## User's Guide

## Mini Pocket Multimeter 4000 Count Autoranging DMM

Model: 38109


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## Safety

International Safety Symbols


Refer to the manual for further information.

Hazardous voltages may be present

Double insulation

## Safety Precautions

1. Improper use of this meter can cause damage, shock, injury or death. Read and understand this users manual before operating the meter.
2. Make sure any covers or battery doors are properly closed and secured.
3. Always remove the test leads before replacing the battery or fuses.
4. Do not exceed the maximum rated input limits.
5. Use great care when making measurements if the voltages are greater than 25VAC rms or 35VDC. These voltages are considered a shock hazard.
6. Always discharge capacitors and remove power from the device under test before performing Capacitance, Diode, Resistance or Continuity tests.
7. Remove the battery from the meter if the meter is to be stored for long periods.

## Specifications

## Electrical Specifications

| Function | Range | Accuracy |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DC Voltage | 400.0mV, 4.000V, 40.00V,400.0V | $\pm$ (1.5\% rdg. + 2 digits) |
| AC Voltage | $400.0 \mathrm{mV}, 4.000 \mathrm{~V}, 40.00 \mathrm{~V}, 400.0 \mathrm{~V}$ | $\begin{gathered} \pm(2.0 \% \text { rdg. }+5 \text { digits }) \\ 40 \mathrm{~Hz}-400 \mathrm{~Hz} \end{gathered}$ |
| DC Current | 400.0 mA | $\pm$ (2.0\% rdg. + 4 digits) |
| Resistance | $400.0 \Omega$ | $\pm$ (2.0\% rdg. + 4 digits) |
|  | $4.000 \mathrm{k} \Omega, 40.00 \mathrm{k} \Omega, 400.0 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | $\pm$ (2.0\% rdg. + 2 digits) |
|  | $4 \mathrm{M} \Omega$ | $\pm$ (2.0\% rdg. + 4 digits) |
|  | $40.00 \mathrm{M} \Omega$ | $\pm$ (3.0\% rdg. + 5 digits) |

Diode Test Battery Test Continuity Check Display Bar Graph Over range indication Polarity
Low Battery Indication Batteries
Fuse
Operating Temperature Storage Temperature Weight
Size
Standard

Test voltage of 1.0V @ 1mA approx. (max).
1.5 V batteries

Audible signal if the resistance is $<50 \Omega$ 4000 count 3 3/4 digit LCD
23 Segment bar graph
LCD displays "OL"
Minus (-) sign for negative polarity.
"LBT" symbol indicates low battery condition.
Two LR44 Button batteries
F800mA, 250V Fast Acting
$41^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ to $104^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\left(5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ to $\left.40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$
$-4^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ to $140^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\left(-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ to $\left.60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$
0.3 lb (136g)
2.8x4.6x.7" (73x117x18mm)

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## Description

## Meter Description

1. $33 / 4$ Digit ( 4000 count) Liquid Crystal Display (LCD).
2. Function push-buttons
3. Rotary function switch
4. Integrated test leads
5. Analog bar-graph


## Operation

## AC or DC Voltage Measurements

1. Set the function switch to the "VDC" position for DC voltage measurements, or "VAC" position for AC voltage measurements.
2. Touch the test probe tips to the circuit under test. Be sure to observe the correct polarity (red lead to positive, black lead to negative).
3. Read the voltage on the display

## DC Current Measurements

1. For current measurements up to 400 mA AC , set the function switch to the "DCA" position.
2. Remove power from the circuit under test and open the circuit at the point where you wish to measure current.
3. Touch the black test probe tip to the negative side of the circuit and touch the red test probe tip to the positive side of the circuit.
4. Apply power to the circuit.
5. Read the current in the display. The display will indicate the proper decimal point, value and symbol.

## Resistance Measurements

WARNING: To avoid electric shock, disconnect power to the unit under test and discharge all capacitors before taking any resistance measurements. Remove the batteries and unplug the line cords. Never measure continuity on circuits or wires that have voltage on them.

1. Set the function switch to the " $\Omega$ " position.
2. Connect the test leads to the circuit to be measured.
3. For Continuity tests, if the resistance is less than 50 ohms, an audible tone will sound.

## Diode Test

WARNING: To avoid electric shock, do not test any diode that has voltage on it.

1. Set the function switch to " $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ " position.
2. Touch the test probe tips to the diode or semiconductor junction you wish to test. Note the meter reading.
3. Reverse the test lead polarity by reversing the red and black leads. Note this reading.
4. The diode or junction can be evaluated as follows:
A. If one reading shows a value and the other reading shows OL, the diode is good.
B. If both readings show OL, the device is open.
C. If both readings are very small, or 0 , the device is shorted

## Logic Test

1. Set the function switch to the "Logic" position. "rdY" will appear in the display.
2. Connect the black test lead to the ground point of the circuit under test, and the red test lead to the logic supply voltage (Vss or $\mathrm{V}+$ ).
3. Press the "R-H" button to store the logic high value. "Hi" will appear in the display.
4. The red test lead may be moved from test point to test point while the black lead remains connected to the ground point.
5. The meter will display one of three indications:
A. If the measured value exceeds $70 \%$ of the stored value $(\mathrm{V}+)$, Hi (High) will be displayed.
B. If the measured value falls below $30 \%$ of the stored value (V+), Lo (Low) will be displayed.
C. If the measured value is between $30 \%$ and $70 \%$ of the stored value (V+), "---" will be displayed.
NOTE: The input voltage is limited to a maximum of 40 V . Do not attempt to exceed the maximum input voltage limit.

## Battery Check

1. Set the function switch to the "Bat" position.
2. Connect the black test lead to the negative "-" pole of the battery, and connect the red test lead to the positive "+" pole of the battery to check the voltage of a 1.5 V battery.

## Features

## Auto / Manual Range

The meter will power up in Auto Range mode (the best range for measurements is automatically selected). For Manual range applications, follow these steps:

1. Press the "R-H" button. The "R-H" indicator will illuminate and the currently selected range will be held.
2. Press the "R-H" button to step through the available ranges until you select the range desired.
3. Press and hold the "R-H" button for 2 seconds to exit the manual ranging mode and return to Autorange mode.

## Data Hold

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

1. Press the "D-H" button to "freeze" the display, the "D-H" indicator will appear.
2. Press the "D-H" button to return to normal operation.

## Maintenance

WARNING: Disconnect the test leads from any source of voltage before removing the back cover or the battery/fuse door. Do not operate your meter until the battery/fuse door is in place and fastened securely.

## Replacing the Batteries

1. Remove Philips head screw and battery door from the rear of the meter.
2. Replace old batteries with fresh LR44 type button batteries.

## Replacing the Fuses

1. Open the battery/fuse door by loosening the screw on the battery/fuse door using a Phillips head screwdriver.
2. Remove the old fuse from its holder by gently pulling it out. Replace with a new $\mathrm{F} 800 \mathrm{~mA}, 250 \mathrm{~V}$ fast acting fuse.
