 Terminal Capacitance Measurement** is impacted by the use of the FED, and the **3 Terminal** method is recommended to be used instead.

- ➤ VOP Compensation offsets length calculation inaccuracy caused by the changes in velocity of the pulse propagation, depending on the pulse width and cable length produced by skin effect; and is applied to TDR, WB Attenuation, and FaultMapper tests.
- ➤ **Test Startup Mode** lists the test startup type:
  - ➤ **Auto** (default) automatically starts a test when you select the respective icon from the test sub-menu pane and press ✓.
  - ➤ Manual requires that you press Start/Stop on the MaxTester keypad to start a test.
- ➤ Report File Storage Location is dependent on whether Export to EXFO Connect Client is enabled or not, in System Settings\Upload Setup. If enabled, you can select either USB or EXFO Connect Client as your test report storage location. If disabled, USB is automatically selected.
- ➤ **Report Format** is **HTML**, **MHTML**, or **XML** as the generated report format.

**Note:** If **EXFO Connect Client** is selected, the available selections for **Report Format** are only **MHTML** and **XML**.

- ➤ **Prompt To Save Results** allows you to **Enable/Disable** popup confirmation messages before leaving a test and not saving results.
- ➤ **Result File Storage Location** allows you to select where to save your results: to a **USB** or the internal memory of the MaxTester.

### ➤ Landscape Mode Settings:

- ➤ **Default Graph Mode** sets the default graph viewing mode to either **Portrait** or **Landscape**.
- ➤ Screen Rotation sets your preferred default rotation of the unit for viewing graphs in Landscape mode. Select either Right to rotate the MaxTester 90 degrees clockwise so that the keypad is on the left-hand side, or Left to rotate the unit 90 degrees counter-clockwise so that the keypad is on the right-hand side.

#### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Standard**

The **Standard** tab allows you to set unit parameter values composed of the following:

#### **➤** Standard Selection

**Standard** allows you to specify if the copper tests should conform to the **ITU** (International Telecommunications) or **ANSI** (American National Standards Institute) standard.

Note: Selecting the Standard resets the default

Measurement Units, Label Customization, and Test
Parameters Preset for the page.



#### **➤** Measurement Units

- **Distance** lists the measurement units for distance in feet or meters.
- ➤ **Temperature** lists the measurement units for temperature in **F** (Fahrenheit) or **C** (Celsius).
- ➤ Level lists the units of power level in dBm or dBRN.
- ➤ Capacitance lists the units of capacitance for Tip and Ring in nF/km or nF/mi.
- **Resistance** lists the units for resistance in  $\Omega/km$  or  $\Omega/mi$ .
- ➤ Attenuation lists the units for the reduction in signal strength or insertion loss of the cable, in dB/km or dB/mi.
- ➤ Power Spectral Density (PSD) lists the units to measure the noise energy at a point in a noise spectrum. Units are dependent on the previously selected Level.

- ➤ Cable Gauge Unit allows you to select either AWG or mm wire gauge. AWG is the default for ANSI and mm for ITU. If you select AWG, only AWG cables will be displayed in the Cable Book\Select Cable list and test pages.
- ➤ NTD (Network Terminal Device) Provider allows you to filter out certain devices in the Pair Detective test dependant on your provider. None (default) filters out all devices except Short, Phone, and Phone Off Hook. Disabled does *not* run the Device Detection as part of Pair Detective test.
- ➤ VOP allows you to select the velocity of propagation for the cable as a Ratio, Percentage, or V/2 m/µsec (meters per microsecond).
- **➤** Label Customization

Connection lists the type of cable connection: T-R-G or A-B-E.

- **➤** Test Parameters Preset
  - **Power Line Frequency** lists the frequency value of the power line.
  - ➤ **Noise Filter** lists the type of noise filters to use.

## To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Identification**

The **Identification** tab allows you to preset values to identify each single and auto test result file when saving them. The parameters are as follows:

- ➤ User Name/User ID allow you to enter up to 25 alphanumeric characters, in each field.
- ➤ Contractor Name allows you to enter the name of a contractor used to perform the tests.
- ➤ Test From/To allows you to select from a list of entries up to 20 each, including user defined values.



➤ Test From/To List Setup buttons open separate list management pages.

#### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Test List Setup**

The **Test From List Setup** and **Test To List Setup** pages allow you to manage the entries of the list. However, there are 5 entries by default which cannot be edited or deleted. These are **DSLAM**, **NID**, **CPE**, **CROSSBOX**, **FRAME**. When any of these are selected, the **Delete** and **Accept** buttons are disabled.

A maximum of 20 different entries can be added.

### To manage the list:

- Press the left/right arrow keys to select the Previous/Next Entry buttons and press to select the previous/next entry.
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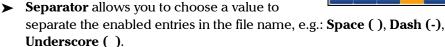
  DSLAM

  Press 6mg to close
- **2.** Press **Page Up/Down** function keys to see entries on the previous or next pages. These keys are disabled if no other pages exist.
- **3.** Press **Add** function key to add an entry just below the selected entry in the list.
- 4. To edit an entry, press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the selected test. Press Accept function key to confirm the changes. If you press Previous/Next Entry buttons before the Accept function key, the edited value will be lost.
- **5.** Press **Delete** function key to delete any entry you have added.

### **File Name**

The **File Name** tab sets up the standard configuration for automatically naming a result file. You can only **Enable/Disable** the entries. All enabled entries are considered for file name generation.

- ➤ File Name Preview displays a preview of the file name. The actual values of the enabled entries are not shown.
- ➤ Date and Time value format depends on the format selected in System Settings. This entry cannot be disabled.



➤ Change Order button allows you to change the order of the file name entries by moving them up or down in the list.

## To select an entry and choose a value:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired entry.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press the up/down arrow keys to select the option and press **✓** to confirm your selection.

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User ID: Disable
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Profile Name: Disable
Separator: Underscore (\_)

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# **Change Order**

**Change Order** page allows you to change the order of the **File Name Fields** in the list.

## To change the order:

- **1.** Press **✓** to get into the list.
- **2.** Use the up/down arrow keys to select the desired entry.
- **3.** Press to come out of the list.
- **4.** Press the up or down arrow key to activate the **Up/Down** buttons.



- **5.** Using the left/right arrow keys, select **Up/Down** and press **✓** to move the entry up/down the list.
- **6.** Press to go back to the **File Name** tab. The **File Name Preview** will be updated with your changes.

### **Buzzer**

The **Buzzer** is a built-in, continuous warning system to detect hazardous voltage levels on the line/test leads. The tab allows you to configure values for the buzzer settings. However, due to the risk of electrical shocks, the MaxTester detects high voltages on any pair of leads without user intervention.

- ➤ Buzzer Threshold Voltage allows you to configure the hazardous voltage level from 70 to 150 volts.
- ➤ **Hush Time** allows you to configure the hush timeout from 1 to 15 minutes.
- ➤ **Hush Buzzer** button mutes the sounding buzzer.



**Note:** Upon raising the hazardous voltage flag, the MaxTester opens the relays and you will have to press Start/Stop on the keypad to re initialize the unit. In case the voltage is still too high, the MaxTester will open the relays once again preventing any damage to the equipment. If not, the test will start normally.

## To set the buzzer settings:

- **1.** Use the up/down arrow keys to select the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press **✓** on an entry to open the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **3.** Press **✓** to confirm each value.

# **Test Lead Compensation**

**Test Lead Compensation** should be performed when copper test accuracy is in question, since test lead characteristics have some impact on copper test results (mainly resistance, capacitance, and TDR tests). Test lead characteristics vary with respect to cable temperature. Refer to *Cable Connections* on page 8 on how to connect the leads before starting compensation.

The **Test Lead Compensation** routine also performs resistance and capacitance compensation. The page displays the **Pass/Fail** status of the last compensation done.



**Note:** Always perform a test lead compensation if the test leads have recently been removed or replaced.

- ➤ **Date and Time** identifies when the last compensation was done or application installation time.
- ➤ Start Compensation button allows you to start the Test Lead Compensation by overwriting the current test lead characteristics.

# To perform a test lead compensation:

- Connect the cables to the unit, leave all test leads open, and press 

  to start compensation.
- **2.** Follow the on-screen dialogue boxes for next steps.

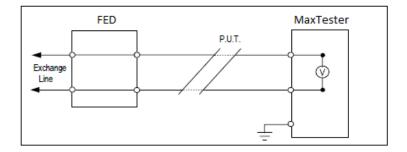
# **FED Control**

**FED Control** is an option enabled feature that tells the testset to detect and control the Teletech TS125 or Viavi UltraFED<sup>TM</sup> IIB remote FED (far end device) during testing. **Pair Detective**, **Auto Test**, and many manual tests will automatically detect and control the FED when this option is enabled, saving you multiple trips to the far end after it is initially placed on the line. The FED should always be connected to ground as well as the P.U.T. (pair under test).

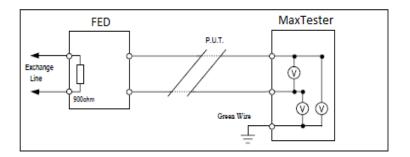
By connecting the T-R-G/A-B-E of a customer's pair (CPE) to the *customer* side of the FED (blue labeled connectors; the red labeled connectors are connected to CO/Exchange side of the pair for pass-through mode), control signals are sent to the FED by the MaxTester in order to open/short (or pass through to the CO/Exchange) the T-R-G/A-B-E connections.

#### Connect T-R-G/A-B-E as follows for each FED state:

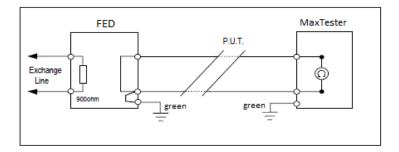
**1.** For **Pass Through/Exchange Connect**, connect the T-R/A-B wires to the blue-labeled Pair1-Cu connectors on the FED (customer side), and the network side T-R/A-B to the red-labeled Pair1 Ex-CO connectors towards the CO/Exchange.



**2.** For **Open**, connect the T-R/A-B and ground wires to the customer side of the FED (blue labeled connectors).



**3.** For **T-R-G/A-B-E Shorted**, connect the T-R-G/A-B-E to the customer connectors (blue-labeled Pair1- Cu) and the ground lead to the network ground.



**Note:** *P.U.T.*, in the above diagrams, refers to the Pair Under Test. *Remote* is the FED, and *Controller* is the MaxTester. The **FED Control** tab displays the following parameters:

- ➤ FED sets the default FED States to be Disabled, Auto (automatic), or Manual for the following tests. When Disabled/Auto, the states are saved in the profile.
  - **➤** Multimeter
  - ➤ Noise
  - **➤** Frequency
  - ➤ Other



When **FED** is **Auto** or **Manual** and you start a test, the MaxTester will warn you if the FED battery level is low. Select **OK** to close the message and run the test. Also, if the FED is not present or not responding, a **Confirmation** dialogue box will be displayed asking if you want to disable FED and run the test anyway.

➤ FED Type is enabled when FED is set to Auto or Manual. If Auto is selected, you can choose between TS125 or UFED IIB.

When UFED support is enabled:

- $\blacktriangleright$  the **Isolation** test voltage source will automatically be limited to 125 V, **Return Loss** test termination to 120 Ω, and **VF/WB Impulse Noise** tests duration to 15 min only.
- ➤ MMT (maximum measurement time) is determined for every test.

For tests which run in **Continuous** mode, the MMT is set to 20 s allowing you to observe continuous results in numerical or graphical format. At the end of the MMT, the continuous test is terminated. However, due to UFED limitation, the **Continuous Isolation** resistance test will act the same as the test in **Snapshot** mode and terminate after the **Soak Time** period expires.

If Manual is selected, the FED Type is set to TS125 by default. When FED is Manual, you can set the FED to a desired state independently from the one defined currently in the FED setup for a particular test. This state will be kept indefinitely until you set the FED to another one, change the mode to Auto, or disable the FED. The Manual state of the FED Control is not saved in the profile and is only kept for the time of the current session. If you leave the copper application, at next startup FED will be set to the value saved in the profile: Disabled or Auto.



- ➤ Manual Setup includes 5 options:
  - ➤ Open 0
  - ➤ T-R/A-B Shorted 1
  - ➤ T-R-G/A-B-E Shorted 2
  - ➤ Pass Through/Exchange Connect 3 (default)
  - ➤ ID Tone 4
- ➤ **Set FED** button activates the state defined in the **Manual Setup** control.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays a communication with FED status message.
- ➤ **FED Factory Default** button allows you to restore the factory defaults for the following:
  - ➤ **Single Test defaults** sets the default FED state values for all the individual tests, except **Auto Test**.
  - ➤ User Auto Test defaults sets the default FED state values for Auto Test.
  - ➤ **All these options** sets the default FED state values for all tests.

**FED States** are displayed in the **Current Test** line as a numeral on the right-hand side of the FED icon, for example  $\nearrow$  0. Numerals match the following states:

- $\rightarrow$  0 = Open
- $\rightarrow$  1 = T-R/A-B Shorted
- ightharpoonup 2 = T-R-G/A-B-E Shorted
- ➤ 3 = Pass Through/Exchange Connect
- $\rightarrow$  4 = ID Tone
- ightharpoonup 5 = Terminated (100 Ω, 120 Ω, 135 Ω, 600 Ω)

**Note:** A line termination of 150  $\Omega$  is not supported by the FED.

- ➤ 6 = Crosstalk NEXT
- $\rightarrow$  7 = Transmit
- $\rightarrow$  8 = None

Note: For all FED States other than Pass Through/Exchange Connect, the Dialer tab is disabled. If the dialer is already running before the test starts, the dialer will be stopped on entry of the test with a message saying Dialer cannot be used, hence dialer will be stopped. - similar to FaultMapper test.

## To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options and press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Multimeter**

The **Multimeter** tab lists the default **FED States** set for all multimeter tests, and allows you to set the values for the following:

- ➤ Voltage
- Current
- Resistance

#### To select the parameter values:

- Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **3.** Press ✓ on a value to open a list box of options and press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Noise**

The **Noise** tab allows you to set the **FED States** for all noise tests, and lists the default value for **NEXT** test.

The **Terminated** FED state appends the required resistance value. For example, if you select **Terminated (600 \Omega) 5**, the **Termination Resistance** will be 600 ohms.

## To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.





OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options and press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# Frequency

The **Frequency** tab lists the default **FED States** set for frequency tests and allows you to set the values for the following:

- ➤ VF/AC Balance
- **➤** WB Balance
- ➤ Return Loss

Default values are displayed for **WB Attenuation, RX Tone with FED**, and **Load Coils**.

The **Terminated** FED state appends the required resistance value. For example, if you select

Terminated (600  $\Omega$ ) 5, the Termination Resistance will be 600 ohms.

## To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options and press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.



# **Other**

The **Other** tab displays the default **FED States** set for all other tests. The **FED States** are listed for the following tests:

- ➤ xTalk TDR
- ➤ RFL Single/Separate Good Pair/K-Test
- **➤** Pair Detective

You can set the default values for the following:

- ➤ Auto/Manual TDR
- **➤** FaultMapper

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options and press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.



# **Saving Results**

#### **Save Result**

You can save a snapshot of test results into a result file during or after a test performed with the MAX-610. Each copper test includes a **Save Result** tab to do so. The tab allows you to save your test results to an internal memory file or export results to an HTML, MHTML, or XML report using a USB key.

Alternately, when a test is completed or stopped and you press —, Confirm Save dialogue box pops up. Selecting Save displays the Save Result screen where the following information can be entered:

#### **➤** Identification Fields

- ➤ User Name/User ID display the values set up in the Application Settings/Identification tab. You can edit this field using the editor screen.
- ➤ Contractor Name allows you to enter the name of a contractor used to perform the tests.



- ➤ Test From/To display the values set up in the Application Settings/Identification tab. You can edit this field using the choices from the list box.
- ➤ **Job ID** allows you to create/edit a unique identifier for the task.
- ➤ **Customer Name** is the name of the customer for which the test was run.
- ➤ Circuit ID allows you to create/edit a unique identifier for the circuit under test.
- ➤ **Comments** allows you to add any relevant information.

#### ➤ Save Result

- ➤ **Select Result File** button displays a list of existing file names where you can save your results.
- ➤ Result File Storage Location gives you the option of storing results either in the MaxTester internal memory or USB device. The default selection comes from Application Settings/General tab.
- ➤ **Result File Name** allows you to preview and edit the result file name. The proposed file name is based on current auto-naming parameters configured in Setup/Application Settings/File Name.
- ➤ **Save** button confirms if the **Result File Name** is saved successfully.

#### **➤** Export Report

- Report File Storage Location is dependent on whether Export to EXFO Connect Client is enabled or not, in System Settings\Upload Setup. If enabled, you can select either USB or EXFO Connect Client as your test report storage location. If disabled, USB is automatically selected.
- ➤ Report Format is HTML, MHTML, or XML.

You can generate and export HTML, MHTML, or XML reports from any saved test result.

**Note:** If **EXFO** Connect Client is selected, the available selections for **Report**Format are only MHTML and XML.

Reports include:

**General Information** including **Pass/Fail** status.

Identification

**Profile/Result Summary** 

Blank entries for your **Signature** and the **Date**.

- ➤ Report File Name allows you to preview and edit the result file name. The proposed file name is based on current auto-naming parameters configured in Setup/Application Settings/File Name.
- ➤ Export button confirms if the Report File Name is saved successfully. If a USB device is not inserted, the following warning dialogue box appears: USB device not present.

#### To set parameter values and save results:

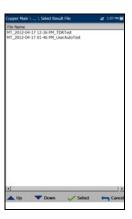
- **1.** Press the left/right and up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press **v** to display the list or select the value.
- **3.** Press the up/down arrow key to highlight the desired value. OR
- **4.** Press the left arrow key to erase the existing value, and then use the alphanumeric keypad to enter a value. To cancel the entry, press ←.
- **5.** Press **v** to accept the value.

### **Select Result File**

**Select Result File** page displays a list of existing file names where you can save your results.

### To save your results to an existing File Name:

- **1.** Use the up/down navigation keys to highlight the desired File Name.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.



# 6 Reading Saved Copper Test Results

# **Result Manager**

You can view, **Upload**, **Export**, and **Delete** any of your saved results with the MaxTester Copper Test Set, by highlighting the **Result Manager** icon from the **Copper Main** pane and pressing .



# **Results Summary**

The **Results Summary** page allows you to select a **File Name** and view the results of files previously saved. The page lists all saved result files by test date and time. The format of **Test Date Time** is per the selection in **System Settings**. Result files can be loaded from either the **MT internal memory** or a **USB**.

### To open previously saved test results:

**1.** Press the left/right arrow keys to highlight the desired **Storage Location**.

OR

- **2.** Press **v** to display the list and select the value.
- **3.** Press the down arrow key to highlight the list box and press **✓** to open the list.
- **4.** In the list, press the up/down arrows to select the test results file.
- **5.** Press **✓** to open the result file.



# **Result Manager Menu**

The **Result Manager** menu allows you to view saved test results with the following details:

- ➤ **Summary** displays general information and parameters of the test.
- ➤ **Result Details** displays measured results for each lead combination and cable parameters of the test.
- ➤ **Profile Details** displays the thresholds and setup parameters of the test.
- ➤ **Phone Book** displays the phone entry dialed during the test.
- **FED Details** displays the **FED** (far end device) **State** for the test.

The **File Name** of the selected saved results file is continually displayed at the top of the page.

### To navigate the results menu:

- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select an icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to display the results.



# **Summary**

The results **Summary** page displays pass/fail status, general and identification information, along with comments, for the test.

- ➤ **General Information** displays read-only information pertaining to the test result.
- ➤ Test Lead Compensation displays read-only Date and Time and Pass/Fail Status of the compensated resistance and capacitance based on the cable temperature of the test lead.
- Feditable Identification Fields display values from the loaded file. You can edit all fields using the editor screen or by selecting an entry from the list box.
  - User Name/ID
  - ➤ Contractor Name
  - ➤ Test From/To
  - ➤ Job ID
  - ➤ Customer Name
  - Circuit ID
  - ➤ Comments
- ➤ Function keys:
  - ➤ **Save** keeps any current changes with the current file name.
  - ➤ Save As saves the current changes under a different file name that you can configure in the editor screen.
  - ➤ **Don't Save** does not save any changes and closes the page.
  - ➤ Report allows you to load a result file to a USB device, update the ID fields, and generate a report in HTML, MHTML, or XML format. If Export to EXFO Connect Client is enabled in System



**Settings\Upload Setup** you are given the choice to load a result file to either **USB** or **EXFO Connect Client**. If you select **EXFO Connect Client**, reports are generated in either MHTML or XML.

➤ Upload (in User Auto Test only) allows you to transfer an Auto Test result file to an FTP site or USB device via the presently selected method (Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, or Ethernet).

#### To view and edit the test result information:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight and view the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press ✓ on an editable value to open the list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen. Use the navigation keys to scroll through and select.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Result Details**

The **Results Details** page allows you to view measured results for each lead combination and cable parameters of the selected test.



### **Profile Details**

The **Profile Details** page displays read-only test thresholds and/or parameters information about the setup of the selected test, and may contain the following entries:

- Profile Name (only displayed in Results Manager) is the file name of the selected saved results.
- ➤ **Test Group** is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example **Multimeter**.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **Current**.



### **Phone Book**

The **Phone Book** page summarizes the Phone Book details when loading a results file.

It contains information about group entries such as group ID, name, phone numbers, and tags.

If the dialer was not used during the test, the **Phone Book** icon will not appear as part of the **Read Result** menu page.



# **FED Details**

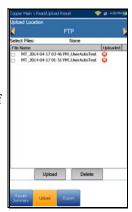
The **FED Details** page displays the default FED state **Value** set for the test(s).



# **Upload**

The **Upload** page allows you to upload the saved results of User Auto tests only to an FTP site or a USB memory stick. Select a **File Name** or **All** files previously saved. Files are uploaded via the selected method (Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, or Ethernet) as shown by the corresponding icon in the top right-hand corner of the navigation bar.

- **➤ Upload Location** is **FTP** or **USB**.
- ➤ **Select Files** is either **None** which removes all check marks allowing you to select one or more files, or **All**.



- ➤ Uploaded status column displays a successful, failed, or no upload for each file.
- ➤ **Upload** button transfers the selected files to the designated location.
- ➤ **Delete** button removes selected XML files from the internal memory.

# To upload previously saved User Auto Test results:

 Press the left/right arrow keys to highlight the desired Upload Location.

OR

- **2.** Press **v** to display the list and select the value.
- **3.** Press the down arrow key and select either **None** or **All** files.
- **4.** If **None**, press the down arrow key to highlight the list box and press 

  ✓ to open the list.
- **5.** In the list, press the up/down arrows to select the desired files.
- **6.** Press **4** to come out of the list.
- 7. Press the down arrow key to highlight either **Upload** or **Delete** and press ✓.

# **Export**

If you have saved a number of test results in the test set, you can export them (convert to another file format such as MHTML or XML) all at once to a USB stick when you have time, or save them to a USB stick anytime on the job. Or you can export reports to EXFO Connect Client if enabled. The **Export** page allows you to select a **File Name** or **All** files previously saved and export the results in a selected **Report Format**.

➤ Storage Location gives you the option of exporting your results to either the MT internal memory or USB device.



- ➤ **Select Files** is either **None** or **All**. **None** removes all check marks allowing you to select one or more files, or **All**.
- ➤ Export Report
  - Report File Storage Location is dependent on whether Export to EXFO Connect Client is enabled or not, in System
     Settings\Upload Setup. If enabled, you can select either USB or EXFO Connect Client as your test report storage location. If disabled, USB is automatically selected.
  - ➤ **Report Format** is HTML, MHTML, or XML.

**Note:** If **EXFO Connect Client** is selected, the available selections for **Report Format** are only **MHTML** and **XML**.

➤ Export button transfers the selected file(s) to the internal memory or USB device in the selected report format.

#### To export previously saved test results:

**1.** Press the left/right arrow keys to highlight the desired **Storage Location**.

OR

- **2.** Press **v** to display the list and select the value.
- **3.** Press the down arrow key and select either **None** or **All** files.
- **4.** If **None**, press the down arrow key to highlight the list box and press 

  ✓ to open the list.
- **5.** In the list, press the up/down arrows to select the desired files.
- **6.** Press **4** to come out of the list.
- **7.** Press the down arrow key to highlight the **Report Format**.
- $\textbf{8.} \ \ \text{Press the left/right arrow keys to select the desired format}.$

OR

- **9.** Press  $\checkmark$  to display the list and select the value.
- **10.** Press the down arrow key to press the **Export** button.

# **Delete**

The **Delete** page allows you to delete a selected **File Name** or **All** selected result files previously saved in the **MT internal memory** only.

- ➤ Storage Location is the MT internal memory.
- Select Files is either None or All. None removes all check marks allowing you to select one or more files, or All.
- ➤ **Delete** button removes the selected files.

#### To delete previously saved test results:

- Press the left/right arrow keys ✓ to select either
   None or All files.
- 2. If None, press the down arrow key to highlight the list box and press 

  ✓ to open the list.
- **3.** In the list, press the up/down arrows to select the desired files.
- **4.** Press **4.** to come out of the list.
- **5.** Press the down arrow key to press the **Delete** button.
- **6.** Press **Delete** to confirm your selection or **Cancel** to abort the operation.



# 7 Multimeter Tests

The purpose of the **Multimeter** tests function is to detect AC/DC voltages and currents, measure resistance and capacitance in a loop, and *stress* test the loop.

#### To access Multimeter tests:

From the **Copper Main** pane, highlight **Multimeter** and press **v** to open the **Multimeter** menu.

# **Multimeter Main Page**

Multimeter tests allow you to do the following:

- make basic electrical safety checks (AC volts)
- check for crossed or coupled battery voltages
- assess basic loop continuity
- ➤ balance loop quality with resistance measurements
- measure total electrical length with capacitance
- measure the ground path resistance with the station ground test
- run a stress test.

**Pair Detective** runs many of these tests automatically and is a recommended starting test to assess loop quality and identify common faults.

#### To access Pair Detective from Multimeter tests:

- 1. Press 👆 to return to the Copper Main menu.
- **2.** Highlight Pair Detective and press **✓** to launch the test.

#### Multimeter Main Page

The **Multimeter** menu allows you to select and run the displayed tests:

- ➤ Voltage
- ➤ Current
- Resistance
- Resistive Balance
- **➤** Isolation
- ➤ Capacitance/Opens
- **➤** Station Ground
- **➤** Stressed Balance
- ➤ **Dialer** (icon shown here if FED or UFED enabled; see *Dialer Function* on page 68 for details.)

#### To start/stop a test:

- **1.** Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select the desired test icon.
- **2.** Press  $\checkmark$  to confirm your selection.
- 3. The test will start automatically if the Setup/Application Settings - Test Startup Mode is set to Auto. If not, press Start/Stop on the keypad.





# **Voltage**

The **Voltage** test detects AC RMS and DC voltages in the line and allows you to measure AC/DC voltages and **Frequency** on A/B/E or T/R/G depending on the selected **Standard** in **Setup/Application Settings**. **Voltage** tests are not meant, nor is the test set rated, to measure electrical power circuits.

# **Continuous DC Page**

With voltage measurements, you can detect crossed battery, other foreign unwanted voltages, and even see intermittent breaks or contact if the voltages fluctuate. Most plant operators allow 3 or 4 volts of DC and/or AC signal on working loops, although for higher speed broadband circuits (ADSL2+ or VDSL2), even a few volts indicate a small fault and some imbalance which may affect the data rate. You would need to run balance tests such as **Stressed Balance**, **VF/AC Balance**, and/or short the far end and run **Resistive Balance** to isolate small faults.

Larger foreign/unwanted voltages are a real problem because they indicate a contact fault and add unwanted noise affecting other signals (including affecting test set signals). 48 to 52 volts would indicate working POTS. If you have not already done so, press — and select **Pair Detective** to identify metallic faults or even wetness.

The **Voltage** test defaults to the **Continuous DC** page from the **Multimeter** menu. This function measures each pair, displaying and updating results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed. If the DC value is fluctuating, it could indicate the presence of moisture in a fault or possibly a moving or *swinging* metallic fault, causing intermittent breaks in the DC (such as POTS battery).

# To view all lead combinations right away:

Press the **Snapshot** function key.

**Continuous AC** and **Continuous DC** are run synchronously. Press Start/Stop on the keypad to run the test.



- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Multimeter.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ **Selected Pair** allows you to select **All Pairs** or a single wire pair for measurement.
- ➤ **Termination Resistance** defines how much resistance the tester uses to connect to the line and measure voltages.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the DC voltage thresholds for each pair.
- ➤ **Result** displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status and volts for each continuous DC pair.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Voltage Thresholds**

The AC/DC Voltage Threshold Settings page allows you to set the Threshold Voltage for each pair. The threshold is a programmable value you can use as an on-screen indicator in each test when a measured value is too high or too low.

- ➤ Type is the threshold limit for each pair: either Maximum or Minimum.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the voltage threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.

#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

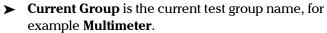
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

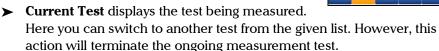


# **Continuous AC Page**

The **Continuous AC** function measures each pair, displaying and updating results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed. The **Voltage** test defaults to the **Continuous DC** page from the **Multimeter** menu.

**Continuous AC** and **Continuous DC** are run synchronously. Press Start/Stop on the keypad to run the test.





- ➤ **Selected Pair** allows you to select **All Pairs** or a single wire pair for measurement.
- ➤ **Termination Resistance** defines how much resistance the tester uses to connect to the line and measure voltages.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the AC voltage thresholds for each pair.
- ➤ **Result** displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status, volts and frequency (Hz) values for each continuous AC pair.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

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- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Snapshot**

The voltage **Snapshot** tab shows measured volts for each lead combination.

The parameters are as follows:

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Multimeter**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ **Selected Pair** allows you to select **All Pairs** or a single wire pair for measurement.
- Termination Resistance defines how much resistance the tester uses to connect to the line and measure voltages. The default value of 100  $k\Omega$  is widely used in the industry.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the AC/DC voltage thresholds for each pair.
- ➤ **Result** displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status, volts and frequency (Hz) values for each continuous AC/DC pair.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Current**

The **Current** test allows you to measure the AC/DC currents and frequency in the loop. DSL service does not directly use this measurement.

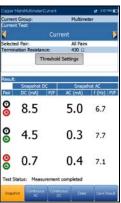
# **Snapshot**

The current **Snapshot** shows measured AC/DC results for each lead combination. DC current is traditionally measured for POTS/voice with a minimum of 23 mA, but less DC current can indicate line faults or too much loss. The **Current** test defaults to the **Continuous DC** page from the **Multimeter** menu.

The parameters are as follows:

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Multimeter**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured.

  Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- Selected Pair allows you to select All Pairs or a single wire pair for measurement.
- **Termination Resistance** is a read-only value of **430**  $\Omega$  that defines how much resistance the tester uses to connect to the line.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the AC/DC current thresholds for each pair.
- ➤ **Result** displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status, DC current, AC current and frequency (Hz) results for each selected wire pair.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.



- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Current Thresholds**

The AC/DC Current Threshold Settings page allows you to set the Current threshold for each pair. The threshold is a programmable value you can use as an on-screen indicator in each test when a measured value is too high or too low.

- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit for each pair: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the current threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.

#### To set threshold values:

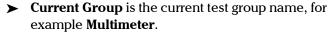
- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

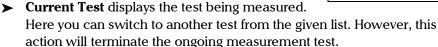


# **Continuous AC Page**

The **Continuous AC** function measures each pair, displaying and updating results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed. The **Current** test defaults to the **Continuous DC** page from the **Multimeter** menu.

**Continuous AC** and **Continuous DC** are run synchronously. Press Start/Stop on the keypad to run the test.





- Selected Pair allows you to select All Pairs or a single wire pair for measurement.
- $\blacktriangleright$  **Termination Resistance** is a read-only value of **430** Ω that defines how much resistance the tester uses to connect to the line.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the AC current thresholds for each pair.
- ➤ **Result** displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status, AC current and frequency (Hz) results for each selected wire pair.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.



- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Continuous DC Page**

The **Continuous DC** function measures each pair, displaying and updating results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed. Significant fluctuations while this test is running can indicate intermittent *swinging*, contact or wet faults.

#### To view all lead combinations right away:

Press the **Snapshot** function key.

**Continuous AC** and **Continuous DC** are run synchronously. Press Start/Stop on the keypad to run the test.



- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Multimeter.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ **Selected Pair** allows you to select **All Pairs** or a single wire pair for measurement.
- **Termination Resistance** is a read-only value of **430**  $\Omega$  that defines how much resistance the tester uses to connect to the line.

- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the DC current thresholds for each pair.
- ➤ **Result** displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status and DC current results for each selected wire pair.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# Resistance

The **Resistance** test, also known as shorts, allows you to measure the resistance values in ohms, of the wire pair under test. Use this test to identify shorts and grounds when the far end is open, comparing the ohms reading of each lead combination. You want high-ohm values between the leads when measuring to an open, the higher the better. But if a reading is very low, such as  $200~k\Omega$  T-G/A-E, we know there is a ground fault present.

It is also valuable to apply a short across T/A-R/B at the far end, and then measure the round trip *loop* resistance, in which case you will see that low values with the far-end short are applied ( $\leq 2500~\Omega$ , depending on loop length and condition). It is even more valuable to run the resistance balance test when the far end is shorted above, as the test will calculate the resistance in ohms of each side/leg of the pair, so you may see the difference, in effect the balance. Significant differences indicate one-sided faults or series resistance and/or high resistive partial opens. Typical values for POTS circuits are 1 to 3.5 M $\Omega$  across each lead combination, whereas pairs for broadband DSL should be at least 5 M $\Omega$ ; and for higher speed broadband circuits,  $> 20~M\Omega$  is recommended.

Resistance values are valuable when the far end is shorted and grounded (all leads). We can get an accurate ohms value for each lead/leg independent of the other and compare them (resistance balance), looking for a different ohms value on one side versus the other, indicating series or one-sided faults/imbalances sometimes also called partial *dirty* or high resistive opens. These can be difficult to locate, as they are not clearly a ground fault, but **RFL** would be the primary way to locate a one-sided series fault. In some cases, a **TDR** may reflect off of such a fault but then again, may not. Try **TDR** first, but be prepared to try **RFL** if you really need this pair in service for a high-speed broadband.

#### To select either TDR or RFL tests:

- 1. Press 👆 to return to the Copper Main menu.
- **2.** Highlight **TDR** or **RFL** and press **✓** to launch the test.

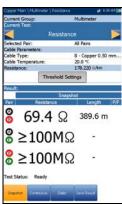
# **Snapshot**

The resistance **Snapshot** shows measured resistance values in ohms and cable lengths for each lead combination. The parameters are as follows:

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Multimeter**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured.

  When FED is Enabled, the FED icon and numeric state are displayed beside the Current Test.

  Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.



- Selected Pair allows you to select All Pairs or a single wire pair for measurement.
- ➤ Cable Parameters:
  - ➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, and allows you to select an entry (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, to use for testing. The selection is not saved when leaving the test. The current Cable Book entry is shown by default.
  - ➤ Cable Temperature is the temperature in either °F or °C of the cable under test.
- ➤ **Resistance** displays the resistance per length constant of the selected **Cable Type**. The value is updated when **Cable Temperature/Type** is changed.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set resistance thresholds for each pair.
- ➤ **Result** displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status, **Resistance** and **Length** for each selected wire pair.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

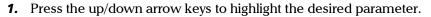
- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Resistance Thresholds**

The **Resistance Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Resistance** for each pair. The threshold is a programmable value you can use as an on-screen indicator in each test when a measured value is too high or too low.

- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit for each pair: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the current threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.

#### To set threshold values:



**2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.



### **Continuous**

The **Continuous** function measures each pair, displaying and updating results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed. In **Continuous** mode, significant changes or fluctuations in the values can indicate wet faults or intermittent metallic faults (*swinging* faults), or other foreign voltages on the pair. (Sometimes ground signals can influence a pair through a ground fault.)

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Multimeter**.
- Current Test displays the test being measured.
  When FED is Enabled, the FED icon and numeric state are displayed beside the Current Test.
  - Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- Selected Pair allows you to select All Pairs or a single wire pair for measurement.
- ➤ Cable Parameters:
  - ➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, and allows you to select an entry (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, to use for testing. The selection is not saved when leaving the test. The current Cable Book entry is shown by default.
  - ➤ **Cable Temperature** is the temperature in either °F or °C of the cable under test.
- ➤ **Resistance** displays the resistance per length value of the selected **Cable Type**. The value is updated when **Cable Temperature/Type** change.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the resistance thresholds for each pair.



- ➤ Result displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status, Continuous Resistance and Length for each selected wire pair.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Resistive Balance**

The **Resistive Balance** test measures and compares the resistance of each leg. This test requires you to short Tip and Ring (T-R/A-B) to ground/earth at the far end (T-R-G/A-B-E short) before proceeding with the test. EXFO's TS-125 FED (Far End Device) can automatically set the far end condition.

# **Snapshot**

The **Resistive Balance** test is valuable in understanding the presence of resistive faults on one side versus the other (series resistance). A 5 % difference in the ohms value between T/A and R/B is common (95 % balance), but for higher speed DSL such as VDSL2, imbalance is more critical and should be 2-3 % when possible (97-98 % balance). There will be low-ohm values when measuring resistance with a short at the far end. For example, on 24 AWG cable at 21 °C (70 °F), you will see 520  $\Omega$  for a 3 m (10 ft) cable. If both Tip and Ring have 520 ohms, the pair is balanced perfectly, but there will normally be some small difference and a much larger value on one side; for example, 800  $\Omega$  indicates a significant series fault on that side.

The **Snapshot** page shows results for **R/B-Leg**, **T/A-Leg**, **Loop** resistance, and the pass/fail status for **Resistive Balance** in  $\Omega$  and %. Parameters are as follows:

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Multimeter**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. When FED is Enabled, the FED icon and numeric state are displayed beside the Current Test. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.



- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the resistive balance thresholds.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press ✓ on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Resistive Balance Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Resistive Balance** ( $\Omega$ ) **Threshold** values. The threshold is a programmable value you can use as an on-screen indicator in each test when a measured value is too high or too low.

- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit for each pair: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the current threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.

#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

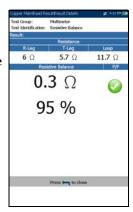


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### **Result Details**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the **Resistance** results for each lead combination and the pass/fail status for **Resistive Balance** in  $\Omega$  and %.



### **Profile Details**

The **Profile Details** page displays read-only **Resistive Balance** thresholds.

- ➤ **Profile Name** is the file name of the selected saved results.
- ➤ **Test Group** is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example **Multimeter**.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **Resistive Balance**.



# **Isolation**

The **Isolation** test, also known as a leakage test, is a type of resistance test run over a period of time to look for high-resistive faults. This test applies more measuring voltage than standard resistance tests (typically 100 VDC) over a longer period of time or **Soak Time**. The purpose is to allow the applied higher voltage to *leak* through corrosion or high resistive faults, revealing the fault by the drop in the measured resistance value. Standard resistance tests use lower voltages (15 to 45 V) only for a short period of time.

# **Snapshot**

The **Isolation** (also known as insulation resistance) test shows how the pair insulation (that is PIC or paper, pulp, etc.) may be lower because of long-term voltage on the pair under test. (Remember that telecom signals are full time.) This is especially important for power span pairs carrying significant voltages over time. Be aware that the continuous application of a voltage tends to dry up moisture, and some faults may seem to disappear. (You would see the resistance value increase and thus improve as the test progresses; however, the cause of the moisture is not resolved.)

**Note:** The test should be run with an open circuit at the far end.

The **Snapshot** page shows measured isolation resistance values for each lead combination. The parameters are as follows:

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Multimeter**.
- Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.



- Selected Pair allows you to select All Pairs or a single wire pair for measurement.
- ➤ **Soak Voltage** allows you to apply a voltage value to the pair(s) currently under test. Select a value from the list or **User Defined** to enter your own value. If your unit has the HIVOLT (high voltage) software option configured, the **Soak Voltage** parameter values are extended up to 500 V max.

**Note:** Since **Soak Voltage** is inherited in other tests that use the **Isolation** test, the HIVOLT software option also applies to the following tests: **Pair Detective**, **User Auto Test**.

- ➤ User Defined Voltage (T-R/A-B) allows you to enter a voltage value between 50 and 125 V (50 and 500 V if HIVOLT) for Tip to Ring wire Pair.
- ➤ User Defined Voltage (T, R-G/A, B-E) allows you to enter a voltage value between 50 and 125 V (50 and 500 V if HIVOLT) for Tip or Ring to Ground wire Pair.
- ➤ **Soak Time** sets a soak period of time from 1 to 60 seconds.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set isolation thresholds for each pair.
- ➤ **Result** displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status, **Resistance** and a **Soak Counter** for each selected wire pair. When running the test, the counter counts to the selected **Soak Time** by the second, for the wire pair(s) under test.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

## To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Isolation Thresholds**

The **Isolation Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Resistance** threshold values for each pair. The threshold is a programmable value you can use as an on-screen indicator in each test when a measured value is too high or too low.

- ➤ Type is the threshold limit for each pair: either Maximum or Minimum.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the voltage threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.

### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.



## **Continuous**

The **Continuous** function measures each pair, displaying and updating results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed. Remember that the continuous application of a higher voltage tends to dry up moisture in faults, making it seem as if they have disappeared; but only the moisture is gone and will likely reappear another time.



**Note:** The test should be run with an open circuit at the far end.

**Note:** If **UFED Control** option is enabled, due to its limitation, the **Continuous** function will act the same as the test in **Snapshot** mode and terminate after the **Soak Time** period expires.

- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Multimeter.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ **Selected Pair** allows you to select a single wire pair for measurement.
- ➤ **Soak Voltage** allows you to apply a voltage value to the pair(s) currently under test. Select a value from the list or **User Defined** to enter your own value. If your unit has the HIVOLT (high voltage) software option configured, the **Soak Voltage** parameter values are extended up to 500 V max.

**Note:** Since **Soak Voltage** is inherited in other tests that use the **Isolation** test, the HIVOLT software option also applies to the following tests: **Pair Detective**, **User Auto Test**.

- ➤ User Defined Voltage (T-R, T-G, R-G/A-B, A-E, B-E) allows you to enter a voltage value between 50 and 125 V (50 and 500 V if HIVOLT) for Tip to Ring wire Pair.
- ➤ Minimal Soak Time sets a soak period of time from 1 to 60 seconds. When the test duration reaches the Minimal Soak Time, the pass/fail status is displayed and then periodically refreshed, until you stop the test.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set isolation thresholds for each pair.
- ➤ **Result** displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status, **Resistance** and a **Soak Counter** for each selected wire pair. While running the test, the counter displays the soak period by the second, for the wire pair(s) under test.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Capacitance/Opens**

The **Capacitance/Opens** test measures the electrical capacitance of the loop and calculates length. Capacitive balance is also measured when all pairs are selected.

# **Snapshot**

The **Capacitance/Opens** test should be run with the far end open, as electronics and equipment will skew or change the values. DSL splitters also add some capacitance and change the values, as do some NIDs and filtered wall plates.

The test gives you a quick indication of the length, to help you see if the loop is too short and has an open. The capacitive balance is key and should typically be 95 % (5 % imbalance) for POTS/internet, and better for high speed broadband such as VDSL2. If the opens distance is significantly less than indicated on plant maps, then the pair may be open at the distance suggested. (Of course, if the distance matches the expected length, you are seeing the end.)

Be a bit cautious with capacitance/opens, as wet faults or physical damage can significantly change the result. Wetness can provide a path to ground or other pairs which are then also included in the capacitance value and not just the pair under test. Opens can usually be located using a TDR.

#### To access TDR from Multimeter tests:

- 1. Press 📥 to return to the Copper Main menu.
- **2.** Highlight **TDR** and press **v** to open the **TDR** menu.
- **3.** Select either **Auto TDR** or **Manual TDR** to run the test. **Auto TDR** will attempt to locate the nearest large event/reflection which may or may not be the open.

**TDR** can also be run from **Pair Detective**.

### To access Pair Detective from Multimeter tests:

- 1. Press \_ to return to the Copper Main menu.
- **2.** Highlight **Pair Detective** and press **v** to launch the test.

See *TDR* on page 257 for more help on using this test.

The **Snapshot** page shows measured **Capacitance** values and **Length** for each lead combination. The parameters are as follows:

- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Multimeter.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured.

  When FED is Enabled, the FED icon and numeric state are displayed beside the Current Test.

  Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.



**Note:** The accuracy of the **2 Terminal Capacitance Measurement** is impacted by the use of the FED, and the **3 Terminal** (default) method is recommended to be used instead.

➤ **Selected Pair** allows you to select **All Pairs** or a single wire pair for measurement.

### **➤** Cable Parameters:

- ➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, and allows you to select an entry (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, to use for testing. The selection is not saved when leaving the test. The current Cable Book entry is shown by default.
- ➤ Capacitance T-R/A-B displays the capacitance value from Tip to Ring in nF/mi or km ranging from 10.0 to 500.0.

- ➤ Capacitance T/R or A/B to GND/E displays the capacitance value from Tip or Ring to Ground, in nF/mi or km ranging from 10.0 to 500.0.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the capacitance balance threshold for the test.
- ➤ Result displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status, Capacitance and Length for each selected wire pair. Capacitive Balance is shown in % when All Pairs is selected.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

## To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Continuous**

The **Continuous** function measures each pair, displaying and updating results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed. Significant fluctuations in the capacitance results/length could indicate intermittent or wet faults, or a partial open.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Multimeter**.
- Current Test displays the test being measured. When FED is Enabled, the FED icon and numeric state are displayed beside the Current Test.

Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.

**Note:** The accuracy of the **2 Terminal Capacitance Measurement** is impacted by the use of the FED, and the **3 Terminal** (default) method is recommended to be used instead.

➤ **Selected Pair** allows you to select **All Pairs** or a single wire pair for measurement.

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Test Status: Measurement in progress

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- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the capacitance balance threshold for the test.
- ➤ Result displays a snapshot of the pass/fail status, Capacitance and Length for each selected wire pair. Capacitive Balance is shown in % when All Pairs is selected.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Capacitance/Opens Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Capacitive Balance Threshold** parameters for the test between 0 and 100 %. The threshold is a programmable value you can use as an on-screen indicator in each test when a measured value is too high or too low. POTS and internet circuits should be 95 %, and higher speed broadband circuits 97 % or 98 % if possible.

- ➤ Type is the threshold limit for each pair: either Maximum or Minimum.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the current threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.



### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Station Ground**

The **Station Ground** test measures and displays the resistance value and pass/fail status of the ground resistance between the MaxTester and the CO (Central Office). A provisioned POTS circuit is required for this test to work properly.

The test uses Tip (A), Ring (B), and Ground (Earth) leads and measures isolation resistance between the wires and to ground. Any ground should have the lowest possible value, and for high speed broadband (to minimize noise and interference), the ground value is better if  $< 5 \Omega$ . If a ground value is  $> 25 \Omega$ , it may not provide a good path to ground and the current could injure a person. For values between a few ohms and 25, there may be a differential with the premises ground potential; and some noise may couple onto communications circuits creating problems to the broadband signal.

Depending on where you measure the station ground, check the bonding lugs on cross-boxes, pedestals, and electronics/remotes, as well as cable and terminal bonds. These all need to be good quality and tight. If you think the ground rod/plane is inadequate, please consult your support, management, or procedures.

The **Station Ground** parameters are as follows:

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Multimeter**.
- ➤ **Current Test** displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another **Multimeter** test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the Ground Resistance Threshold for the test.



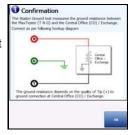
- ➤ Show hookup diagram on test setup If Yes, the Confirmation page is prompted before every Station Ground test is started. Select No to hide the diagram next time you run the test.
- Hookup Diagram button opens a Confirmation page displaying how to connect your leads at the beginning of the test. The hookup diagram uses the following graphic and textual components:
  - ➤ **Proceed** button closes the hookup diagram prompt and starts the test.
  - ➤ Cancel button closes the hookup diagram prompt only.



➤ The Confirmation window is prompted before every Station Ground test is started if you selected Yes for the Show hookup diagram. You can select No to hide the diagram next time you run the test.

However, you can check the connection diagram at any time by pressing the **Hookup Diagram** button. In this case, the test does not start when you press the **Ok** button to close the **Confirmation** window.

➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.



## To select the Station Ground parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Threshold Settings**

The **Test Thresholds** page allows you to set the threshold values for the **Ground Resistance**. The threshold is a programmable value used as an on-screen indicator in each test when a measured value is too high or too low.

- Type is the threshold limit: either Maximum or Minimum.
- Enabled is a flag to use the current threshold: either Yes or No.

# To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Result Details**

The **Result Details** read-only page displays the **Station Ground** results and the pass/fail status.

- Test Group is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example Multimeter.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **Station Ground**.
- ➤ **Test Modes** identifies the manner in which the test was run, for example **Snapshot**.





# **Stressed Balance**

**Stressed Balance** is an optional test that continuously generates high voltage (135 VDC) to the cable pair under test while measuring balance. The high voltage *stresses* the conductors in order to reveal imbalances that may otherwise be hidden with the normal **VF/AC Balance** test.

The test is very similar to the classic *stress* test well known in North America. Compared to the VF (longitudinal) Balance test, values for the **Stressed Balance** test are depicted as follows (but check your own methods and procedures):

- ightharpoonup good  $\leq 20 \text{ dBRNc}$
- $\rightarrow$  marginal = 20 to 30 dBRNc
- $\rightarrow$  bad  $> 30 \, dBRNc$

In general, a pair that  $stresses \le 25$  dBRNc is well balanced for POTS and ADSL internet service. However, higher speed ADSL2+ and VDSL2 circuits should stress  $\le 20$ . A low stress value (> 20) indicates imbalance on the pair, which can have different causes. Most common causes are grounds and shorts, but also one-sided series resistance (sometimes also called high-open, high-resistive fault, or  $dirty\ open$ ). Poor or failing splice connectors/beanies also case minor imbalances affecting higher speed DSL circuits.

Watch the stress level, and if you see an increase or jump after a minute or two or more, the *stress* has worked through some corrosion and thus revealed an imbalance. However, if the stress improves and you see a lower value after a minute or two, then the stress voltage may have dried up some moisture, thus hiding a wet/damp fault which will appear again when more moisture works its way back into the fault.

When you have a poor stress value (> 25), the next best step is to isolate the imbalance by running the **Pair Detective** test.

### To access Pair Detective from Multimeter tests:

- 1. Press 👝 to return to the Copper Main menu.
- 2. Highlight **Pair Detective** and press **v** to launch the test.
- **3.** Open the far end, and see that faults are identified.
- **4.** Check the **Pair Detective TDR** to locate identified faults.

If *corrosion* is identified, it may be difficult to locate with the **TDR**. To confirm, run the **Resistive Balance** test.

### To access the Resistive Balance test:

- 1. Press **\( \)** to return to the **Multimeter** menu.
- **2.** Highlight **Resistive Balance** and press **✓** to launch the test.

It does first require a T-R-G/A-B-Earth short at the far end. This will confirm if ohms on one side are higher than the other and there is a one-sided high-resistive fault. If the ohms on the faulted side measure < 20 M ohms, use the **RFL Single/Separate Good Pair** method (depending on available spare pairs) to try to locate the corrosion. See *RFL* on page 285 for more help on using this test.

### The **Stressed Balance** parameters are as follows:

- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Multimeter.
- ➤ **Current Test** displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another **Multimeter** test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ **Noise Filter** is a fixed value set to **C-message**.
- ➤ Termination Resistance is a read-only value of 600 Ω.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the Stressed Balance Threshold for the test.



- Result displays the measurement value for Stressed Balance and pass/fail status dependent on the Good/Marginal Balance threshold settings.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the Stressed Balance parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Good/Marginal Balance** threshold values for the **Stressed Balance** test. The threshold is a programmable value you can use as an on-screen indicator in each test when a measured value is too high or too low.

- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit and is fixed to **Maximum**.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the current threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.

**Note:** Disabling **Good Balance** will also disable the **Marginal Balance** threshold, even if you **Enabled** it.



### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Result Details**

The **Result Details** read-only page displays the **Stressed Balance** results and the pass/fail status. Good values are lower ( $\leq 20$ ) compared to the VF (longitudinal) Balance test ( $\geq 60$ ).

- ➤ **Test Group** is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example **Multimeter**.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **Stressed Balance**.
- ➤ **Test Modes** identifies the manner in which the test was run, for example **Continuous**.



# 8 SmartR™ Features

SmartR features, consisting of **Pair Detective** and **FaultMapper**, are a line of intelligent tests that go beyond plain results to also identify and locate faults automatically. They allow you to quickly determine the condition of the line under test with color-coded, plain language results, as well as identify and locate a variety of common circuit faults on a simple, graphical result screen.

## **Pair Detective**

The **Pair Detective** test is a quick, one-minute pair quality assessment and sequence of tests that does more than just give numbers. It correlates results using plain language and color codes to identify common metallic faults and imbalances such as shorts and grounds. **Pair Detective** includes high voltage isolation/leakage tests and **Auto TDR** to quickly locate identified faults. It also includes two unique tests, corrosion and wet detect, found nowhere else in the test set. In one minute, you have a great picture of pair quality and it is easy to stop the test, move to a new pair, and run the test again when looking for spare pairs. Before proceeding with this test, ensure the line is inactive and open at far end.

At the start of any test, the unit checks for the presence of dangerous voltage and an active circuit. If dangerous voltage is detected, a dialog box is displayed to inform you and the test will stop. If an active circuit is detected, a dialog box is displayed to ask you whether or not to proceed with the test.

# **Summary**

The **Summary** page displays a summary of the pass/fail status, **DC-Voltage/Current** and **Isolation** for each selected inactive wire pair, as well as other detailed results of the **Pair Detective** test. Plain language results are displayed as the test progresses, with color coding to draw attention to faults. You may view raw results by selecting the **Multimeter** tab at the bottom of the screen.

**TDR** is also automatically started in auto-mode, to locate the nearest significant event/reflection; it remains on and ready for your usage upon test completion (select the **TDR** tab to use).

**Pair Detective** runs two unique tests found nowhere else in the MaxTester: **Corrosion** and **Wet** detect. **Corrosion** detect identifies the presence of one-sided corrosion or series resistance (such as a high resistive or partial, *dirty* open), while **Wet** detect tells you if a fault (faulted splice joint or module, for example) is damp. (**Pair Detective** cannot identify flooded cable sections; use **TDR** for this problem.)

Pair Detective can find or indicate the following faults/conditions:

- ➤ Device Detection results for the following providers, set up in the Application Settings\Standard\NTD Provider. Possible results include No Device Detected, Short, Disabled, and Unknown Device. Results specific to each parameter include:
  - ➤ None

Phone On/Off Hook

**➤** France

FT ITD

FT ITD and Phone On/Off Hook

Phone On/Off Hook

## **➤** Germany

DT SD

DT PPA

DT PPA inverted

DT PA and SD

DT PPA inverted and SD

Phone Off Hook

### ➤ Italy

TI User Jack with Capacitor (C)

TI User Jack with C and Phone On/Off Hook

Phone On/Off Hook

### ➤ Slovakia

DT PPA

DT PPA inverted

DT PPA and Phone On Hook

DT PPA inverted and Phone On Hook

Phone On/Off Hook

- ➤ Battery
- ➤ Shorts/hard short
- ➤ Grounds/high resistive ground
- ➤ Opens/possible high resistive open
- ➤ Imbalanced pair
- ➤ Corrosion (one sided series resistance)
- ➤ Wet detected (but not flooded section)

**Isolation** results also display a five-level indicator of the measured isolation/leakage resistance.

The **Summary** page allows you to set the following parameters:

➤ Isolation Soak Time sets a soak period of time from 1 to 60 seconds for the Isolation test. Default is 5 s. If your unit has the HIVOLT (high voltage) software option configured, the Soak Voltage parameter values are extended up to 500 V maximum. Default is inherited from Multimeter Isolation test.



Note: The application of higher voltage over time tends to dry-up moisture. Some faults may appear to disappear after a soak period, but only the moisture has disappeared. The fault remains and moisture will likely return at a later time. Therefore, do not extend the soak time unless testing insulation resistivity (PIC, paper, etc.).

- ➤ Cable Setup button opens a new page that allows you to set the Cable Parameters for the test
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the threshold parameters. They control when Pair Detective identifies a fault, such as 4 VDC for a *battery* fault. You can also modify when Pair Detective identifies a high-resistive versus normal fault by changing the threshold parameters.

**Note:** Individual test parameters can be modified by accessing their respective test pages.

## To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- 2. Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

  OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Pair Detective Cable Setup**

The **Cable Setup** page allows you to set **Cable Parameters** for the **Pair Detective** test.

➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, and allows you to select an entry (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, to use for testing. The selection is not saved when leaving the test. The current Cable Book entry is shown by default. These cable parameters affect distance calculations of Capacitance/Opens and Resistance measurements, and the TDR cursor distance indication.



- ➤ Cable Gauge identifies the gauge system for measuring wire sizes in AWG (American Wire Gauge) units or mm (metric wire size).
- ➤ Cable Fill read-only entry is the type of material the cable is filled with: Aircore, Jelly, Pulp, 5 PR, or 2 PR. Setup in the Cable Book. This value affects Capacitance/Opens distance calculations.
- ➤ VOP read-only entry is the velocity of propagation for the cable defined as m/µsec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light. Setup in the Cable Book, this value changes the distance shown at the cursor.
- ➤ Cable Temperature allows you to change the temperature of the cable under test in either °F or °C. Temperature primarily affects Resistance measurements.

## To select the parameter values:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Pair Detective Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the threshold parameters for the tests below. Modifying these values will change what color is used on a result and when a fault is identified, such as a short at 3.5 M ohms.

- ➤ Foreign DC Voltage sets the maximum foreign DC voltage value. Default is 4 V which is fine for POTS and internet circuits; consider a lower value for high-a speed DSL such as VDSL2.
- ➤ **POTS DC Voltage** sets the minimum working POTS DC voltage value.
- ➤ **POTS DC Current** sets the minimum working POTS DC current value.
- ➤ Capacitive Balance sets the minimum capacitive balance threshold as a percentage.



- ➤ **Good VF/AC Balance** sets the good VF/AC balance threshold.
- ➤ Marginal VF/ACBalance sets the marginal VF/AC balance threshold.
- **Isolation** is the isolation resistance threshold.
- ➤ **Type** is a read-only field displaying the threshold limit: either **Minimum** or **Maximum**.
- **Enabled** is a read-only field and always **Yes** for all thresholds.

### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press **✓** on a value to open the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **3.** Press **✓** to select each value and use the function keys to complete your selection.
- **4.** Press  $\leftarrow$  to confirm and close your selections.

# **Multimeter**

The **Multimeter** page displays the raw values used by **Pair Detective** to identify a fault on the summary screen. Read-only results and the **P/F** (pass/fail) status are shown for the following tests:

- ➤ **DC Voltage** displays the volts for each DC **Pair**.
- ➤ **DC Current** displays the **DC** current results for T-R/A-B wire **Pair**.
- ➤ Capacitance/Opens displays Capacitance and Length for each wire Pair as well as Capacitive Balance among All Pairs in %.



➤ **Isolation** displays **Resistance** and a **Soak Counter** for each wire Pair.

## **TDR**

**TDR** is included to help locate faults identified on the summary screen, and runs every time **Pair Detective** runs. It remains running and allows you to control and edit the **TDR** test. It runs continuously after the one-minute test cycle is completed using the setup parameters from the initial cycle of the **Pair Detective** test. After saving the results, the **Pair Detective** results will contain the **Estimated Length** value as found for the initial cycle of the **Pair Detective** test. But you may continue to use the **TDR** test to further locate faults on the line.

The **TDR** test displays the line trace and is continuously on and ready to use. It displays and updates results in real time, in either **Portrait** or **Landscape Mode** (recommended), until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed.

- ➤ **Current Test** displays the test being measured.
- ➤ Range allows you to set the range from the given list.
- ➤ **Gain** allows you select the gain test parameter from the given list.



The previous 2 parameters have 2 modes of operation:

- Auto is the default mode upon loading the test page. TDR automatically optimizes the test parameters and scans each band individually looking for one Largest Event in each band (if any).
   Range and Gain are updated to reflect optimized TDR settings.
   Once results are displayed, TDR switches to manual mode. The test keeps running until you press Start/Stop.
- ➤ Manual mode allows you set the test parameters to be used as inputs for the TDR measurements.

**Note:** If either of the above 2 test parameters are set to Auto, respective parameter values will be updated by TDR test.

- ➤ **Pulse Width** is a non-editable value that is updated dependent on whether the parameters are set to **Auto** or manual. The test set automatically adjusts pulse width based on the range selected. (A manual control **TDR** is available in the **TDR** sub-menu from the **Copper Main** menu).
- ➤ **VOP** allows you to change the velocity of propagation value for the cable as defined in m/µsec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light.
- ➤ Cable Setup button opens a new page that allows you to set the Cable Parameters for the Current Test.

**Note:** For more options and control, exit the **Pair Detective** test and select **TDR** from the **Copper Main** menu.

- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor/Marker allows you to select the cursor (blue) or marker (red) independently by toggling the function key. The footer updates to reflect either Move cursor or Move marker. Press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor/marker. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor/marker. Press 
    to recall the cursor/marker and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y
-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and displays the **Continuous** page.
- **Result** displays the distance to the most significant reflection, in text and graphical measurements. The distance  $\Delta$  (Delta) value between cursor and marker is also displayed at the top of the graph.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values in Portrait Mode:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view, select the options, or increase/decrease values.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- ➤ Landscape Mode is the best way to use the TDR and allows you to view the test results in landscape mode utilizing the full length of the high resolution, color screen. Whether the keyboard is on the right or left is dependent on your preferred Landscape Mode Settings configured in Setup/Application Settings/General.

Landscape Mode generates the following function keys:

- ➤ **Portrait Mode** is used to change the screen orientation from landscape to portrait.
- ➤ **Select Graph** opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph. (Same as above.)

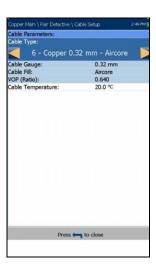
- ➤ **Parameters** displays a small strip window listing the following values: **Range** and **Gain**, and **Pulse Width**. They can be edited or viewed as described in **Portrait Mode** (above).
- ➤ Cable Setup displays a small strip window when selected allowing you to change the Cable Type and Cable Temperature. You can also view the Cable Gauge and Cable Fill entries which were setup in Cable Book, and VOP. For more information, see *Pair Detective Cable Setup* on page 157.

### To select the parameter values in Landscape Mode:

- **1.** Press the desired function key.
- **2.** For **Parameters** and **Cable Setup**, press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **3.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view, select the options, or increase/decrease values.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **TDR Cable Setup**

The **Cable Setup** page is the same as previously described. Please see *Pair Detective Cable Setup* on page 157 for more information.

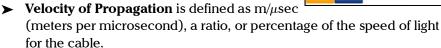


## **Pair Detective Result Details**

# **Summary**

The read-only **Summary** page displays the cable parameters and detailed results saved from running the **Pair Detective** test.

- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **Pair Detective**.
- ➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, used for testing.
- ➤ Cable Fill is the type of material the cable is filled with: Aircore, Jelly, Pulp, 5 PR, or 2 PR.



- ➤ Cable Temperature is the temperature of the cable under test in either °F or °C.
- Result displays a Summary of the overall pass/fail status,
   DC-Voltage/Current and Isolation for each selected wire pair, as well as other detailed results of the Pair Detective test.
  - ➤ **Isolation** results also display a five-level indicator of the measured resistance, when it is below the **Hard Short** resistance threshold (on the **Thresholds Settings** page).
  - ➤ Estimated Length displays the length of the circuit as found from the TDR test for the first cycle of the Pair Detective test.



# **Multimeter**

The read-only **Multimeter** page displays detailed results saved from running the **Pair Detective** test. Please refer to *Multimeter* on page 160 for more information.



# **FaultMapper**

The **FaultMapper** is a graphical snapshot of the pair to locate and identify line faults. It combines and analyzes the results of several different tests including capacitance, resistance, TDR, and RFL, to draw a diagram of the pair depicting common faults. **FaultMapper** does not find all faults but rather many common faults, and can identify more than one at a time. This test is useful in locating bridged taps, shorts, grounds, and opens but only one bridged tap at a time. (To look for more bridged taps, clear the first bridged tap and run the test again). The **TDR** function key is available for your reference, although FaultMapper is not solely a TDR and performs some signal analysis.

**FaultMapper** can identify and/or locate the following:

- ➤ Shorts
- ➤ Grounds (strap required to determine distance)
- ➤ Opens
- ➤ Detect load coils
- Bridged tap

The **FaultMapper** page displays the following parameters:

- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured.
- ➤ Far End Strap allows you to select option Yes or No for use of a strap.

A strap, while not required, enables **FaultMapper** to calculate distance to a ground/earth fault. The test will use some RFL routines here, and you do not have to exit to run RFL. (**RFL**is located on the **Copper Main** menu.)

Cable Setup button opens a new page that allows you to set the Cable Parameters for the Current Test.



➤ **Result** displays the cable faults in text and graphical format.

**Note:** When running FaultMapper with a strap at the far end of the pair, and there is a T-G/A-E fault, the strap may also cause FaultMapper to display a R-G/B-E short. In such cases, the resistance shown is the resistance that would be measured using a multimeter.

**Estimated Length** displays the cable length when the cable is open.

**Note:** The cable length may include the Bridge Tap length: remove the Bridge Tap for better accuracy.

- ➤ Fault Status displays the number of faults detected (or No fault detected) after running the test. The status Open detected is reported in the following case:
  - ➤ No strap.
  - ➤ The pair is open.
  - ➤ No faults (other than the pair being open).

Open and the distance to Open is displayed and represented using X in the graph.

➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

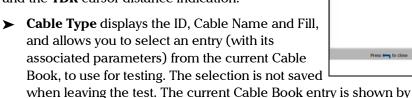
## To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Cable Setup**

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The Cable Setup page allows you to set the Cable Type, Cable Length, and Cable Temperature for the FaultMapper test. All other Cable Parameters are read only and correspond to the current cable book entry as selected in Setup/Cable Book/Cable Details page. These cable parameters affect distance calculations of Capacitance/Opens and Resistance measurements, and the TDR cursor distance indication.





- ➤ **Cable Gauge** identifies the gauge system for measuring wire sizes, in AWG (American Wire Gauge) units or mm (metric wire size).
- ➤ Cable Fill read-only entry is the type of material the cable is filled with: Aircore, Jelly, Pulp, 5 PR, or 2 PR.
- ➤ Capacitance T-R/A-B read-only entry is a value for the capacitance per length constant used to calculate distance to opens.
- ➤ Capacitance T/R to GND/A/B to E read-only entry is a value for the capacitance per length to ground constant.
- ➤ Attenuation @ 300 kHz read-only entry is a value in dB for the reduction in signal strength or insertion loss of the cable at a frequency of 300 kHz. (This frequency has been widely used as a loss measurement for ADSL, but not validated for ADSL2+ nor VDSL2.)
- ➤ **VOP** read-only entry is the velocity of propagation for the cable defined as m/µsec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light. Setup in the **Cable Book**, this value changes the distance shown at the cursor.

- ➤ **Resistance** read-only entry is a value for the resistance constant of the cable.
- ➤ Cable Length allows you to set the length of the cable for more accurate results.
- ➤ Cable Temperature allows you to change the temperature of the cable under test in either °F or °C.

## To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **TDR**

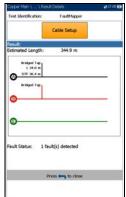
The FaultMapper **TDR** function provides a shortcut to the TDR test. A dialogue box opens, warning that you are about to leave the **FaultMapper** test. TDR results captured while running FaultMapper will be available upon loading TDR. See *TDR* on page 257 for information on this test.



# **FaultMapper Result Details**

The **Result Details** read-only page displays the test results in text and graphical format.

- ➤ **Test Identification** is the name of the test, for example **FaultMapper**.
- ➤ Cable Setup button opens a new page displaying the cable parameters of the test. Use the left/right arrows to select the button and press ✓ to open the page.
- ➤ **Result** displays the cable fault details.



Note: When running FaultMapper with a strap at the far end of the pair, and there is a T-G/A-E fault, the strap may also cause FaultMapper to display a R-G/B-E short. In such cases, the resistance shown is the resistance that would be measured using a multimeter.

- **Estimated Length** displays the cable length when the cable is open.
- ➤ Fault Status displays the number of faults detected (or No fault detected) after running the test.

# **Result Details Cable Setup**

The **Cable Setup** page in the **Result Details** allows you to view the **Cable Parameters** set for the **FaultMapper** test.

- ➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, used for testing.
- ➤ Cable Gauge identifies the gauge system for measuring wire sizes, in AWG (American Wire Gauge) units or mm (metric wire size).
- ➤ Cable Fill is the type of material the cable is filled with: Aircore, Jelly, Pulp, 5 PR, or 2 PR.
- Cable Transmeter:
  Cable Trype:
  Cable Grammeter:
  Cable Trype:
  Cable Gauge:
  0.32 mm
  Cable Ril:
  Arcore
  Capschance AR bit E:
  ARcore
  ARcore
  Capschance AR bit E:
  Arcore
  ARcore
- ➤ Capacitance T-R/A-B is the value for the capacitance per length constant.
- ➤ Capacitance T/R to GND/A/B to E is the value for the capacitance per length to ground constant.
- ➤ Attenuation @ 300 kHz is the value for the reduction in signal strength or insertion loss of the cable.
- **VOP** is the velocity of propagation defined as  $m/\mu$ sec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light for the cable.
- **Resistance** is the value for the resistance constant of the cable.
- ➤ **Cable Length** is the length of the cable set to provide more accurate results.
- ➤ **Cable Temperature** is the temperature of the cable under test in either **°F** or **°C**.

# **FaultMapper Profile Details**

The **Profile Details** page displays read-only FaultMapper **Test Parameters**.

- ➤ **Profile Name** is the file name of the selected saved results.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **FaultMapper**.



# 9 Noise Tests

The purpose of the noise tests is to perform VF (voice frequency)/WB (wideband) noise and level measurements.

**Note:** The 35 MHz Wideband Testing software option is required for the WB tests to be available.

#### To access noise tests:

From the **Copper Main** pane, highlight **Noise Tests** and press  $\checkmark$  to open the menu.



# **Noise Tests Main Page**

The **Noise Tests** menu allows you to select and run the displayed tests:

- ➤ VF Noise
- ➤ Power Influence
- ➤ VF Impulse Noise
- ➤ WB PSD Noise
- ➤ WB Impulse Noise
- ➤ NEXT

### To start/stop a test:

- Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select the desired test icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.
- The test will start automatically if the Setup/Application Settings Test Startup Mode is set to Auto. If not, press Start/Stop on the keypad.



# **VF Noise**

The **VF Noise** test allows you to measure the amount of unwanted or disturbing energy introduced into a loop from man-made and natural sources.

### **Detection**

The **Detection** function displays and updates results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Noise**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ VF Noise Filter allows you to define the voice frequency noise filter to be used, dependent on ITU or ANSI Standard mode and the Noise Filter set in Setup/Application Settings.
- **Termination Resistance** is a read-only value of **600**  $\Omega$ .
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the VF Noise threshold.
- ➤ **Result** displays the pass/fail status and **VF Noise** value.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

**Note:** The selected VF Noise Filter shown in addition to the current Level units selected in Setup/Application Settings have an influence on the measurement units displayed on this page.



### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **VF Noise Threshold Settings**

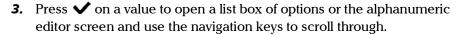
The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **VF Noise Threshold** values for the test.

- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the current threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.

#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.





**4.** Press **\(\sigma\)** to confirm the value.



# **Result Details**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the **VF Noise** value and the pass/fail status.



### **Power Influence**

The Power Influence test allows you to view the effects of interference from a 50 Hz or 60 Hz power source (AC mains) on the circuit under test. The results of the power influence test are also in graphical form.

### **Detection**

The **Detection** function displays and updates results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Noise**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ VF Noise Filter allows you to define the voice frequency noise filter to be used, dependent on ITU or ANSI Standard mode and the Noise Filter set in Setup/Application Settings.
- ➤ **Power Line Frequency** is a read-only value of 50 or 60 Hz based on frequency selected in **Setup/Application Settings/Standard**.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the power influence thresholds.
- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ **Cursor** press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.



**Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ Return To Test removes these function keys and displays the Detection page.
- ➤ **Result** displays a value and graph of the **Power Influence** measurement, and pass/fail status.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

OR

# **Power Influence Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Threshold Power Influence** values for the test.

- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the current threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.

#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.



- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.



### **Result Details**

The **Result Details** page displays the **Power Influence** value and graph, and the pass/fail status. You can maneuver the graph as follows:

- ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:



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- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.

# **VF Impulse Noise**

The **VF Impulse Noise** test allows you to measure voice frequency impulse noise on the circuit under test.

### Count

The **Count** function displays and updates results in *real time*, for the length of time set in **Test Duration** or less if you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed.

- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Noise Tests.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ VF Noise Filter allows you to define the voice frequency noise filter to be used, dependent on ITU or ANSI Standard mode and the Noise Filter set in Setup/Application Settings.



- **Termination Resistance** is a read-only value of **600**  $\Omega$ .
- ➤ **Test Duration** allows you to set the length of time to run the test from a list of values. If **UFED Control** option is enabled, the maximum value is limited to 15 min.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the VF impulse noise thresholds.
- ➤ **Result** displays the **High**, **Mid**, **Low** counts, respective detection levels, and **Elapsed Time**. The pass/fail status of the **Mid** level is displayed after 1 s and then periodically refreshed, until you stop the test.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

OR

# **VF Impulse Noise Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **VF Impulse Noise Threshold** values for the test.

- ➤ Low Counter Power Detection Level defines the low threshold limits for the impulse noise test.
- ➤ **Power Separation** defines the level difference between the **Low**, **Mid**, and **High** thresholds. Specify a value between 1 and 6 dB.
- ➤ **Mid Counter** allows you to set the threshold value for this counter.
- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit of the **Mid Counter**: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the current **Mid Counter** threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.



#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Result Details**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the **High**, **Mid**, **Low VF Impulse Noise Count** and **Detection Level** values, and the pass/fail status of the **Mid** level.



# **WB PSD Noise**

The wideband power spectral density (PSD) noise test measures the noise energy at a point in a noise spectrum. It is expressed as power per hertz at a point in a noise spectrum.

50.00 dBm/Hz 0.001 50.00 dBm/Hz 0.000

(6.033 MHz, -89.00 dBm/Hz, -50.00

#### **PSD**

The **PSD** page allows you to configure the parameters for the wideband PSD noise test and view the results in either **Portrait** or **Landscape Mode**.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Noise Tests**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ Bandwidth allows you to select the frequency range for the test from a list of available bandwidths: ISDN, HDSL, SHDSL, ADSL1/2, ADSL2+, VDSL2-8, VDSL2-12, VDSL2-17, VDSL2-30, or VDSL2-35.
- ➤ Noise Filter defines the filter currently enabled. Options are: None, ISDN-E, HDSL-F, ADSL-G, ADSL, ADSL2+, VDSL, VDSL2-8, VDSL2-12, VDSL2-17, VDSL2-30, VDSL2-35.
- ➤ **Termination** is one of the following:
  - **Terminated** if the termination resistance is internal to the unit.
  - ➤ **Bridging** if additional termination resistance is used to *bridge* onto live circuits with minimal interruption.
  - ➤ **HiZ Cable** when using this cable to connect to T1/A1-R1/B1 (Yellow Blue) connectors. When selected, the **Termination Resistance** automatically sets to **100** Ω.

- ➤ **Termination Resistance** allows you to select the resistance of the dummy load connected to the line, unless HiZ Cable is selected above.
- ➤ Mask allows you to select a network representing the power signal of other services, overlaid on the active noise graph, to identify its presence on the line under test. All of the masks you enabled from the Select Masks tab are listed here for test selection.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the RMS Noise Threshold parameters for the test.
- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and displays the previous ones.
- ➤ **Peak ON/OFF** allows you to measure the current PSD noise value, compare it against the peak value at each given frequency, and display the maximum value. Select either Peak **ON** or Peak **OFF**.

- ➤ **Result** displays the following wideband PSD noise test results differentiating the **Current** trace from the **Peak** hold.
  - ➤ Max PSD reading among all frequency bins for the Current results.
  - Frequency bin where Max PSD for the Current results are detected.
  - ➤ **RMS Noise** reading for the **Current** results including a pass/fail status.

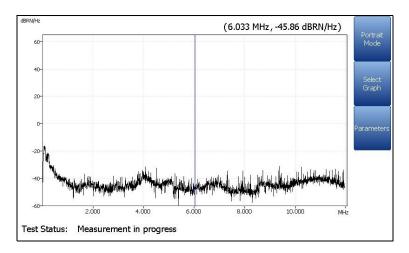
#### If **Peak Hold** is **ON**:

- ➤ Max PSD Peak reading among all frequency bins.
- ➤ Frequency bin for Max PSD Peak.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values in Portrait Mode:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

➤ Landscape Mode function key allows you to view the test results in landscape mode. Whether the keyboard is on the right or left is dependent on your preferred Landscape Mode Settings configured in Setup/Application Settings/General.



This mode generates the following function keys:

- ➤ **Portrait Mode** is used to change the screen orientation from landscape to portrait.
- ➤ **Select Graph** opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph. (Same as above.)
- ➤ **Parameters** displays a small strip window when selected allowing you to change the **Bandwidth**, **Noise Filter**, **Termination**, and **Termination Resistance** values from a list of options.

### To select the parameter values in Landscape Mode:

- **1.** Press the **Parameters** function key.
- **2.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **3.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **WB PSD Noise Threshold Settings**

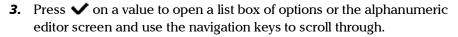
The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **RMS Noise Threshold** parameters for the test.

- ➤ Type is the threshold limit for each pair: either Maximum or Minimum.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the current threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.

#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR



**4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.



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VDSL2-12a(Armex A) VDSL2-12(Annex B) VDSL2-17a(Annex A VDSL2-17a(Annex B

VDSL2-8 MHz

VDSL2-30a VDSL2-35b TI SHDSLbis 2.3 Mbps SHDSLbis 3.8 Mbps SHDSLbis 5.7 Mbps

HDSL4(Downstream)

HDSL ISON PRI/PRA TI

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### **Select Masks**

The **Select Masks** tab allows you to set parameters and choose which **Masks** to enable for the **PSD** test.

- ➤ **Select Files** is either **None** which removes all check marks allowing you to select one or more Masks, or All.
- ➤ **DPBO** (Downstream Power Back Off) is either **ON** or OFF.
- ➤ **ESEL** (Exchange Side Electrical Length) is used to enter or modify the numerical values of attenuation of the cable at 1 MHz frequency from 0 to 120 dB with one decimal point. This represents the DPBOESEL variable or electrical length of exchange to

**Note: DPBO** and **ESEL** are only available if **Termination** is set to **Bridging** or Hi-Z Cable.

cabinet cable, and is applied to the DPBO mask calculation.

➤ Masks lists all the networks available to select dependent on the ITU or ANSI Standard mode set in Setup/Application Settings/Standard.

### To set parameters and enable the Masks for the PSD test:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- 3. Press  $\checkmark$  on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- **5.** If **None** is selected for the files, press the down arrow key to highlight the list box of **Masks** and press  $\checkmark$  to open the list.

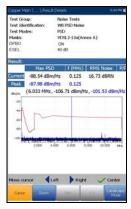
- **6.** In the list, press the up/down arrows to highlight the desired files and press **✓** to select/deselect a **Mask**.
- **7.** Press **4** to come out of the list.

All of your enabled masks are now listed on the **PSD** tab page in the **Mask** parameter, for test selection.

### **Result Details**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the **WB PSD Noise** test results, in text and graphical format. If an **ESEL** (Exchange Side Electrical Length) value was set, it is also displayed. The graph can be viewed in portrait and landscape modes, and maneuvered as follows:

➤ Cursor - press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.



- **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:
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  - ➤ Left = x-axis zoom out.
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- ➤ Pan use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.

- ➤ Landscape Mode function key allows you to view the test results in landscape mode. Whether the keyboard is on the right or left is dependent on your preferred Landscape Mode Settings configured in Setup/Application Settings/General.
- ➤ **Portrait Mode** is used to change the screen orientation from landscape to portrait.

# **WB Impulse Noise**

The wideband impulse noise test allows you to measure impulse noise on the circuit under test.

### Count

The **Count** function displays and updates results in *real time*, for the length of time set in **Test Duration** or less if you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Noise Tests**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ WB Noise Filter displays the filter currently enabled. Options are: None, ISDN-E, HDSL-F, ADSL-G, ADSL, ADSL2+, VDSL, VDSL2-8, VDSL2-12, VDSL2-17, VDSL2-30.
- ➤ **Termination** is either **Terminated**, if the termination resistance is internal to the unit, or **Bridging** if additional termination resistance is used to *bridge* onto live circuits with minimal interruption.
- ➤ Termination Resistance lists the resistance of the dummy load connected to the line.
- ➤ **Test Duration** allows you to set the length of time to run the test from a list of values. If **UFED Control** option is enabled, the maximum value is limited to 15 min.

- ➤ Impulse Separation Time (IST) specifies the time interval between successive impulses. Some impulse events comprise many sub-pulses or a pulse-train. Use a larger IST to capture longer events of many sub-pulses, or a smaller IST between events to capture fast sub-pulses as separate impulse events.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the Power Detection Level and WB Impulse Noise thresholds.
- ➤ Result displays the Count, Detection Level, Elapsed Time, and pass/fail status which is periodically refreshed, until you stop the test.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **WB Impulse Noise Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **WB Impulse Noise Threshold** values for the test.

- ➤ **Power Detection Level** defines the threshold limits.
- ➤ Counter allows you to set the threshold value for this counter.
- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit for each pair: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the current threshold: either **Yes** or **No**.



#### To set threshold values:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

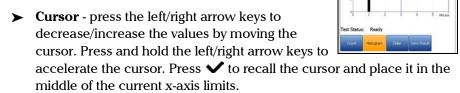
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# Histogram

The **Histogram** tab records the **Elapsed Time**, the **Total Counts** of impulse durations that are collected during each plot interval, and pass/fail status. The bar graph displays the impulse counts vs time.

**Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:



- **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:
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- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- Return To Test removes these function keys and displays the previous ones.

# **Result Details Count**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the **WB Impulse Noise Count, Detection Level**, and pass/fail status.



### **Profile Details**

The **WB Impulse Noise Profile Details** read-only page displays the test thresholds and parameters along with the **Impulse Separation Time** value.



### **NEXT**

The **NEXT** test measures the Near End Crosstalk (NEXT) between 2 pairs of cables. The test transmits a signal on the T/A - R/B pair, and measures the received crosstalk on T1/A1 - R1/B1 pair.

# **Spot**

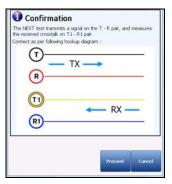
**Spot** is a continuous mode of operation measuring the crosstalk for a specific frequency selected by you, similar to the method used by the **Send Tone** test. The **Spot** function displays and updates results in real time, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed.

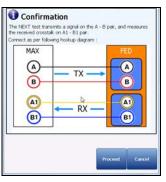
- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Noise Tests**.
- ➤ **Current Test** displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another **Noise** test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.



- ➤ Frequency allows you to set the frequency value for the Near End Crosstalk (NEXT).
- ➤ **Frequency Step** lists a choice of frequency step values.
- ➤ **Termination Resistance** lists a choice of resistance values for the termination of the signal.
- ➤ Show hookup diagram on test setup If Yes, the Confirmation page is prompted before every NEXT test is started. Select No to hide the diagram next time you run the test.

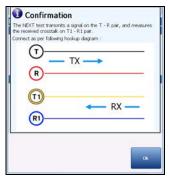
- ➤ Hookup Diagram button opens a Confirmation page displaying how to connect your cables at the beginning of the test. When FED is Enabled on the FED Setup page, both the T-R/A-B and T1-R1/A1-B1 pairs will be terminated at the FED. The hookup diagram uses graphic and textual components.
  - ➤ **Proceed** button closes the hookup diagram prompt and starts the test.
  - ➤ Cancel button closes the hookup diagram prompt only.

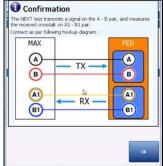




➤ The **Confirmation** window is prompted before every **NEXT** test is started if you selected **Yes** for the **Show hookup diagram**. You can select **No** to hide the diagram next time you run the test.

However, you can check the connection diagram at any time by pressing the **Hookup Diagram** button. In this case, the test does not start when you press the **Ok** button to close the **Confirmation** window.





- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the NEXT Spot Threshold for the test.
- > Step -> Freq button automatically enters/transfers the Frequency Step value into the Frequency value. If the step size is less than 10 kHz (but not 4.3125 kHz), the Frequency value will be set to 10 kHz. If the Frequency Step is set to 4.3125 kHz, the Frequency value will be set to 8.6250 kHz.
- ➤ **Result** displays the pass/fail status, **NEXT** and **Frequency (TX)** values.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the Spot parameter values:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Spot Threshold Settings**

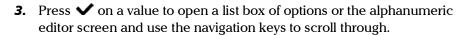
The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the threshold values for the **NEXT Spot** test.

- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ Enabled is a flag to use the current threshold: either Yes or No.

#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.





**4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.



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# **Spot Result Details**

The **Spot Results Details** read-only page displays the saved pass/fail status, **NEXT** and **Frequency (TX)** values.



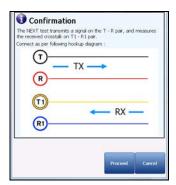
# **Spectrum**

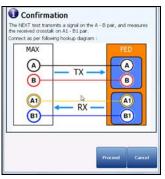
**Spectrum** is a snapshot mode of operation similar to **WB Attenuation**. The test makes one measurement of the crosstalk for the selected bandwidth, and then stops.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Noise Tests**.
- ➤ **Current Test** displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another **Noise** test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ Bandwidth allows you to select the bandwidth of the frequency range for the test. Available frequency bandwidths are: 2.2 MHz, 8 MHz, 12 MHz, 17.6 MHz, and 30 MHz.
- ➤ **Termination Resistance** lists a choice of resistance values for the termination of the signal.
- ➤ Show hookup diagram on test setup If Yes, the Confirmation page is prompted before every NEXT test is started. Select No to hide the diagram next time you run the test.



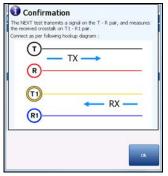
- ➤ Hookup Diagram button opens a Confirmation page displaying how to connect your cables at the beginning of the test. When FED is Enabled on the FED Setup page, both the T-R/A-B and T1-R1/A1-B1 pairs will be terminated at the FED. The hookup diagram uses graphic and textual components.
  - ➤ **Proceed** button closes the hookup diagram prompt and starts the test.
  - ➤ Cancel button closes the hookup diagram prompt only.

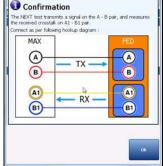




➤ The **Confirmation** window is prompted before every **NEXT** test is started if you selected **Yes** for the **Show hookup diagram**. You can select **No** to hide the diagram next time you run the test.

However, you can check the connection diagram at any time by pressing the **Hookup Diagram** button. In this case, the test does not start when you press the **Ok** button to close the **Confirmation** window.





- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the NEXT Spectrum Threshold.
- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.

➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and not the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

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Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and displays the **Spectrum** page.
- ➤ **Result** displays the pass/fail status, and test results in graphical format.
- ➤ **Good** is the good threshold value for the selected bandwidth, represented by a horizontal green line.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

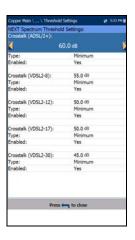
### **Spectrum Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Crosstalk** threshold values at fixed and periodic frequencies.

- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ Enabled is a flag to use the existing threshold: either Yes or No. For example, setting the threshold Enabled to No will disable pass/fail threshold.

#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.



### **Spectrum Result Details**

The **Spectrum Results Details** read-only page displays the pass/fail status and test results in graphical format.

- Test Group is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example
   Noise Tests.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **NEXT**.
- ➤ **Test Modes** is the mode of test, for example **Spectrum**.



- ➤ **Select Graph** button opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and not the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

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- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and returns to the **Spectrum** results page.

### **NEXT Results Profile Details**

The **NEXT Profile Details** page displays detailed read-only test thresholds and parameters for both **Spot** and **Spectrum** modes.

- ➤ **Profile Name** is the file name of the selected saved results.
- ➤ **Test Group** is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example **Noise Tests**.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **NEXT**.



# 10 Frequency Tests

The purpose of the frequency tests is to perform VF (voice frequency) and WB (wide band) level measurements, calculate the reduction of signal strength during transmission, measure the balance of a circuit, and count and detect the presence of load coils.

### To access frequency tests:

From the **Copper Main** pane, highlight **Frequency Tests** and press **t** to open the menu.



# **Frequency Tests Main Page**

The **Frequency Tests** menu allows you to select and run the displayed tests:

- ➤ VF/AC Balance
- ➤ WB Balance
- WB Attenuation
- ➤ Return Loss
- Load Coils
- ➤ Locator Tone
- ➤ TX/RX Tone
- ➤ RX Tone with FED

#### To start/stop a test:

- Press the up/down left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select the desired test icon.
- **2.** Press  $\checkmark$  to confirm your selection.



3. The test will start automatically if the Setup/Application Settings/General - Test Startup Mode is set to Auto. If not, press Start/Stop on the keypad.

# **VF/AC Balance**

The VF/AC Balance test allows you to check that the VF longitudinal balance ratio for the twisted pair complies with applicable standards so as to reduce the effects of common-mode voltage to ground. The test is a measurement of how much the T/A leg is like the R/B leg in electrical characteristics, measured by how much noise the line can mitigate (in dB). It is an overall health indicator and a quick way to tell if the line is in good condition. The better the longitudinal balance of the cable pair, the higher the dB reading.

The name of the frequency test depends on the selected **Standard**:

➤ ANSI: VF Balance

➤ ITU: AC Balance

### **Active**

The **Active** function takes a balance measurement, displaying and updating results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Frequency Tests**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the VF/AC Balance threshold.



- ➤ **Result** displays the pass/fail status and **Active VF/AC Balance** value.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

**Note:** The selected **Standard** in **Setup/Application Settings** determines the name of the frequency test - **ANSI: VF Balance, ITU: AC Balance.** 

#### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **VF/AC Balance Active Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Active VF/AC Balance Threshold** values for the test.

- ➤ VF/AC Balance sets the active balance threshold.
- ➤ Type is the threshold limit: either Maximum or Minimum.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the existing threshold: either **Yes** or **No**. For example, setting the threshold **Enabled** to **No** will disable pass/fail threshold.



#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Active Result Details**

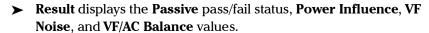
The **Active Results Details** read-only page displays the **VF/AC Balance** value and the pass/fail status.

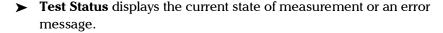


### **Passive**

The **Passive** function computes the passive balance as the difference between **Power Influence** and **VF Noise**, displaying and updating results in *real time*, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed. The measurement results of the active and passive VF Longitudinal Balance tests will generally be different due to the fact they use different measurement techniques.

- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Frequency Tests.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ **Noise Filter** displays the type of noise filter used.
- ➤ **Power Line Frequency** displays the frequency value of the power line.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the VF/AC Balance Threshold.





**Note:** The selected **Standard** in **Setup/Application Settings** determines the name of the frequency test - **ANSI: VF Balance, ITU: AC Balance.** 

#### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.



# **VF/AC Balance Passive Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Passive VF/AC Balance Threshold** values for the test.

- ➤ VF/AC Balance sets the passive balance threshold.
- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ Enabled is a flag to use the existing threshold: either Yes or No. For example, setting the threshold Enabled to No will disable pass/fail threshold.



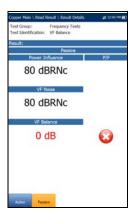
➤ Power Influence Threshold displays the Power Influence threshold values set in relation to VF/AC Balance threshold values.

### To set the passive VF/AC Balance threshold values:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Passive Result Details**

The **Passive Results Details** read-only page displays the **Passive** pass/fail status, **Power Influence**, **VF Noise**, and **VF/AC Balance** values.



### **WB Balance**

The wideband balance test ensures that the balance ratio for the twisted pair complies with applicable standards so as to reduce the effects of common-mode voltage to ground. The better the balance of the cable pair, the higher the dB reading. The test measures the WB balance at fixed and periodic frequencies dependent on the selected bandwidth.

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### **Balance**

The **Balance** page allows you to configure the parameters for the **WB Balance** test and view the results, in either **Portrait** or **Landscape Mode**.

- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Frequency Tests.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ Bandwidth allows you to select the frequency range for the test from a list of available bandwidth: ISDN, HDSL, SHDSL, ADSL1/2, ADSL2+, VDSL2-8, VDSL2-12, or VDSL2-17.
- ➤ **Termination Resistance** defines the resistance of the dummy load connected to the line.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the WB Balance Thresholds.

- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ **Cursor** press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

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Down = y-axis zoom out.

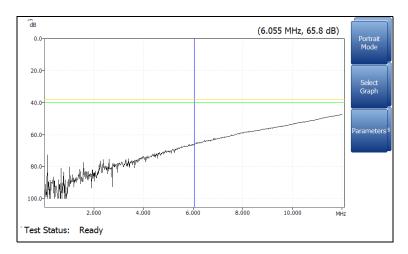
- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and displays the previous ones.
- ➤ **Result** displays a graph of the **Marginal** and **Good** balance results, and pass/fail status. If any attenuation measurement (trace) is greater/less than the corresponding marginal test threshold for a maximum/minimum threshold, the status is fail. Otherwise, the status is pass.
  - ➤ **Good** is the good balance threshold for the currently selected bandwidth, represented by a horizontal green line.
  - ➤ **Marginal** is the marginal balance threshold for the currently selected bandwidth, represented by a horizontal yellow line.

If Mask is enabled for the selected bandwidth, then:

- ➤ Marginal is a marginal pass area on the graph represented in yellow.
- ➤ The end of tolerance or fail point is displayed as a red cursor value.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

#### To select the parameter values in Portrait Mode:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- ➤ Landscape Mode function key allows you to view the test results in landscape mode. Whether the keyboard is on the right or left is dependent on your preferred Landscape Mode Settings configured in Setup/Application Settings/General.



This mode generates the following function keys:

- ➤ **Portrait Mode** is used to change the screen orientation from landscape to portrait.
- ➤ **Select Graph** opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph. (Same as above.)
- ➤ **Parameters** displays a small strip window when selected allowing you to change the **Bandwidth** and **Termination Resistance** values from a list of options.

### To select the parameter values in Landscape Mode:

- **1.** Press the **Parameters** function key.
- **2.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **3.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **WB Balance Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Good/Marginal Balance** thresholds for the following:

- ➤ Bandwidth allows you to select the frequency range for the test from a list of available bandwidth: ISDN, HDSL, SHDSL, ADSL1/2, ADSL2+, VDSL2-8, VDSL2-12, or VDSL2-17.
- ➤ Type is the threshold limit for each pair. Selecting Minimum or Maximum acts as the single point P/F threshold flat mask while selecting Mask provides a shaped mask as threshold. When Mask is selected, it will be used as pass/fail criteria next time the test is run.



- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the existing threshold: either **Yes** or **No**. For example, setting the threshold **Enabled** to **No** will disable pass/fail threshold.
- ➤ Mask Tolerance allows you to set a marginal pass value which will be displayed on the graph in yellow.

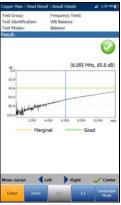
#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

#### **Result Details**

The **Results Details** displays a graph of the **Marginal** and **Good** wideband balance results, and pass/fail status. Results can be viewed in portrait and landscape modes. You can maneuver the graph as follows:

➤ Cursor - press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.



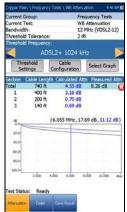
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  - ➤ Down = y-axis zoom out.
- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ Landscape Mode function key allows you to view the test results in landscape mode. Whether the keyboard is on the right or left is dependent on your preferred Landscape Mode Settings configured in Application Settings/General.
- ➤ **Portrait Mode** is used to change the screen orientation from landscape to portrait.

### **WB Attenuation**

#### **Attenuation**

The WB (wideband) single-ended attenuation test allows you to calculate the dissipation of power of a transmitted signal as it travels over the copper line. This test is performed from one end of the cable and does not require a remote second device. The test does require an out-of-service wire pair that is open at the far end. Faults should be repaired first.

- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Frequency Tests.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.



- ➤ Bandwidth allows you to select the frequency range for the test from a list of available bandwidths: ISDN, HDSL, SHDSL, ADSL1/2, ADSL2+, VDSL2-8, VDSL2-12, VDSL2-17, VDSL2-30, or VDSL2-35.
- ➤ Threshold Tolerance allows you to set a marginal pass value which will be displayed on the graph in yellow.
- ➤ Threshold Frequency allows you to add threshold calculations to the WB Attenuation test by selecting a technology that is used for threshold pass/fail estimation. The list of technologies are dynamically populated based on the selected Bandwidth. Whenever you change the Bandwidth, the Threshold Frequency is set to the default None.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the Attenuation threshold.
- ➤ Cable Configuration button opens a new page that allows you to set cable parameters for the Current Test.

- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and not the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ Return To Results removes these function keys and displays the Attenuation page.
- ➤ **Result** displays the **Cable Length**, pass/fail status, and test results in text and graphical format. If a **Threshold Frequency** was selected (other than **None**), the calculations are presented in 2 ways:
  - ➤ An attenuation vs. frequency curve is added to the graph
  - ➤ A table displaying the **Total** equivalent **Calculated Attn** and the **Measured Attn** at the frequency, specific to the selected technology; and up to 4 rows displaying information calculated for each **Section** identified on **Cable Configuration** page.

The **Calculated Attn** is the sum of the section attenuations and is shown in blue.

The **Measured Attn** displays the measured attenuation for the frequency set in the **Threshold Settings**, and is shown in black.

The pass/fail criteria is calculated by comparing **Measured Attn** to the equivalent attenuation value displayed in the **Calculated Attn**, plus half of the **Threshold Tolerance**.

When Mask is enabled for the selected bandwidth:

- ➤ The end of tolerance or fail point is displayed as a red cursor value.
- ➤ **Good** is the good balance threshold mask for the currently selected bandwidth, represented by green in the graph.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

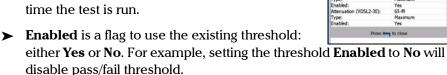
#### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **WB Attenuation Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **WB Attenuation** threshold values for the test.

- ➤ **Attenuation** sets up the good attenuation threshold parameters.
- ➤ Type is the threshold limit for each pair. Selecting Minimum or Maximum acts as the single point pass/fail threshold *flat* mask while selecting Mask provides a *shaped* mask as threshold. When Mask is selected, it will be used as pass/fail criteria next time the test is run.



#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Cable Configuration**

The **Cable Configuration** page is only required if using theoretical calculated attenuation pass/fail. The page allows you to set cable parameters for the **WB Attenuation** test. Each time the **Cable Configuration** is changed, the total equivalent attenuation table will be recalculated and redrawn.

- ➤ No. of Cable Sections allows you to set the number of consecutive cable sections, to a maximum of 4. If unknown, set the number to 1.
- Section set above, ID, Cable Name and Fill, and allows you to select an entry (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, to use for testing. For each section, the selected Cable Type must have attenuation data available or else the total equivalent attenuation can not be calculated. The selection is not saved when leaving the test. The current Cable Book entry is shown by default.
- ➤ Section Length specifies the cable length of each section. The total length for all cable sections cannot exceed 8000 m or 24000 ft. If you do not enter a length for each section selected, the total equivalent attenuation can not be calculated.
- **Cable Attenuation Data** is set to **Yes** for each cable section selected.

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **WB Attenuation Result Details**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the **Cable Length**, pass/fail status, and **WB Attenuation** test results in text and graphical format.

- ➤ Test Group is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example Frequency Tests.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **WB Attenuation**.
- ➤ Test Modes is the mode of test, for example Attenuation.
- ➤ Threshold Frequency displays the technology used for threshold pass/fail estimation.
- ➤ Cable Configuration button opens a new page displaying the cable parameters of the test. Use the left/right arrows to select the button and press ✓ to open the page.
- Select Graph button changes to Graph Selected when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and not the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = v-axis zoom out.



- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ Return To Results removes these function keys and displays the Attenuation results page.

When Mask was enabled for the selected bandwidth:

- ➤ The end of tolerance or fail point may be displayed as a red cursor value.
- ➤ **Good** is the good balance threshold mask for the currently selected bandwidth, represented by green in the graph.

# **Result Details Cable Configuration**

The **Cable Configuration** page in the **Results Details** allows you to view the cable parameters set for the **WB Attenuation** test.

- ➤ **No. of Cable Sections** is the number of consecutive cable sections, with a maximum of 4.
- ➤ Cable Type # displays the number of a cable section set above, ID, Cable Name and Fill.
- ➤ **Section Length** identifies the cable length of each section.



### **Return Loss**

The Return Loss test allows you to measure the loss of power in the signal returned/reflected by a discontinuity in a transmission line. This discontinuity or impedance variation can be a mismatch with the terminating load or with a device inserted in the line.

### **Single Frequency**

The **Single Frequency** test is continuous, and allows you to configure parameters and change values during the measurement. The page provides a **Return Loss** result value in dB, and pass/fail status.

- Current Group is the current test group name, for example Frequency Tests.
- ➤ **Current Test** displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another **Frequency** test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- Frequency allows you to set the frequency value for the Return Loss test.
- ➤ **Frequency Step** lists a choice of frequency step values.
- ➤ **Termination Resistance** lists a choice of resistance values for the termination of the signal.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set Return Loss thresholds for the transmission.



- ➤ **Result** displays the pass/fail status, **Return Loss** and **Frequency (TX)** values.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

#### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Return Loss Threshold Settings**

The **Return Loss Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **Loss Threshold** for each pair. The threshold is a programmable value you can use as an on-screen indicator in each test when a measured value is too high or too low.

- ➤ **Type** is the threshold limit for each pair: either **Maximum** or **Minimum**.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the **Return Loss** threshold: either **Yes** or **No**. For example, setting the threshold **Enabled** to **No** will disable pass/fail threshold.



#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Single Frequency Result Details**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the pass/fail status, **Return Loss** and **Frequency (TX)** values.



### **Sweep**

The **Sweep** test allows you to configure parameters and provides a snapshot measurement of **Return Loss** in a graphical format, and pass/fail status.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Frequency Tests**.
- ➤ **Current Test** displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another **Frequency** test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ Bandwidth allows you to select the frequency range for the test from a list of available bandwidth: ISDN, HDSL, SHDSL, ADSL1/2, or ADSL2+.
- ➤ **Termination Resistance** lists a choice of resistance values for the termination of the signal.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set Return Loss thresholds for the transmission.
- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

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Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- Return To Test removes these function keys and displays the Detection page.
- ➤ **Result** displays the pass/fail status and a graph of the **Return Loss Sweep** compared to **Marginal** results. If the measurement is greater/less than the marginal test threshold, represented by a horizontal red line, the status is fail. Otherwise, the status is pass.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Sweep Threshold Settings**

The **Return Loss Sweep Threshold Settings** page is similar to the **Single Frequency** test and allows you to set the **Loss Threshold** for each pair. In addition, you can select **Mask** as a threshold and view the **Mask Tolerance**. The threshold is a programmable value you can use as an on-screen indicator in each test when a measured value is too high or too low.

➤ Type is the threshold limit for each pair. Selecting
Minimum or Maximum acts as the single point P/F
threshold flat mask while selecting Mask provides
a shaped mask as threshold. When Mask is
selected, it will be used as pass/fail criteria next
time the test is run, and Loss Threshold becomes read-only.



- ➤ **Enabled** is a flag to use the **Return Loss** threshold: either **Yes** or **No**. For example, setting the threshold **Enabled** to **No** will disable pass/fail threshold.
- ➤ Mask Tolerance is a fixed value representing a marginal pass area on the graph shown in yellow.

#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Sweep Result Details**

The **Sweep Result Details** read-only page displays the pass/fail status and test results in graphical format.

- Test Group is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example Frequency Tests.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **Return Loss**.
- ➤ **Test Modes** is the mode of test, for example **Sweep**.
- ➤ **Select Graph** button opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ **Cursor** press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and not the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ Pan use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and returns to the **Spectrum** results page.



### **Return Loss Profile Details**

The **Profile Details** page displays read-only **Return Loss Test Thresholds/Parameters** for both **Single Frequency** and **Sweep**.

- ➤ **Profile Name** is the file name of the selected saved results.
- ➤ **Test Group** is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example **Frequency Tests**.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **Return Loss**.



### **Load Coils**

The Load Coils test allows you to detect the presence of load coils, which are detrimental to the use of DSL technologies on the line. If a load coil is detected, use the TDR (time domain reflectometry) test to quickly locate and remove it from the cable.

#### **Detection**

The **Detection** function specifies the presence or absence of load coil in the cable section, and displays the number of load coils in the line and measured values in graphical form.

- Current Group is the current test group name, for example Frequency Tests.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.



#### ➤ Cable Parameters:

- ➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, and allows you to select an entry (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, to use for testing. The selection is not saved when leaving the test. The current Cable Book entry is shown by default.
- ➤ Cable Fill read-only entry is the type of material the cable is filled with: Aircore, Jelly, Pulp, 5 PR, or 2 PR. Setup in the Cable Book.
- VOP read-only entry is the velocity of propagation for the cable defined as m/μsec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light. Setup is in the Cable Book.
- ➤ Cable Temperature allows you to change the temperature of the cable under test in either °F or °C.

- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ Return To Test removes these function keys and displays the Detection page.
- ➤ **Result** displays the number of load coils in text and graphical format.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

#### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **TDR**

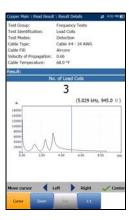
The Load Coils **TDR** function provides a shortcut to the TDR test. A dialogue box opens, warning that you are about to leave the Load Coils test. TDR results captured while running Load Coils will be available upon loading TDR. See *TDR* on page 257 for information on this test.



### **Load Coils Result Details**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the number of load coils, in text and graphical format. You can maneuver the graph as follows:

- ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
- ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:
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- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.



# **Locator Tone**

When **Locator Tone** is selected from the **Frequency Tests** menu, a 577 Hz signal and a 983 Hz alternating signal are sent separately for 200 ms each. The sequence of this tone is repeated continuously until you stop the test. Sinusoidal waveform is used to generate these signals.

### **Tone**

The **Tone** function allows you to set the **Tone Power** and generate a pulsed tone on the line to trace a cable pair at the far end.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Frequency Tests**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ **Tone Power** allows you to select either low or high power for the **Locator Tone**.
- Tone Frequencies displays the frequencies of the Locator Tone.
- **Termination Resistance** is a read-only value of **600**  $\Omega$ .
- **Result** displays the **Elapsed Time** the locator tone is being sent.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

## To select the parameter values:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

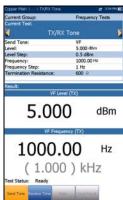
# TX/RX Tone

The **TX/RX Tone** tests allow you to generate tones and measure the frequencies and levels of incoming signals.

### **Send Tone**

The **Send Tone** (TX) pane allows you to configure and transmit a tone to a downstream device in the loop.

- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Frequency Tests.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another frequency test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ **Send Tone** allows you to select either a **VF** (voice frequency) or **WB** (wideband) signal (if this option was purchased).



- ➤ Level allows you to set the tone level value.
- ➤ Level Step (read only) displays the level step of the uplink frequency.
- ➤ **Frequency** allows you to set a frequency value for the transmitting tone.
- ➤ **Frequency Step** lists a choice of frequency step values.
- ➤ **Termination Resistance** lists a resistance value for the termination of the **Send Tone**.

- ➤ **Result** displays the values for both the TX **VF/WB Level** and **VF/WB Frequency**.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

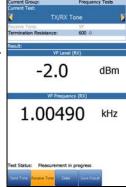
### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Receive Tone**

The **Receive Tone** (RX) tab allows you to configure and run a receive tone test, which measures the frequency and level of incoming signals.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Frequency Tests**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another frequency test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- ➤ Receive Tone allows you to select either a VF (voice frequency) or WB (wideband) signal.



➤ Termination Resistance lists a resistance value for the termination of the Receive Tone.

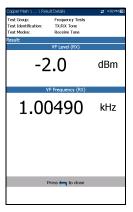
- ➤ **Result** displays the values for both the RX **VF/WB Level** and **VF/WB Frequency**.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Result Details**

The Results Details read-only page displays the saved receive tone or RX **VF/WB Level** and **VF/WB Frequency** values.



# **Profile Details Receive Tone**

The **Profile Details** page displays read-only **Receive Tone Test Parameters**.

- ➤ Tone displays whether the receive tone was VF or WB.
- ➤ Termination Resistance is the resistance value selected for the termination of the Receive Tone test.



# **RX Tone with FED**

The RX **Tone with FED** test can be setup to run a single frequency or run sequentially through a selected number of frequencies. The Teletech TS125 or Viavi UFED IIB Remote FED (far end device) is used and FED software option must be enabled on your unit. However the test is not dependent on enabling the FED in **FED Setup**.

# **Single Tone**

The **Single Tone** tab allows you to configure the following parameters:

- ➤ Current Group is the current test group name, for example Frequency Tests.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another Frequency test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
- Receive Tone allows you to select either a VF
   (voice frequency) or WB (wideband) signal. WB
   selection is only available when the 30 MHz
   Wideband Testing software option is installed.



- ➤ **Termination Resistance** defines how much resistance the tester uses to connect to the line, and is set as follows:
  - $\blacktriangleright$  for **VF Tone**, a read-only value of 600 Ω.
  - $\blacktriangleright$  for **WB Tone**, select 100, 120, or 135 Ω.
- ➤ FED Frequency sets the frequency that the TS125 FED will transmit and is a value in Hz for VF Receive Tone (default 300 Hz) and kHz for WB (default 196 kHz).
- ➤ **Tone Duration** modifies the duration value of the tone from 5 60 seconds. Default is **5 s**.

- ➤ **Result** displays the values for both the RX VF/WB Loss and Frequency
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Single Tone Result Details**

The **Result Details** read-only page displays the saved receive tone or **VF/WB RX Loss/Frequency** values for the **Single RX Tone with FED** test.



# **Multiple Tone Graph**

The **Multiple Tone Graph** tab displays results in text and graphical formats. From this page, you can run the **RX Tone with FED** test using multiple frequencies, by configuring the following parameters:

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Frequency Tests**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another Frequency test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.
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- Receive Tone allows you to select either a VF (voice frequency) or WB (wideband) signal. WB selection is only available when the 30 MHz Wideband Testing software option is installed.
- ➤ **Termination Resistance** defines how much resistance the tester uses to connect to the line, and is set as follows:
  - $\blacktriangleright$  for **VF Receive Tone**, a read-only value of 600 Ω.
  - $\blacktriangleright$  for **WB Receive Tone**, select 100, 120, or 135 Ω.
- ➤ **FED Frequency Group** allows you to select the frequency that the TS125 FED will transmit, from a preset list.
  - ➤ for VF Receive Tone:

POTS/PSTN: 404, 804, 1004, 1204, 1804, 2204, 2404, 2804, 3204, 3404 Hz

VF 5 Tone: 404, 1004, 2804, 3004, 3604 Hz

➤ for WB Receive Tone:

HDSL: 20, 30, 50, 70, 90, 110, 130, 196, 400 kHz

T1/E1: 200, 400, 500, 700, 772, 1024 kHz

ADSL1/2+: 25, 69, 90, 110, 138, 300, 550, 800, 1104, 2208 kHz VDSL2-12: 25, 138, 276, 3000, 3750, 5200, 8500, 12000 kHz

WB 5 Tone: 196, 392, 772, 1100, 2200 kHz

- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and displays the test page.
- ➤ **Result** displays the values for both the RX VF/WB Loss and Frequency.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

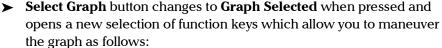
### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Multiple Tone Graph Result Details**

The **Result Details** read-only page displays the RX VF/WB Loss and Frequency results in graphical format for the **Multiple RX Tone with FED** test.

- Test Group is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example Frequency Tests.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **RX Tone with FED**.
- ➤ **Test Modes** is the mode of test, for example **Multiple Tone**.



➤ **Cursor** - press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.



➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and not the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

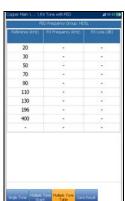
Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ Return To Test removes these function keys and returns to the test results page.

# **Multiple Tone Table**

The **Multiple Tone Table** displays the **RX Frequency/Loss** for the **FED Frequency Group**selected.

- ➤ for **VF Receive Tone**:
  - ➤ POTS/PSTN: 404, 804, 1004, 1204, 1804, 2204, 2404, 2804, 3204, 3404 Hz
  - ➤ VF 5 Tone: 404, 1004, 2804, 3004, 3604 Hz
- ➤ for WB Receive Tone:
  - ➤ HDSL: 20, 30, 50, 70, 90, 110, 130, 196, 400 kHz
  - ➤ T1/E1: 200, 400, 500, 700, 772, 1024 kHz
  - ➤ ADSL1/2+: 25, 69, 90, 110, 138, 300, 550, 800, 1104, 2208 kHz
  - ➤ VDSL2-12: 25, 138, 276, 3000, 3750, 5200, 8500, 12000 kHz
  - ➤ WB 5 Tone: 196, 392, 772, 1100, 2200 kHz



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## **Profile Details**

The **Profile Details** page displays read-only **Test Parameters** for both the **Single** and **Multiple RX Tone with FED** tests, and may contain the following entries:

- ➤ **Profile Name** (only displayed in Results Manager) is the file name of the selected saved results.
- ➤ **Test Group** is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example **Frequency Tests**.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **RX Tone with FED**.



# **11 TDR**

The **TDR** (time domain reflectometry) test is a useful tool to locate cable faults. The test is used after a fault has been identified by running other tests, since TDR reacts to all faults and conditions on a typical cable pair, revealing multiple events, some of which may be acceptable conditions. TDR can see events as close as the ends of the test leads. The graph controls allow you to see the reflections and their distances so that you can find and resolve faults; you can view the graph in either **Portrait** or **Landscape Mode**.

There are 3 modes of operation to choose from:

- 1. Auto TDR automatically searches and determines the length of the cable, finds the nearest significant event, and optimizes the ranges, pulse width, and gain. Range and Gain are updated to reflect the optimized TDR settings but can be edited. Auto TDR displays the distance for the Largest Event and updates results in real time, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed.
- 2. Manual TDR does not automate any function nor settings and gives you full control over TDR parameters such as Range, Gain, VOP, and Pulse Width. The test displays results in graphical format, updating them in real time, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed.
- **3. xTalk** (crosstalk) **TDR** allows you to locate split pairs between tip (A) and ring (B) copper wires which may be causing service disruptions. The test transmits on pair one and receives on pair two to locate the split pairs.

#### To select and run a test:

- 1. Press the left/right navigation keys to select the desired icon.
- **2.** Press **v** to run the test.

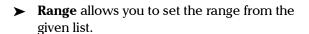
Auto TDR

## **Continuous**

The **Continuous** function displays the line trace and is continuously on and ready to use. It displays and updates results in *real time*, in either **Portrait** or **Landscape Mode**, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed. (Scroll down to see examples of some common faults on the TDR.)

- Current Group displays the test being measured.
- ➤ Current Test allows you to select either Auto, Manual, or xTalk TDR.

**Note:** If you run Auto TDR first, and use the left/right arrow keys to change the Current Test from Auto TDR to Manual TDR, the test will copy the TDR parameters from the Auto TDR to the Manual TDR, but not to xTalk TDR.





- ➤ Gain allows you to select a gain test parameter from the given list.
- ➤ Variable Gain (Auto TDR only), when enabled, automatically increases the amplitude gain as distance increases on the graph. In this way, you do not have to tweak the gain just to see events at the far end. Select from 4 possible entries:
  - ➤ Disabled
  - ➤ Enabled
  - ➤ Disabled with Auto Scale
  - ➤ Enabled with Auto Scale

Use **Auto Scale** to easily capture and see the detected **Largest Event** applying automatic scaling of the amplitude of the trace in the vertical axis.

- ➤ **Pulse Width** is a non-editable value in **Auto TDR** but can be selected from a given list in **Manual** and **xTalk TDR**.
- ➤ **Dual Trace Offset** is a configurable offset parameter for the secondary trace, with a range of -100 % to +100 %.

**Note:** If the loaded secondary trace offset = 0, then the primary and secondary traces will overlap.

- ➤ **VOP** allows you to change the velocity of propagation value for the cable as defined in m/µsec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light.
- Current Trace (available only in Manual TDR) allows you to turn on/off Live and Peak traces and calculates the Differential trace. Select one of the following:
  - ➤ **Live** turns Peak Hold off clearing previously collected minimum/maximum measurement values. This is the default.
  - ➤ Live and Peak turns Peak Hold on and collects minimum/maximum measurement values, displaying all 3 traces.
  - Peak Only turns Peak Hold on displaying only Peak traces with no offset.
  - ➤ Live+Store+Diff selection is only available while the test is running and a Trace is loaded. The differential trace is calculated between Live and loaded stored traces during the measurement, and displayed on the graph with no offset.



- ➤ **Differential Only** selection is only available while the test is running and a Trace is loaded. Only the calculated differential is displayed on the graph.
- ➤ Cable Setup button opens a new page that allows you to set the Cable Parameters for the Current Test.
- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor/Marker allows you to select the cursor (blue) or marker (red) independently by toggling the function key. The footer updates to reflect either Move cursor or Move marker. Press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor/marker. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor/marker. Press ✓ to recall the cursor/marker and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ Pan use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and displays the previous ones.
- **Result** displays the distance to the most significant reflection, in text and graphical measurements. The distance  $\Delta$  (Delta) value between cursor and marker is also displayed at the top of the graph.

- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.
- ➤ Load Trace function key opens a new page that allows you to load a trace from a list of previously saved TDR tests
- ➤ **Clear Trace** function key deletes the loaded trace from the graph.

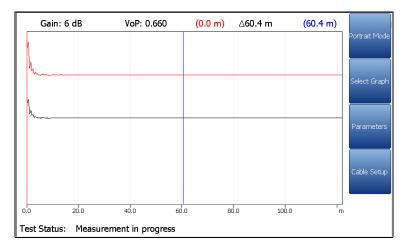
### To select the parameter values in Portrait Mode:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view, select the options, or increase/decrease values.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

➤ Landscape Mode is the best way to use the TDR and allows you to view the test results in landscape mode utilizing the full length of the high resolution, color screen. Whether the keyboard is on the right or left is dependent on your preferred Landscape Mode Settings configured in Setup/Application Settings/General.



**Landscape Mode** generates the following function keys:

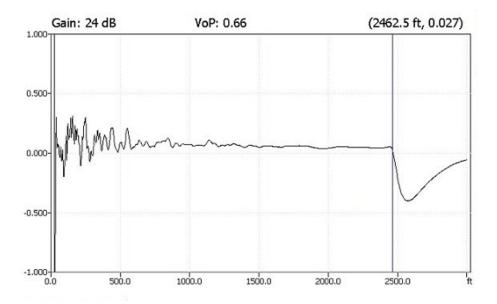
- ➤ **Portrait Mode** is used to change the screen orientation from landscape to portrait.
- ➤ **Select Graph** opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph. (Same as above.)
- ➤ Parameters displays a small strip window listing the following values: Range, Gain, Pulse Width, and Current Trace (not in Auto TDR). They can be edited or viewed the same way as in Portrait Mode (described above), dependent on the TDR test being run.
- ➤ Cable Setup displays a small strip window when selected allowing you to change the Cable Type, VOP, and Cable Temperature. You can also view the Cable Fill entry which was setup in Cable Book. For more information, see *Cable Setup* in portrait mode.

### To select the parameter values in Landscape Mode:

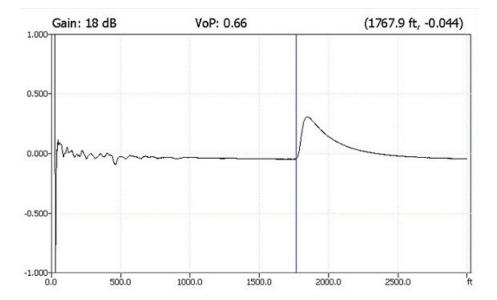
- **1.** Press the desired function key.
- **2.** For **Parameters** and **Cable Setup**, press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **3.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view, select the options, or increase/decrease values.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

### **Examples of Common Faults**

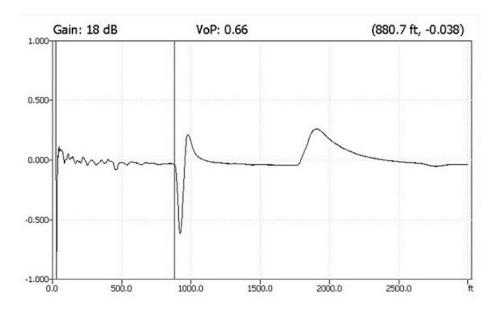
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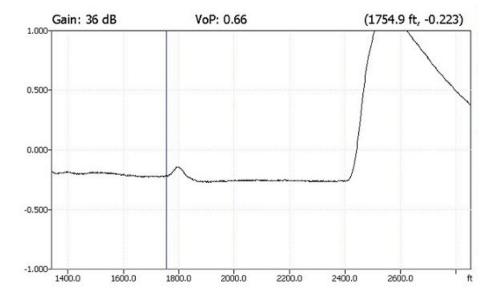
Open



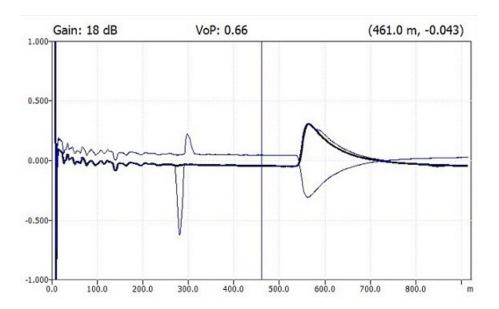
**Bridged Tap** 



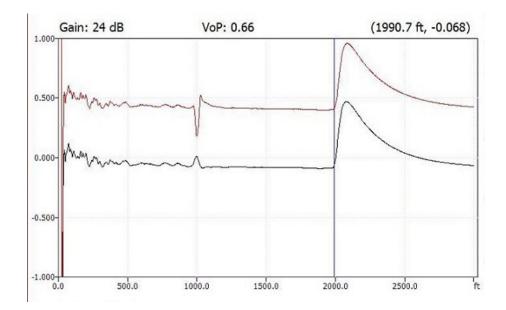
### Splice Joint



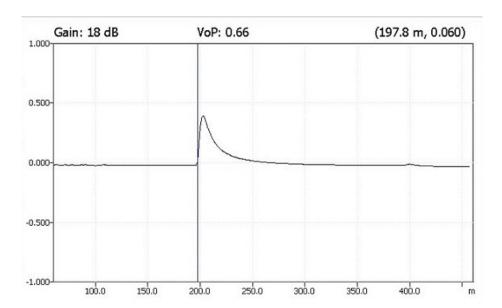
**Peak Function** 



### **Dual Trace View**



Load Coil



xTalk TDF 100 m

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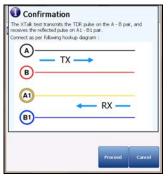
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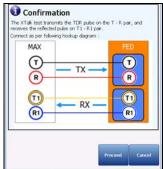
# xTalk TDR

The **xTalk TDR** test transmits on one pair and receives on pair two allowing you to detect and isolate split pairs which may be causing service disruptions. The test adds a hookup diagram in the form of a **Confirmation** window at start up, showing you how to connect your cables for this test.

When FED is **Enabled** on the **FED Setup** page, both the T-R/A-B and T1-R1/A1-B1 pairs will be terminated at the FED. The hookup diagram uses graphic and textual components.

- ➤ **Proceed** button closes the hookup diagram prompt and starts the test.
- ➤ Cancel button closes the hookup diagram prompt only.





Gain

Pulse Width: Dual Trace Offset %

VOP (Ratio):

The **Continuous** function displays the line trace and is continuously on and ready to use. It displays and updates results in *real time*, in either **Portrait** or **Landscape Mode**, until you stop the test. The last valid results then remain displayed.

- ➤ Current Group displays the test being measured.
- ➤ Current Test allows you to select either Auto, Manual, or xTalk TDR.

**Note:** The test has the same parameters as the **Manual TDR** test and does not inherit **Auto TDR** settings (**Range**, **Gain**, **Pulse Width**) when switching to the test from the **Current Test** setup line.

- **Range** allows you to set the range from the given list.
- ➤ **Gain** allows you select the gain test parameter from the given list.
- ➤ **Pulse Width** allows you to select a value from a given list.
- ➤ **Dual Trace Offset** % is a configurable offset parameter for the secondary trace, with a range of -100 % to +100 %.

**Note:** If the loaded secondary trace offset = 0, then the primary and secondary traces will overlap.

- ➤ **VOP** allows you to change the velocity of propagation value for the cable as defined in m/µsec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light.
- ➤ Current Trace allows you to turn on/off Live and Peak traces by selecting one of the following:
  - ➤ Live turns Peak Hold OFF clearing previously collected minimum/maximum measurement values. This is the default.
  - ➤ Live and Peak turns Peak Hold ON and collects minimum/maximum measurement values, displaying all 3 traces.
  - ➤ Peak Only turns Peak Hold ON displaying only Peak traces with no offset.
- ➤ Cable Setup button opens a new page that allows you to set the Cable Parameters for the Current Test.

- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor/Marker allows you to select the cursor (blue) or marker (red) independently by toggling the function key. The footer updates to reflect either Move cursor or Move marker. Press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor/marker. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor/marker. Press 
    to recall the cursor/marker and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

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Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y
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- ➤ Pan use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and displays the previous ones.
- **Result** displays the distance to the most significant reflection, in text and graphical measurements. The distance  $\Delta$  (Delta) value between cursor and marker is also displayed at the top of the graph.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.
- ➤ Load Trace function key opens a new page that allows you to load a trace from a list of previously saved TDR tests.
- ➤ Clear Trace function key deletes the loaded trace from the graph.

### To select the parameter values in Portrait Mode:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view, select the options, or increase/decrease values.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- ➤ Landscape Mode is the best way to use the TDR and allows you to view the test results in landscape mode utilizing the full length of the high resolution, color screen. Whether the keyboard is on the right or left is dependent on your preferred Landscape Mode Settings configured in Setup/Application Settings/General.

**Landscape Mode** generates the following function keys:

- ➤ **Portrait Mode** is used to change the screen orientation from landscape to portrait.
- ➤ **Select Graph** opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph. (Same as above.)
- ➤ Parameters displays a small strip window listing the following values: Range and Gain, Pulse Width, and Current Trace. They can be edited or viewed as described in Portrait Mode (above).
- ➤ Cable Setup displays a small strip window when selected allowing you to change the Cable Type, VOP, and Cable Temperature. You can also view the Cable Fill entry which was setup in Cable Book. For more information, see *Cable Setup* in portrait mode.

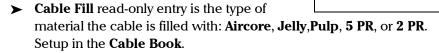
### To select the parameter values in Landscape Mode:

- **1.** Press the desired function key.
- **2.** For **Parameters** and **Cable Setup**, press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **3.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view, select the options, or increase/decrease values.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Cable Setup**

The **Cable Setup** page allows you to set **Cable Parameters** for the TDR test. These values can be set in **Portrait** or **Landscape Mode**.

- ➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, and allows you to select an entry (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, to use for testing. The selection is not saved when leaving the test. The current Cable Book entry is shown by default.
- ➤ Cable Gauge identifies the gauge system for measuring wire sizes, in AWG (American Wire Gauge) units or mm (metric wire size).



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- ➤ VOP allows you to change the velocity of propagation value for the cable as defined in m/µsec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light.
- ➤ Cable Temperature allows you to change the temperature of the cable under test in either °F or °C.

### To select the parameter values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

# **Load Trace**

The **Load Trace** function allows you to load a saved trace. The tab opens a page listing previously saved TDR tests by **File Name** and when the test was saved, that can be used as the trace files to be loaded. A trace may be loaded:

- ➤ Prior to starting the TDR test.
- ➤ During the TDR test, while it is running.
- ➤ After the TDR test has been stopped.

Traces may be loaded from either **MT internal memory** or **USB**.

### To load a previously saved trace:

**1.** Press the left/right arrow keys to highlight the desired **Storage Location**.

OR

- **2.** Press **v** to display the list and select the value.
- **3.** Press the down arrow key to highlight the list box and press **✓** to open the list.
- **4.** In the list, press the up/down arrows to select the **File Name**.
- **5.** Press **✓** to load the trace.

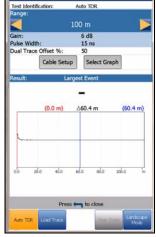


# **Result Details**

The **Results Details** page displays the TDR test result cable parameters and the last viewed **Range**, cursor, and marker positions. The distance  $\Delta$  (Delta) value between cursor and marker is displayed at the top of the graph.

Results are shown in text and graphical format in **Portrait/Landscape Mode**. You can load a saved auto TDR trace (secondary trace) and display it simultaneously with the original TDR trace (primary trace).

**Note:** The saved TDR test only displays the live/primary trace.



- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **Auto TDR**.
- ➤ **Range** allows you to set the range from the given list in **Auto TDR** only.
- ➤ Gain displays whether the parameter was set to Auto or manual.
- ➤ **Pulse Width** is a non-editable value that is updated dependent on whether the parameters are set to **Auto** or manual.
- ➤ **Dual Trace Offset** % is a configurable offset parameter for the secondary trace, with a range of -100 % to +100 %.
- ➤ Current Trace (*not* available in Auto TDR) allows you to turn on/off Live and Peak traces by selecting one of the following:
  - ➤ Live turns Peak Hold OFF clearing previously collected minimum/maximum measurement values. This is the default.
  - ➤ Live and Peak turns Peak Hold ON and collects minimum/maximum measurement values, displaying all 3 traces.

 Peak Only turns Peak Hold ON displaying only Peak traces with no offset.

**Note:** If the loaded secondary trace offset = 0, then the primary and secondary traces will overlap.

- ➤ Cable Setup button allows you to view the Cable Parameters of the TDR test.
- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor/Marker allows you to select the cursor (blue) or marker (red) independently by toggling the function key. The footer updates to reflect either Move cursor or Move marker. Press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor/marker. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor/marker. Press 
    to recall the cursor/marker and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = v-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ Pan use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and displays the previous function keys.

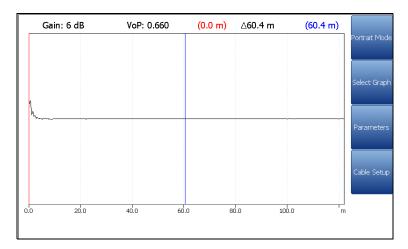
- ➤ Load Trace function key opens a new page that allows you to load a trace from a list of previously saved TDR tests.
- ➤ **Clear Trace** button deletes the loaded trace from the graph.

#### To select the parameter values in Portrait Mode:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view, select the options, or increase/decrease values.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- ➤ Landscape Mode is the best way to use the TDR and allows you to view the test results in landscape mode utilizing the full length of the high resolution, color screen. Whether the keyboard is on the right or left is dependent on your preferred Landscape Mode Settings configured in Setup/Application Settings/General.



**Note:** The saved TDR test only displays the live/primary trace.

#### **Landscape Mode** generates the following function keys:

- ➤ **Portrait Mode** is used to change the screen orientation from landscape to portrait.
- ➤ **Select Graph** opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph. (Same as above.)
- ➤ Parameters displays a small strip window listing the following values: Range, Gain, Pulse Width, and Current Trace (not in Auto TDR). They can be edited or viewed the same way as in Portrait Mode (described above), dependent on the TDR test being run.
- Cable Setup displays a small strip window when selected allowing you to view the Cable Type, Cable Fill, VOP, and Cable Temperature. For more information, see Cable Setup in portrait mode.

#### To select the parameter values in Landscape Mode:

- **1.** Press the desired function key.
- **2.** For **Parameters** and **Cable Setup**, press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **3.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view, select the options, or increase/decrease values.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

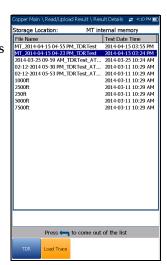
## **Cable Setup**

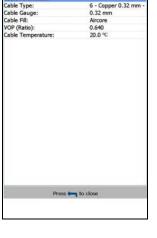
The **Cable Setup** page allows you to view the **Cable Parameters** set for the TDR test.

- ➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, with its associated parameters from the current Cable Book.
- ➤ Cable Gauge identifies the gauge system for measuring wire sizes, in AWG (American Wire Gauge) units or mm (metric wire size).
- ➤ Cable Fill is the type of material the cable is filled with: Aircore, Jelly, Pulp, 5 PR, or 2 PR. Setup in the Cable Book.
- VOP is the velocity of propagation defined as m/μsec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light for the cable.
- ➤ **Cable Temperature** is the temperature of the cable under test in either °F or °C.

## **Load Trace**

The **Load Trace** function in the Results Details is the same as previously described. Please see *Load Trace* on page 277 for more information.





## **TDR Profile Details**

The **Profile Details** page displays read-only **TDR Test Parameters**.

- ➤ **Profile Name** is the file name of the selected saved results.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **TDR**.



# 12 RFL

Resistance fault locator (RFL) testing is a powerful means to locate resistive faults such as shorts, grounds, and battery crosses. Before performing RFL tests, install the strap(s) at the other end of the cable. Use of an oscillator or toner as a far end strap is not recommended. It will induce errors. RFL consists of 3 tests: Single Pair, Separate Good Pair, and K-Test.

## **Single Pair**

The RFL **Single Pair** or 2-wire test allows you to locate resistive faults between tip to ground, or ring to ground. By default, the unit assumes that the fault cable is connected to ring.

Connect the strap to the far end of the wires connected to T/A and R/B.

- ➤ The *connection diagram* shows you how to connect the cables to the unit. The green lead is used as reference.
- ➤ When FED is **Enabled** on the **FED Setup** page, the **Confirmation** window pops up displaying how to connect your cables at the beginning of the test. The FED allows you to remotely place a *strap* (to short together) the T-R/A-B pair at the far end for 2-wire RFL.

The **Confirmation** diagram uses graphic and textual components.

- ➤ **Proceed** button closes the hookup diagram prompt and starts the test.
- Cancel button closes the hookup diagram prompt only.

**Note:** Results are less accurate than a separate good pair setup.



- ➤ **Current Test** displays the test being measured. When FED is **Enabled**, the FED icon and numeric state are displayed beside the **Current Test**.
- ➤ **Cable Setup** button opens a new page that allows you to set the cable parameters for the **Current Test**. Press ✓ to open the page.
- Result displays single pair RFL test results. Based on the cable condition, corresponding values are added into the diagram at their specific positions. Test result units are dependent on Standard in Setup/Application Settings.
  - ➤ Distance to strap (DTS).
  - ➤ Resistance to strap (RTS).
  - ➤ Distance from fault to strap (DFTS).
  - ➤ Resistance from fault to strap (RFTS).
  - ➤ Resistance to fault (RTF).
  - ➤ Distance to fault (DTF).
  - ➤ Faulted cable (FC).
  - ➤ Resistance at fault (Rf) is resistance from the fault to the resistance wire.
  - ➤ Voltage at fault (Vf).

If the test reports that it cannot detect the strap when the measured loop resistance is > 10 k ohms, this may mean:

- ➤ There is no strap connected.
- ➤ There is a strap, but the cable is too long and has a loop resistance >10 k ohms.
- ➤ There is a strap, but there is a high resistance fault or open in the cable.
- ➤ The connection (leads or strap) may be faulty.

The resistance test may be used to troubleshoot this problem.

- ➤ **Fault Status** displays the status of the RFL test.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

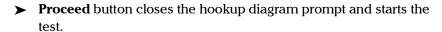
## **Separate Good Pair**

The RFL **Separate Good Pair** or 4-wire test allows you to determine the distance to a short, ground, or battery cross on a faulty cable conductor using two separate good cable conductors.

Connect a strap from the faulted wire to both conductors of the good pair.

- ➤ The connection diagram shows you how to connect the cables to the unit.
- ➤ When FEDis **Enabled** on the **FED Setup** page, the **Confirmation** window pops up displaying how to connect your cables at the beginning of the test. The FED allows you to remotely place a *strap* (to short together) the A1/A/B (T1/T/R) at the far end for 4-wire RFL.

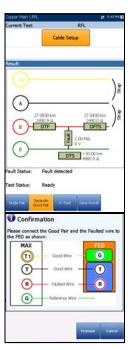
The **Confirmation** diagram uses graphic and textual components.



➤ Cancel button closes the hookup diagram prompt only.

**Note:** Unlike 2-wire RFL, G/E on the FED is not grounded (on the FED side).

**Note:** Results are more accurate but less forgiving than a 2-wire setup because the 4-wire setup requires you to connect the faulted wire conductor to the Ring (red) jack only.



- ➤ **Current Test** displays the test being measured. When FED is **Enabled**, the FED icon and numeric state are displayed beside the **Current Test**.
- ➤ Cable Setup button opens a new page that allows you to set the cable parameters for the Current Test. Press ✓ to open the page.
- ➤ **Result** displays the separate good pair RFL test results. Based on the cable condition, corresponding values are added into the diagram at their specific positions. Test result units are dependent on **Standard** in **Setup/Application Settings**.
  - ➤ Distance to strap (DTS).
  - ➤ Resistance to strap (RTS).
  - ➤ Distance from fault to strap (DFTS).
  - ➤ Resistance from fault to strap (RFTS).
  - ➤ Resistance to fault (RTF).
  - ➤ Distance to fault (DTF).
  - ➤ Faulted cable (FC).
  - ➤ Resistance at fault (Rf) is resistance from the fault to the resistance wire.
  - ➤ Voltage at fault (Vf).

If the test reports that it cannot detect the strap when the measured loop resistance is > 10 k ohms, this may mean:

- ➤ There is no strap connected.
- ➤ There is a strap, but the cable is too long and has a loop resistance >10 k ohms.
- ➤ There is a strap, but there is a high resistance fault or open in the cable.
- ➤ The connection (leads or strap) may be faulty.

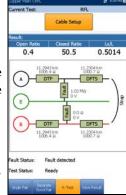
The resistance test may be used to troubleshoot this problem.

- ➤ **Fault Status** displays the status of the RFL test.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

## **K-Test**

The RFL **K-Test** (Küpfmüller test) method allows you to locate faults on both conductors of one pair. In other words, the K-Test is specialized for detecting double faults. Due to the precision and sensitive nature of RFL tests, the cable pair under test should be open (disconnected) and battery removed. One of the faults must be greater in resistance than the fault on the other pair.

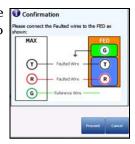
**Note:** K-Test is implemented to locate double sided faults when a good wire/pair isn't available. Both resistance faults must be occur at the same place in the cable



(either both to ground, or both to the same negative or positive battery voltage).

#### The K-Test is performed in 2 steps:

- 1. Measurements are made with the far end open.
- 2. Measurements are made with the far end closed/shorted (strap).
- ➤ The *connection diagram* shows you how to connect the cables to the unit. The green lead is used as reference.
- ➤ When FED is **Enabled** on the **FED Setup** page, the **Confirmation** window pops up displaying how to connect your cables at the beginning of the test. The FED allows you to remotely place a *strap* (to short together) the T-R/A-B pair at the far end for K-Test RFL.



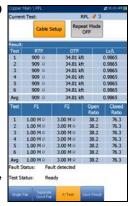
The **Confirmation** diagram uses graphic and textual components.

- ➤ **Proceed** button closes the hookup diagram prompt and starts the test.
- ➤ **Cancel** button closes the hookup diagram prompt only.
- ➤ **Current Test** displays the test being measured. When FED is **Enabled**, the FED icon and numeric state are displayed beside the **Current Test**.
- ➤ **Cable Setup** button opens a new page that allows you to set the cable parameters for the **Current Test**.

Press the left/right arrow key to highlight the button and press  $\checkmark$  to open the page.

➤ Repeat Mode ON/OFF is available only when FED is Enabled, and can be turned ON to run alternating open/short tests (6 open, 5 closed) displaying average values and highlighting minimum and maximum results. When turned OFF, the test runs in single-shot mode only. Repeat Mode OFF is the default value.

RTF (resistance to fault) is used as a reference to find minimum and maximum faults. When the result deviation is greater than a 20 % Fault Status, run the test again. If all iterations return the same values (minimum and maximum are equal), then no results are highlighted.



Press the left/right arrow key to highlight the button and press **v** to turn **Repeat Mode ON/OFF**.

**Note:** When **Repeat Mode** is **ON**, because the test will run multiple times, it may take some time to finish.

➤ **Result** displays **K-Test** results.

- ➤ **Open Ratio** is a comparison between Fault 1 and Fault 2. The larger the fault size difference, the lower the open ratio number.
- ➤ Closed Ratio is a comparison between sections. The larger the Closed Ratio value, the closer the fault is to the strap end.
- ➤ Lx/L displays a length ratio where Lx = Length to fault and L = total Length.

Based on the cable condition, corresponding values are added into the diagram at their specific positions. Test result units are dependent on **Standard** in **Setup/Application Settings**. The **K-Test** diagram can display some of the following elements:

- ➤ R/A-T/B-G/E wire connectors.
- ➤ Distance/resistance to strap (DTS/RTS): distance/resistance from the MaxTester to the strap (far end).
- ➤ Distance/resistance from fault to strap (DFTS/RFTS).
- ➤ Distance/resistance to fault (DTF/RTF): distance/resistance from the MaxTester to the fault.

Faults are displayed as follows:

- ➤ Defective Cable (DC).
- ➤ Resistance at fault (Rf1, Rf2): resistance from the fault to the resistance wire.
- ➤ Voltage at fault (Vf1, Vf2).

If the test reports that it cannot detect the strap when the measured loop resistance is > 10 k ohms, this may mean:

- ➤ There is no strap connected.
- ➤ There is a strap, but the cable is too long and has a loop resistance >10 k ohms.
- ➤ There is a strap, but there is a high resistance fault or open in the cable.
- ➤ The connection (leads or strap) may be faulty.

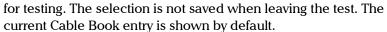
The resistance test may be used to troubleshoot this problem.

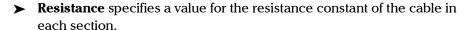
- ➤ **Fault Status** displays the status of the RFL test.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

## **RFL Cable Setup**

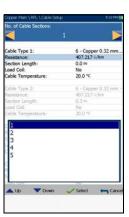
The **Cable Setup** page allows you to set cable parameters for an RFL test. Settings are shared by **Single Pair**, **Separate Good Pair**, and **K-Test**. Changes done in **Cable Setup** for one test are reflected in all.

- ➤ No. of Cable Sections allows you to set the number of consecutive cable sections, to a maximum of 5. If unknown, set the number to 1.
- ➤ Cable Type # displays the number of a cable section set above, ID, Cable Name and Fill, and allows you to select an entry (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, to use





- ➤ Section Length allows you to specify the cable length of each section. If the cable length is unknown, specify 0 and the RFL test will measure the length.
- ➤ Load Coil allows you to set the detection of the presence of load coils to either Yes or No.
- ➤ Cable Temperature allows you to change the temperature of the cable under test in either °F or °C.



## To select the parameter values:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Result Manager**

## **RFL Summary**

The results **Summary** page displays **Fault Status**, general and identification information, along with comments, for the test.

- ➤ Test Modes lists the RFL tests saved into the results file.
- Fault Status displays the status for each mode that was run.
- ➤ **General Information** displays read-only information pertaining to the test result.
  - ➤ Result File Name
  - ➤ Test Date and Time
  - ➤ Test Identification
  - ➤ Test Modes
- ➤ Test Lead Compensation displays read-only Date and Time and Pass/Fail Status of the compensated resistance and capacitance based on the cable temperature of the test lead.
- ➤ Editable Identification Fields display values from the loaded file. You can edit all fields using the editor screen or by selecting an entry from the list box.
  - ➤ User Name/ID
  - ➤ Contractor Name
  - ➤ Test From/To
  - ➤ Job ID
  - Customer Name



- ➤ Circuit ID
- ➤ Comments
- ➤ Function keys:
  - ➤ **Save** keeps any current changes with the current file name.
  - ➤ Save As saves the current changes under a different file name that you can configure in the editor screen.
  - ➤ **Don't Save** does not save any changes and closes the page.
  - ➤ Report allows you to load a result file to a USB device, update the ID fields, and generate a report in either HTML, MHTML, or XML format.

#### To view and edit the test result information:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight and view the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **3.** Press ✓ on an editable value to open the list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen. Use the navigation keys to scroll through and select.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **Result Details**

## **Single Pair**

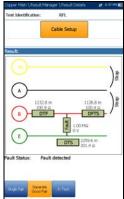
The **Results Details** read-only page displays the **Single Pair** RFL results using text and a connection diagram.

- ➤ **Test Identification** displays the current test, for example **RFL**.
- ➤ Cable Setup button opens a new page displaying the cable parameters of the RFLtest. Press ✓ to open the page.

## **Separate Good Pair**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the **Separate Good Pair** RFL results using text and a connection diagram.

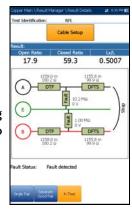
- ➤ **Test Identification** displays the current test, for example **RFL**.
- ➤ Cable Setup button opens a new page displaying the cable parameters of the RFL test. Press ✓ to open the page.



## **K-Test**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the **K-Test** RFL results using text and a connection diagram.

- ➤ **Test Identification** displays the current test, for example **RFL**.
- ➤ Cable Setup button opens a new page displaying the cable parameters of the RFL test. Press ✓ to open the page.



## **Cable Setup**

The **Cable Setup** page displays the cable parameters for each section used while running the RFL test. Settings are shared by both **Single Pair** and **Separate Good Pair** tests.



# 13 Copper Auto Tests

## Menu

**Auto Test** allows you to automatically run tests used in pre-qualification, installation, and maintenance of different circuit types from POTS to VDSL2. The main menu allows you to select and run the displayed tests:

- ➤ POTS Auto Test detects the loop current and measures voice frequency parameters in a copper telephone loop.
- ➤ User Auto Test runs a range of different user-defined tests.



#### To activate a test:

- **1.** Press the left/right arrow keys on the keypad to select the desired test icon.
- **2.** Press **✓** to confirm your selection.
- **3.** The test will start automatically if the **Setup/Application Settings Test Startup Mode** is set to **Auto**. If not, press Start/Stop on the keypad.

## **POTS Auto Test**

The purpose of the **POTS Auto Test** is to detect the loop current and measure the voice frequency parameters in a copper telephone loop. This test allows you to compare measured results against stored threshold values to provide pass or fail status results of the POTS circuit type.

#### To access POTS Auto Test:

- **1.** From the **Copper Main** menu, use the up/down, left/right arrow keys to highlight **Auto Test** and press **✓**.
- **2.** Highlight **POTS Auto Test** and press **✓** to start the test.

## **Summary**

The **Summary** page displays detailed results of the loop current, **Power Influence** and voice frequency measurement values, pass/fail status, and parameters. **POTS Auto Test** consists of a combination of multiple tests.

- ➤ **Current Group** is the current test group name, for example **Auto Test**.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.



➤ VF Noise Filter displays the voice frequency noise filter used, dependent on ITU or ANSI Standard mode and the Noise Filter set in Setup/Application Settings.

#### ➤ Phone Book Parameters:

- ➤ Phone Book Group allows you to select the Group # from a list of phone book groups that include mW tone entries.
- ➤ Milliwatt Tone Entry displays at least 1 mW tone entry number from the selected Phone Book Group.
- ➤ Quiet Line Entry displays the quiet line entry number from the selected Phone Book Group.

The dialer will contact the above 2 phone numbers at specific points of time while the test is running.

- ➤ **Volume** button adjusts the volume level.
- ➤ Threshold Settings button opens a new page that allows you to set the POTS Auto Test threshold parameters.
- ➤ Mute/Unmute Speaker button changes the speaker status.
- ➤ **Result** displays the number dialed and its status, measurement values of the multiple test parameters and their pass/fail status.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

#### To select the parameter values:

- 1. Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.

## **POTS Auto Test Threshold Settings**

The **Threshold Settings** page allows you to set the **POTS Auto Test Threshold Settings** for the combination of multiple tests. The threshold values do not come from individual tests but are unique to POTS.

- ➤ Loop DC Current sets the DC current value for the wire pair.
- ➤ **Loss** sets the loss value for the wire pair.
- ➤ **Power Influence** sets the power influence value for the test.
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  20075 Auto Test Threshold Settings:

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  Enabled:
  Yes
  Cover Prifuence:
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  Cover Prifuence:
  Place Maximum
  Enabled:
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- ➤ **VF Noise** sets the level of voice frequency noise to be used.
- ➤ VF/AC Balance (Active) sets the VF/AC longitudinal balance value for active mode.
- ➤ **Type** is a read-only field displaying the threshold limit: either **Minimum** or **Maximum**.
- ➤ **Enabled** is a read-only field and always **Yes** for all thresholds.

#### To set threshold values:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press **✓** on a value to open the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **3.** Press **✓** to select each value and use the function keys to complete your selection.
- **4.** Press ← to confirm and close your selections.

## **Result Details**

The **Results Details** read-only page displays the number dialed and its status, measurement values of the test parameters and their pass/fail status.



## **Phone Book**

The **Phone Book** results page displays the **Group #** and type entry parameters when loading the results file.



## **User Auto Test**

**User Auto Test** runs a range of different user-defined tests that compare measured results against stored threshold values to provide pass or fail status and results. Test parameters and thresholds are inherited from individual tests.

#### To access User Auto Test:

- **1.** From the **Copper Main** menu, use the up/down, left/right arrow keys to highlight **Auto Test** and press **✓**.
- 2. Highlight **User Auto Test** and press **v** to start the test.

## **Summary**

The **Summary** page displays the overall pass/fail status of all tests selected for auto testing.

- Current Group is the current test group name, for example Auto Test.
- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured. Here you can switch to another test from the given list. However, this action will terminate the ongoing measurement test.

When FED is **Enabled**, the FED icon and numeric state are displayed beside the **Current Test**.



- ➤ **Test Selection** button opens a new page that allows you to select the tests to include in the **User Auto Test**.
- ➤ **Result** displays each test selected and its status.
- ➤ **Test Status** displays the current state of measurement or an error message.

## To select the parameter values:

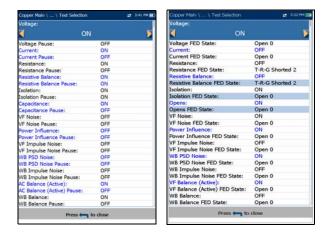
- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press to confirm the value.

#### **Test Selection**

The **Test Selection** page allows you to select the test types to include in the auto test, and set a **Pause** between tests by selecting **ON** or **OFF**. When FED is **Enabled** on the **FED Setup** page, **Pause** is replaced with **FED State** parameters. All listed tests have a fixed duration (snapshot) and are not continuous. Graphs are not displayed.



The following tests are available:

- ➤ Voltage detects AC RMS and DC voltages in the line.
- ➤ Current checks for AC RMS and DC currents in the line.
- ➤ **Resistance** uses DC current to measure the opposition to flow, or resistance, between each of the lead combinations. It is also used to identify possible faults, and to measure the resistance of the twisted pair cable for estimating loop length.
- Resistive Balance measures and compares the resistance of each leg.

- ➤ **Isolation** measures the quality of insulation or sheathing for the copper pairs.
- ➤ Capacitance/Opens measures the capacitance of the cable for estimating loop length.
- ➤ VF Noise measures voice frequency noise in the line.
- ➤ **Power Influence** measures the effects that 50 Hz and 60 Hz power line (AC Mains) interference has on the circuit under test.
- ➤ VF Impulse Noise measures the random occurrences of energy spikes in the voice frequency range that have random amplitude and spectral content.
- ➤ WB PSD Noise measures power spectral density noise.
- ➤ WB Impulse Noise measures the irregular occurrences of energy spikes in the wideband range that have random amplitude and spectral content.
- ➤ VF/AC Balance (Active) is very useful in identifying loops that will suffer from crosstalk.
- ➤ WB Balance ensures that the balance ratio for the twisted pair complies with applicable standards so as to reduce the effects of common-mode voltage to ground.
- ➤ **WB Attenuation** measures the dissipation of power of a transmitted signal as it travels over the copper line.
- ➤ Load Coils detects the presence of load coils in the line.
- **TDR** characterizes and locates faults in cables under test.

- ➤ **DRP** (Data Rate Prediction) is a software option. When enabled, the prediction calculation is based on the PSD noise and wideband (WB) attenuation measurement results up to 35 MHz. Ensure **WB Attenuation** and **WB PSD Noise** tests are selected for **DRP** to function. It is recommended to run the **DRP** test on open lines only (non-terminated). For FED support, the FED state for both **WB Attenuation** and **WB PSD Noise** must be set to **Open 0**.
- ➤ **Return Loss** measures the loss of power in the **Sweep** frequency returned/reflected by a discontinuity in a transmission line.

#### To select the tests:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to scroll through all the tests and highlight the desired parameter.
- Press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- **5.** Press  $\leftarrow$  to confirm and close your selections.

## **Upload/Save Result**

The **Upload/Save Result** tab allows you to save/upload/export **Auto Test** results, using the upload method (Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, or Ethernet) previously selected in **System Settings\Upload Setup**. The tab displays a screen where the following information can be entered and functions performed:

#### **➤** Identification Fields

➤ User Name/User ID display the values set up in the Application Settings/Identification tab. You can edit this field using the editor screen.



- ➤ Contractor Name allows you to enter the name of a contractor used to perform the tests.
- ➤ Test From/To display the values set up in the Application Settings/Identification tab. You can edit this field using the choices from the list box.
- ➤ **Job ID** allows you to create/edit a unique identifier for the task.
- ➤ **Customer Name** is the name of the customer for which the test was run.
- ➤ Circuit ID allows you to create/edit a unique identifier for the circuit under test.
- ➤ **Comments** allow you to add any relevant information.

#### ➤ Save Result

- ➤ **Select Result File** button displays a list of existing file names where you can save your results.
- ➤ Result File Storage Location gives you the option of storing results either in the MT internal memory or USB device. The default selection comes from Application Settings/General tab.

- Result File Name previews the result file name which consists of the Circuit ID, date and time as configured in System
   Settings/Date and Time, and version number if there are multiple versions with the same filename.
- ➤ Upload & Save button initializes the result file upload and confirms if the Upload File Name is saved successfully.
- ➤ **Save** button confirms if the **Result File Name** is saved successfully.

#### ➤ Export Report

- Report File Storage Location is dependent on whether Export to EXFO Connect Client is enabled or not, in System Settings\Upload Setup. If enabled, you can select either USB or EXFO Connect Client as your test report storage location. If disabled, USB is automatically selected.
- ➤ **Report Format** is **HTML**, **MHTML**, or **XML**.

You can generate and export HTML, MHTML, or XML reports from any saved test result.

**Note:** If **EXFO Connect Client** is selected, the available selections for **Report Format** are only **MHTML** and **XML**.

Reports include:

General Information including Pass/Fail status.

Identification

**Profile/Result Summary** 

Blank entries for your **Signature** and the **Date**.

 Report File Name previews the result file name which consists of the Circuit ID, date and time as configured in System
 Settings/Date and Time, and version number if there are multiple versions with the same filename. ➤ Export button confirms if the Report File Name is saved successfully. If a USB device is not inserted, the following warning dialogue box appears: USB device not present.

#### To set parameter values and save results:

- **1.** Press the left/right and up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press **✓** to display the list or select the value.
- 3. Press the up/down arrow key to highlight the desired value.
  OR
- **4.** Press the left arrow key to erase the existing value, and then use the alphanumeric keypad to enter a value. To cancel the entry, press ←.
- **5.** Press **✓** to accept the value.

## **Multimeter 1 Result**

The **Multimeter 1 Result** page displays the following results and pass/fail status:

- ➤ AC-DC Voltage volts and frequency (Hz) values for each continuous AC/DC Pair.
- ➤ AC-DC Current DC current, AC current and frequency (Hz) values for each wire Pair.
- ➤ Resistance for each wire Pair and Length for T/R/A/B.



#### **Multimeter 2 Result**

The **Multimeter 2 Result** page displays the following results and pass/fail status:

- Resistive Balance R/B-Leg, T/A-Leg, Loop resistance, and pass/fail status and values in Ω and %.
- ➤ Isolation pass/fail status, Resistance and a Soak Counter(s) for each wire Pair. If your unit has the HIVOLT (high voltage) software option configured, it enables Isolation Resistance testing up to 500 V. Default is inherited from Multimeter Isolation test.



➤ Capacitance/Opens and Length for each wire Pair and overall Capacitive Balance.

#### **Noise Result**

The **Noise Result** page displays the following results and pass/fail status:

- ➤ VF Noise measures voice frequency noise in the line.
- ➤ VF Impulse Noise High, Mid, Low counts, respective detection levels, and Elapsed Time. Here the pass/fail status is for the Mid level only.
- ➤ WB Impulse Noise impulse Count, Detection Level, and Elapsed Time.



## **Noise Result Graph**

The **Noise Result Graph** page displays the pass/fail status and results in graphical format for the following noise tests:

- ➤ Power Influence measures the effects that 50 Hz and 60 Hz powerline (AC Mains) interference has on the circuit under test.
- ➤ WB PSD Noise Max PSD and frequency and RMS Noise values differentiating the Current trace from the Peak hold. This test can be viewed in Landscape Mode.



#### To select a test:

**1.** In the **Select Test** parameter, press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **2.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options and press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired test.
- **3.** Press **✓** to confirm the test.
- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

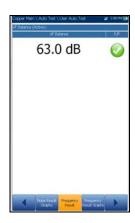
Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y
-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys to display the previous function keys.
- ➤ Landscape Mode function key allows you to view the WB PSD Noise results in landscape mode. Whether the keyboard is on the right or left is dependent on your preferred Landscape Mode Settings configured in Application Settings/General.

#### **Frequency Result**

The **Frequency Result** page displays results and pass/fail status for the **VF/AC Balance** test.



### **Frequency Result Graphs**

The **Frequency Result Graphs** page displays the results in text and graphical format for the following frequency tests:

- ➤ WB Balance displays pass/fail status, and mask if the last selected threshold parameter was set to Mask.
- ➤ WB Attenuation displays pass/fail status, mask if the last selected threshold parameter was set to Mask, and values for:
  - **➤** Cable Length
  - ➤ Elapsed Time (M:SS)
- ➤ Load Coil (Detection) displays the number of load coils.



Return Loss displays the pass/fail status and a graph of the Return Loss Sweep compared to Marginal results. If the measurement is greater/less than the marginal test threshold, represented by a horizontal red line, the status is fail. Otherwise, the status is pass.

#### To select a test:

1. In the **Select Test** parameter, press the left/right arrow keys to view and select the options.

OR

- **2.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options and press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired test.
- **3.** Press **✓** to confirm the test.

- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor. Press ✓ to recall the cursor and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.
  - ➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ Pan use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys to display the previous function keys.

#### **TDR Result**

The **TDR Result** page displays the **TDR** test result cable parameters and the distance to the most significant reflection or **Largest Event**, in text and graphical format in either **Portrait** or **Landscape Mode**. The distance  $\Delta$  (Delta) value between cursor and marker is displayed on the top of the graph.

- ➤ Current Test displays the test being measured, for example Auto TDR.
- ➤ Range allows you to set the range from the given list.
- ➤ **Gain** is a non-editable value that is updated dependent on whether the **Range** was set to **Auto** or a manual value.
- ➤ **Pulse Width** is a non-editable value that is updated dependent on the **Range**.
- ➤ **VOP** allows you to change the velocity of propagation value for the cable as defined in m/µsec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light.
- ➤ Cable Setup button allows you to view the Cable Parameters of the TDR test.
- ➤ **Select Graph** button changes to **Graph Selected** when pressed and opens a new selection of function keys which allow you to maneuver the graph as follows:
  - ➤ Cursor/Marker allows you to select the cursor (blue) or marker (red) independently by toggling the function key. The footer updates to reflect either Move cursor or Move marker. Press the left/right arrow keys to decrease/increase the values by moving the cursor/marker. Press and hold the left/right arrow keys to accelerate the cursor/marker. Press 
    to recall the cursor/marker and place it in the middle of the current x-axis limits.

➤ **Zoom** references the middle of the x/y axis and *not* the cursor position. Press the arrow keys as follows:

Right = x-axis zoom in.

Left = x-axis zoom out.

Up = y-axis zoom in.

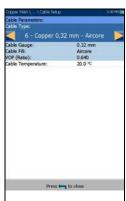
Down = y-axis zoom out.

- ➤ **Pan** use left/right arrow keys to pan the x-axis and the up/down arrow keys to pan the y-axis.
- ➤ 1:1 resets the x-axis and y-axis limits to full scale.
- ➤ **Return To Test** removes these function keys and displays the previous function keys.
- ➤ Landscape Mode button allows you to configure and view the parameters and test results in landscape mode. Whether the keyboard is on the right or left is dependent on your preferred Landscape Mode Settings configured in Application Settings/General.

#### **TDR Result Cable Setup**

The **Cable Setup** page allows you to configure and/or view the **Cable Parameters** set for the TDR test.

- ➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, and allows you to select an entry (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, to use for testing. The selection is not saved when leaving the test. The current Cable Book entry is shown by default.
- ➤ Cable Gauge identifies the gauge system for measuring wire sizes, in AWG (American Wire Gauge) units or mm (metric wire size).
- ➤ Cable Fill displays the type of material the cable is filled with: Aircore, Jelly, Pulp, 5 PR, or 2 PR. Setup in the Cable Book.



- **VOP** is the velocity of propagation defined as  $m/\mu$ sec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light for the cable.
- ➤ Cable Temperature is the temperature of the cable under test in either °F or °C.

#### **DRP Result**

The **Data Rate Prediction (DRP)** is a software option and requires that **WB Attenuation** and **WB PSD Noise** tests are selected to enable the **DRP** test. When enabled, the page displays the predicted maximum **Downstream** and **Upstream** data rates.

If a calculation is not possible, the calculated bandwidth data is replaced by a message. It states that the DRP cannot be completed due to low bandwidth settings in the Noise PSD and/or Attenuation tests; and that with the current settings, you can calculate rates up to a certain *highest possible Technology*, listed as follows.



- ➤ If the Noise PSD and/or Attenuation bandwidth are:
  - ➤ < 1.1 MHz then no **Technology** applies.
  - ➤ 1.1 MHz then ADSL or ADSL2.
  - ➤ 2.2 MHz, 8 MHz, or 12 MHz then ADSL, ADSL2, or ADSL2+.
  - ➤ 17 MHz or 30 MHz then ADSL, ADSL2, ADSL2+, or VDSL2-17a.
  - ➤ 35 MHz then all technologies apply.
- ➤ Recalculate button allows you to recalculate data rates after editing the following Test Parameters:
  - ➤ **SNR Margin** is the signal-to-noise ratio margin measured on the line.
  - ➤ **Bits/Bin** allows you to select the ADSL bandwidth bit rate.

➤ **Technology** allows you to select a frequency band from a list of possible technologies (subject to the **Software Options** enabled).

**Note:** VDSL2-35b requires the VDSL2-35b Data Rate Prediction software option and CQ Board Revision J or higher.

➤ Reference Point (side) is either CO (default) or CPE. Set this value based on where you connect the tester: for example, if the tester is connected at the user side and performs a test toward the CO, set the Reference Point to CPE.

#### **➤** Information

- ➤ Annex displays the mode: A or B.
- ➤ **Remote Noise Level** ranges from -40 to -110 dBm/Hz (default) and is configurable in profile \*.cqcfg files. The noise level value is dependent on the **Reference Point**.

#### To recalculate the DRP:

- **1.** Press the up/down arrow keys to highlight the desired parameter.
- **2.** Press the left/right arrow keys to increase/decrease the values. OR
- **3.** Press **✓** on a value to open a list box of options or the alphanumeric editor screen and use the navigation keys to scroll through.
- **4.** Press **✓** to confirm the value.
- **5.** Press the up button to select the **Recalculate** button.

#### **Result Details**

The **Result Details** for **User Auto Test** display all the saved results presented during the test. Please see *Multimeter 1 Result* on page 312, *Multimeter 2 Result* on page 313, *Noise Result* on page 313, *Noise Result Graph* on page 314, and *Frequency Result* on page 315 for more information.

#### **Summary**

The **Result Details Summary** page displays the overall pass/fail status of all tests selected for auto testing. This page varies slightly from the run **User Auto Test** page in that there are no configurable parameters.

- ➤ **Test Group** is the overall test group of the selected saved results file, for example **Auto Test**.
- ➤ **Test Identification** is the test type of the group, for example **User Auto Test**.
- ➤ Cable Setup button opens a new page that allows you to view the parameters of the cable used in the Auto Test. Press ✓ to open the page.



#### **Cable Setup**

The **Cable Setup** page displays read-only parameters of the cable used in the **Auto Test**.

- ➤ Cable Type displays the ID, Cable Name and Fill, (with its associated parameters) from the current Cable Book, used for testing.
- ➤ Cable Fill Material is the type of material the cable is filled with: Aircore, Jelly, Pulp, 5 PR, or 2 PR.
- **VOP** is the velocity of propagation defined as  $m/\mu$ sec (meters per microsecond), a ratio, or percentage of the speed of light for the cable.



➤ Cable Temperature is the temperature of the cable under test in either °F or °C.

## **Profile Details**

Profile Details contains the details of the **Test Selection** settings for **User Auto Test**. If FED is **Enabled** on **FED Setup** page, **Pause** is replaced by **FED States** parameters and will show the FED state for each test.

- ➤ **Test Parameters** button opens a new page displaying read-only parameter details of all tests.
- ➤ **Test Thresholds** button opens new pages displaying read-only threshold values for all tests.
- ➤ **FED** displays **Enabled** or **Disabled**.



#### To access the test parameter and threshold results:

- **1.** Press the left/right arrow keys to highlight a button.
- **2.** Press  $\checkmark$  to open the page.

#### **Test Parameters**

The **Test Parameters** page displays read-only parameter details of all tests.

#### **Multimeter Parameter**

The **Multimeter Parameters** page displays the profile details of the cable parameters for all multimeter tests.



#### **Noise 1 Parameter**

The **Noise 1 Parameter** page displays the profile details of the parameter values for the **VF Noise**, **Power Influence**, and **VF Impulse Noise** tests.



#### **Noise 2 Parameter**

The **Noise 2 Parameter** page displays the profile details of the parameter values for the **WB PSD/Impulse Noise** tests.

#### **Frequency Parameter**

The **Frequency Parameters** page displays the profile details of the parameter values for the **WB Balance/Attenuation**, **DRP**, and **Return Loss** tests.

#### **TDR Parameter**

The **TDR Parameters** page displays the parameter values of the TDR results.



#### **Test Thresholds**

The Test Thresholds pages display read-only threshold values for each test.

#### **Multimeter 1 Threshold**

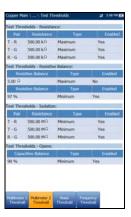
The **Multimeter 1 Threshold** page displays the **AC/DC Voltage** and **Current Test Thresholds** and limits for each **Pair**.



#### **Multimeter 2 Threshold**

The **Multimeter 2 Threshold** page displays the **Test Thresholds** and limits for the following tests:

- ➤ **Resistance** displays values for each **Pair**.
- **Resistive Balance** displays values for the test, in  $\Omega$  and %.
- ➤ **Isolation** displays the **Resistance** thresholds for each **Pair**.
- ➤ Capacitance/Opens displays the Capacitive Balance threshold for the test.



#### **Noise Threshold**

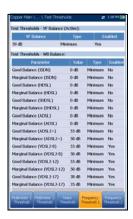
The **Noise Threshold** page displays the **Test Thresholds** and limits for the following tests:

- ➤ VF Noise
- **➤** Power Influence
- ➤ VF Impulse Noise displays the Mid Counter threshold value and limit as well as the Low Counter Power and Power Threshold Separation.
- ➤ WB PSD Noise displays the RMS Noise and limit.
- ➤ WB Impulse Noise displays the Power Detection Level, Counter threshold value and limit.



## **Frequency Threshold 1**

The **Frequency Threshold 1** page displays the **VF/AC Balance (Active)** and **WB Balance** threshold values and limits.



# **Frequency Threshold 2**

The **Frequency Threshold 2** page displays **WB Attenuation** and **Return Loss** test threshold values and limits.



# 14 Maintenance

#### **General Maintenance**

The MaxTester has been designed to be a rugged and lightweight piece of test equipment. The MaxTester LCD display should only be cleaned using a soft, lint-free cloth and an anti-static cleaning solution. Ordinary detergents and other cleaning solutions may cloud or scratch the surface and should be avoided.

To help ensure long, trouble-free operation:

- ➤ Keep the unit free of dust.
- ➤ Clean the unit casing and front panel with a cloth slightly dampened with water.
- ➤ Store unit at room temperature in a clean and dry area. Keep the unit out of direct sunlight.
- ➤ Avoid high humidity or significant temperature fluctuations.
- Avoid unnecessary shocks and vibrations.
- ➤ If any liquids are spilled on or into the unit, turn off the power immediately and let the unit dry completely.



## **WARNING**

The use of controls, adjustments and procedures other than those specified herein may result in exposure to hazardous situations or impair the protection provided by this unit.

# **Recalibrating the Unit**

EXFO manufacturing and service center calibrations are based on the ISO/IEC 17025 standard (*General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories*). This standard states that calibration documents must not contain a calibration interval and that the user is responsible for determining the re-calibration date according to the actual use of the instrument.

The validity of specifications depends on operating conditions. For example, the calibration validity period can be longer or shorter depending on the intensity of use, environmental conditions and unit maintenance, as well as the specific requirements for your application. All of these elements must be taken into consideration when determining the appropriate calibration interval of this particular EXFO unit.

Under normal use, the recommended interval for your MaxTester 610 is: 2 years.

For newly delivered units, EXFO has determined that the storage of this product for up to 6 months between calibration and shipment does not affect its performance.

To help you with calibration follow-up, EXFO provides a special calibration label that complies with the ISO/IEC 17025 standard and indicates the unit calibration date and provides space to indicate the due date. Unless you have already established a specific calibration interval based on your own empirical data and requirements, EXFO would recommend that the next calibration date be established according to the following equation:

# Next calibration date = Shipping date+ Recommended calibration period (2 years)

To ensure that your unit conforms to the published specifications, calibration may be carried out at an EXFO service center or, depending on the product, at one of EXFO's certified service centers. Calibrations at EXFO are performed using standards traceable to national metrology institutes.

**Note:** You may have purchased a FlexCare plan that covers calibrations. See the Service and Repairs section of this user documentation for more information on how to contact the service centers and to see if your plan qualifies.

# **Battery**

The MaxTester is equipped with a Lithium Polymer battery.



#### WARNING

- Recharge the battery using only the MaxTester and with the battery properly installed in the unit.
- ➤ Never open the battery back panel of the MaxTester without reading the *Replacing the Battery* section in this chapter.

When fully charged, the battery should provide between 3 and 10 hours of power depending on different factors such as: type of tests performed, display backlight level, and connected accessories.

**Note:** When the battery level is very low, tests cannot be performed. Plug in the AC/DC adapter for continued operation and to recharge the battery. However, the charge speed will be reduced. Should the voltage detection beeper sound when the unit is plugged in, remove the AC/DC adapter.

#### To maximize the battery power of the MaxTester:

- Lower the display backlight level using the application found in Display and Language in the System Settings, when the unit is used under low to medium light conditions.
- 2. Disconnect any unused USB or SD accessories.
- **3.** Quit any running tests when the MaxTester is not in use.
- **4.** Whenever possible, put the unit in suspend mode by pressing **4** until the suspend notification sound plays, about 2 seconds.
- **5.** When not in use, turn the unit off by pressing **b** for at least 4 seconds.

If you need to store your MaxTester for an extended period of time, place it at room temperature in a clean and dry area, and ensure the unit's battery is charged at around  $50\,\%$  of its capacity. Every three months during the

storage period, verify the battery level and recharge the battery when necessary, so its charge level remains around 50 % of the total capacity. This will ensure that you get the optimum performance out of the battery.

If the battery capacity remains low or outside the previously stated values, it should be replaced. This could occur after 3 years depending on the usage. If your current battery capacity is lower than 8000 mAh, replace the battery.

## **Unit Temperature Handling**

When the battery temperature reaches  $\geq$  55 °C, the unit temperature is displayed in the bar at the top of the unit and a warning message will appear. Tests stop automatically when the battery temperature reaches 60 °C.

#### **Replacing the Battery**



#### WARNING

Only use an EXFO battery. Batteries from other suppliers could result in serious damage to the MaxTester or personal injuries. See *Contacting the Technical Support Group* on page 438 for information on contacting EXFO.

Battery replacement should only be done by a qualified technician with the appropriate tools on an electronic bench or similar environment.

#### To replace the battery:

- **1.** Remove all 4 screws of the battery back panel using a 1.5 mm Allen key. Put aside the screws and the panel keeping the inside foam seal clean. See *LED Statuses* on page 437.
- **2.** Pull out the old battery using your fingers. Flipping the unit, battery-side down, will ease removal. Do not use tools in order to prevent damage to the battery envelope. Pull out the electrical connector. Put aside the old battery.

- **3.** Remove the new battery from its package. Keep the package for future use. Plug in the electrical connector ensuring the pins are correctly aligned. Place the new battery in the MaxTester.
- **4.** Inspect the inside rib around the MaxTester battery compartment to make sure it is free from any debris. Remove any debris using a dry cloth. Replace the battery back panel. Replace the 4 screws with a moderate torque so the foam seal is evenly compressed without damaging the screws.

## **Battery Charging and Replacing**

Charging the MaxTester battery can take up to 5 hours. This battery was custom made for your unit; replacement batteries must be ordered from EXFO.

# **Battery Maintenance Recommendations**



#### WARNING

Your unit uses the following type of batteries: Lithium Polymer.

These are batteries with built-in protection that have been especially designed for EXFO. For this reason, you can only replace them with EXFO-approved batteries of the same type and model.



#### WARNING

The use of unapproved batteries may result in the batteries expanding or igniting (that is, catching fire).



### **WARNING**

Risk of explosion if battery is replaced by an incorrect type. Dispose of used batteries according to the manufacturer's instructions.



### **WARNING**

Do not throw batteries into fire or water and do not short-circuit their electrical contacts. Do not disassemble.



#### **IMPORTANT**

Recycle or dispose of used batteries properly, in accordance with local regulations. Do not dispose of them in ordinary garbage receptacles. For more information, see the section about recycling and disposal in this user documentation.

➤ At EXFO, we take the safety of our customers very seriously and want to make sure any battery replacement is done properly.

The batteries of all EXFO-branded products are tested, certified, and in compliance with these international safety standards:

- ➤ United Nations (UN) Transport Regulations UN38.3: Covers battery safety during air transport.
- ➤ UL 61010-1, CAN/CSA C22.2 61010-1 and International Standard IEC/EN 61010-1: Covers the use of batteries for test and measurement equipment.
- ➤ International Standard IEC 62133: Covers secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes.
- ➤ In some countries, when required, EXFO-approved batteries have been certified and are marked as per local regulation.
- ➤ To get pricing and correct part number for replacement batteries for your products, please contact (via email):
  - ➤ For Americas: Isales.us@exfo.com
  - ➤ For Europe: Isales.emea@exfo.com
  - ➤ For APAC: Isales.apac@exfo.com
  - ➤ For China: Isales.China@exfo.com
- ➤ You may also obtain replacement batteries for your products by contacting your local distributor:
  - https://www.exfo.com/en/how-to-buy/find-distributor
- ➤ You may return your unit for service at your local service center:

https://www.exfo.com/en/services/field-network-testing/exfo-service-centers/

# **Recycling and Disposal**



This symbol on the product means that you should recycle or dispose of your product (including electric and electronic accessories) properly, in accordance with local regulations. Do not dispose of it in ordinary garbage receptacles.

For complete recycling/disposal information, visit the EXFO Web site at www.exfo.com/recycle.

# 15 Troubleshooting

# **Solving Common Problems**

The table below presents common problems and their solution.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Impossible to turn on unit.	➤ You did not press <b>(</b> ) long enough.	➤ Press <b>(</b> ) for a few seconds.
	➤ Battery discharged.	Charge battery by connecting the AC adapter/charger.
	➤ Battery is missing.	Insert a battery and replace battery back panel.
	➤ Unit temperature is too cold or too hot.	➤ Make sure that the unit is within the operation temperature range. You might have to wait for the unit to warm up/cool down.
Battery does not charge as expected.	➤ Temperature is too high.	<ul><li>Ensure temperature is within specifications.</li></ul>
	Battery is incorrectly connected.	Ensure battery is connected properly.
A battery status LED is red.	➤ Battery temperature is too high.	> Shut down the unit by pressing and holding it down for more than 10 seconds and/or until the power LED goes off.
		➤ Wait for the unit to cool down, and then reboot it.
	➤ Battery is defective.	Contact EXFO or replace the battery.

## **Troubleshooting**

Solving Common Problems

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
The unit is not responding.		Shut down the unit, as above.
		➤ Turn the unit on again to reset it.

#### **LED Statuses**

The left-side *power* and right-side *battery* LEDs are used to indicate specific statuses of your unit. If you notice that one of the LEDs displays a particular status, please see the table below to determine what could be causing it.

## **LED Legend**

Power State	Power Source	Charger State	Battery Level	Power LED Single- Battery Pack	Battery LED
		Error	N/A		Red
	DC	Charging	N/A	Solid green	Green blinking
		Charged	Full		Solid green
ON			< 13 %		Red blinking
Battery	Dattom	N/A	≥ 14 % <b>- &lt;</b> 37 %	Solid yellow	Yellow blinking
	Бапегу		≥ 38 % - < 62 %		Yellow
			> 63 %		Solid Green
Fake		Error	N/A		Red
suspend <sup>a</sup>	DC	Charging	N/A	Solid green	Green blinking
		Charged	Full	-	Solid green
Suspend	Battery	N/A	N/A	Yellow blinking	Black
OFF	Battery	N/A	N/A	Black	Black

a. Fake Suspend -- When AC/DC is plugged in, MaxTester will simulate the suspend mode by turning off the display in order to facilitate the charge.

# **Contacting the Technical Support Group**

To obtain after-sales service or technical support for this product, contact EXFO at one of the following numbers. The Technical Support Group is available to take your calls from Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Eastern Time in North America).

#### **Technical Support Group**

400 Godin Avenue Quebec (Quebec) G1M 2K2 CANADA 1 866 683-0155 (USA and Canada) Tel.: 1 418 683-5498 Fax: 1 418 683-9224

support@exfo.com

For detailed information about technical support, and for a list of other worldwide locations, visit the EXFO Web site at www.exfo.com.

If you have comments or suggestions about this user documentation, you can send them to customer.feedback.manual@exfo.com.

To accelerate the process, please have information such as the name and the serial number (see the product identification label), as well as a description of your problem, close at hand.

## **Transportation**

Maintain a temperature range within specifications when transporting the unit. Transportation damage can occur from improper handling. The following steps are recommended to minimize the possibility of damage:

- ➤ Pack the unit in its original packing material when shipping.
- ➤ Avoid high humidity or large temperature fluctuations.
- ➤ Keep the unit out of direct sunlight.
- ➤ Avoid unnecessary shocks and vibrations.

# 16 Warranty

#### **General Information**

EXFO Inc. (EXFO) warrants this equipment against defects in material and workmanship for a period of one year from the date of original shipment. EXFO also warrants that this equipment will meet applicable specifications under normal use.

During the warranty period, EXFO will, at its discretion, repair, replace, or issue credit for any defective product, as well as verify and adjust the product free of charge should the equipment need to be repaired or if the original calibration is erroneous. If the equipment is sent back for verification of calibration during the warranty period and found to meet all published specifications, EXFO will charge standard calibration fees.



#### **IMPORTANT**

The warranty can become null and void if:

- unit has been tampered with, repaired, or worked upon by unauthorized individuals or non-EXFO personnel.
- warranty sticker has been removed.
- case screws, other than those specified in this guide, have been removed.
- > case has been opened, other than as explained in this guide.
- unit serial number has been altered, erased, or removed.
- unit has been misused, neglected, or damaged by accident.

THIS WARRANTY IS IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES EXPRESSED, IMPLIED, OR STATUTORY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. IN NO EVENT SHALL EXFO BE LIABLE FOR SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

# **Gray Market and Gray Market Products**

Gray market is a market where products are traded through distribution channels that are legal but remain unofficial, unauthorized, or unintended by the original manufacturer. Intermediaries using such channels to distribute products are considered to be part of the gray market (hereafter unauthorized intermediary).

EXFO considers that a product originates from the gray market (hereafter gray market product) in the following situations:

- ➤ A product is sold by an unauthorized intermediary.
- ➤ A product is designed and destined for a particular market and sold on a second market.
- ➤ A product is resold, despite being reported lost or stolen.

When products are purchased on the gray market, rather than through an authorized EXFO distribution channel, EXFO is unable to guarantee the source and quality of those products nor the local safety regulations and certifications (CE, UL, etc.).

EXFO will not honor warranty, install, maintain, repair, calibrate, provide technical support nor make any support contracts available for gray market products.

For complete information, refer to EXFO's policy regarding gray market products at

www.exfo.com/en/how-to-buy/sales-terms-conditions/gray-market/

# Liability

EXFO shall not be liable for damages resulting from the use of the product, nor shall be responsible for any failure in the performance of other items to which the product is connected or the operation of any system of which the product may be a part.

EXFO shall not be liable for damages resulting from improper usage or unauthorized modification of the product, its accompanying accessories and software.

## **Exclusions**

EXFO reserves the right to make changes in the design or construction of any of its products at any time without incurring obligation to make any changes whatsoever on units purchased. Accessories, including but not limited to fuses, pilot lamps, batteries and universal interfaces (EUI) used with EXFO products are not covered by this warranty.

This warranty excludes failure resulting from: improper use or installation, normal wear and tear, accident, abuse, neglect, fire, water, lightning or other acts of nature, causes external to the product or other factors beyond the control of EXFO.



### **IMPORTANT**

In the case of products equipped with optical connectors, EXFO will charge a fee for replacing connectors that were damaged due to misuse or bad cleaning.

## **Certification**

EXFO certifies that this equipment met its published specifications at the time of shipment from the factory.

## **Service and Repairs**

EXFO commits to providing product service and repair for five years following the date of purchase.

#### To send any equipment for service or repair:

- **1.** Call one of EXFO's authorized service centers (see *EXFO Service Centers Worldwide* on page 352). Support personnel will determine if the equipment requires service, repair, or calibration.
- **2.** If equipment must be returned to EXFO or an authorized service center, support personnel will issue a Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA) number and provide an address for return.
- **3.** If possible, back up your data before sending the unit for repair.
- **4.** Pack the equipment in its original shipping material. Be sure to include a statement or report fully detailing the defect and the conditions under which it was observed.
- 5. Return the equipment, prepaid, to the address given to you by support personnel. Be sure to write the RMA number on the shipping slip. EXFO will refuse and return any package that does not bear an RMA number.

**Note:** A test setup fee will apply to any returned unit that, after test, is found to meet the applicable specifications.

After repair, the equipment will be returned with a repair report. If the equipment is not under warranty, you will be invoiced for the cost appearing on this report. EXFO will pay return-to-customer shipping costs for equipment under warranty. Shipping insurance is at your expense.

Routine recalibration is not included in any of the warranty plans. Since calibrations/verifications are not covered by the basic or extended warranties, you may elect to purchase FlexCare Calibration/Verification Packages for a definite period of time. Contact an authorized service center (see *EXFO Service Centers Worldwide* on page 352).

#### **EXFO Service Centers Worldwide**

If your product requires servicing, contact your nearest authorized service center.

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To view EXFO's network of partner-operated Certified Service Centers nearest you, please consult EXFO's corporate website for the complete list of service partners:

http://www.exfo.com/support/services/instrument-services/exfo-service-centers.

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#### CHINESE REGULATION ON RESTRICTION OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (RoHS) 中国关于危害物质限制的规定

#### NAMES AND CONTENTS OF THE TOXIC OR HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES OR ELEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS EXFO PRODUCT

包含在本 EXFO 产品中的有毒有害物质或元素的名称及含量

Part Name 部件名称	Lead 铅 (Pb)	Mercury 汞 (Hg)	Cadmium 镉 (Cd)	Hexavalent Chromium 六价铬 (Cr(VI))	Polybrominated biphenyls 多溴联苯 (PBB)	Polybrominated diphenyl ethers 多溴二苯醚 (PBDE)
Enclosure 外壳	0	0	0	0	0	0
Electronic and electrical sub-assembly 电子和电气组件	Х	0	Х	0	Х	Х
Optical sub-assembly <sup>a</sup> 光学组件 <sup>a</sup>	Х	0	0	0	0	0
Mechanical sub-assembly <sup>a</sup> 机械组件 <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note: 注:

This table is prepared in accordance with the provisions of SJ/T 11364. 本表依据 SJ/T 11364 的规定编制。

O: Indicates that said hazardous substance contained in all of the homogeneous materials for this part is below the limit requirement of GB/T 26572.

O:表示该有害物质在该部件所有均质材料中的含量均在 GB/T 26572 标准规定的限量要求以下。

X: indicates that said hazardous substance contained in at least one of the homogeneous materials used for this part is above the limit requirement of GB/T 26572. Due to the limitations in current technologies, parts with the "X" mark cannot eliminate hazardous substances.

X:表示该有害物质至少在该部件的某一均质材料中的含量超出 GB/T 26572 标准规定的限量要求。

标记"X"的部件,皆因全球技术发展水平限制而无法实现有害物质的替代。

a. If applicable. 如果适用。

#### MARKING REQUIREMENTS 标注要求

Product 产品	Environmental protection use period (years) 环境保护使用期限 (年)	Logo 标志
This EXFO product 本 EXFO 产品	10	110
Battery <sup>a</sup> 电池	5	6

a. If applicable. 如果适用。

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