

Solar Power Meter & Multimeter Operating Manual

Instruction Manual



CE

Please read this manual before switching the unit on. Important safety information inside.



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Thank you for purchasing a Di-Log Solar product

The SL102 Solar PV Meter has been purpose designed to meet the needs of the solar PV installer.

The unique dual display facilitates the simultaneous measurement of irradiance and voltage. The panel's performance can be tested prior to installation.

Safety Information

This manual contains information that must be followed for operating the meter safely and maintaining the meter in a safe operating condition. If this meter is not used in the manner specified, the protection provided may be impaired.



Warning! Warns of potential danger, refer to the instruction manual to avoid personal injury or damage to the meter.

- A Caution! Dangerous voltage. Danger of electrical shock.
- Continuous double or reinforced insulation complies with IEC536, class 11
- **C** ∈ Symbol of conformity, confirms conformity with relevant EU directives. The meter complies with EMC directives (89/336/EEC). Specifically standards EN 50081-1 and EN 50082-1 as well as the Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC) described in the standard EN 61010-1.

The meter has been designed in accordance with the safety regulations for electronic measuring instruments, EN 61010-1, IEC 61010

Before using the meter check for physical damage to the casing in particular around the connectors. If the case is damaged do not use the meter.

Voltages above 75V DC or 50V AC may constitute a serious shock hazard.

Befor using the meter check for physical damage to the casing in particular around the connectors. If the case is damaged do not use the meter. Check the test leads for damaged insulation or exposed metal.

Check the leads for continuity. Replace damaged leads with identical model or specification before using the meter.

Where applicable use GS38 approved leads approved leads (not supplied) these are available from Di-Log. When using test leads keep fingers behind the finger guards.

Do not apply more than the rated voltage, as marked on the meter between the terminals or between any terminal and ground.

Before making a measurement ensure that the rotary switch is set to the appropriate range. Do not turn the rotary switch whilst making a measurement. Use the appropriate terminals, function and range for your measurements. If the value to be measured is not known use the maximum measurement position and reduce the range step by step until a satisfactory reading is obtained.

Do not use or store the meter in an environment of high temperature, humidity, fumes, vapour, gaseous, inflammable and strong magnetic fields. The performance and safety of the use may be compromised in such circumstance.

Disconnect circuit power and discharge all high voltage capacitors before testing resistance, continuity, diodes, capacitance or current.

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Replace the battery as soon as the low battery indicator appears. If the battery is low the meter may give false readings.

Turn the meter power off when not in use. Remove the battery if the meter is not in use for a long period. Constantly check the battery as it may have leaked. A leaking battery will damage the meter.

The meter mahy only be opened by a qualified service technician for calibration and repair.



Input Limits

Never apply voltage or current to the meter that exceeds the specified maximum:

Function	Maximum Input
V AC	600V DC/AC
V DC or V AC	600V DC/AC, 200Vrms on 200mV range
mA DC	200mA 250V fast acting fuse
	(30 seconds max every 15 minutes)
Resistance	250Vrms for 15sec max
Continuity	

Use extreme caution when working with high voltages.

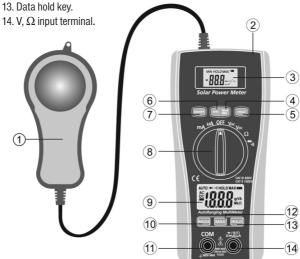
Features

- 1. Sunlight (Irradiance) measurement up to 1999 W/m² or 634 BTU/(ft^{2*}h).
- 2. High accuracy and rapid response.
- 3. Data HOLD function to hold measurement values.
- 4. Unit and sign display for easy reading.
- 5. Measuring unit selection W/m² or BTU/(ft²*h).
- 6. Manual scale selection.
- 7. Direct reading with no adjustments needed.
- 8. Maximum and minimum values.
- 9. Low battery indication.
- Digital multimeter function making it easy to measure DC/AC voltage, DC/AC current, resistance, continuity & diode test.



Controls & Inputs

- 1. Sunlight (Irradiance) Sensor.
- 2. Sunlight (Irradiance) zero adjust.
- 3. LCD (data, min/max, hold, w/m² or BTU(ft^{2*}h), low battery, range.
- 4. MIN/MAX key (solar).
- 5. DATA HOLD key (solar).
- 6. Unit (w/m2 or BTU/(ft2*h) selection key.
- 7. ON/OFF key (solar).
- 8. Function switch (Digital Multimeter).
- 9. 31/2 digit (2000 count) LCD display for DMM functions.
- 10. Mode button.
- 11. COM input terminal.
- 12. Max hold key.





Solar Power (Irradiance) Key Functions

DATA HOLD Key:

Press the 'HOLD' button to go into hold mode. Appears on the screen to allow you to read the data. Press this button once again to deactivate.

W/B Key:

Press the 'W/B' button to switch from BTU(ft2*h) to W/M2.

ON/OFF Key:

Press the 'ON/OFF' key to turn the meter on.

MIN/MAX Key:

When you test in W/M^2 or $BTU(ft^{2*}h)$ press the 'MIN/MAX' button to display the max or min reading values. Press the button for more than 1 second to switch off 'MIN/MAX' mode.

Solar Power (Irradiance) Specifications

Operating temp & RH:	5°C to 40°C, below 80%RH.
Storage temp & RH:	–10°C to 60°C, below 70%.
Display:	3-1/2 digits LCD with maximum reading 1999.
Sampling time:	Approx 0.25 second.
Resolution:	1 W/m ² ; 1 BTU/(ft ² *h).
Accuracy:	Typically within \pm 10 W/m ² [\pm 3 BTU/(ft ^{2*} h) or \pm 5%, whichever is the greater in sunlight; Additional temperature induced error \pm 0.38 W/m ² /°C.
Accuracy:	> ±3/year.
Over range	Display shows 'OL'.
Range:	1999 W/m2, 634 BTU/(ft ^{2*} h).
Size:	162 (L)*74 (W)*43(H).
Weight (inc. batteries):	280g



Digital Multimeter Functions

Function	Range	Accuracy
DC Voltage	200mV,	±(0.5% rdg + 3d)
	2.000V, 20.00V	±(1.0% rdg + 3d)
	200.0V, 600V	±(1.0% rdg + 3d)
AC Voltage	2.000V, 20.00V	±(1.0% rdg + 5d)
50-60Hz	200.0V, 600V	±(1.5% rdg + 10d)
DC Current	200.0μΑ, 2000μΑ	±(1.5% rdg + 3d)
	20.00mA, 200.0mA	±(2.0% rdg + 3d)
AC Current	200.0μΑ, 2000μΑ	±(1.8% rdg + 8d)
	20.00mA, 200.0mA	±(2.5% rdg + 8d)
	200.0Ω	±(0.8% rdg + 5d)
Resistance	2.000kΩ, 20.00kΩ, 200.0kΩ	±(1.2% rdg + 3d)
	2.000ΜΩ	±(2.0% rdg + 5d)
	20.00ΜΩ	±(5.0% rdg + 8d)

Digital Multimeter Functions

Max input voltage	600V AC/DC	
Diode Test	Test current 1mA max., open circuit voltage of 1.5V typical	
Continuity Check	Audible signal if the resistance is <150 Ω	
Display	2000 count 3 - 1/2 digit LCD	
Over Range Indication	LCD displays "OL"	
Polarity	Minus (-) sign for negative polarity	
Low Battery Indication	"BAT" symbol indicates low battery condition	
Input Impedance	>7.5MΩ (VDC & VAC)	
AC Response	Average responding	
ACV Bandwidth	50Hz to 60Hz	
Auto Power Off	15 minutes (approximately)	
Fuse	Range; 0.2A/250V fast acting fuse	
Batteries	9V battery and two "AAA" batteries	
Operating Temperature	0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)	
Storage Temperature	-10 °C to 50 °C (14 °F to 122 °F)	
Standard	IEC61010-1 CAT III-600V Pollution degree II, CE Approved	

8 Solar Power (Irradiance) Measurement

- Press the ON/OFF key to turn the meter on.
- Press the 'W/B' key to select W/m² or BTU/(ft²*h) measurement.
- With the sensor cap on, check that the display is zeroed. If the display in not zeroed, adjust it to zero using the ⊕ 'Adj' trim (2)
- Remove the protection cap from the photo detector and expose it to the light source in horizontal position. Read the sunlight (irradiance) value on the LCD display.
- Wait for value to stabilise on the display. Press 'HOLD' key to activate the data hold function freezing the result on the display (NOTE: If the instrument displays 'OL' the input signal is too high, a higher range must be selected).



9 Digital Multimeter Measurement

AC/DC Voltage Measurements

- Insert the black test lead into the negative COM terminal and the red test lead into the positive V terminal
- · Set the function switch to VAC or VDC position.
- Connect the test leads in parallel to the circuit under test.
- · Read the voltage measurement on the LCD display

Caution: Do not measure AC/DC voltages if a motor on the circuit is being switched ON or OFF. Large voltage surges may occur that can damage the meter.

AC/DC Current Measurements

- Set the function switch to the μ A/mA position.
- Insert the black test lead into the negative COM terminal and the red test lead into the positive µA/mA terminal
- For current measurements up to 2000 μA DC/AC, set the function switch to the mA position.
- Press the MODE button to indicate "DC"/"AC" on the display.
- Remove power from the circuit under test, then open up the circuit at the point where you wish to measure current.

AC/DC Current Measurements (cont).

- Touch the balck test probe top to the negative side of the circuit. Touch the red test probe tip to the positive side of the circuit.
- · Apply power to the circuit.
- Read the current in the display.

Resistance Measurement

- Set the function switch to the Ω position.
- Insert the black test lead into the negative COM terminal and the red test lead into the positive Ω terminal.
- Touch the test probe tips across the circuit or part under test. It is best to disconnect one side of the part under test so the rest of the circuit will not interfere with the resistance reading.
- · Read the resistance in the display.

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

Continuity Check

- Set the function switch to the → → → → position.
- Insert the black test lead into the negative COM terminal and teh red test lead into the positive Ω terminal.
- Press the MODE button to indicate > on the display.
- Touch the test probe tips to the circuit or conductor you wish to check.
- If the resistance is less than approximately 100Ω, the audible signal will sound. If the circuit is open, the display will indicate "0L".

Warning: To avoid electric shock, never measure continuity on circuits or conductors that have voltage on them.

Dinde Test

- Set the function switch to the → → → → position.
- Press the MODE button to touch the test probes to the diode indicate

 on the display. Under test. Forward voltage will typically indicate 0.400 to
 0.700V. Reverse voltage will indicate "OL". Shorted devices will indicate near
 0V and an open device will indicate "OL" in both polarities.

Max Hold Button

To hold the highest reading on the LCD

- Press the MAX hold button. The meter reading will not change as reading change
- Press the MAX hold button again to return to normal operation

Hold Button

The Data Hold function allows the meter to "freeze' a measurement for later reference

- Press the "DATA HOLD" button to "freeze" the display, the "HOLD" indicator will appear.
- · Press the "DATA HOLD" button to return to normal operation.

Auto Power Off

The auto off feature will turn the meter off after 15 minutes.

Accessories

- · User manual.
- 2 x 1.5V AAA batteries and 9V type battery
- · Carrying case.
- Press

Maintenance

- Operating altitude: below 2000m.
- This is a precision device: during use or storage, do not go beyond its specification to prevent any possible damage to the meter or danger to the user.
- Remember to leave the power off after use. For prolonged storage remove the batteries to prevent the batteries leaking.
- · Clean the device with a soft damp cloth.

Replacing the Fuses

- · Disconnect the test leads from the meter.
- Remove the protective rubber holster.
- Remove the battery cover (two "B" screws) and the battery.
- Remove the four "A" screws securing the rear cover.
- Lift the center circuit board straight up from the connectors to gain access to the fuse holders.
- · Gently remove the old fuse and install the new fuse into the holder.
- Always use a fuse of the correct size and value (0.2A/250V fast blow for the 200mA range).
- Align the center board with the connectors and gently press into place.
- Replace and secure the rear cover, battery and battery cover.

Waring: To avoid electric shock, disconnect the test leads from any source of voltage before removing the fuse cover.

Battery Replacement

- When the symbol ' is displayed, batteries need replacing. Turn the meter off and disconnect the test leads from the input terminals.
- Unscrew the battery cover and remove the batteries. Insert new batteries of the same type (2 x 1.5V AAA batteries or 9V type battery). Observing the correct polarity, re-screw the battery cover and reposition the protective holster.

24 Month Warranty

Di-Log Solar instruments are subject to stringent quality controls. If in the course of normal daily use a fault occurs we will provide a 24 month warranty (only valid with invoice).

Faults in manufacturer and materials defect will be rectified by us free of charge, provided the instrument has not been tampered with and returned to us unopened.

Damage due to dropping, abuse or misuse is not covered by the warranty. Outside the warranty period we offer a full repair and re-calibration service.

Maintenance

WARNING: Do not attempt to repair or service your meter unless you are qualified to do so and have the relevant calibration, performance test and service information. To avoid electrical shock or damage to the meter do not get water inside the case.

Periodically wipe the case with a damp cloth and mild detergent. Don not use chemical solvent. Clean the input terminals with cotton bud, as dirt or moisture in the terminal can effect readings.



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