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## 1 Preface

Congratulations on your purchase of the Eurotest instrument and its accessories from METREL. The instrument was designed on a basis of rich experience, acquired through many years of dealing with electric installation test equipment.

The Eurotest instrument is professional, multifunctional, hand-held test instrument intended to perform all the measurements required in order for a total inspection of electrical installations in buildings. The following measurements and tests can be performed:

In the models 3125 and 3125B

- Voltage and frequency,
- Continuity tests,
- Insulation resistance tests,
- RCD testing,
- □ Fault loop / RCD trip-lock impedance measurements,
- □ Line impedance / Voltage drop,
- Phase sequence,

Additionally, model 3125B includes:

Earthing resistance tests

The graphic display with backlight offers easy reading of results, indications, measurement parameters and messages. Two LED Pass/Fail indicators are placed at the sides of the LCD.

The operation of the instrument is designed to be as simple and clear as possible and no special training (except for the reading this instruction manual) is required in order to begin using the instrument.

In order for operator to be familiar enough with performing measurements in general and their typical applications it is advisable to read Metrel handbook *Guide for testing* and verification of low voltage installations.

The instrument is equipped with the entire necessary accessory for comfortable testing.

# 2 Safety and operational considerations

## 2.1 Warnings and notes

In order to maintain the highest level of operator safety while carrying out various tests and measurements, Metrel recommends keeping your Eurotest instruments in good condition and undamaged. When using the instrument, consider the following general warnings:

- □ The ⚠ symbol on the instrument means »Read the Instruction manual with special care for safe operation«. The symbol requires an action!
- If the test equipment is used in a manner not specified in this user manual, the protection provided by the equipment could be impaired!
- Read this user manual carefully, otherwise the use of the instrument may be dangerous for the operator, the instrument or for the equipment under test!
- Do not use the instrument or any of the accessories if any damage is noticed!
- If a fuse blows in the instrument, follow the instructions in this manual in order to replace it!
- Consider all generally known precautions in order to avoid risk of electric shock while dealing with hazardous voltages!
- Do not use the instrument in supply systems with voltages higher than
   550 V!
- Service intervention or adjustment is only allowed to be carried out by a competent authorized personnel!
- Use only standard or optional test accessories supplied by your distributor!
- Consider that older accessories and some of the new optional test accessories compatible with this instrument only meet CAT III / 300 V overvoltage safety rating! This means that maximal allowed voltage between test terminals and ground is 300 V!
- The instrument comes supplied with rechargeable Ni-Cd or Ni-MH battery cells. The cells should only be replaced with the same type as defined on the battery compartment label or as described in this manual. Do not use standard alkaline battery cells while the power supply adapter is connected, otherwise they may explode!
- Hazardous voltages exist inside the instrument. Disconnect all test leads, remove the power supply cable and switch off the instrument before
- All normal safety precautions must be taken in order to avoid risk of electric shock while working on electrical installations!



## Warnings related to measurement functions:

#### Insulation resistance

- Insulation resistance measurement should only be performed on de-energized objects!
- Do not touch the test object during the measurement or before it is fully discharged! Risk of electric shock!
- When an insulation resistance measurement has been performed on a capacitive object, automatic discharge may not be done immediately! The warning message and the actual voltage is displayed during discharge until voltage drops below 10 V.
- □ Do not connect test terminals to external voltage higher than 600 V (AC or DC) in order not to damage the test instrument!

## **Continuity functions**

- Continuity measurements should only be performed on de-energized objects!
- Parallel impedances or transient currents may influence test results.

#### **Testing PE terminal**

□ If phase voltage is detected on the tested PE terminal, stop all measurements immediately and ensure the cause of the fault is eliminated before proceeding with any activity!

#### Notes related to measurement functions:

#### General

- □ The indicator means that the selected measurement cannot be performed because of irregular conditions on input terminals.
- Insulation resistance, continuity functions and earth resistance measurements (MI 3125B) can only be performed on de-energized objects.
- PASS / FAIL indication is enabled when limit is set. Apply appropriate limit value for evaluation of measurement results.
- In the case that only two of the three wires are connected to the electrical installation under test, only voltage indication between these two wires is valid.

#### Insulation resistance

- □ If voltages of higher than 10 V (AC or DC) is detected between test terminals, the insulation resistance measurement will not be performed. If voltages of higher than 10 V (AC or DC) is detected between test terminals, the insulation resistance measurement will not be performed.
- □ The instrument automatically discharge tested object finished measurement.
- □ A double click of TEST key starts a continuous measurement.

## **Continuity functions**

- □ If voltages of higher than 10 V (AC or DC) is detected between test terminals, the continuity resistance test will not be performed.
- Before performing a continuity measurement, where necessary, compensate test lead resistance.

#### **RCD functions**

- Parameters set in one function are also kept for other RCD functions!
- The measurement of contact voltage does not normally trip an RCD. However, the trip limit of the RCD may be exceeded as a result of leakage current flowing to the PE protective conductor or a capacitive connection between L and PE conductors.
- □ The RCD trip-lock sub-function (function selector switch in LOOP position) takes longer to complete but offers much better accuracy of fault loop resistance (in comparison to the R<sub>L</sub> sub-result in Contact voltage function).
- RCD trip-out time and RCD trip-out current measurements will only be performed if the contact voltage in the pre-test at nominal differential current is lower than the set contact voltage limit!
- The autotest sequence (RCD AUTO function) stops when trip-out time is out of allowable time period.

#### **Z-LOOP**

- □ The low limit prospective short-circuit current value depends on fuse type, fuse current rating, fuse trip-out time and impedance scaling factor.
- The specified accuracy of tested parameters is valid only if the mains voltage is stable during the measurement.
- Fault loop impedance measurements will trip an RCD.
- The measurement of fault loop impedance using trip-lock function does not normally trip an RCD. However, the trip limit may be exceeded as a result of leakage current flowing to the PE protective conductor or a capacitive connection between L and PE conductors.

## **Z-LINE / VOLTAGE DROP**

- □ In case of measurement of Z<sub>Line-Line</sub> with the instrument test leads PE and N connected together the instrument will display a warning of dangerous PE voltage. The measurement will be performed anyway.
- Specified accuracy of tested parameters is valid only if mains voltage is stable during the measurement.
- L and N test terminals are reversed automatically according to detected terminal voltage (except in UK version).

## 2.2 Battery and charging

The instrument uses six AA size alkaline or rechargeable Ni-Cd or Ni-MH battery cells. Nominal operating time is declared for cells with nominal capacity of 2100 mAh. Battery condition is always displayed in the lower right display part.

In case the battery is too weak the instrument indicates this as shown in figure 2.1. This indication appears for a few seconds and then the instrument turns itself off.

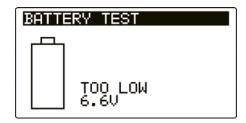


Figure 2.1: Discharged battery indication

The battery is charged whenever the power supply adapter is connected to the instrument. The power supply socket polarity is shown in figure 2.2.Internal circuit controls charging and assures maximum battery lifetime.



Figure 2.2: Power supply socket polarity

The instrument automatically recognizes the connected power supply adapter and begins charging.

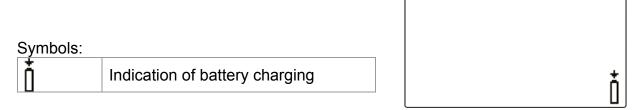


Figure 2.3: Charging indication

- □ Ensure that the battery cells are inserted correctly otherwise the instrument will not operate and the batteries could be discharged.
- □ If the instrument is not to be used for a long period of time, remove all batteries from the battery compartment.
- Alkaline or rechargeable Ni-Cd or Ni-MH batteries (size AA) can be used. Metrel recommends only using rechargeable batteries with a capacity of 2100mAh or above.
- Do not recharge alkaline battery cells!
- Use only power supply adapter delivered from the manufacturer or distributor of the test equipment to avoid possible fire or electric shock!

## 2.2.1 New battery cells or cells unused for a longer period

Unpredictable chemical processes can occur during the charging of new battery cells or cells that have been left unused for a longer period (more than 3 months). Ni-MH and Ni-Cd cells can be subjected to these chemical effects (sometimes called the memory effect). As a result the instrument operation time can be significantly reduced during the initial charging/discharging cycles of the batteries.

In this situation, Metrel recommend the following procedure to improve the battery lifetime:

Pr	ocedure	Notes
Completely charge the battery.		At least 14h with in-built charger.
>	Completely discharge the battery.	This can be performed by using the instrument normally until the instrument is fully discharged.
>	Repeat the charge / discharge cycle at least 2-4 times.	Four cycles are recommended in order to restore the batteries to their normal capacity.

#### Notes:

- □ The charger in the instrument is a pack cell charger. This means that the battery cells are connected in series during the charging. The battery cells have to be equivalent (same charge condition, same type and age).
- One different battery cell can cause an improper charging and incorrect discharging during normal usage of the entire battery pack (it results in heating of the battery pack, significantly decreased operation time, reversed polarity of defective cell,...).
- If no improvement is achieved after several charge / discharge cycles, then each battery cell should be checked (by comparing battery voltages, testing them in a cell charger, etc). It is very likely that only some of the battery cells are deteriorated.
- The effects described above should not be confused with the normal decrease of battery capacity over time. Battery also loses some capacity when it is repeatedly charged / discharged. Actual decreasing of capacity, versus number of charging cycles, depends on battery type. This information is provided in the technical specification from battery manufacturer.

## 2.3 Standards applied

The Eurotest instruments are manufactured and tested in accordance with the following regulations:

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Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)			
EN 61326	Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory		
	use – EMC requirements		
	Class B (Hand-held equipment used in controlled EM environments)		
Safety (LVD)	( i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i		
EN 61010-1	Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control		
	and laboratory use – Part 1: General requirements		
EN 61010-031	Safety requirements for hand-held probe assemblies for electrical		
	measurement and test		
EN 61010-2-032	Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement,		
	control, and laboratory use - Part 2-032: Particular requirements for		
	hand-held and hand-manipulated current sensors for electrical test		
	and measurement		
Functionality			
EN 61557	Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1000 V <sub>AC</sub>		
	and 1500 V <sub>AC</sub> - Equipment for testing, measuring or monitoring of		
	protective measures		
	Part 1 General requirements		
	Part 2 Insulation resistance		
	Part 3 Loop resistance		
	Part 4 Resistance of earth connection and equipotential		
	bonding		
	Part 5 Resistance to earth (MI 3125B only)		
	Part 6 Residual current devices (RCDs) in TT and TN systems		
	Part 7.Phase sequence		
	Part 10 Combined measuring equipment		
Other reference s	standards for testing RCDs		
EN 61008	Residual current operated circuit-breakers without integral overcurrent		
	protection for household and similar uses		
EN 61009	Residual current operated circuit-breakers with integral overcurrent		
	protection for household and similar uses		
EN 60364-4-41	Electrical installations of buildings Part 4-41 Protection for safety -		
	protection against electric shock		
EN 60364-5-52	Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 5-52: Selection and erection		
	of electrical equipment – Wiring systems		
BS 7671	IEE Wiring Regulations (17 <sup>th</sup> edition)		
AS / NZ 3760	In-service safety inspection and testing of electrical equipment		

#### Note about EN and IEC standards:

□ Text of this manual contains references to European standards. All standards of EN 6XXXX (e.g. EN 61010) series are equivalent to IEC standards with the same number (e.g. IEC 61010) and differ only in amended parts required by European harmonization procedure.

# 3 Instrument description

## 3.1 Front panel

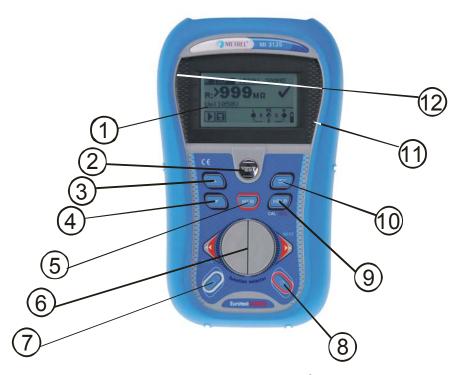


Figure 3.1: Front panel (picture of MI 3125B)

- Legend:
  \* Model MI 3125B
- \*\* Model MI 3125

LCD	128 x 64 dots matrix display with backlight.	
TEST	TEST Starts measurements.	
	TEST Starts measurements.  Acts also as the PE touching electrode.	
UP	Modifies selected parameter.	
DOWN	woulles selected parameter.	
MEM	Store / recall / clear tests in memory of instrument.	
CAL	Calibrates test leads in Continuity functions.	
	Starts Z <sub>REF</sub> measurement in Voltage drop sub-function.	
Function selectors	Selects test function.	
Backlight, Contrast	Changes backlight level and contrast.	
ON / OFF	Switches the instrument power on or off.	
	The instrument automatically turns off 15 minutes after the	
	last key was pressed.	
	TEST  UP  DOWN  MEM  CAL  Function selectors  Backlight, Contrast	

	HELP / CAL	Accesses help m	enus.
		In RCD Auto tog	gles between top and bottom parts of results
9*		field.	
		Calibrates test le	ads in Continuity functions.
		Starts Z <sub>REF</sub> meas	urement in Voltage drop sub-function.
9**	HELP	Accesses help m	enus.
		In RCD Auto tog	gles between top and bottom parts of results
		field.	
10	TAB	Selects the parameters in selected function.	
11	PASS	Green indicator	Indicates PASS/ FAIL of result.
12	FAIL	Red indicator	

## 3.2 Connector panel

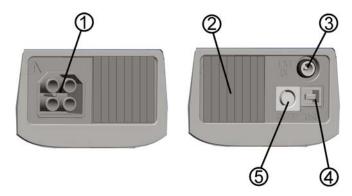


Figure 3.2: Connector panel (picture of MI 3125B)

## Legend:

- \* Model MI 3125B
- \*\* Model MI 3125

1	Test connector	Measuring inputs / outputs
2	Protection cover	
3	Charger socket	
4*	USB connector	Communication with PC USB (1.1) port.
5*	PS/2 connector	Communication with PC serial port and connection to optional measuring adapters.
5**	PS/2 connector	Serial port for upgrading the instrument.

## Warnings!

- □ Maximum allowed voltage between any test terminal and ground is 600 V!
- Maximum allowed voltage between test terminals is 600 V!
- □ Maximum short-term voltage of external power supply adapter is 14 V!

## 3.3 Back side

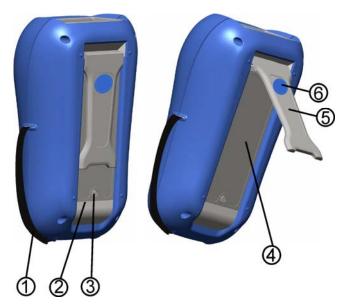


Figure 3.3: Back side

## Legend:

1	Side belt
2	Battery compartment cover
3	Fixing screw for battery compartment cover
4	Back panel information label
5	Holder for inclined position of the instrument
6	Magnet for fixing instrument close to tested item (optional)



Figure 3.4: Battery compartment

## Legend:

1	Battery cells	Size AA, alkaline or rechargeable NiMH / NiCd
2	Serial number label	
3	Fuse	M 0.315 A, 250 V

## 3.4 Display organization

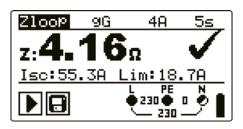


Figure 3.5: Typical function display

Zloop	Function name
z: <b>4.16</b> Ω ✓	Result field
9G 4A 5s	Test parameter field
	Message field
L PE N ● 230 ● 0 ●	Terminal voltage monitor
1	Battery indication

## 3.4.1 Terminal voltage monitor

The terminal voltage monitor displays on-line the voltages on the test terminals and information about active test terminals.



Online voltages are displayed together with test terminal indication. All three test terminals are used for selected measurement.

Online voltages are displayed together with test terminal indication. L and N test terminals are used for selected measurement.



L and PE are active test terminals; N terminal should also be connected for correct input voltage condition.

## 3.4.2 Battery indication

The indication indicates the charge condition of battery and connection of external charger .

	Battery capacity indication.
	Low battery.  Battery is too weak to guarantee correct result. Replace or recharge the battery cells.
Ď	Recharging in progress (if power supply adapter is connected).

## 3.4.3 Message field

In the message field warnings and messages are displayed.



Measurement is running, consider displayed warnings.



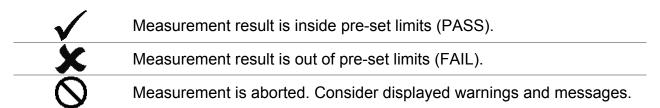
Conditions on the input terminals allow starting the measurement; consider other displayed warnings and messages.



Conditions on the input terminals do not allow starting the measurement, consider displayed warnings and messages.

₩	RCD tripped-out during the measurement (in RCD functions).
<b>♣</b>	Instrument is overheated. The measurement is prohibited until the temperature decreases under the allowed limit.
	Result(s) can be stored. (model MI 3125B)
<b>~</b> √-	High electrical noise was detected during measurement. Results may be impaired.
Ф	L and N are changed.
4	Warning! High voltage is applied to the test terminals.
h	<b>Warning!</b> Dangerous voltage on the PE terminal! Stop the activity immediately and eliminate the fault / connection problem before proceeding with any activity!
CAL ×	Test leads resistance in Continuity measurement is not compensated.
CAL	Test leads resistance in Continuity measurement is compensated.
<b>f</b>	High resistance to earth of test probes. Results may be impaired. (model MI 3125B)

## 3.4.4 Result field



## 3.4.5 Sound warnings

Continuous sound Warning! Dangerous voltage on the PE terminal is detected.

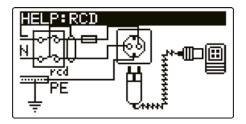
## 3.4.6 Help screens

HELP	Opens help screen.	
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Help menus are available in all functions. The Help menu contains schematic diagrams for illustrating how to properly connect the instrument to electric installation. After selecting the measurement you want to perform, press the HELP key in order to view the associated Help menu.

## Keys in help menu:

UP / DOWN	Selects next / previous help screen.
HELP	Scrolls through help screens.
Function selectors / TEST	Exits help menu.



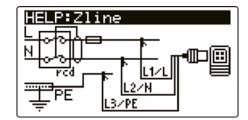


Figure 3.6: Examples of help screens

## 3.4.7 Backlight and contrast adjustments

With the **BACKLIGHT** key backlight and contrast can be adjusted.

Click	Toggles backlight intensity level.
Keep pressed for 1 s	Locks high intensity backlight level until power is turned off or the
	key is pressed again.
Keep pressed for 2 s	Bargraph for LCD contrast adjustment is displayed.

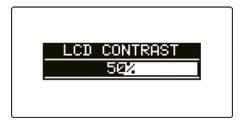


Figure 3.7: Contrast adjustment menu

## Keys for contrast adjustment:

DOWN	Reduces contrast.
UP	Increases contrast.
TEST	Accepts new contrast.
Function selectors	Exits without changes.

## 3.5 Instrument set and accessories

#### 3.5.1 Standard set MI 3125

Instrument

Short instruction manual

Calibration Certificate

Mains measuring cable

Test lead.,3 x 1.5 m

Test probe, 3 pcs

Crocodile clip, 3 pcs

Set of NiMH battery cells

Power supply adapter

CD with instruction manual, and "Guide for testing and verification of low voltage installations" handbook.

Set of carrying straps

#### 3.5.2 Standard set MI 3125B

Instrument

Short instruction manual

Calibration Certificate

Mains measuring cable

Test lead, 3 x 1.5 m

Test probe, 3 pcs

Crocodile clip, 3 pcs

Set of NiMH battery cells

Power supply adapter

CD with instruction manual, and "Guide for testing and verification of low voltage installations" handbook and PC software EuroLink PRO

Set of carrying straps

RS232 - PS/2 cable

USB cable

## 3.5.3 Optional accessories

See the attached sheet for a list of optional accessories that are available on request from your distributor.

# 4 Instrument operation

## 4.1 Function selection

For selecting test function the **FUNCTION SELECTOR** shall be used.

## Keys:

FUNCTION SELECTOR	Select test / measurement function:  - < VOLTAGE TRMS> Voltage and frequency and phase sequence < R ISO> Insulation resistance < R LOWΩ> Resistance of earth connections and bondings < Zline> Line impedance - < Zloop> Fault loop impedance < RCD> RCD testing < EARTH RE> Resistance to earth (model MI 3125B) < SETTINGS> General instrument settings.	
UP/DOWN		
TAB	Selects the test parameter to be set or modified.	
TEST	Runs selected test / measurement function.	
MEM	Stores measured results / recalls stored results (model MI 3125B).	

## Keys in **test parameter** field:

UP/DOWN	Changes the selected parameter.
TAB	Selects the next measuring parameter.
<b>FUNCTION SELECTOR</b>	Toggles between the main functions.
MEM	Stores measured results / recalls stored results (model MI 3125B).

General rule regarding enabling parameters for evaluation of measurement / test result:

	<b>OFF</b> No limit values, indication:	
Parameter	ON	Value(s) - results will be marked as PASS or FAIL in
	CIN	accordance with selected limit.

See Chapter 5 for more information about the operation of the instrument test functions.

## 4.2 Settings

Different instrument options can be set in the **SETTINGS** menu.

Options in both models are:

- Selection of language,
- Setting the instrument to initial values,
- Selection of reference standard for RCD test,
- Entering Isc factor,
- Commander support.

Additional options in model MI 3125B are:

- Recalling and clearing stored results,
- Setting the date and time,





Figure 4.1: Options in Settings menu

## Keys:

UP / DOWN	Selects appropriate option.
TEST	Enters selected option.
Function selectors	Exits back to main function menu.

## 4.2.1 Language

In this menu the language can be set.

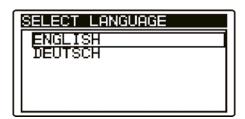


Figure 4.2: Language selection

#### Keys:

UP / DOWN	Selects language.
TEST	Confirms selected language and exits to settings menu.
Function selectors	Exits back to main function menu.

## 4.2.2 Initial settings

In this menu the instrument settings and measurement parameters and limits can be set to initial (factory) values.



Figure 4.3: Initial settings dialogue

## Keys:

TEST	Restores default settings.
Function selectors	Exits back to main function menu without changes.

## Warning:

- Customized settings will be lost when this option is used!
- If the batteries are removed for more than 1 minute the custom made settings will be lost.

The default setup is listed below:

\* model MI 3125B

Instrument setting	Default value
Contrast	As defined and stored by adjustment procedure
Isc factor	1.00
RCD standards	EN 61008 / EN 61009
Language	English
Commander	Enabled

Function Sub-function	Parameters / limit value
EARTH RE*	No limit
R ISO	No limit Utest = 500 V
Low Ohm Resistance	
R LOW $\Omega$	No limit
CONTINUITY*	No limit
Z - LINE	Fuse type: none selected
VOLTAGE DROP	ΔU: 4.0 %
	Z <sub>REF</sub> : 0.00 Ω
Z - LOOP	Fuse type: none selected
Zs rcd	Fuse type: none selected
RCD	RCD t
	Nominal differential current: $I_{\Delta N}$ =30 mA RCD type: G
	Test current starting polarity:  (0°) Limit contact voltage: 50 V
	Current multiplier: ×1

#### Note:

□ Initial settings (reset of the instrument) can be recalled also if the TAB key is pressed while the instrument is switched on.

## 4.2.3 Memory (model MI 3125B)

In this menu the stored data can be recalled and deleted. See chapter 6 Data handling for more information.

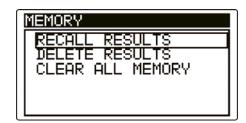


Figure 4.4: Memory options

#### Keys:

UP / DOWN	Selects option.
TEST	Enters selected option.
Function selectors	Exits back to main function menu.

## 4.2.4 Date and time (model MI 3125B)

In this menu date and time can be set.



Figure 4.5: Setting date and time

## Keys:

TAB	Selects the field to be changed.
UP / DOWN	Modifies selected field.
TEST	Confirms new setup and exits.
Function	Exits back to main function menu.
selectors	

#### Warning:

If the batteries are removed for more than 1 minute the set time and date will be lost.

#### 4.2.5 RCD standard

In this menu the used standard for RCD tests can be set.



Figure 4.6: Selection of RCD test standard

## Keys:

UP / DOWN	Selects standard.	
TEST	Confirms selected standard.	
Function selectors	Exits back to main function menu.	

Maximum RCD disconnection times differ in various standards.

The trip-out times defined in individual standards are listed below.

Trip-out times according to EN 61008 / EN 61009:

	½×I <sub>∆N</sub> *)	$I_{\Delta N}$	2×I <sub>∆N</sub>	5×I <sub>ΔN</sub>
General RCDs (non-delayed)	t <sub>∆</sub> > 300 ms	$t_{\Delta}$ < 300 ms	$t_{\Delta}$ < 150 ms	$t_{\Delta}$ < 40 ms
Selective RCDs (time-delayed)	t <sub>∆</sub> > 500 ms	130 ms < $t_{\Delta}$ < 500 ms	$60 \text{ ms} < t_{\Delta} < 200 \text{ ms}$	$50 \text{ ms} < t_{\Delta} < 150 \text{ ms}$

Trip-out times according to EN 60364-4-41:

	¹⁄₂×I <sub>∆N</sub> *)	$I_{\DeltaN}$	2×I <sub>∆N</sub>	5×I <sub>ΔN</sub>	
General RCDs (non-delayed)	t <sub>∆</sub> > 999 ms	$t_{\Delta}$ < 999 ms	$t_{\Delta}$ < 150 ms	$t_{\Delta}$ < 40 ms	
Selective RCDs (time-delayed)	t <sub>∆</sub> > 999 ms	130 ms < $t_{\Delta}$ < 999 ms	$60 \text{ ms} < t_{\Delta} < 200 \text{ ms}$	$50 \text{ ms} < t_{\Delta} < 150 \text{ ms}$	

Trip-out times according to BS 7671:

	½×I <sub>∆N</sub> *)	$I_{\DeltaN}$	2×I <sub>∆N</sub>	5×I <sub>ΔN</sub>
General RCDs (non-delayed)	$t_{\Delta}$ > 1999 ms	$t_{\Delta}$ < 300 ms	$t_{\Delta}$ < 150 ms	$t_{\Delta}$ < 40 ms
Selective RCDs (time-delayed)	$t_{\Delta}$ > 1999 ms	130 ms < $t_{\Delta}$ < 500 ms	60 ms < $t_{\Delta}$ < 200 ms	$50 \text{ ms} < t_{\Delta} < 150 \text{ ms}$

Trip-out times according to AS/NZ\*\*):

		½×I <sub>∆N</sub> *)	$I_{\Delta N}$	2×I <sub>∆N</sub>	5×I <sub>∆N</sub>	
RCD type	I <sub>∆N</sub> [mA]	$t_{\scriptscriptstyle\Delta}$	$t_{\!\scriptscriptstyle\Delta}$	$t_{\!\scriptscriptstyle\Delta}$	$t_{\scriptscriptstyle\Delta}$	Note
I	≤ 10		40 ms	40 ms	40 ms	
II	<b>&gt;</b> 10 ≤ 30	> 999 ms	300 ms	150 ms	40 ms	Maximum break time
III	> 30		300 ms	150 ms	40 ms	Maximum break time
IV S	> 30	> 999 ms	500 ms	200 ms	150 ms	
10 2	/ 30	7 333 1113	130 ms	60 ms	50 ms	Minimum non-actuating time

<sup>\*)</sup> Minimum test period for current of ½×I<sub>ΔN</sub>, RCD shall not trip-out.
\*\*) Test current and measurement accuracy correspond to AS/NZ requirements.

Maximum test times related to selected test current for general (non-delayed) RCD

Standard	1⁄2×I∆N	$I_{\DeltaN}$	$2 \times I_{\Delta N}$	5×Ι <sub>ΔΝ</sub>
EN 61008 / EN 61009	300 ms	300 ms	150 ms	40 ms
EN 60364-4-41	1000 ms	1000 ms	150 ms	40 ms
BS 7671	2000 ms	300 ms	150 ms	40 ms
AS/NZ (I, II, III)	1000 ms	1000 ms	150 ms	40 ms

Maximum test times related to selected test current for selective (time-delayed) RCD

Standard	1⁄2×I∆N	$I_{\Delta N}$	2×I <sub>∆N</sub>	5×Ι <sub>ΔΝ</sub>
EN 61008 / EN 61009	500 ms	500 ms	200 ms	150 ms
EN 60364-4-41	1000 ms	1000 ms	200 ms	150 ms
BS 7671	2000 ms	500 ms	200 ms	150 ms
AS/NZ (IV)	1000 ms	1000 ms	200 ms	150 ms

## 4.2.6 Isc factor

In this menu the Isc factor for calculation of short circuit current in Z-LINE and Z-LOOP measurements can be set.

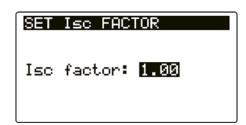


Figure 4.7: Selection of Isc factor

## Keys:

UP / DOWN	Sets Isc value.	
TEST	Confirms Isc value.	
Function selectors	Exits back to main function menu.	

Short circuit current lsc in the supply system is important for selection or verification of protective circuit breakers (fuses, over-current breaking devices, RCDs).

The default value of lsc factor (ksc) is 1.00. The value should be set according to local regulative.

Range for adjustment of the Isc factor is  $0.20 \div 3.00$ .

## 4.2.7 Commander support

The support for remote commanders can be switched On/ Off in this menu.



Figure 4.8: Selection of commander support

## Keys:

UP / DOWN	Selects commander option.
TEST	Confirms selected option.
Function selectors	Exits back to main function menu.

#### Note:

□ This option is intended to disable the commander's remote keys. In the case of high EM interfering noise the operation of the commander's key can be irregular.

## 5 Measurements

## 5.1 Voltage, frequency and phase sequence

Voltage and frequency measurement is always active in the terminal voltage monitor. In the special **VOLTAGE TRMS** menu the measured voltage, frequency and information about detected three-phase connection can be stored. Phase sequence measurement conforms to the EN 61557-7 standard.

See chapter 4.1 Function selection for instructions on key functionality.

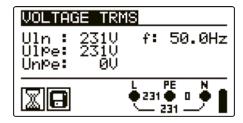


Figure 5.1: Voltage in single phase system

## Test parameters for voltage measurement

There are no parameters to set.

## **Connections for voltage measurement**

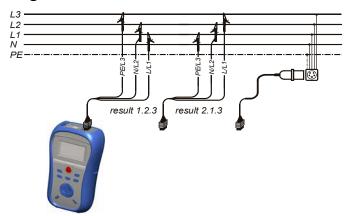


Figure 5.2: Connection of 3-wire test lead and optional adapter in three-phase system

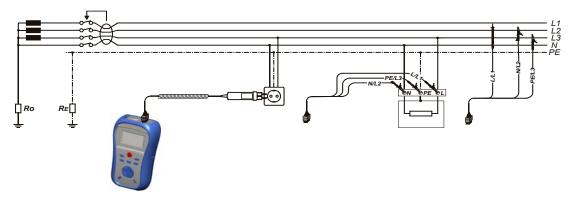
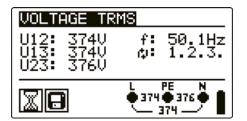


Figure 5.3: Connection of plug commander and 3-wire test lead in single-phase system

#### Voltage measurement procedure

- \* model MI 3125B
  - Select the VOLTAGE TRMS function using the function selector switch.
  - Connect test cable to the instrument.
  - □ Connect test leads to the item to be tested (see *figures 5.2 and 5.3*).
  - □ **Store** voltage measurement result by pressing the MEM key (optional)\*.

Measurement runs immediately after selection of **VOLTAGE TRMS** function.



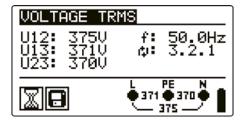


Figure 5.4: Examples of voltage measurement in three-phase system

Displayed results for single phase system:

Uln......Voltage between phase and neutral conductors,

Ulpe......Voltage between phase and protective conductors,

Unpe......Voltage between neutral and protective conductors, f.....frequency.

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Displayed results for three-phase system:

U12.....Voltage between phases L1 and L2, U13.....Voltage between phases L1 and L3,

U23.....Voltage between phases L2 and L3,

1.2.3 ...... Correct connection – CW rotation sequence,

3.2.1 ...... Invalid connection – CCW rotation sequence,

f.....frequency.

## 5.2 Insulation resistance

The Insulation resistance measurement is performed in order to ensure safety against electric shock through insulation. It is covered by the EN 61557-2 standard. Typical applications are:

- Insulation resistance between conductors of installation,
- Insulation resistance of non-conductive rooms (walls and floors),
- Insulation resistance of ground cables,
- Resistance of semi-conductive (antistatic) floors.

See chapter 4.1 Function selection for instructions on key functionality.

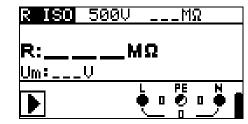


Figure 5.5: Insulation resistance

## Test parameters for insulation resistance measurement

Uiso	Test voltage [50 V, 100 V, 250 V, 500 V, 1000 V]
Limit	Minimum insulation resistance [OFF, 0.01 M $\Omega$ ÷ 200 M $\Omega$ ]

#### Test circuits for insulation resistance

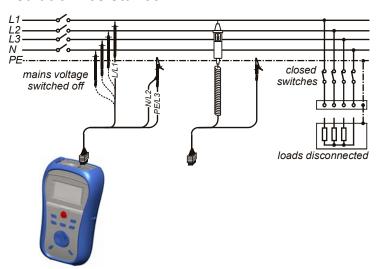


Figure 5.6: Connections for insulation measurement

## Insulation resistance measuring procedure

## \* model MI 3125B

- Select the INS function using the function selector switch.
- □ Set the required **test voltage**.
- □ Enable and set **limit** value (optional).
- Disconnect tested installation from mains supply (and discharge insulation as required).
- □ **Connect** test cable to the instrument and to the item to be tested (see figure 5.6).
- Press the **TEST** key to perform the measurement (double click for continuous measurement and later press to stop the measurement).
- □ After the measurement is finished wait until tested item is fully discharged.
- □ **Store** the result by pressing the MEM key (optional)\*.



Figure 5.7: Example of insulation resistance measurement result

## Displayed results:

R.....Insulation resistance
Um.....Test voltage – actual value.

# 5.3 Resistance of earth connection and equipotential bonding

The resistance measurement is performed in order to ensure that the protective measures against electric shock through earth connections and bondings are effective. Two sub-functions are available:

- $\square$  R LOW $\Omega$  Earth bond resistance measurement according to EN 61557-4 (200 mA),
- CONTINUITY Continuous resistance measurement performed with 7 mA (model MI 3125B).

See chapter 4.1 Function selection for instructions on key functionality.

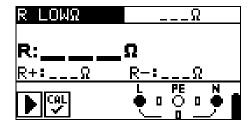


Figure 5.8: 200 mA RLOW Ω

## Test parameters for resistance measurement

\* model MI 3125B

TEST	Resistance measurement <b>sub-function</b> [R LOWΩ, CONTINUITY*]
Limit	Maximum resistance [OFF, $0.1 \Omega \div 20.0 \Omega$ ]

### 5.3.1 R LOWΩ, 200 mA resistance measurement

The resistance measurement is performed with automatic polarity reversal of the test voltage.

#### Test circuit for R LOWΩ measurement

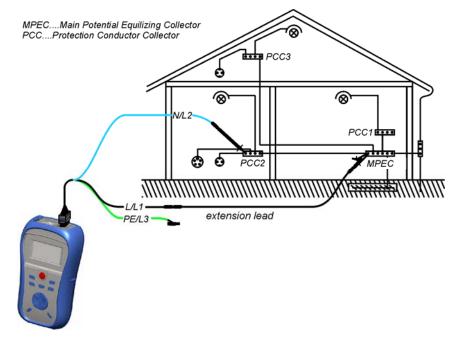


Figure 5.9: Connection of 3-wire test lead plus optional extension lead

Resistance to earth connection and equipotential bonding measurement procedure

#### \* model MI 3125B

- Select continuity function using the function selector switch.
- $\Box$  Set sub-function to **R** LOW $\Omega$ .
- Enable and set limit (optional).
- Connect test cable to the instrument.
- □ **Compensate** the test leads resistance (if necessary, see *section 5.3.3*).
- Disconnect from mains supply and discharge installation to be tested.
- □ **Connect** the test leads to the appropriate PE wiring (see *figure 5.9*).
- Press the **TEST** key to perform the measurement.
- After the measurement is finished **store** the result by pressing the MEM button (optional)\*.

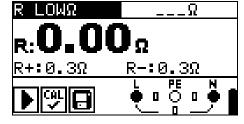


Figure 5.10: Example of RLOW result

Displayed result:

R.....R LOW $\Omega$  resistance.

R+.....Result at positive polarity

R-.....Result at negative test polarity

## 5.3.2 Continuous resistance measurement with low current (model MI 3125B)

In general, this function serves as standard  $\Omega$ -meter with a low testing current. The measurement is performed continuously without polarity reversal. The function can also be applied for testing continuity of inductive components.

#### Test circuit for continuous resistance measurement

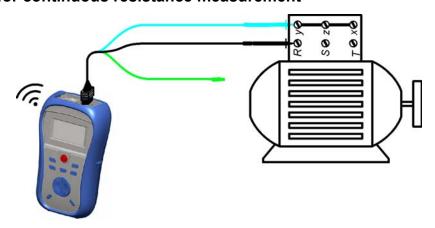


Figure 5.11: 3-wire test lead application

#### Continuous resistance measurement procedure

- Select continuity function using the function selector switch.
- □ Set sub-function **CONTINUITY**.
- Enable and set the limit (optional).
- Connect test cable to the instrument.
- □ **Compensate** test leads resistance (if necessary, see *section 5.3.3*).
- Disconnect from mains supply and discharge the object to be tested.
- □ **Connect** test leads to the tested object (see *figure 5.11*).
- Press the TEST key to begin performing a continuous measurement.
- Press the **TEST** key to stop measurement.
- □ After the measurement is finished, **store** the result (optional).

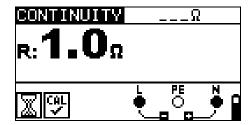


Figure 5.12: Example of continuous resistance measurement

Displayed result:
R.....Resistance
Note:

 $\Box$  Continuous buzzer sound indicates that measured resistance is less than 2  $\Omega$ .

## 5.3.3 Compensation of test leads resistance

This chapter describes how to compensate the test leads resistance in both continuity functions, R LOW $\Omega$  and CONTINUITY (model MI 3125B). Compensation is required to eliminate the influence of test leads resistance and the internal resistances of the instrument on the measured resistance. The lead compensation is therefore a very important feature to obtain correct result.

Each of R LOW $\Omega$  and CONTINUITY (model MI 3125B) has own compensation. Symbol is displayed if the compensation was carried out successfully.

# Circuits for compensating the resistance of test leads

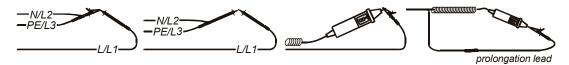
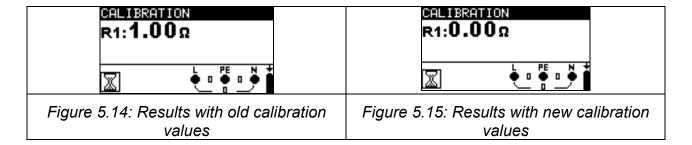


Figure 5.13: Shorted test leads

#### Compensation of test leads resistance procedure

- Select R LOWΩ or CONTINUITY (model MI 3125B) function.
- □ **Connect** test cable to the instrument and short the test leads together (see *figure 5.13*).
- Press TEST to perform resistance measurement.
- Press the CAL key to compensate leads resistance.



#### Note:

- $\Box$  The highest value for lead compensation is 5  $\Omega$ . If the resistance is higher the compensation value is set back to default value.
  - LHL is displayed if no calibration value is stored.

## 5.4 Testing RCDs

Various test and measurements are required for verification of RCD(s) in RCD protected installations. Measurements are based on the EN 61557-6 standard.

The following measurements and tests (sub-functions) can be performed:

- Contact voltage,
- □ Trip-out time,
- □ Trip-out current,
- RCD autotest.

See chapter 4.1 Function selection for instructions on key functionality.

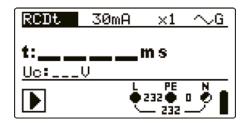


Figure 5.16: RCD test

## Test parameters for RCD test and measurement

TEST	RCD sub-function test [RCDt, RCD I, AUTO, Uc].
$I_{\Delta N}$	<b>Rated</b> RCD residual current sensitivity $I_{\Delta N}$ [10 mA, 30 mA, 100 mA, 300 mA, 500 mA, 1000 mA].
type	RCD <b>type</b> $[G]$ , $[S]$ , test current <b>waveform</b> plus starting <b>polarity</b> $[\sim, \sim, \sim, \sim, \sim]$ .
MUL	<b>Multiplication</b> factor for test current [ $\frac{1}{2}$ , 1, 2, 5 $I_{\Delta N}$ ].
Ulim	Conventional touch voltage limit [25 V, 50 V].

<sup>\*</sup> Model MI 3125B

#### Notes:

Ulim can be selected in the Uc sub-function only.

The instrument is intended for testing of **G**eneral (non-delayed) and **S**elective (time-delayed) RCDs, which are suited for:

- □ Alternating residual current (AC type, marked with △ symbol),
- □ Pulsating residual current (A type, marked with ^- symbol).
- □ Pulsating residual current (A type, marked with ~ symbol).
- □ Model 3125B: DC residual current (B type, marked with === symbol).

Time delayed RCDs have delayed response characteristics. As the contact voltage pretest or other RCD tests influence the time delayed RCD it takes a certain period to recover into normal state. Therefore a time delay of 30 s is inserted before performing trip-out test by default.

#### Connections for testing RCD

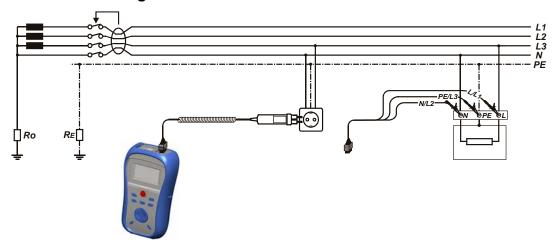


Figure 5.17: Connecting the plug commander and the 3-wire test lead

# 5.4.1 Contact voltage (RCD Uc)

A current flowing into the PE terminal causes a voltage drop on earth resistance, i.e. voltage difference between PE equipotential bonding circuit and earth. This voltage difference is called contact voltage and is present on all accessible conductive parts connected to the PE. It shall always be lower than the conventional safety limit voltage. The contact voltage is measured with a test current lower than  $\frac{1}{2}I_{\Delta N}$  to avoid trip-out of the RCD and then normalized to the rated  $I_{\Delta N}$ .

#### Contact voltage measurement procedure

#### \* model MI 3125B

- Select the RCD function using the function selector switch.
- Set sub-function Uc.
- Set test parameters (if necessary).
- Connect test cable to the instrument.
- □ **Connect** test leads to the item to be tested (see *figure 5.17*).
- Press the TEST key to perform the measurement.
- □ **Store** the result by pressing the MEM key (optional)\*.

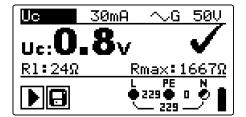
The contact voltage result relates to the rated nominal residual current of the RCD and is multiplied by an appropriate factor (depending on RCD type and type of test current). The 1.05 factor is applied to avoid negative tolerance of result. See table 5.1 for detailed contact voltage calculation factors.

RCD	type	Contact voltage Uc proportional to	Rated I <sub>ΔN</sub>	
AC	G	1.05×I <sub>∆N</sub>	any	
AC	S	2×1.05×I <sub>ΔN</sub>		
Α	G	1.4×1.05×I <sub>∆N</sub>	≥ 30 mA	Both models
Α	S	2×1.4×1.05×I <sub>ΔN</sub>		Doill models
Α	G	2×1.05×I <sub>ΔN</sub>	< 30 mA	
Α	S	2×2×1.05×I <sub>ΔN</sub>		
В	G	2×1.05×I <sub>ΔN</sub>	any	Model 2125D only
В	S	2×2×1.05×I <sub>ΔN</sub>		Model 3125B only

Table 5.1: Relationship between Uc and  $I_{\Delta N}$ 

Loop resistance is indicative and calculated from Uc result (without additional proportional factors) according to:  $R_L = \frac{U_C}{I_{AM}}$ .





UK version

Figure 5.18: Example of contact voltage measurement results

Displayed results:

Uc......Contact voltage.

RI.....Fault loop resistance.

# 5.4.2 Trip-out time (RCDt)

Trip-out time measurement verifies the sensitivity of the RCD at different residual currents.

#### Trip-out time measurement procedure

#### \* model MI 3125B

- Select the RCD function using the function selector switch.
- □ Set sub-function **RCDt**.
- Set test parameters (if necessary).
- Connect test cable to the instrument.
- □ **Connect** test leads to the item to be tested (see *figure 5.17*).
- Press the TEST key to perform the measurement.
- □ **Store** the result by pressing the MEM key (optional)\*.

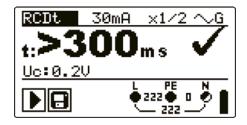


Figure 5.19: Example of trip-out time measurement results

Displayed results: t .....Trip-out time,

Uc......Contact voltage for rated  $I_{\Delta N}$ .

### 5.4.3 Trip-out current (RCD I)

A continuously rising residual current is intended for testing the threshold sensitivity for RCD trip-out. The instrument increases the test current in small steps through appropriate range as follows:

RCD type	Slope range		Waveform	
KCD type	Start value	End value		Note
AC	$0.2 \times I_{\Delta N}$	$1.1 \times I_{\Delta N}$	Sine	Both models
A ( $I_{\Delta N} \ge 30 \text{ mA}$ )	$0.2 \times I_{\Delta N}$	1.5×I <sub>∆N</sub>	Pulsed	
A ( $I_{\Delta N} = 10 \text{ mA}$ )	$0.2 \times I_{\Delta N}$	$2.2 \times I_{\Delta N}$	Fuiseu	
В	0.2×I <sub>∆N</sub>	2.2×I <sub>∆N</sub>	DC	Model MI 3125B only

Maximum test current is  $I_{\Lambda}$  (trip-out current) or end value in case the RCD didn't trip-out.

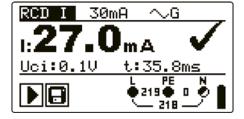
#### Trip-out current measurement procedure

#### \* model MI 3125B

- Select the RCD function using the function selector switch.
- Set sub-function RCD I.
- Set test parameters (if necessary).
- Connect test cable to the instrument.
- □ **Connect** test leads to the item to be tested (see *figure 5.17*).
- Press the TEST key to perform the measurement.
- □ **Store** the result by pressing the MEM key (optional)\*.



Trip-out



After the RCD is turned on again

Figure 5.20: Trip-out current measurement result example

Display	red results:
I	.Trip-out current,
Uci	Contact voltage at trip-out current I or end value in case the RCD didn't trip,
t	.Trip-out time.

#### **5.4.4 RCD Autotest**

RCD autotest function is intended to perform a complete RCD test (trip-out time at different residual currents, trip-out current and contact voltage) in one set of automatic tests, guided by the instrument.

## Additional key:

HELP / DISPLAY	Toggles between top and bottom part of results field.

#### **RCD** autotest procedure

### \* model MI 3125B

RO	CD Autotest steps	Notes
	Select the RCD function using the function selector switch.	
	Set sub-function <b>AUTO</b> .	
	Set test <b>parameters</b> (if necessary).	
	Connect test cable to the instrument.	
	Connect test leads to the to the item to be tested (see	
	figure 5.17).	
	Press the <b>TEST</b> key to perform the test.	Start of test
	Test with $I_{\Delta N}$ , 0° (step 1).	RCD should trip-out
	Re-activate RCD.	
	Test with $I_{\Delta N}$ , 180° (step 2).	RCD should trip-out
	Re-activate RCD.	
	Test with $5 \times I_{\Delta N}$ , $0^{\circ}$ (step 3).	RCD should trip-out
	Re-activate RCD.	
	Test with $5 \times I_{\Delta N}$ , $180^{\circ}$ (step 4).	RCD should trip-out
	Re-activate RCD.	
	Test with ½×I∆N, 0° (step 5).	RCD should not trip-
		out
	Test with ½×I∆N, 180° (step 6).	RCD should not trip-
		out
	Trip-out current test, 0° (step 7).	RCD should trip-out
	Re-activate RCD.	
	Trip-out current test, 180° (step 8).	RCD should trip-out
	Re-activate RCD.	_
	<b>Store</b> the result by pressing the MEM key (optional)*.	End of test

#### Result examples:

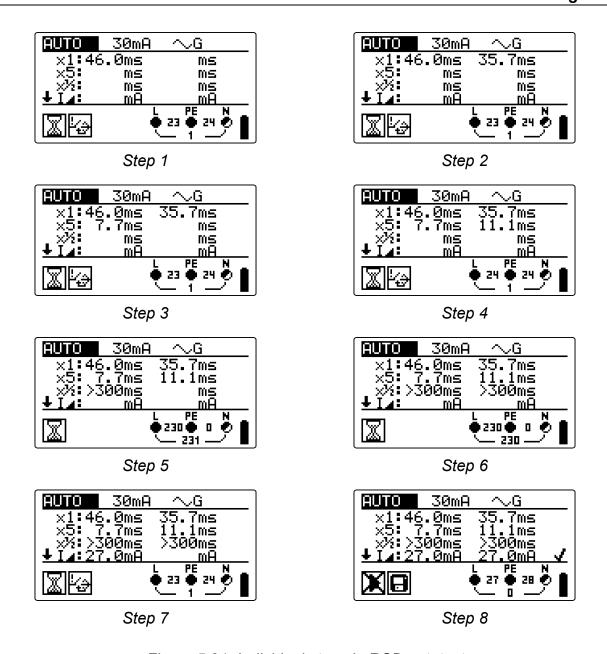


Figure 5.21: Individual steps in RCD autotest

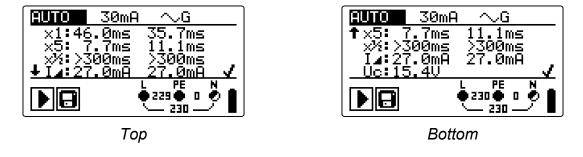


Figure 5.22: Two parts of result field in RCD autotest

#### Displayed results:

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x1 ......Step 1 trip-out time (t:, I\Delta N, 0^{\circ}), x1 ......Step 2 trip-out time (t:, I\Delta N, I\Delta N,
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#### Notes:

- □ The autotest sequence is immediately stopped if any incorrect condition is detected, e.g. excessive Uc or trip-out time out of bounds.
- □ Auto test is finished without x5 tests in case of testing the RCD type A with rated residual currents of  $I\Delta n = 300$  mA, 500 mA, and 1000 mA. In this case auto test result passes if all other results pass, and indications for x5 are omitted.
- $\Box$  Tests for sensitivity (I<sub> $\Delta$ </sub>, steps 7 and 8) are omitted for selective type RCD.

# 5.5 Fault loop impedance and prospective fault current

Fault loop is a loop comprised by mains source, line wiring and PE return path to the mains source. The instrument measures the impedance of the loop and calculates the short circuit current. The measurement is covered by requirements of the EN 61557-3 standard.

See chapter 4.1 Function selection for instructions on key functionality.

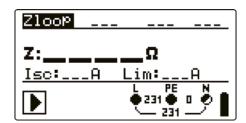


Figure 5.23: Fault loop impedance

#### Test parameters for fault loop impedance measurement

Test	Selection of fault loop impedance <b>sub-function</b> [Zloop, Zs rcd]
Fuse type	Selection of <b>fuse type</b> [, NV, gG, B, C, K, D]
Fuse I	Rated current of selected fuse
Fuse T	Maximum breaking time of selected fuse
Lim	Minimum short circuit <b>current</b> for selected fuse.

See Appendix A for reference fuse data.

#### Circuits for measurement of fault loop impedance

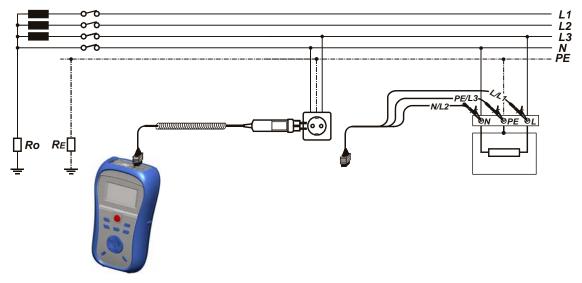


Figure 5.24: Connection of plug cable and 3-wire test lead

#### Fault loop impedance measurement procedure

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- □ Select the Zloop or Zs rcd sub-function using the function selector switch and A/∀ keys
- Select test parameters (optional).
- Connect test cable to the Eurotest Combo.
- □ **Connect** test leads to the item to be tested (see *figure 5.24 and 5.17*).
- Press the TEST key to perform the measurement.
- □ **Store** the result by pressing the MEM key (optional)\*.

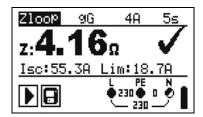


Figure 5.25: Examples of loop impedance measurement result

#### Displayed results:

Z.....Fault loop impedance,

Isc.....Prospective fault current,

Lim ......Low limit prospective short-circuit current value or high limit fault loop impedance value for the UK version.

Prospective fault current I<sub>SC</sub> is calculated from measured impedance as follows:

$$I_{SC} = \frac{Un \times k_{SC}}{7}$$

where:

Un ...... Nominal U<sub>L-PE</sub> voltage (see table below),

ksc ...... Correction factor for lsc (see chapter 4.2.6).

Un	Input voltage range (L-PE)
110 V	$(93 \text{ V} \le U_{L-PE} < 134 \text{ V})$
230 V	$(185 \text{ V} \le U_{L-PE} \le 266 \text{ V})$

#### Notes:

- □ High fluctuations of mains voltage can influence the measurement results (the noise sign is displayed in the message field). In this case it is recommended to repeat few measurements to check if the readings are stable.
- □ This measurement will trip-out the RCD in RCD-protected electrical installation if test Zloop is selected.
- Select Zs rcd to prevent trip-out of RCD in RCD protected installation.

# 5.6 Line impedance and prospective short-circuit current / Voltage drop

Line impedance is measured in loop comprising of mains voltage source and line wiring. Line impedance is covered by the requirements of the EN 61557-3 standard.

The Voltage drop sub-function is intended to check that a voltage in the installation stays above acceptable levels if the highest current is flowing in the circuit. The highest current is defined as the nominal current of the circuit's fuse. The limit values are described in the standard EN 60364-5-52.

#### Sub-functions:

- □ Z LINE- Line impedance measurement according to EN 61557-3,
- □ ∆U Voltage drop measurement.

See chapter 4.1 Function selection for instructions on key functionality.

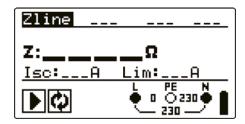


Figure 5.26: Line impedance

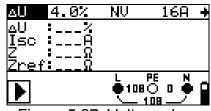


Figure 5.27: Voltage drop

#### Test parameters for line impedance measurement

Test Selection of line impedance [Zline] or voltage drop [ΔU] sub-function

FUSE type Selection of **fuse type** [---, NV, gG, B, C, K, D]

FUSE I Rated current of selected fuse

FUSE T Maximum **breaking time** of selected fuse
Lim Minimum short circuit **current** for selected fuse.

See Appendix A for reference fuse data.

#### Additional test parameters for voltage drop measurement

$\Delta U_{MAX}$	Maximum voltage drop [3.0 % ÷ 9.0 %].
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# 5.6.1 Line impedance and prospective short circuit current

### Circuits for measurement of line impedance

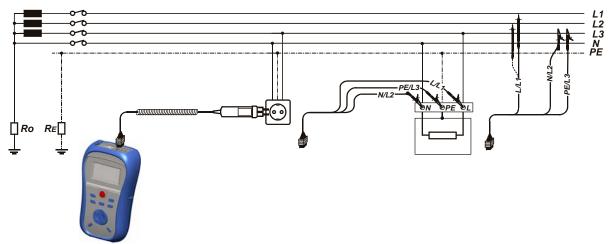
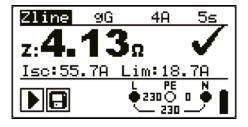


Figure 5.28: Phase-neutral or phase-phase line impedance measurement – connection of plug commander and 3-wire test lead

#### Line impedance measurement procedure

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- Select the sub-function.
- Select test parameters (optional).
- □ **Connect** test cable to the instrument.
- □ **Connect** test leads to the item to be tested (see *figure 5.28*).
- Press the **TEST** key to perform the measurement.
- Store the result by pressing the MEM key (optional)\*.





Line to neutral

Line to line

Figure 5.29: Examples of line impedance measurement result

Displayed results:

Z.....Line impedance,

Isc.....Prospective short-circuit current,

Lim ......Low limit prospective short-circuit current value or high limit line impedance value for the UK version.

Prospective short circuit current is calculated as follows:

$$I_{SC} = \frac{Un \times k_{SC}}{Z}$$

where:

Un ....... Nominal L-N or L1-L2 voltage (see table below), ksc ...... Correction factor for lsc (see chapter 4.2.6).

Un	Input voltage range (L-N or L1-L2)	
110 V	$(93 \text{ V} \le U_{L-PE} < 134 \text{ V})$	
230 V	$(185 \text{ V} \le U_{L-PE} \le 266 \text{ V})$	
400 V	$(321 \text{ V} < U_{L-N} \le 485 \text{ V})$	

#### Note:

□ High fluctuations of mains voltage can influence the measurement results (the noise sign is displayed in the message field). In this case it is recommended to repeat few measurements to check if the readings are stable.

# 5.6.2 Voltage drop

The voltage drop is calculated based on the difference of line impedance at connection points (sockets) and the line impedance at the reference point (usually the impedance at the switchboard).

#### Circuits for measurement for voltage drop

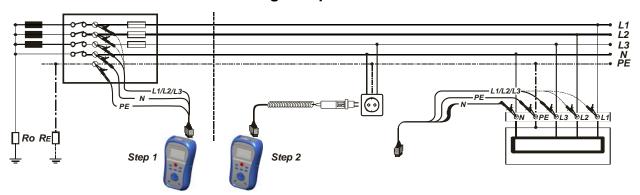


Figure 5.30: Phase-neutral or phase-phase voltage drop measurement – connection of plug commander and 3-wire test lead

#### Voltage drop measurement procedure

Step 1: Measuring the impedance Zref at origin

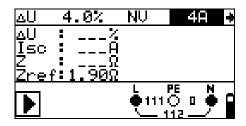
- □ Select the AU sub-function using the function selector switch and A/Y keys.
- Select test parameters (optional).
- Connect test cable to the instrument.
- □ **Connect** the test leads to the origin of electrical installation (see *figure 5.30*).
- Press the CAL key to perform the measurement.

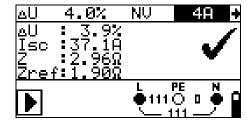
**Step 2: Measuring the voltage drop** 

- □ Select the AU sub-function using the function selector switch and A/✓ keys.
- Select test parameters (Fuse type must be selected).

- Connect test cable or plug commander to the instrument.
- □ **Connect** the test leads to the tested points (see *figure 5.30*).
- Press the TEST key to perform the measurement.
- **Store** the result by pressing the MEM key (optional)\*.

<sup>\*</sup> model MI 3125B





Step 1 - Zref

Step 2 - Voltage drop

Figure 5.31: Examples of voltage drop measurement result

#### Displayed results:

ΔU .....Voltage drop,

Isc.....Prospective short-circuit current,

Z.....Line impedance at measured point,

Zref.....Reference impedance

Voltage drop is calculated as follows:

$$\Delta U \left[\%\right] = \frac{(Z - Z_{REF}) \cdot I_{N}}{U_{N}} \cdot 100$$

#### where:

ΔU......calculated voltage drop Z....impedance at test point

Z<sub>REF</sub>.....impedance at reference point

I<sub>N</sub>.....rated current of selected fuse

U<sub>N</sub>.....nominal voltage (see table below)

Un	Input voltage range (L-N or L1-L2)
110 V	$(93 \text{ V} \le U_{L-PE} < 134 \text{ V})$
230 V	$(185 \text{ V} \le U_{L-PE} \le 266 \text{ V})$
400 V	$(321 \text{ V} < \text{U}_{1-N} \le 485 \text{ V})$

#### Note:

- $\Box$  If the reference impedance is not set the value of  $Z_{REF}$  is considered as 0.00  $\Omega$ .
- $\square$  The Z<sub>REF</sub> is cleared (set to 0.00 Ω) if pressing CAL key while instrument is not connected to a voltage source.
- □ I<sub>SC</sub> is calculated as described in chapter 5.6.1 Line impedance and prospective short circuit current.
- $\Box$  If the measured voltage is outside the ranges described in the table above the  $\Delta U$  result will not be calculated.

□ High fluctuations of mains voltage can influence the measurement results (the noise sign is displayed in the message field). In this case it is recommended to repeat few measurements to check if the readings are stable.

## 5.7 Earth resistance (model MI 3125B)

Earth resistance is one of the most important parameters for protection against electric shock. Main earthing arrangements, lightning systems, local earthings, etc can be verified with the earthing resistance test. The measurement conforms to the EN 61557-5 standard.

See chapter *4.1 Function selection* for instructions on key functionality.

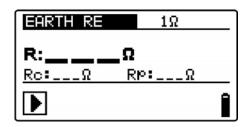


Figure 5.32: Earth resistance

### Test parameters for earth resistance measurement

Limit Maximum resistance OFF, 1  $\Omega \div 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ 

#### Connections for earth resistance measurement

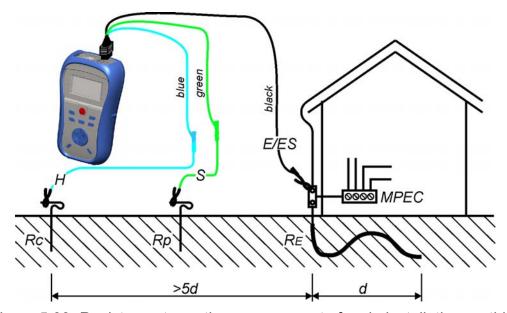


Figure 5.33: Resistance to earth, measurement of main installation earthing

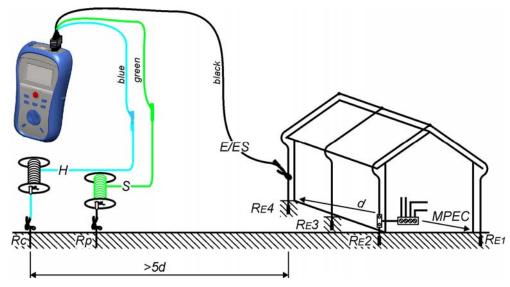


Figure 5.34: Resistance to earth, measurement of a lighting protection system

#### Earth resistance measurements, common measurement procedure

- Select EARTH function using the function selector switch.
- □ Enable and set **limit** value (optional).
- Connect test leads to the instrument
- □ **Connect** the item to be tested (see figures 5.33, 5.34).
- Press the **TEST** key to perform the measurement...
- Store the result by pressing the MEM key (optional).



Figure 5.35: Example of earth resistance measurement result

Displayed results for earth resistance measurement:

R.....Earth resistance,

Rp.....Resistance of S (potential) probe,

Rc.....Resistance of H (current) probe.

#### Notes:

- □ High resistance of S and H probes could influence the measurement results. In this case, "Rp" and "Rc" warnings are displayed. There is no pass / fail indication in this case.
- □ High noise currents and voltages in earth could influence the measurement results. The tester displays the "noise" warning in this case.
- Probes must be placed at sufficient distance from the measured object.

#### 5.8 PE test terminal

It can happen that a dangerous voltage is applied to the PE wire or other accessible metal parts. This is a very dangerous situation since the PE wire and MPEs are considered to be earthed. An often reason for this fault is incorrect wiring (see examples below).

When touching the **TEST** key in all functions that require mains supply the user automatically performs this test.

#### **Examples for application of PE test terminal**

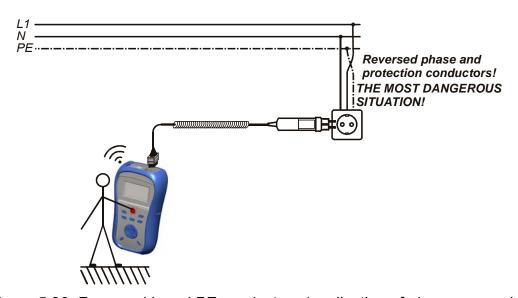


Figure 5.36: Reversed L and PE conductors (application of plug commander)

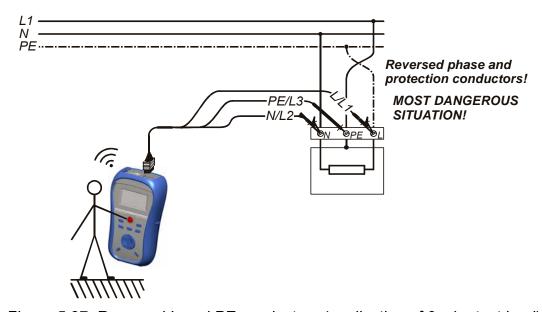


Figure 5.37: Reversed L and PE conductors (application of 3-wire test lead)

#### PE terminal test procedure

- Connect test cable to the instrument.
- □ **Connect** test leads to the item to be tested (see *figures 5.36* and *5.37*).
- □ Touch PE test probe (the **TEST** key) for at least one second.
- If PE terminal is connected to phase voltage the warning message is displayed, instrument buzzer is activated, and further measurements are disabled in Z-LOOP and RCD functions.

#### Warning:

□ If dangerous voltage is detected on the tested PE terminal, immediately stop all measurements, find and remove the fault!

#### Notes:

- □ In the SETTINGS and VOLTAGE TRMS menus the PE terminal is not tested.
- □ PE test terminal does not operate in case the operator's body is completely insulated from floor or walls!

# 6 Data handling (model MI 3125B)

# 6.1 Memory organization

Measurement results together with all relevant parameters can be stored in the instrument's memory. After the measurement is completed, results can be stored to the flash memory of the instrument, together with the sub-results and function parameters.

#### 6.2 Data structure

The instrument's memory place is divided into 3 levels each containing 199 locations. The number of measurements that can be stored into one location is not limited.

The **data structure field** describes the location of the measurement (which object, block, fuse) and where can be accessed.

In the **measurement field** there is information about type and number of measurements that belong to the selected structure element (object and block and fuse).

The main advantages of this system are:

- □ Test results can be organized and grouped in a structured manner that reflects the structure of typical electrical installations.
- Customized names of data structure elements can be uploaded from EurolinkPRO PCSW.
- Simple browsing through structure and results.
- □ Test reports can be created with no or little modifications after downloading results to a PC.

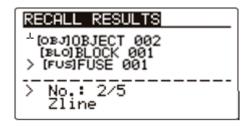


Figure 6.1: Data structure and measurement fields

# Data structure field

RECALL RESULTS	Memory operation menu
OBJECT: 001 BLOCK: 001 FUSE: 001	Data structure field
OBJECT: 001	<ul> <li>1<sup>st</sup> level:</li> <li>OBJECT: Default location name (object and its successive number).</li> </ul>
BLOCK: 001	<ul> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> level:</li> <li>BLOCK: Default location name (block and its successive number).</li> </ul>
FUSE: 001	<ul> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> level:</li> <li>FUSE: Default location name (fuse and its successive number).</li> <li>001: No. of selected element.</li> </ul>
No.: 20 [112]	No. of measurements in selected location [No. of measurements in selected location and its sub-locations]
Measurement field	
Zline	Type of stored measurement in the selected location.
No.: 2/5	No. of selected test result / No. of all stored test results in selected location.

# 6.3 Storing test results

After the completion of a test the results and parameters are ready for storing ( $\blacksquare$  icon is displayed in the information field). By pressing the **MEM** key, the user can store the results.

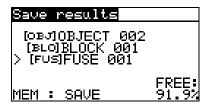


Figure 6.2: Save test menu

Memory free: 99.6% Memory available for storing results.

Keys in save test menu - data structure field:

TAB	Selects the location element (Object / Block / Fuse)
UP / DOWN	Selects number of selected location element (1 to 199)
MEM	Saves test results to the selected location and returns to the measuring menu.
Function selectors / TEST	Exits back to main function menu.

#### Notes:

- □ The instrument offers to store the result to the last selected location by default.
- □ If the measurement is to be stored to the same location as the previous one just press the **MEM** key twice

# 6.4 Recalling test results

Press the **MEM** key in a main function menu when there is no result available for storing or select **MEMORY** in the **SETTINGS** menu.

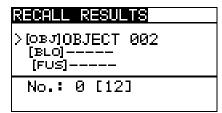


Figure 6.3: Recall menu - installation structure field selected

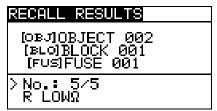


Figure 6.4: Recall menu - measurements field selected

Keys in recall memory menu (installation structure field selected):

ТАВ	Selects the location element (Object / Block / Fuse). Enters measurements field.		
UP / DOWN	Selects the location element in selected level.		
Function selectors / TEST	Exits back to main function menu.		
MEM	Enters measurements field.		

Keys in recall memory menu (measurements field):

UP / DOWN	Selects the stored measurement.
TAB	Returns to installation structure field.
Function selector / TEST	Exits back to main function menu.
MEM	View selected measurement results.



Figure 6.5: Example of recalled measurement result

Keys in recall memory menu (measurement results are displayed)

UP / DOWN	Displays measurement results stored in selected location
MEM	Returns to measurements field.
Function selector / TEST	Exits back to main function menu.

# 6.5 Clearing stored data

#### 6.5.1 Clearing complete memory content

Select CLEAR ALL MEMORY in MEMORY menu. A warning will be displayed.

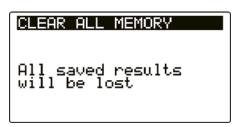


Figure 6.6: Clear all memory

Keys in clear all memory menu

TEST	Confirms clearing of complete memory content.		
Function	Exits back to main function menu without changes.		
selectors			

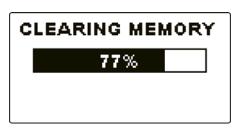
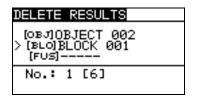


Figure 6.7: Clearing memory in progress

# 6.5.2 Clearing measurement(s) in selected location

Select **DELETE RESULTS** in **MEMORY** menu.



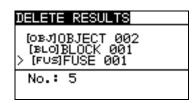


Figure 6.8: Clear measurements menu (data structure field selected)

Keys in delete results menu (installation structure field selected):

TAB	Selects the location element (Object / D. Board / Circuit or	
	Bonding or Electrode).	
UP / DOWN	Selects the location element in selected level.	
Function selector / TEST	Exits back to main function menu.	
HELP	Enters dialog box for deleting all measurements in selected location and its sub-locations.	
MEM	Enters measurements field for deleting individual measurements.	

Keys in dialog for confirmation to clear results in selected location:

HELP	Deletes all results in selected location.		
MEM	Exits back to delete results menu without changes.		
Function selectors / TEST	Exits back to main function menu without changes.		

# 6.5.3 Clearing individual measurements

Select **DELETE RESULTS** in **MEMORY** menu.

DELETE RESULTS
[OBJ]OBJECT 002 [BLO]BLOCK 001 [FUS]FUSE 001
> No.: 5/5 R LOWΩ

Figure 6.9: Menu for clearing individual measurement (installation structure field selected)

Keys in delete results menu (installation structure field selected):

ТАВ	Selects the location element (Object / D. Board / Circuit or Bonding or Electrode).	
UP / DOWN	Selects the location element in selected level.	
Function selector / TEST	Exits back to main function menu.	
MEM	Enters measurements field.	

Keys in delete results menu (measurements field selected):

TAB	Returns to installation structure field.		
UP / DOWN	Selects measurement.		
HELP	Opens dialog box for confirmation to clear selected measurement.		
Function selector	Exits back to main function menu without changes.		

Keys in dialog for confirmation to clear selected result(s):

HELP	Deletes selected measurement result.	
MEM	Exits back to measurements field without changes.	
Function selector	on selector Exits back to main function menu without changes.	

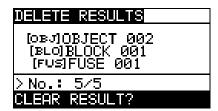


Figure 6.10: Dialog for confirmation

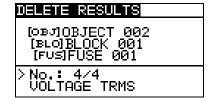


Figure 6.11: Display after measurement was cleared

#### 6.5.4 Renaming installation structure elements

Default installation structure elements are 'Object', 'D.Board', 'Circuit', 'Electrode' and 'Circuit'. In the PCSW package Eurolink-PRO default names can be changed with customized names that corresponds the installation under test. Refer to PCSW Eurolink-PRO HELP menu for information how to upload customized installation names to the instrument.



Figure 6.12: Example of menu with customized installation structure names

#### 6.6 Communication

Stored results can be transferred to a PC. A special communication program on the PC automatically identifies the instrument and enables data transfer between the instrument and the PC.

There are two communication interfaces available on the instrument: USB or RS 232. The instrument automatically selects the communication mode according to detected interface. USB interface has priority.

PS/2 - RS 232 cable minimum connections: 1 to 2, 4 to 3, 3 to 5



Figure 6.13: Interface connection for data transfer over PC COM port

#### How to transfer stored data:

- □ RS 232 communication: connect a PC COM port to the instrument PS/2 connector using the PS/2 RS232 serial communication cable;
- USB communication selected: connect a PC USB port to the instrument USB connector using the USB interface cable.
- Switch on the PC and the instrument.
- □ Run the EurolinkPRO program.
- □ The PC and the instrument will automatically recognize each other.
- □ The instrument is prepared to download data to the PC.

The program *EurolinkPRO* is a PC software running on Windows 95/98, Windows NT, Windows 2000, Windows XP, Windows Vista. Read the file README\_EuroLink.txt on CD for instructions about installing and running the program.

#### Note:

□ USB drivers should be installed on PC before using the USB interface. Refer to USB installation instructions available on installation CD.

# 7 Upgrading the instrument

The instrument can be upgraded from a PC via the RS232 communication port. This enables to keep the instrument up to date even if the standards or regulations change. The upgrade can be carried with help of a special upgrading software and the communication cable as shown on *Figure 6.13*. Please contact your dealer for more information.

# 8 Maintenance

Unauthorized persons are not allowed to open the Eurotest Combo instrument. There are no user replaceable components inside the instrument, except the battery and fuse under rear cover.

### 8.1 Fuse replacement

There is a fuse under back cover of the Eurotest Combo instrument.

□ F1

M 0.315 A / 250 V, 20×5 mm

This fuse protects internal circuitry for continuity functions if test probes are connected to the mains supply voltage by mistake during measurement.

#### Warnings:

- Disconnect all measuring accessory and switch off the instrument before opening battery / fuse compartment cover, hazardous voltage inside!
- □ Replace blown fuse with original type only, otherwise the instrument may be damaged and/or operator's safety impaired!

Position of fuse can be seen in Figure 3.4 in chapter 3.3 Back panel.

# 8.2 Cleaning

No special maintenance is required for the housing. To clean the surface of the instrument use a soft cloth slightly moistened with soapy water or alcohol. Then leave the instrument to dry totally before use.

#### Warnings:

- Do not use liquids based on petrol or hydrocarbons!
- Do not spill cleaning liquid over the instrument!

#### 8.3 Periodic calibration

It is essential that the test instrument is regularly calibrated in order that the technical specification listed in this manual is guaranteed. We recommend an annual calibration. Only an authorized technical person can do the calibration. Please contact your dealer for further information.

#### 8.4 Service

For repairs under warranty, or at any other time, please contact your distributor.

# 9 Technical specifications

#### 9.1 Insulation resistance

Insulation resistance (nominal voltages 50  $V_{DC}$ , 100  $V_{DC}$  and 250  $V_{DC}$ ) Measuring range according to EN61557 is 0.15  $M\Omega \div 199.9 M\Omega$ .

Measuring range (M $\Omega$ )	Resolution (M $\Omega$ )	Accuracy
0.00 ÷ 19.99	0.01	$\pm$ (5 % of reading + 3 digits)
20.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	±(10 % of reading)
100.0 ÷ 199.9	0.1	±(20 % of reading)

Insulation resistance (nominal voltages 500  $V_{DC}$  and 1000  $V_{DC}$ ) Measuring range according to EN61557 is 0.15  $M\Omega \div 1$   $G\Omega$ .

Measuring range (M $\Omega$ )	Resolution (M $\Omega$ )	Accuracy
0.00 ÷ 19.99	0.01	±(5 % of reading + 3 digits)
20.0 ÷ 199.9	0.1	±(5 % of reading)
200 ÷ 999	1	±(10 % of reading)

#### Voltage

Measuring range (V)	Resolution (V)	Accuracy
0 ÷ 1200	1	$\pm$ (3 % of reading + 3 digits)

Nominal voltages ......50 V<sub>DC</sub>, 100 V<sub>DC</sub>, 250 V<sub>DC</sub>, 500 V<sub>DC</sub>, 1000 V<sub>DC</sub>

Open circuit voltage .....-0 % / +20 % of nominal voltage

Measuring current......min. 1 mA at  $R_N=U_N\times 1 k\Omega/V$ 

Short circuit current...... max. 3 mA

The number of possible tests...... > 1200, with a fully charged battery

Auto discharge after test.

Specified accuracy is valid if 3-wire test lead is used while it is valid up to 100 M $\Omega$  if tip commander is used.

Specified accuracy is valid up to 100 M $\Omega$  if relative humidity > 85 %.

In case the instrument gets moistened, the results could be impaired. In such case, it is recommended to dry the instrument and accessories for at least 24 hours.

The error in operating conditions could be at most the error for reference conditions (specified in the manual for each function)  $\pm 5$  % of measured value.

# 9.2 Continuity

#### 9.2.1 Resistance R LOW $\Omega$

Measuring range according to EN61557 is 0.16  $\Omega \div 1999 \Omega$ .

Measuring range R $(\Omega)$	Resolution ( $\Omega$ )	Accuracy
0.00 ÷ 19.99	0.01	$\pm$ (3 % of reading + 3 digits)
20.0 ÷ 199.9	0.1	L/E 0/ of roading)
200 ÷ 1999	1	±(5 % of reading)

Open-circuit voltage......6.5 VDC ÷ 9 VDC

Measuring current......min. 200 mA into load resistance of 2  $\Omega$ 

Test lead compensation.....up to 5  $\Omega$ 

The number of possible tests ......> 2000, with a fully charged battery

Automatic polarity reversal of the test voltage.

#### 9.2.2 Resistance CONTINUITY (model MI 3125B)

Measuring range ( $\Omega$ )	Resolution ( $\Omega$ )	Accuracy
0.0 ÷ 19.9	0.1	1/5 0/ of reading 1 2 digita)
20 ÷ 1999	1	$\pm$ (5 % of reading + 3 digits)

Open-circuit voltage......6.5 VDC ÷ 9 VDC

Short-circuit current ......max. 8.5 mA

Test lead compensation.....up to 5  $\Omega$ 

# 9.3 RCD testing

#### Note:

All data (marked with "\*") regarding B type RCDs are valid for model MI 3125B only.

#### 9.3.1 General data

Nominal residual current (A,AC) .......10 mA, 30 mA, 100 mA, 300 mA, 500 mA,

1000 mA

Nominal residual current accuracy.....-0 / +0.1·I $\Delta$ ; I $\Delta$  = I $\Delta$ N, 2×I $\Delta$ N, 5×I $\Delta$ N

 $-0.1 \cdot I\Delta / +0$ ;  $I\Delta = 0.5 \times I\Delta N$ 

AS / NZ selected: ± 5 %

Test current shape......Sine-wave (AC), pulsed (A), smooth DC (B)\*

DC offset for pulsed test current ....... 6 mA (typical)

RCD type ......G (non-delayed), S (time-delayed)

Test current starting polarity ...... 0 ° or 180 °

	IΔN >	< 1/2		I∆N ×	1		I∆N ×	2		I∆N ×	5		RCE	ΙΔ	
I∆N (mA)	AC	Α	B*	AC	Α	B*	AC	Α	В	AC	Α	B*	AC	Α	B*
10	5	3.5	5	10	20	20	20	40	40	50	100	100	✓	<b>\</b>	✓
30	15	10.5	15	30	42	60	60	84	120	150	212	300	✓	>	✓
100	50	35	50	100	141	200	200	282	400	500	707	1000	✓	✓	✓
300	150	105	150	300	424	600	600	848	n.a.	1500	n.a.	n.a.	✓	✓	✓
500	250	175	250	500	707	1000	1000	1410	n.a.	2500	n.a.	n.a.	✓	<b>\</b>	✓
1000	500	350	500	1000	1410	n.a.	2000	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	✓	<b>√</b>	n.a.

n.a....not applicable

AC type.....sine wave test current

A type......pulsed current

B type .....smooth DC current

#### 9.3.2 Contact voltage RCD-Uc

Measuring range according to EN61557 is 20.0 V  $\div$  31.0V for limit contact voltage 25V Measuring range according to EN61557 is 20.0 V  $\div$  62.0V for limit contact voltage 50V

Measuring range (V)	Resolution (V)	Accuracy
0.0 ÷ 19.9	0.1	(-0 % / +15 %) of reading ± 10 digits
20.0 ÷ 99.9		(-0 % / +15 %) of reading

The accuracy is valid if mains voltage is stabile during the measurement and PE terminal is free of interfering voltages.

Test current ...... max. 0.5×I<sub>∆N</sub>

Limit contact voltage ...... 25 V, 50 V

Specified accuracy is valid for complete operating range.

#### 9.3.3 Trip-out time

Complete measurement range corresponds to EN 61557 requirements.

Maximum measuring times set according to selected reference for RCD testing.

Measuring range (ms)	Resolution (ms)	Accuracy
0.0 ÷ 40.0	0.1	±1 ms
0.0 ÷ max. time *	0.1	±3 ms

<sup>\*</sup> For max. time see normative references in 4.2.5 – this specification applies to max. time >40 ms.

 $5 \times I_{\Delta N}$  is not available for  $I_{\Delta N}$ =1000 mA (RCD type AC) or  $I_{\Delta N} \geq$  300 mA (RCD types A, B\*).

 $2 \times I_{\Delta N}$  is not available for  $I_{\Delta N}$ =1000 mA (RCD type A) or  $I_{\Delta N} \ge 300$  mA (RCD type B\*).

 $1 \times I_{\Delta N}$  is not available for  $I_{\Delta N} = 1000$  mA (RCD type B)\*.

Specified accuracy is valid for complete operating range.

#### 9.3.4 Trip-out current

Trip-out current

Complete measurement range corresponds to EN 61557 requirements.

Measuring range I <sub>∆</sub>	Resolution $I_{\Delta}$	Accuracy
$0.2 \times I_{\Delta N} \div 1.1 \times I_{\Delta N}$ (AC type)	$0.05 \times I_{\Delta N}$	$\pm 0.1 \times I_{\Delta N}$
$0.2 \times I_{\Delta N} \div 1.5 \times I_{\Delta N}$ (A type, $I_{\Delta N} \ge 30$ mA)	$0.05 \times I_{\Delta N}$	$\pm 0.1 \times I_{\Delta N}$

$0.2 \times I_{\Delta N} \div 2.2 \times I_{\Delta N}$ (A type, $I_{\Delta N}$ < 30 mA)	0.05×I <sub>∆N</sub>	$\pm 0.1 \times I_{\Delta N}$
$0.2 \times I_{\Delta N} \div 2.2 \times I_{\Delta N}$ (B type)*	$0.05 \times I_{\Delta N}$	$\pm 0.1 \times I_{\Delta N}$

#### Trip-out time

Measuring range (ms)	Resolution (ms)	Accuracy
0 ÷ 300	1	±3 ms

#### Contact voltage

Measuring range (V)	Resolution (V)	Accuracy
0.0 ÷ 19.9	0.1	(-0 % / +15 %) of reading $\pm$ 10 digits
20.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	(-0 % / +15 %) of reading

The accuracy is valid if mains voltage is stabile during the measurement and PE terminal is free of interfering voltages.

Trip-out measurement is not available for  $I_{\Delta N}$ =1000 mA (RCD type B)\*.

Specified accuracy is valid for complete operating range.

# 9.4 Fault loop impedance and prospective fault current

#### 9.4.1 No disconnecting device or FUSE selected

#### Fault loop impedance

Measuring range according to EN61557 is  $0.25 \Omega \div 9.99 k\Omega$ .

Measuring range ( $\Omega$ )	Resolution ( $\Omega$ )	Accuracy		
0.00 ÷ 9.99	0.01	±/E % of reading ± E digita)		
10.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	$\pm$ (5 % of reading + 5 digits		
100 ÷ 999	1	10 % of roading		
1.00k ÷ 9.99k	10	± 10 % of reading		

#### Prospective fault current (calculated value)

Measuring range (A)	Resolution (A)	Accuracy
$0.00 \div 9.99$	0.01	
10.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	Consider accuracy of fault
100 ÷ 999	1	loop resistance
1.00k ÷ 9.99k	10	measurement
10.0k ÷ 23.0k	100	

The accuracy is valid if mains voltage is stabile during the measurement.

Test current (at 230 V)...... 6.5 A (10 ms)

#### 9.4.2 RCD selected

Fault loop impedance

Measuring range according to EN61557 is 0.46  $\Omega \div 9.99$  k $\Omega$ .

Measuring range ( $\Omega$ )	Resolution (Ω)	Accuracy	
$0.00 \div 9.99$	0.01	L/F 0/ of roading L 10 digita)	
10.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	$\pm$ (5 % of reading + 10 digits)	
100 ÷ 999	1	10.0/ of roading	
1.00k ÷ 9.99k	10	± 10 % of reading	

Accouracy may be impaired in case of heavy noise on mains voltage

Prospective fault current (calculated value)

Measuring range (A)	Resolution (A)	Accuracy
$0.00 \div 9.99$	0.01	
10.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	Consider accuracy of fault
100 ÷ 999	1	loop resistance
1.00k ÷ 9.99k	10	measurement
10.0k ÷ 23.0k	100	

No trip out of RCD.

R, XL values are indicative.

# 9.5 Line impedance and prospective short-circuit current / Voltage drop

Line impedance

Measuring range according to EN61557 is  $0.25 \Omega \div 9.99 k\Omega$ .

Measuring range ( $\Omega$ )	Resolution ( $\Omega$ )	Accuracy	
$0.00 \div 9.99$	0.01	1/E 0/ of roading 1 E digita)	
10.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	$\pm$ (5 % of reading + 5 digits	
100 ÷ 999	1	10.0/ of roading	
1.00k ÷ 9.99k	10	± 10 % of reading	

Prospective short-circuit current (calculated value)

Measuring range (A)	Resolution (A)	Accuracy
$0.00 \div 0.99$	0.01	
1.0 ÷ 99.9	0.1	Canaidar assurasu of line
100 ÷ 999	1	<ul> <li>Consider accuracy of line resistance measurement</li> </ul>
1.00k ÷ 99.99k	10	Tesistance measurement
100k ÷ 199k	1000	

Test current (at 230 V)...... 6.5 A (10 ms)

R, XL values are indicative.

Voltage drop (calculated value)

Measuring range (%)	Resolution (%)	Accuracy
$0.0 \div 99.9$	0.1	Consider accuracy of line
	impedance	
		measurement(s)*

<sup>\*</sup>See chapter 5.6.2 Voltage drop for more information about calculation of voltage drop result.

#### 9.6 Resistance to earth (model MI 3125B)

Measuring range according to EN61557-5 is 2.00  $\Omega$  ÷ 1999  $\Omega$ .

Measuring range (Ω)	Resolution (Ω)	Accuracy
0.00 ÷ 19.99	0.01	
20.0 ÷ 199.9	0.1	$\pm$ (5% of reading + 5 digits)
200 ÷ 9999	1	

Max. auxiliary earth electrode resistance  $R_C$  ...  $100 \times R_E$  or 50 k $\Omega$  (whichever is lower) Max. probe resistance  $R_P$  ......  $100 \times R_E$  or 50 k $\Omega$  (whichever is lower)

Additional probe resistance error at  $R_{Cmax}$  or  $R_{Pmax}$   $\pm (10 \% \text{ of reading + 10 digits})$ 

Additional error

at 3 V voltage noise (50 Hz) .....  $\pm$  (5 % of reading + 10 digits)

Automatic measurement of auxiliary electrode resistance and probe resistance. Automatic measurement of voltage noise.

# 9.7 Voltage, frequency, and phase rotation

#### 9.7.1 Phase rotation

#### 9.7.2 Voltage

Measuring range (V)	Resolution (V)	Accuracy
0 ÷ 550	1	$\pm$ (2 % of reading + 2 digits)

Result type...... True r.m.s. (trms)
Nominal frequency range...... 0 Hz, 14 Hz ÷ 500 Hz

#### 9.7.3 Frequency

Measuring range (Hz)	Resolution (Hz)	Accuracy
0.00 ÷ 9.99	0.01	(0.2.9/ of roading 1.1 digit)
10.0 ÷ 499.9	0.1	$\pm$ (0.2 % of reading + 1 digit)

Nominal voltage range ...... 10 V ÷ 550 V

#### 9.7.4 Online terminal voltage monitor

Measuring range (V)	Resolution (V)	Accuracy	
10 ÷ 550	1	$\pm$ (2 % of reading + 2 digits)	

#### 9.8 General data

#### Models MI3125 and MI 3125B:

Power supply voltage Operation	9 V <sub>DC</sub> (6×1.5 V battery or accu, size AA) typical 20 h
Charger socket input voltage	
Charger socket input current	
Battery charging current	
Overvoltage category	600 V CAT III / 300 V CAT IV
Plug commander	200 \/ CAT III
overvoltage category	
Pollution degree	
Protection degree	
1 Totection degree	11 40
Display	128x64 dots matrix display with backlight
Dimensions (w $\times$ h $\times$ d)	14 cm × 8 cm × 23 cm
Weight	
3	3,
Reference conditions	
Reference temperature range	10 °C ÷ 30 °C
Reference humidity range	
Operation conditions	
Working temperature range	0 °C ÷ 40 °C
Maximum relative humidity	95 %RH (0 °C ÷ 40 °C), non-condensing
Storage conditions	
Temperature range	
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Temperature range	10 °C ÷ +70 °C
Maximum relative humidity	/ 90 %RH (-10 °C ÷ +40 °C)

80 %RH (40 °C ÷ 60 °C)

#### Model MI 3125B:

Communication transfer speed

RS 232 115200 baud USB 256000 baud

Memory size......1700 results

The error in operating conditions could be at most the error for reference conditions (specified in the manual for each function) +1 % of measured value + 1 digit, unless otherwise specified in the manual for particular function.

# A Appendix A - Fuse table

# A.1 Fuse table - IPSC

**Fuse type NV** 

Rated	Disconnection time [s]				
current	35m	0.1	0.2	0.4	5
(A)		Min. prospective short- circuit current (A)			
2	32.5	22.3	18.7	15.9	9.1
4	65.6	46.4	38.8	31.9	18.7
6	102.8	70	56.5	46.4	26.7
10	165.8	115.3	96.5	80.7	46.4
16	206.9	150.8	126.1	107.4	66.3
20	276.8	204.2	170.8	145.5	86.7
25	361.3	257.5	215.4	180.2	109.3
35	618.1	453.2	374	308.7	169.5
50	919.2	640	545	464.2	266.9
63	1217.2	821.7	663.3	545	319.1
80	1567.2	1133.1	964.9	836.5	447.9
100	2075.3	1429	1195.4	1018	585.4
125	2826.3	2006	1708.3	1454.8	765.1
160	3538.2	2485.1	2042.1	1678.1	947.9
200	4555.5	3488.5	2970.8	2529.9	1354.5
250	6032.4	4399.6	3615.3	2918.2	1590.6
315	7766.8	6066.6	4985.1	4096.4	2272.9
400	10577.7	7929.1	6632.9	5450.5	2766.1
500	13619	10933.5	8825.4	7515.7	3952.7
630	19619.3	14037.4	11534.9	9310.9	4985.1
710	19712.3	17766.9	14341.3	11996.9	6423.2
800	25260.3	20059.8	16192.1	13545.1	7252.1
1000	34402.1	23555.5	19356.3	16192.1	9146.2
1250	45555.1	36152.6	29182.1	24411.6	13070.1

Fuse type aG

i use type go								
Rated	Disconnection time [s]							
current	35m	0.1	0.2	0.4	5			
(A)		Min. prospect	ive short- circ	uit current (A)				
2	32.5	22.3	18.7	15.9	9.1			
4	65.6	46.4	38.8	31.9	18.7			
6	102.8	70	56.5	46.4	26.7			
10	165.8	115.3	96.5	80.7	46.4			
13	193.1	144.8	117.9	100	56.2			
16	206.9	150.8	126.1	107.4	66.3			
20	276.8	204.2	170.8	145.5	86.7			
25	361.3	257.5	215.4	180.2	109.3			
32	539.1	361.5	307.9	271.7	159.1			
35	618.1	453.2	374	308.7	169.5			
40	694.2	464.2	381.4	319.1	190.1			

50	919.2	640	545	464.2	266.9
63	1217.2	821.7	663.3	545	319.1
80	1567.2	1133.1	964.9	836.5	447.9
100	2075.3	1429	1195.4	1018	585.4

Fuse type B

i asc type b								
Rated	Disconnection time [s]							
current	35m	0.1	0.2	0.4	5			
(A)		Min. prospect	ive short- circ	uit current (A)				
6	30	30	30	30	30			
10	50	50	50	50	50			
13	65	65	65	65	65			
16	80	80	80	80	80			
20	100	100	100	100	100			
25	125	125	125	125	125			
32	160	160	160	160	160			
40	200	200	200	200	200			
50	250	250	250	250	250			
63	315	315	315	315	315			

**Fuse type C** 

ruse type C								
Rated	Disconnection time [s]							
current	35m	0.1	0.2	0.4	5			
(A)		Min. prospect	ive short- circ	uit current (A)				
0.5	5	5	5	5	2.7			
1	10	10	10	10	5.4			
1.6	16	16	16	16	8.6			
2	20	20	20	20	10.8			
4	40	40	40	40	21.6			
6	60	60	60	60	32.4			
10	100	100	100	100	54			
13	130	130	130	130	70.2			
16	160	160	160	160	86.4			
20	200	200	200	200	108			
25	250	250	250	250	135			
32	320	320	320	320	172.8			
40	400	400	400	400	216			
50	500	500	500	500	270			
63	630	630	630	630	340.2			

Fuse type K

Rated		Disconnection time [s]						
current	35m	0.1	0.2	0.4				
(A)	Min. prospective short- circuit current (A)							
0.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5				
1	15	15	15	15				
1.6	24	24	24	24				
2	30	30	30	30				

4	60	60	60	60	
6	90	90	90	90	
10	150	150	150	150	
13	195	195	195	195	
16	240	240	240	240	
20	300	300	300	300	
25	375	375	375	375	
32	480	480	480	480	

Fuse type D

i use type D								
Rated	Disconnection time [s]							
current	35m	0.1	0.2	0.4	5			
(A)		Min. prospect	ive short- circ	uit current (A)				
0.5	10	10	10	10	2.7			
1	20	20	20	20	5.4			
1.6	32	32	32	32	8.6			
2	40	40	40	40	10.8			
4	80	80	80	80	21.6			
6	120	120	120	120	32.4			
10	200	200	200	200	54			
13	260	260	260	260	70.2			
16	320	320	320	320	86.4			
20	400	400	400	400	108			
25	500	500	500	500	135			
32	640	640	640	640	172.8			

# A.2 Fuse table - impedances (UK)

0,368

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Fuse type	В			Fuse type	С		
Rated	Disco	onnection ti	me [s]	Rated	Disco	nnection ti	me [s]
current		0.4	5	current		0.4	5
(A)	Max. lo	op impeda	nce (Ω)	(A)	Max. lo	op impeda	nce (Ω)
3		12,264	12,264				
6		6,136	6,136	6		3,064	3,064
10		3,68	3,68	10		1,84	1,84
16		2,296	2,296	16		1,152	1,152
20		1,84	1,84	20		0,92	0,92
25		1,472	1,472	25		0,736	0,736
32		1,152	1,152	32		0,576	0,576
40		0,92	0,92	40		0,456	0,456
50		0,736	0,736	50		0,368	0,368
63		0,584	0,584	63		0,288	0,288
80		0,456	0,456	80		0,232	0,232

100

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0,296

Fuse type D Fuse type BS 1361

1 400 type 20 1001							
Rated	Disco	nnection til	me [s]	Rated	Disconnection time [s]		me [s]
current		0.4	5	current		0.4	5
(A)	Max. lo	op impeda	nce (Ω)	(A)	Max. Io	op impeda	nce (Ω)
6		1,536	1,536	5		8,36	13,12
10		0,92	0,92	15		2,624	4
16		0,576	0,576	20		1,36	2,24
20		0,456	0,456	30		0,92	1,472
25		0,368	0,368	45			0,768
32		0,288	0,288	60			0,56
40		0,232	0,232	80			0,4
50		0,184	0,184	100			0,288
63		0,144	0,144				
80		0,112	0,112				
100		0,088	0,088				
125		0,072	0,072				

Fuse type BS 88 Fuse type BS 1362

ruse type bo oo				ruse type	DO 1302		
Rated	Disco	nnection til	me [s]	Rated	Disco	onnection til	me [s]
current		0.4	5	current		0.4	5
(A)	Max. lo	op impeda	nce (Ω)	(A)	Max. Io	op impeda	nce (Ω)
6		6,816	10,8	3		13,12	18,56
10		4,088	5,936	13		1,936	3,064
16		2,16	3,344				
20		1,416	2,328	Fuse type	BS 3036		
25		1,152	1,84	Rated	Disco	onnection til	me [s]
32		0,832	1,472	current		0.4	5
40			1,08	(A)	Max. lo	op impeda	nce (Ω)
50			0,832	5		7,664	14,16
63			0,656	15		2,04	4,28
80			0,456	20		1,416	3,064
100			0,336	30		0,872	2,112
125			0,264	45			1,272
160			0,2	60			0,896
200			0,152	100			0,424

All impedances are scaled with factor 0.8.

# B Appendix B - Accessories for specific measurements

The table below presents standard and optional accessories required for specific measurement. The accessories marked as optional may also be standard ones in some sets. Please see attached list of standard accessories for your set or contact your distributor for further information.

Function	Suitable accessories (Optional with ordering code A)
Insulation resistance	□ Test lead, 3 x 1.5 m
	□ Tip commander (A 1270)
R LOWΩ resistance	□ Test lead, 3 x 1.5 m
	□ Tip commander (A 1270)
	<ul> <li>Test lead, 4 m (A 1012)</li> </ul>
Continuous resistance	□ Test lead, 3 x 1.5 m
measurement (model MI	□ Tip commander (A 1270)
3125B)	<ul> <li>Test lead, 4 m (A 1012)</li> </ul>
Line impedance	□ Test lead, 3 x 1.5 m
	<ul><li>Plug commander (A 1272)</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Mains measuring cable</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Tip commander (A 1270)</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Three-phase adapter with switch (A 1111)</li> </ul>
Fault loop impedance	□ Test lead, 3 x 1.5 m
	<ul><li>Plug commander (A 1272)</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Mains measuring cable</li> </ul>
	□ Tip commander (A 1270)
	<ul> <li>Three-phase adapter with switch (A 1111)</li> </ul>
RCD testing	□ Test lead, 3 x 1.5 m
	<ul><li>Plug commander (A 1272)</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Mains measuring cable</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Three-phase adapter with switch (A 1111)</li> </ul>
Earth resistance, RE	<ul><li>Earth test set, 3-wire, 20 m (S 2026)</li></ul>
(model MI 3125B)	□ Earth test set, 3-wire, 50 m (S 2027)
Phase sequence	□ Test lead, 3 x 1.5 m
	□ Three-phase adapter (A 1110)
	<ul> <li>Three-phase adapter with switch (A 1111)</li> </ul>
Voltage, frequency	□ Test lead, 3 x 1.5 m
	<ul><li>Plug commander (A 1272)</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Mains measuring cable</li> </ul>
	□ Tip commander (A 1270)

# C Appendix F - Country notes

This appendix F contains collection of minor modifications related to particular country requirements. Some of the modifications mean modified listed function characteristics related to main chapters and others are additional functions. Some minor modifications are related also to different requirements of the same market that are covered by various suppliers.

# C.1 List of country modifications

The following table contains current list of applied modifications.

Country	Related chapters	<b>Modification type</b>	Note
AT	5.4, 9.3, C.2.1	Appended	Special G type RCD

#### C.2 Modification issues

#### C.2.1 AT modification - G type RCD

Modified is the following related to the mentioned in the chapter 5.4:

- G type mentioned in the chapter is converted to unmarked type □,
- Added G type RCD,
- Time limits are the same as for general type RCD,
- Contact voltage is calculated the same as for general type RCD.

Modifications of the chapter 5.4

#### Test parameters for RCD test and measurement

TEST	RCD sub-function test [RCDt, RCD I, AUTO, Uc].			
lδn	<b>Rated</b> RCD residual current sensitivity $I_{\Delta N}$ [10 mA, 30 mA, 100 mA, 300			
	mA, 500 mA, 1000 mA].			
type	RCD <b>type</b> [□, <b>G</b> , <b>S</b> ], test current <b>waveform</b> plus starting <b>polarity</b> [♠, ♣,			
	;; , <u>⊕_,                                 </u>			
MUL	Multiplication factor for test current [½, 1, 2, 5 lδn].			
Ulim	Conventional touch voltage limit [25 V, 50 V].			

<sup>\*</sup> Model MI 3125B

#### Note:

Ulim can be selected in the Uc sub-function only.

The instrument is intended for testing of general  $\square$ , G (non-delayed) and selective S (time-delayed) RCDs, which are suited for:

- □ Alternating residual current (AC type, marked with → symbol),
- Pulsating residual current (A type, marked with ~ symbol).
- Model MI 3125B: DC residual current (B type, marked with === symbol).

Time delayed RCDs demonstrate delayed response characteristics. They contain residual current integrating mechanism for generation of delayed trip out. However,

contact voltage pre-test in the measuring procedure also influences the RCD and it takes a period to recover into idle state. Time delay of 30 s is inserted before performing trip-out test to recover S type RCD after pretests and time delay of 5 s is inserted for the same purpose for G type RCD.

# Modification of the chapter 5.4.1

RCD type		Contact voltage Uc proportional to	Rated I <sub>∆N</sub>	
AC	☐, G	1.05×I <sub>∆N</sub>	201/	
AC	S	2×1.05×I <sub>∆N</sub>	any	
Α	□, G	1.4×1.05×I <sub>∆N</sub>	> 20 m∆	Both models
Α	S	$2\times1.4\times1.05\times I_{\Delta N}$	≥ 30 mA	Dotti models
Α	☐, G	2×1.05×I <sub>∆N</sub>	< 30 mA	
Α	S	2×2×1.05×I <sub>∆N</sub>	< 30 IIIA	
В		2×1.05×I <sub>∆N</sub>	201/	Model 3125B only
В	S	2×2×1.05×I <sub>ΔN</sub>	any	INIOUEL 3 123B OHly

Table C.1: Relationship between Uc and  $I_{AN}$ 

Technical specifications remain the same.



