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## Remote Control via LAN or USB

### Software Manual



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# Documentation Overview

The user documentation for the R&S ZVH is divided as follows:

## Quick Start Guide

The Quick Start Guide provides basic information on the instrument's functions.

It covers the following topics:

- overview of all elements of the front and rear panels
- basic information on how to set up the R&S ZVH
- information on how to operate the R&S ZVH in a network
- instructions on how to perform measurements

## Operating Manual

The Operating Manual provides a detailed description on the instrument's functions

It covers the following topics:

- instructions on how to set up and operate the R&S ZVH in its various operating modes
- instructions on how to perform measurements with the R&S ZVH
- instructions on how to work with the available software options and applications

## Service Manual

The Service Manual provides information on maintenance.

It covers the following topics:

- instructions on how to perform a performance test
- instructions on how to repair the R&S ZVH including a spare parts list
- mechanical drawings

## Release Notes

The release notes describe the installation of the firmware, new and modified functions, eliminated problems, and last minute changes to the documentation. The corresponding firmware version is indicated on the title page of the release notes. The current release notes are provided on the internet.

## Internet Site

The internet site at: <http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/product/zvh.html> provides the most up to date information on the R&S ZVH. The most recent manuals are available as printable PDF files in the download area.

Also provided for download are firmware updates including the corresponding release notes, instrument drivers, current data sheets, application notes and image versions.

# Conventions Used in the Documentation

The following conventions are used throughout the R&S R&S ZVH Software Manual:

## Typographical conventions

Convention	Description
"Graphical user interface elements"	All names of graphical user interface elements both on the screen and on the front and rear panels, such as dialog boxes, softkeys, menus, options, buttons etc., are enclosed by quotation marks.
"KEYS"	Key names are written in capital letters and enclosed by quotation marks.
<i>Input</i>	Input to be entered by the user is displayed in italics.
File names, commands, program code	File names, commands, coding samples and screen output are distinguished by their font.
"Links"	Links that you can click are displayed in blue font.
"References"	References to other parts of the documentation are enclosed by quotation marks.

## Other conventions

- **Remote commands:** Remote commands may include abbreviations to simplify input. In the description of such commands, all parts that have to be entered are written in capital letters. Additional text in lower-case characters is for information only.

# 1 Introduction

With the software application R&S ZVH-K40 installed on the instrument, it is possible to operate your R&S ZVH via remote control. In this manual you will find all information necessary to remotely control the R&S ZVH.

## Enabling the Option

The Remote Control Option R&S ZVH-K40 is enabled by entering a key code. The key code is based on the unique serial number of the instrument. To retrofit an option, enable it with a key code.

- ▶ Press the SETUP key.
- ▶ Press the "Installed Options" softkey
- ▶ Select "Install Option..." under the "Option Administration" header.
- ▶ Confirm with ENTER.

An entry box in the lower right corner of the screen is displayed.

- ▶ Type in the the appropriate option key.
- ▶ Confirm with ENTER.

If the correct key code is entered, the R&S ZVH displays

**Installation successful !**

If an invalid key code is entered, the R&S ZVH displays

**Invalid key code!**

## 2 Interfaces and Protocols

The R&S ZVH supports two different interfaces for remote control.

- **LAN Interface:** The protocol is based on TCP/IP and supports the VXI-11 standard.
- **USB Interface**

The connectors are located at the side of the instrument and permit a connection to a controller for remote control via a local area network (LAN) or directly via USB.

### SCPI

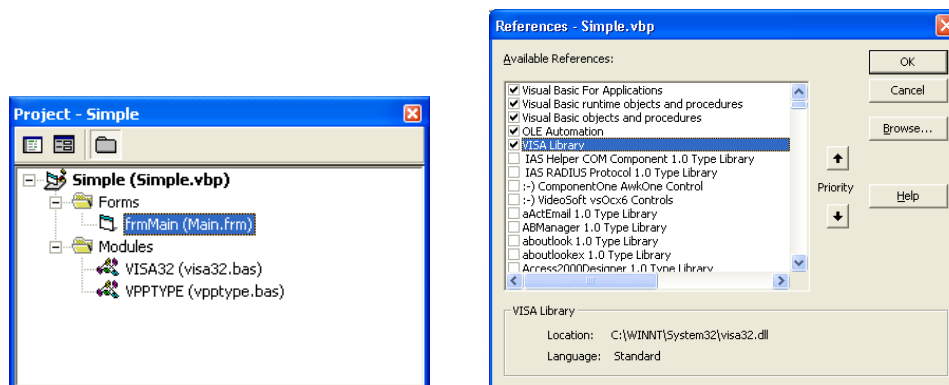
SCPI (Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments) commands - messages - are used for remote control. Commands that are not taken from the SCPI standard follow the SCPI syntax rules. The instrument supports the SCPI version 1999. The SCPI standard is based on standard IEEE 488.2 and aims at the standardization of device-specific commands, error handling and the status registers. The tutorial "Automatic Measurement Control - A tutorial on SCPI and IEEE 488.2" from John M. Pieper (R&S order number 0002.3536.00) offers detailed information on concepts and definitions of SCPI.

The requirements that the SCPI standard places on command syntax, error handling and configuration of the status registers are explained in detail in the following sections. Tables provide a fast overview of the bit assignment in the status registers. The tables are supplemented by a comprehensive description of the status registers.

### VISA

VISA is a standardized software interface library providing input and output functions to communicate with instruments. The I/O channel (LAN or USB) is selected at initialization time by means of a channel-specific resource string. For more information about VISA refer to its user documentation.

The programming examples for remote control are all written in Microsoft® VISUAL BASIC®. Access to the VISA functions require the declaration of the functions and constants prior to their use in the project. This can be accomplished either by adding the modules VISA32.BAS and VPPTYPE.BAS or a reference to the VISA32.DLL to the project.



The modules visa32.bas and vpptype.bas can be found in the following location:  
<VXI|pnpPath>\WinNT\include (typically C:\VXI|pnp\WinNT\include).



### Resetting the R&S ZVH

Manual operation is designed for maximum possible operating convenience. In contrast, the priority of remote control is the "predictability" of the device status. Therefore, control programs should always define an initial device status (e.g. with the command \*RST) and then implement the required settings.

## 2.1 LAN Interface

To be integrated in a LAN, the instrument is equipped with a standard LAN interface, consisting of a connector, a network interface and protocols (VXI-11).

Instrument access via VXI-11 is usually achieved from high level programming platforms by using VISA as an intermediate abstraction layer. VISA encapsulates the low level VXI-11 (LAN) or USB function calls and thus makes the transport interface transparent for the user. The necessary VISA library is available as a separate product. For details contact your local R&S sales representative.

## 2.2 USB Interface

For remote control via the USB connection, the PC and the instrument must be connected via the USB interface. The required driver comes with the R&S ZVHView software package and is automatically installed on the PC with the software package.

The driver addresses the instrument via the USB interface with the fix IP address 172.16.10.10.

In addition, a remote control connection via the SCPI interface requires the VISA library to be installed on the PC.

## 2.3 Protocols

### VXI-11 Basics

The VXI-11 standard is based on the ONC-RPC protocol which in turn relies on TCP/IP as the network/transport layer. The TCP/IP network protocol and the associated network services are preconfigured. TCP/IP ensures connection-oriented communication, where the order of the exchanged messages is adhered to and interrupted links are identified. With this protocol, messages cannot be lost.

Remote control of an instrument via a network is based on standardized protocols which follow the OSI reference model (see Fig. below).

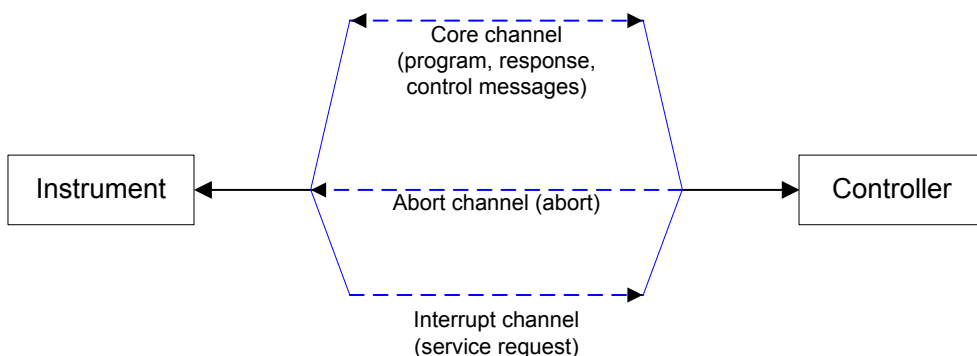
Application	SCPI
Presentation	XDR (VXI-11)
Session	ONC-RPC
Transport	TCP / UDP
Network	IP
Data Link	Ethernet/802.3
Physical	802.3/10BASE-T

*Figure 2-1: Example for LAN remote control based on the OSI reference model*

Based on TCP/UDP, messages between the controller and the instrument are exchanged via open network computing (ONC) - remote procedure calls (RPC). With XDR (VXI-11), legal RPC messages are known as VXI-11 standard. Based on this standard, messages are exchanged between the controller and the instrument. The messages are identical with SCPI commands. They can be organized in four groups:

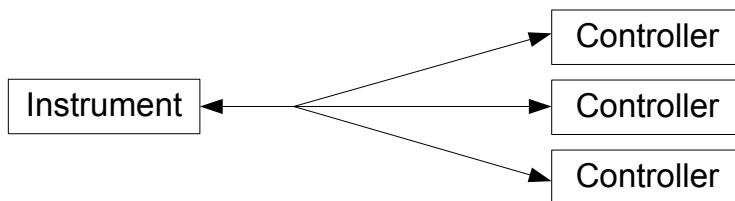
- program messages (control command to the instrument)
- response messages (values returned by the instrument)
- service request (spontaneous queries of the instrument)
- low-level control messages (interface messages).

A VXI-11 link between a controller and an instrument uses three channels: core, abort and interrupt channel. Instrument control is mainly performed on the core channel (program, response and low-level control messages). The abort channel is used for immediate abort of the core channel; the interrupt channel transmits spontaneous service requests of the instrument. Link setup itself is very complex. For more details refer to the VXI-11 specification.



**Figure 2-2: VXI-11 channels between instrument and controller**

The number of controllers that can address an instrument is practically unlimited in the network. In the instrument, the individual controllers are clearly distinguished. This distinction continues up to the application level in the controller, i.e. two applications on a computer are identified by the instrument as two different controllers.



**Figure 2-3: Remote control via LAN from several controllers**

The controllers can lock and unlock the instrument for exclusive access. This regulates access to the instrument of several controllers.

## 3 Setting Up the Remote Control Connection

### 3.1 Preparing for Remote Control

The short and simple operating sequence below shows how to put the instrument into operation and quickly set its basic functions. The current IP address for LAN operation is shown in the SETUP – Instrument Setup Menu. In case of USB connection the IP address is fixed to 172.16.10.10.

Refer to the Quick Start Guide for instructions on how to change the IP address.

- ▶ Connect the instrument to the LAN or directly to the controller via USB.
- ▶ Switch on the instruments.
- ▶ Write and start the following program on the controller:

```

status = viOpenDefaultRM(defaultRM)
    'open default resource manager
status = viOpen(DefaultRM, "TCPIP::172.16.10.10", 0, 0, vi)
    'in case of USB connection
status = viOpen(DefaultRM, "TCPIP::xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx", 0, 0, vi)
    'in case of a LAN connection, with xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx = IP address
cmd = "*RST;*CLS"
status = viWrite(vi, Cmd, Len(Cmd), retCount)
    'reset instrument and clear status registers
cmd = "FREQ:CENT 100MHz"
status = viWrite(vi, Cmd, Len(Cmd), retCount)
    'set center frequency to 100 MHz
cmd = "FREQ:SPAN 10MHz"
status = viWrite(vi, Cmd, Len(Cmd), retCount)
    'set span to 10 MHz
cmd = "DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV -10dBm"
status = viWrite(vi, Cmd, Len(Cmd), retCount)
    'set reference level to -10 dBm
viclose vi
viclose default RM

```

The instrument now performs a sweep in the frequency range of 95 MHz to 105 MHz.

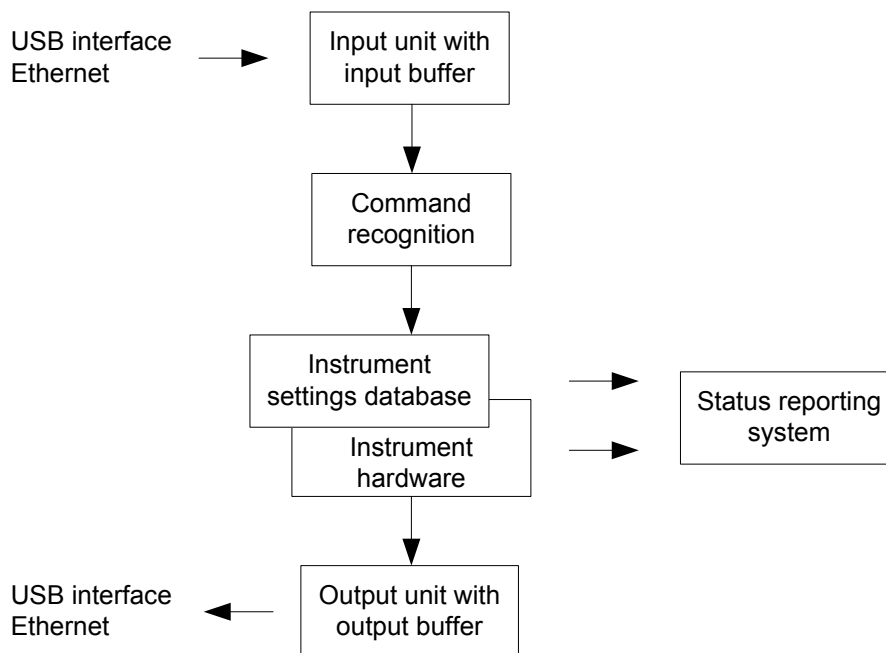
#### Changing the IP Address

In order to operate the instrument via remote control, it must be accessed via LAN (IP address) or USB (fixed IP address). If the factory-set remote control address does not fit in the network environment, it can be changed. Refer to the Quick Start Guide, chapter "Setting up a LAN or USB Connection to a PC", for instructions on how to change the IP address.



## 4 Instrument Model and Command Processing

The block diagram in Fig. 1-2 shows how SCPI commands are serviced in the instrument. The individual components work independently and simultaneously. They communicate with each other by means of so-called "messages".



*Figure 4-1: Instrument model in the case of remote control*

### 4.1 Input Unit

The input unit receives commands character by character from the controller and collects them in the input buffer. The input unit sends a message to the command recognition as soon as the input buffer is full or as soon as it receives a delimiter, <PROGRAM MESSAGE TERMINATOR>, as defined in IEEE 488.2, or the interface message DCL.

If the input buffer is full, the traffic is stopped and the data received up to then are processed. Subsequently the traffic is continued. If, however, the buffer is not yet full when receiving the delimiter, the input unit can already receive the next command during command recognition and execution. The receipt of DCL clears the input buffer and immediately resets the command recognition.

## 4.2 Command Recognition

The command recognition analyses the data received from the input unit. It proceeds in the order in which it receives the data. Only DCL is serviced with priority, for example GET (Group Execute Trigger) is only executed after the commands received before. Each recognized command is immediately transferred to the internal instrument settings data base but not executed immediately.

The command recognition detects syntax errors in the commands and transfers them to the status reporting system. The rest of a program message after a syntax error is analyzed further if possible and serviced. After the syntax test, the value range of the parameter is checked, if required.

If the command recognition detects a delimiter, it passes the command to an execution unit that performs the instrument settings. In the meantime, the command recognition is ready to process new commands (overlapping execution). A DCL command is processed in the same way.

## 4.3 Data Base and Instrument Hardware

Here the expression "instrument hardware" denotes the part of the instrument fulfilling the actual instrument function - signal generation, measurement etc. The controller is not included. The term "data base" denotes a database that manages all the parameters and associated settings required for setting the instrument hardware.

Setting commands lead to an alteration in the data set. The data set management enters the new values (e.g. frequency) into the data set, however, only passes them on to the hardware when requested by the command recognition. This only takes place at the end of a program message.

The data are checked for compatibility with the current instrument settings before they are transmitted to the instrument hardware. If the execution is not possible, an "execution error" is signaled to the status reporting system. The corresponding settings are discarded.

Before passing on the data to the hardware, the settling bit in the STATus:OPERation register is set (refer to section "STATus:OPERation Register"). The hardware executes the settings and resets the bit again as soon as the new state has settled. This fact can be used to synchronize command servicing.

Queries induce the data set management to send the desired data to the output unit.

## 4.4 Status Reporting System

For detailed information refer to section "[Status Reporting System](#)".

## 4.5 Output Unit

The output unit collects the information requested by the controller, which it receives from the data base management. It processes it according to the SCPI rules and makes it available in the output buffer.

If the instrument is addressed as a talker without the output buffer containing data or awaiting data from the data base management, the output unit sends error message "Query UNTERMINATED" to the status reporting system. No data are sent to the controller, the controller waits until it has reached its time limit. This behavior is defined by IEEE 488.2 and SCPI.

## 5 SCPI Command Structure and Syntax

SCPI (Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments) describes a standard command set for programming instruments, irrespective of the type of instrument or manufacturer. The goal of the SCPI consortium is to standardize the device-specific commands to a large extent. For this purpose, a model was developed which defines the same functions inside a device or for different devices. Command systems were generated which are assigned to these functions. Thus it is possible to address the same functions with identical commands. The command systems are of a hierarchical structure.

SCPI is based on standard IEEE 488.2, i.e. it uses the same syntactic basic elements as well as the common commands defined in this standard. Part of the syntax of the device responses is defined with greater restrictions than in standard IEEE 488.2 (see section "Responses to Queries").



### Remote command examples

Not all commands used in the following examples are implemented in the instrument.

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## 5.1 Structure of a Command

The commands consist of a so-called header and, in most cases, one or more parameters. Header and parameter are separated by a "white space" (ASCII code 0 to 9, 11 to 32 decimal, e.g. blank). The headers may consist of several key words. Queries are formed by directly appending a question mark to the header.

### 5.1.1 Common Commands

Common commands consist of a header preceded by an asterisk "\*" and one or several parameters, if any.

#### Examples

*RST	RESET, resets the device
*ESE 253	EVENT STATUS ENABLE, sets the bits of the event status enable register
*ESR?	EVENT STATUS QUERY, queries the contents of the event status register.

## 5.1.2 Device-Specific Commands

### 5.1.2.1 Hierarchy

Device-specific commands are of hierarchical structure. The different levels are represented by combined headers. Headers of the highest level (root level) have only one key word. This key word denotes a complete command system.

#### Example

```
SENSe
```

This key word denotes the SENSE command system.

For commands of lower levels, the complete path has to be specified, starting on the left with the highest level, the individual key words being separated by a colon ":".

#### Example

```
SENSe:FREQuency:SPAN 10MHZ
```

This command lies in the third level of the SENSE system. It sets the frequency span.

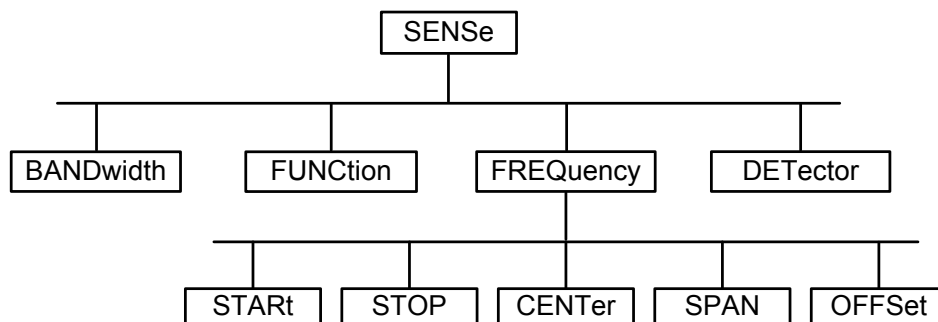


Figure 5-1: Tree structure the SCPI command systems using the SENSE system as example

### 5.1.2.2 Multiple Keywords

Some key words occur in several levels within one command system. Their effect depends on the structure of the command, i.e. at which position in the header of a command they are inserted.

#### Examples

```
SOURce:FM:POLarity NORMal
```

This command contains key word POLarity in the third command level. It defines the polarity between modulator and modulation signal.

```
SOURce:FM:EXTernal:POLarity NORMal
```

This command contains key word POLarity in the fourth command level. It defines the polarity between modulation voltage and the resulting direction of the modulation only for the external signal source indicated.

### 5.1.2.3 Optional Keywords

Some command systems permit certain key words to be inserted into the header or omitted. These key words are marked by square brackets in the description. The full command length must be recognized by the instrument for reasons of compatibility with the SCPI standard. Some commands are considerably shortened by these optional key words.

#### Example

```
[SENSe]:BANDwidth[:RESolution]:AUTO
```

This command couples the resolution bandwidth of the instrument to other parameters. The following command has the same effect:

```
BANDwidth:AUTO
```



#### Optional keywords with numeric suffixes

Do not omit an optional keyword if it includes a numeric suffix that is relevant for the effect of the command.

#### Example

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<1...4>]:MAXimize <Boolean>
```

Command `DISP:MAX ON` refers to window 1.

In order to refer to a window other than 1, you must include the optional `WINDow` parameter with the suffix for the required window.

```
DISP:WIND2:MAX ON
```

refers to window 2.

---

### 5.1.2.4 Long and Short Form

The key words feature a long form and a short form. Either the short form or the long form can be entered, other abbreviations are not permitted.

#### Example

```
STATus:QUESTionable:ENABle 1
```

is equivalent to

```
STAT:QUES:ENAB 1
```

---



#### Upper and lower case notation of commands

Upper-case and lower-case notation only serves to distinguish the two forms in the manual, the instrument itself does not distinguish upper-case and lower-case letters.

---

### 5.1.2.5 Parameter

The parameter must be separated from the header by a "white space". If several parameters are specified in a command, they are separated by a comma ",". A few queries permit the parameters MINimum, MAXimum and DEFault to be entered. Refer to "[Parameters](#)" for a detailed description of the various parameters.

#### Example

```
SENSe:FREQuency:STOP? MAXimum
Response: 3.5E9
```

This query requests the maximal value for the stop frequency.

### 5.1.2.6 Special Characters

- | A vertical stroke in parameter definitions indicates alternative possibilities in the sense of "or". The effect of the command differs, depending on which parameter is used.

#### Example

```
DISPlay:FORMat SINGLE | SPLit
```

If parameter `SINGLE` is selected, full screen is displayed, in the case of `SPLIT`, split screen is displayed.

A selection of key words with an identical effect exists for several commands. These keywords are indicated in the same line; they are separated by a vertical stroke. Only one of these keywords needs to be included in the header of the command. The effect of the command is independent of which of the keywords is used.

#### Example

```
SENSe:BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution]
```

The two following commands with identical meaning can be created. They set the frequency of the fixed frequency signal to 1 kHz:

```
SENSe:BAND 1
SENSe:BWID 1
```

- [ ] Key words in square brackets can be omitted when composing the header. The full command length must be accepted by the instrument for reasons of compatibility with the SCPI standards.

#### Example

```
[SENSe:]BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution]
```

```
SENS:BAND:RES
```

is equivalent to

```
BAND
```

Parameters in square brackets can be incorporated optionally in the command or omitted as well.

**Example**

```
MMEmory:NETWork:MAP
<string>, <string>[, <string>, <string>, <boolean>]
```

Entries in square brackets are optional or can be omitted.

{ } Parameters in curly brackets are optional and can be inserted once or several times, or omitted.

**Example**

```
SENSe:LIST:FREQuency <numeric_value>{, <numeric_value>}
```

The following are valid commands:

```
SENS:LIST:FREQ 10
SENS:LIST:FREQ 10, 20
SENS:LIST:FREQ 10, 20, 30, 40
```

**5.1.2.7 Numeric Suffix**

If a device features several functions or features of the same kind, e.g. inputs, the desired function can be selected by a suffix added to the command. Entries without suffix are interpreted like entries with the suffix 1. Optional keywords must be specified if they select a function with the suffix.

**Example**

```
SYSTem:COMMunicate:SERial2:BAUD 9600
```

This command sets the baud rate of a second serial interface.

**Suffix counting**

In case of remote control, suffix counting may differ from the numbers of the corresponding selection used in manual operation. SCPI prescribes that suffix counting starts with 1. Suffix 1 is the default state and used when no specific suffix is specified.

Some standards define a fixed numbering, starting with 0. With GSM, for instance, slots are counted from 0 to 7. In the case of remote control, the slots are selected with the suffixes 1 to 8. If the numbering differs in manual operation and remote control, it is indicated with the respective command.



### 5.1.3 Overview of Syntax Elements

The following table offers an overview of the syntax elements.

- : The colon separates the key words of a command. In a program message the separating semicolon marks the uppermost command level.
- ; The semicolon separates two commands within a program message. It does not alter the path.
- , The comma separates several parameters of a command.
- ? The question mark forms a query.
- \* The asterisk marks a common command.
- " Quotation marks introduce a string and terminate it.
- # The hash symbol # introduces binary, octal, hexadecimal and block data.
  - Binary: #B10110
  - Octal: #O7612
  - Hexa: #HF3A7
  - Block: #21312

A "white space" (ASCII-Code 0 to 9, 11 to 32 decimal, e.g. blank) separates header and parameter.

## 5.2 Parameters

For most commands a parameter needs to be supplemented. The parameter has to be separated from the header by a "white space". Possible parameters are:

- Numeric values
- Special numeric values
- Boolean parameters
- Text
- Character strings
- Block data.

The type of parameter required for each command and the allowed range of values are specified in the command description.

### 5.2.1 Numeric Values

Numeric values can be entered in any form, i.e. with sign, decimal point and exponent. Values exceeding the resolution of the instrument are rounded up or down. The mantissa may comprise up to 255 characters, the exponent must lie inside the value range -32000 to 32000. The exponent is introduced by an "E" or "e". Entry of the exponent alone is not permissible. In the case of physical quantities, the unit can be entered. Permissible unit prefixes are G (giga), MA (mega), MOHM and MHZ are also possible), K (kilo), M (milli), U (micro) and N (nano). If the unit is missing, the basic unit is used.

#### Example

```
SENSe:FREQuency:STOP 1.5GHz = SENSe:FREQuency:STOP 1.5E9
```

### 5.2.2 Special Numeric Values

The texts MINimum, MAXimum, DEFault, UP and DOWN are interpreted as special numeric values. In case of a query, the numeric value is returned.

- MIN/MAX

MINimum and MAXimum denote the minimum and maximum value.

- DEF

DEFault denotes a preset value which has been stored in the EPROM. This value conforms to the default setting, as it is called by the \*RST command

- UP/DOWN

UP, DOWN increases or reduces the numerical value by one step. The step width can be specified via an allocated step command for each parameter which can be set via UP, DOWN.

- INF/NINF

INFINITY, Negative INFINITY (NINF) Negative INFINITY (NINF) represent the numerical values  $-9.9E37$  or  $9.9E37$ , respectively. INF and NINF are only sent as device responses.

- NAN

Not A Number (NAN) represents the value  $9.91E37$ . NAN is only sent as device response. This value is not defined. Possible causes are the division of zero by zero, the subtraction of infinite from infinite and the representation of missing values.

**Example:**

Setting command: `SENSe:FREQuency:STOP MAXimum`

Query: `SENSe:FREQuency:STOP?`, Response: `3.5E9`

### 5.2.3 Boolean Parameters

Boolean parameters represent two states. The ON state (logically true) is represented by ON or a numerical value unequal to 0. The OFF state (logically untrue) is represented by OFF or the numerical value 0. The numerical values are provided as response for query.

**Example**

Setting command: `CALCulate:MARKer:STATe ON`

Query: `CALCulate:MARKer:STATe?`, Response: `1`

### 5.2.4 Text

Text parameters observe the syntactic rules for key words, i.e. they can be entered using a short or long form. Like any parameter, they have to be separated from the header by a white space. In the case of a query, the short form of the text is provided.

**Example**

Setting command: `INPut:COUPling GROund`

Query: `INPut:COUPling?`, Response: `GRO`

### 5.2.5 Strings

Strings must always be entered in quotation marks (' or ").

**Example**

`SYSTem:LANGUage "SCPI"` or `SYSTem:LANGUage 'SCPI'`

## 5.2.6 Block Data

Block data are a transmission format which is suitable for the transmission of large amounts of data. A command using a block data parameter has the following structure:

### Example

```
HEADer:HEADer #45168xxxxxxxx
```

ASCII character # introduces the data block. The next number indicates how many of the following digits describe the length of the data block. In the example the 4 following digits indicate the length to be 5168 bytes. The data bytes follow. During the transmission of these data bytes all end or other control signs are ignored until all bytes are transmitted.

## 5.3 Structure of a Program Message

A program message may consist of one or several commands. It is terminated by the program message terminator which is the NL (New Line) character for LAN and USB connections.

Several commands in a program message must be separated by a semicolon ";". If the next command belongs to a different command system, the semicolon is followed by a colon. A colon ":" at the beginning of a command marks the root node of the command tree.

### Example:

```
CALL InstrWrite(analyzer, "SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer  
100MHz;:INPut:ATTenuation 10")
```

This program message contains two commands. The first one is part of the SENSe command system and is used to determine the center frequency of the instrument. The second one is part of the INPut command system and sets the input signal attenuation.

If the successive commands belong to the same system, having one or several levels in common, the program message can be abbreviated. For that purpose, the second command after the semicolon starts with the level that lies below the common levels (see also Fig. 1-1). The colon following the semicolon must be omitted in this case.

### Example:

```
CALL InstrWrite(analyzer, "SENSe:FREQuency:START  
1E6;:SENSe:FREQuency:STOP 1E9")
```

This program message is represented in its full length and contains two commands separated from each other by the semicolon. Both commands are part of the SENSe command system, subsystem FREQuency, i.e. they have two common levels.

When abbreviating the program message, the second command begins with the level below SENSe:FREQuency. The colon after the semicolon is omitted. The abbreviated form of the program message reads as follows:

```
CALL InstrWrite(analyzer, "SENSe:FREQuency:START 1E6;STOP 1E9")
```

However, a new program message always begins with the complete path.

### Example:

```
CALL InstrWrite(analyzer, "SENSe:FREQuency:START 1E6")  
CALL InstrWrite(analyzer, "SENSe:FREQuency:STOP 1E9")
```

## 5.4 Responses to Queries

A query is defined for each setting command unless explicitly specified otherwise. It is formed by adding a question mark to the associated setting command. According to SCPI, the responses to queries are partly subject to stricter rules than in standard IEEE 488.2.

- The requested parameter is transmitted without header.

### Example

```
INPut:COUPling?
```

```
Response: DC
```

- Maximum values, minimum values and all further quantities, which are requested via a special text parameter are returned as numerical values.

### Example

```
SENSe:FREQuency:STOP? MAX
```

```
Response: 3.5E9
```

- Numerical values are output without a unit. Physical quantities are referred to the basic units or to the units set using the Unit command.

### Example

```
SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer?
```

```
Response: 1E6 (for 1 MHz)
```

- Truth values <Boolean values> are returned as 0 (for OFF) and 1 (for ON).

### Example

```
SENSe:BANDwidth:AUTO?
```

```
Response: 1 (for ON)
```

- Text (character data) is returned in a short form.

### Example

```
SYSTem:COMMunicate:SERial:CONTRol:RTS?
```

```
Response STAN (for standard)
```

## 6 Command Sequence and Command Synchronization

What has been said above makes clear that all commands can potentially be carried out overlapping. In order to prevent an overlapping execution of commands, one of the commands `*OPC`, `*OPC?` or `*WAI` must be used. All three commands cause a certain action only to be carried out after the hardware has been set. By suitable programming, the controller can be forced to wait for the respective action to occur. For more information see Table 6-1.

**Table 6-1: Synchronization using `*OPC`, `*OPC?` and `*WAI`**

Command	Action	Programming the controller
<code>*OPC</code>	Sets the Operation Complete bit in the ESR after all previous commands have been executed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Setting bit 0 in the ESE</li> <li>– Setting bit 5 in the SRE</li> <li>– Waiting for service request (SRQ)</li> </ul>
<code>*OPC?</code>	Stops command processing until 1 is returned. This is only the case after the Operation Complete bit has been set in the ESR. This bit indicates that the previous setting has been completed.	Sending <code>*OPC?</code> directly after the command whose processing should be terminated before other commands can be executed.
<code>*WAI</code>	Stops further command processing until all commands sent before <code>*WAI</code> have been executed.	Sending <code>*WAI</code> directly after the command whose processing should be terminated before other commands are executed.

For a couple of commands the synchronization to the end of command execution is mandatory in order to obtain the desired result. The affected commands require either more than one measurement in order to accomplish the desired instrument setting (e.g. auto range functions), or they require a longer period of time for execution. If a new command is received during execution of the corresponding function this may either lead to either to an aborted measurement or to incorrect measurement data.

The following list includes the commands, for which a synchronization via `*OPC`, `*OPC?` or `*WAI` is mandatory:

**Table 6-2: Commands with mandatory synchronization (overlapping commands)**

Command	Purpose
<code>INIT</code>	start measurement (sweep)
<code>INIT:CONT OFF</code>	Set to single sweep
<code>CALC:MARK:FUNC:xx?</code>	All Marker function queries

## 7 Remote Control – Commands

The following chapters provide a detailed description of all remote control commands currently available for the R&S ZVH and its firmware options.

Each section describes the commands for one of the operating modes available in the R&S ZVH, beginning with the description of common commands required to operate the instrument. The structure is based on that of the operating manual.

- [Common Commands](#) on page 30
- [Remote Commands of the Cable and Antenna Analyzer](#) on page 33
- [Remote Commands of the Spectrum Analyzer](#) on page 71
- [Remote Commands of the Network Analyzer Mode](#) on page 137
- [Remote Commands of the Power Meter](#) on page 158

Each section is subdivided into various tasks required to perform measurements with the R&S ZVH, also based on the structure of the operating manual. Some commands like those for controlling markers or configuring the frequency axis are available for all operating modes. In that case you will find a list of these commands in the corresponding section. However, a detailed description is provided only in the CAT commands section.



### Availability of commands

The cable and antenna test mode is implemented in the basic unit. For the other modes, the corresponding options are required.

Following the remote control commands required to perform specific measurements, you will find a description of general commands used to set up and control basic instrument functions. These commands are independent of the operating mode. Therefore they are listed separately.

- [File Management](#) on page 165
- [Making and Storing Screenshots](#) on page 173
- [Configuring the Instrument](#) on page 176
- [Remote Commands of the Status Reporting System](#) on page 209

All chapters begin with a list of commands available in the context of that chapter. Following that list you will find a detailed description of all commands.

All individual descriptions contain:

- the complete notation and syntax of the command
- the description of the effects of the command
- a list of all parameters available for that command or the type of data the command returns in case of query commands
- an example of how a program message would look like
- the \*RST value
- information on SCPI conformity

An alphabetical list of all available commands is provided at the end of this manual.



## 7.1 Common Commands

The common commands are taken from the IEEE 488.2 (IEC 625-2) standard. A particular command has the same effect on different devices. The headers of these commands consist of an asterisk "\*" followed by three letters. Some of the common commands refer to the "[Status Reporting System](#)".

### List of Common Commands

- [\\*CLS](#) (p. 30)
- [\\*ESE](#) (p. 30)
- [\\*ESR?](#) (p. 30)
- [\\*IDN?](#) (p. 31)
- [\\*IST?](#) (p. 31)
- [\\*OPC](#) (p. 31)
- [\\*OPT?](#) (p. 31)
- [\\*RST](#) (p. 31)
- [\\*SRE](#) (p. 32)
- [\\*STB?](#) (p. 32)
- [\\*TRG](#) (p. 32)
- [\\*TST?](#) (p. 32)
- [\\*WAI](#) (p. 32)

#### \*CLS

---

`CLEAR STATUS` sets the status byte (STB), the standard event register (ESR) and the EVENT part of the QUESTIONable and the OPERATION register to zero. The command does not alter the mask and transition parts of the registers. It clears the output buffer.

#### \*ESE

---

`EVENT STATUS ENABLE` sets the event status enable register to the value indicated. The query form `*ESE?` returns the contents of the event status enable register in decimal form.

##### Parameter

0 to 255

#### \*ESR?

---

`STANDARD EVENT STATUS QUERY` returns the contents of the event status register in decimal form (0 to 255) and subsequently sets the register to zero.

##### Parameter

0 to 255

**\*IDN?**

---

IDENTIFICATION QUERY queries the instrument identification.

**Return values**

<InstrumentName>,<SerialNumber/Model>,<FirmwareVersion>

Example for R&S ZVH:

Rohde&Schwarz,ZVH4,100005/014,1.20

**\*IST?**

---

INDIVIDUAL STATUS QUERY returns the contents of the IST flag in decimal form. The IST flag is the status bit which is sent during a parallel poll.

**Parameter**

0 | 1

**\*OPC**

---

OPERATION COMPLETE sets bit 0 in the event status register after all preceding commands have been executed. This bit can be used to initiate a service request.

**\*OPT?**

---

OPTION IDENTIFICATION QUERY queries the options included in the instrument and returns a list of the options installed. The options are separated from each other by means of commas.

**Parameter**

K<number> software options

For a list of all available options and their description refer to the CD-ROM.

**Example**

K40, K41, K42, K45

**\*RST**

---

RESET sets the instrument to a defined default status. The command essentially corresponds to pressing the PRESET key.

**\*SRE**

---

SERVICE REQUEST ENABLE sets the service request enable register to the indicated value. Bit 6 (MSS mask bit) remains 0. This command determines under which conditions a service request is generated. The query form \*SRE? reads the contents of the service request enable register in decimal form. Bit 6 is always 0.

**Parameter**

0 to 255

**\*STB?**

---

READ STATUS BYTE QUERY reads out the contents of the status byte in decimal form.

**\*TRG**

---

TRIGGER initiates all actions in the currently active test screen expecting a trigger event. This command corresponds to `INITiate[:IMMediate]`.

**\*TST?**

---

SELF TEST QUERY initiates the self test of the instrument and outputs an error code in decimal form.

**Parameter**

0 = no error

**\*WAI**

---

WAIT TO CONTINUE permits servicing of subsequent commands only after all preceding commands have been executed and all signals have settled.

## 7.2 Remote Commands of the Cable and Antenna Analyzer

This section provides a detailed description of all remote control commands required to configure and perform measurements in Cable and Antenna Test (CAT) mode.

### Contents

[Configuring the Horizontal Axis](#) on page 34

[Configuring the Vertical Axis](#) on page 38

[Setting the Bandwidth](#) on page 44

[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#) on page 45

[Working with Traces](#) on page 47

[Using Markers](#) on page 51

[Configuring and Using Measurement Functions](#) on page 61

## 7.2.1 Configuring the Horizontal Axis

The following commands configure the horizontal axis of the active display.



### Commands independent of the operating mode

Note that some of the commands for configuring the horizontal axis are also valid for other operating modes. If a command is available in another mode, it is indicated by the list in the respective section.

#### List of commands

- [SENSe:]FREQUency:CENTer <Frequency> (p. 34)
- [SENSe:]FREQUency:CENTer:STEP <StepSize> (p. 34)
- [SENSe:]FREQUency:CENTer:STEP:LINK <StepSizeCoupling> (p. 35)
- [SENSe:]FREQUency:SPAN <Span> (p. 35)
- [SENSe:]FREQUency:SPAN:AUTO <State> (p. 36)
- [SENSe:]FREQUency:STARt <StartFrequency> (p. 36)
- [SENSe:]FREQUency:STOP <StopFrequency> (p. 36)
- CALCulate:DTF:DISTance:STARt <StartDistance> (p. 37)
- CALCulate:DTF:DISTance:STOP <StopDistance> (p. 37)

#### [SENSe:]FREQUency:CENTer <Frequency>

This command defines the center frequency of the R&S ZVH.

In spectrum analyzer mode, the command also defines the measuring frequency for time domain measurements (span = 0).

##### Parameter

<Frequency>  
Numeric value in Hz.

The range depends on the operating mode and is specified in the data sheet.

##### Example

```
FREQ:CENT 100MHz
```

Defines a center frequency of 100 MHz.

##### Characteristics

\*RST value:  $f_{\max} / 2$  with  $f_{\max}$  = maximum frequency  
SCPI: conform

#### [SENSe:]FREQUency:CENTer:STEP <StepSize>

This command defines the center frequency step size.

##### Parameter

<StepSize>  
Numeric value in Hz.

The range is from 1 Hz to  $f_{\max}$ .

**Example**

```
FREQ:CENT:STEP 120MHz
```

Defines a CF step size of 120 MHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: – (AUTO 0.1\*SPAN is switched on)  
 SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:LINK <StepSizeCoupling>**

This command couples and decouples the center frequency step size to the span.

For time domain measurements, the command couples the step size to the resolution bandwidth.

**Parameter**

<StepSizeCoupling>

DIVTen                Couples the step size to 10% of the span

OFF                    deactivates coupling (manual input)

**Example**

```
FREQ:CENT:STEP:LINK DIVT
```

Couples the step size to 10% of the span.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: DIVTen  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]FREQuency:SPAN <Span>**

This command defines the frequency span.

If you set a span of 0 Hz in spectrum mode, the R&S ZVH starts a measurement in the time domain.

**Parameter**

<Span>

Numeric value in Hz. The value range is specified in the data sheet.

**Example**

```
FREQ:SPAN 10MHz
```

Defines a span of 10 MHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value:  $f_{\max}$  with  $f_{\max}$  = maximum frequency  
 SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]FREQuency:SPAN:AUTO <State>**

---

This command turns the automatic calculation of the ideal span on and off.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

```
FREQ:SPAN:AUTO ON
```

Turns automatic span determination on and off.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]FREQuency:STARt <StartFrequency>**

---

This command defines the start frequency for measurements in the frequency domain (span > 0).

**Parameter**

<StartFrequency>  
Numeric value in Hz.

The range depends on the operating mode and is specified in the datasheet.

**Example**

```
FREQ:STAR 20MHz
```

Defines a start frequency of 20 MHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0  
SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]FREQuency:STOP <StopFrequency>**

---

This command defines the stop frequency for measurements in the frequency domain (span > 0).

**Parameter**

<StopFrequency>  
Numeric value in Hz.

The range depends on the operating mode and is specified in the datasheet.

**Example**

```
FREQ:STOP 2000MHz
```

Defines a stop frequency of 2 GHz

**Characteristics**

\*RST value:  $f_{\max}$   
SCPI: conform

**CALCulate:DTF:DIStance:STARt <StartDistance>**

---

This command defines the start distance of the cable measurement.

**Parameter**

<StartDistance>  
Numeric value in the range from 3 m (10 ft) to 1500 m (4921 ft)  
The unit is either meter or feet, depending on your selection.

**Example**

```
CALC:DTF:DISt:STAR 50m
```

Sets the starting point of the measurement to 50 m.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 3 m (10 ft)  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:DTF:DIStance:STOP <StopDistance>**

---

This command defines the end point of the cable measurement.

**Parameter**

<StopDistance>  
numeric value in the range from 3 m (10 ft) to 1500 m (4921 ft)  
The unit is either meter or feet, depending on your selection.

**Example**

```
CALC:DTF:DISt:STAR 500m
```

Sets the end point of the measurement to 500 m.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 1500 m (4921 ft)  
SCPI: device-specific



## 7.2.2 Configuring the Vertical Axis

The following commands configure the vertical axis of the active display.



### Commands independent of the operating mode

Note that some of the commands for configuring the vertical axis are also valid for other operating modes. If a command is available in another mode, it is indicated by the list in the respective section.

#### List of commands

- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:Y\[:SCALe\]:ADJust](#) (p. 38)
- [DISPlay<n>:LOSS:REFerence <RefValue>](#) (p. 38)
- [DISPlay<n>:LOSS:REFerence:POSition <RefPosition>](#) (p. 39)
- [DISPlay<n>:LOSS:Y:SCALe <DisplayRange>](#) (p. 39)
- [DISPlay<n>:MAGNitude:REFerence <RefValue>](#) (p. 40)
- [DISPlay<n>:MAGNitude:REFerence:POSition <RefPosition>](#) (p. 40)
- [DISPlay<n>:MAGNitude:Y:SCALe <DisplayRange>](#) (p. 40)
- [DISPlay<n>:MAGNitude:Y:SPACing <Scaling>](#) (p. 41)
- [DISPlay<n>:VSWR:Y:SCALe:MINimum <BottomValue>](#) (p. 41)
- [DISPlay<n>:VSWR:Y:SCALe:MAXimum <TopValue>](#) (p. 42)
- [DISPlay<n>:VSWR:Y:SCALe <DisplayRange>](#) (p. 42)
- [INPut:ATTenuation <Attenuation>](#) (p. 42)
- [SOURce:TG:ATTenuation <TGAttenuation>](#) (p. 43)

#### DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:ADJust

This command automatically scales the vertical axis for ideal display results.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

#### Example

```
DISP:TRAC:Y:ADJ
```

Determines the ideal scaling for the y-axis.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

#### DISPlay:LOSS:REFerence <RefValue>

This command defines the reference value for the cable loss measurement format.

#### Parameter

<RefValue>

Numeric value in the range from -100 dB to 100 dB.

**Example**

```
DISP:LOSS:REF 10
```

Defines a reference level of 10 dB.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 dB  
SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay:LOSS:REFerence:POSition <RefPosition>**

---

This command defines the position of the reference value in the diagram for the cable loss measurement format.

Each step shifts the reference position one grid line up or down.

**Parameter**

<RefPosition>  
Numeric value in the range from 0 to 10.

**Example**

```
DISP:LOSS:REF:POS 5
```

Moves the reference to the fifth grid line from the bottom.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 10  
SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay:LOSS:Y:SCALE <DisplayRange>**

---

This command defines the display range of the vertical axis for the cable loss measurement format.

**Parameter**

<DisplayRange>  
Numeric value in the range from 1 dB to 100 dB.

**Example**

```
DISP:LOSS:Y:SCAL 20
```

Defines a display range of 20 dB

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 100 dB  
SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay:MAGNitude:REFerence <RefValue>**

---

This command defines the reference value for the magnitude measurement format.

**Parameter**

<RefValue>

Numeric value in the range from -80 dB to 30 dB

**Example**

```
DISP:MAGN:REF -10
```

Defines a reference level of -10 dB

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 dB

SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay:MAGNitude:REFerence:POSition <RefPosition>**

---

This command defines the position of the reference value in the diagram for the magnitude measurement format.

Each step shifts the reference position one grid line up or down.

**Parameter**

<RefPosition>

Numeric value in the range from 0 to 10.

**Example**

```
DISP:MAGN:REF:POS 5
```

Moves the reference to the fifth grid line from the bottom.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 10

SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay:MAGNitude:Y:SCALE <DisplayRange>**

---

This command defines the display range of the vertical axis for the magnitude measurement format.

Note that you have to set a logarithmic scaling before you can use this command with [DISPlay<n>:MAGNitude:Y:SPACing <Scaling>](#).

**Parameter**

<DisplayRange>

Numeric value in the range from 1 dB to 150 dB.

The number you enter is rounded up to the next possible display range. For example, if you enter 9, the R&S ZVH automatically sets the display range to 10.

**Example**

```
DISP:MAGN:Y:SCAL 50 DB
```

Defines a display range of 50 dB.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 100 dB  
 SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay:MAGNitude:Y:SPACing <Scaling>**

This command selects the scaling of the vertical axis for the magnitude measurement format.

**Parameter**

<Scaling>

LOGarithmic      logarithmic scaling (dB)

LINear            linear scaling (%)

**Example**

```
DISP:MAGN:Y:SPAC LIN
```

Selects linear scaling.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: LOGarithmic  
 SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:VSWR:Y:SCALE:MINimum <BottomValue>**

This command defines the bottom value of the vertical axis for the VSWR measurement format.

**Parameter**

<BottomValue>

Numeric value in the range from 1.0 to 70.

**Example**

```
DISP:VSWR:Y:SCALE:MIN 3
```

Defines a bottom value of 3 for the vertical axis.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 1.0  
 SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:VSWR:Y:SCALe:MAXimum <TopValue>**

---

This command defines the top value of the vertical axis for the VSWR measurement format.

**Parameter**

<TopValue>

Numeric value in the range from 1.1 to 71.

**Example**

```
DISP:VSWR:Y:SCAL:MAX 25
```

Defines a top value of 25 for the vertical axis.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 21

SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay:VSWR:Y:SCALe <DisplayRange>**

---

This command defines the display range of the vertical axis for the VSWR measurement format.

**Parameter**

<DisplayRange>

Numeric value in the range from 1.1 to 71.

The number you enter is rounded up to the next possible display range. For example, if you enter 5, the R&S ZVH automatically sets the display range to 1...6.

**Example**

```
DISP:VSWR:Y:SCAL 50
```

Defines a display range of 1...71.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 1...21

SCPI: device-specific

**INPut:ATTenuation <Attenuation>**

---

This command defines the input attenuation.

In spectrum mode, the attenuation is coupled to the reference level. If you set the attenuation independently, the R&S ZVH turns off this coupling.

The R&S ZVH adjusts the reference level if it can not be set for the current RF attenuation.

**Parameter**

<Attenuation>

Numeric value in in the range from 0 dB to 40 dB in 5 dB steps.

**Example**

```
INP:ATT 30dB
```

Defines an attenuation of 30 dB and deactivates coupling to the reference level.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 dB (AUTO is ON)

SCPI: conform

**SOURce:TG:ATTenuation <TGAttenuation>**

---

This command defines the output level of the tracking generator.

**Parameter**

<TGAttenuation>

Numeric value in the range from 0 to 50 dB.

Entering an output level of, e.g., 20 dB results in an output level of -20 dBm.

**Example**

```
SOUR:TG:ATT 50
```

Defines the attenuation to 50 dB and therefore an output level of -50 dBm

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 dB

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.2.3 Setting the Bandwidth

The following commands configure the filter bandwidths of the R&S ZVH. Note that both groups of commands (BANDwidth and BWIDth) are the same.

#### List of commands

- [\[SENSe:\]BANDwidth|BWIDth\[:RESolution\] <MeasBW>](#) (p. 44)
- [\[SENSe:\]BANDwidth|BWIDth\[:RESolution\]:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 44)

#### **[SENSe:]BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution] <MeasBW>**

---

This command defines the measurement bandwidth.

Analog resolution filters of 100 Hz to 100 kHz in 1 - 3 - 10 steps are available.

#### **Parameter**

<MeasBW>

Numeric value in the range from 100 Hz to 100 kHz.

#### **Example**

```
BAND 100 kHz  
Sets the bandwidth to 100 kHz
```

#### **Characteristics**

\*RST value: – (AUTO is set to ON)

SCPI: conform

#### **[SENSe:]BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution]:AUTO <State>**

---

This command couples or decouples the measurement bandwidth to the span.

#### **Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

#### **Example**

```
BAND:AUTO OFF  
Switches off the coupling of the resolution bandwidth to the span.
```

#### **Characteristics**

\*RST value: ON

SCPI: conform

## 7.2.4 Performing and Triggering Measurements

### 7.2.4.1 Performing the Measurement

The following commands configure the sweep.

#### List of commands

- [INITiate:CONTinuous <SweepMode>](#) (p. 83)
- [SENSe:SWEEp:POINts <Points>](#) (p. 45)

For a detailed description of commands refer to "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)" in spectrum analyzer mode.

#### **SENSe:SWEEp:POINts <Points>**

---

This command selects the number of measurement points.

#### Parameter

<Points>

101 | 201 | 401 | 601 | 631 | 801 | 1001 | 1201

#### Example

```
SWE:POIN 101  
Defines 101 measurement points.
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: 201  
SCPI: conform

### 7.2.4.2 Triggering Measurements

The following commands set up trigger conditions if you are using a trigger for the measurement.

#### List of commands

- [TRIGger\[:SEQuence\]:HOLDoff\[:TIME\] <TriggerDelay>](#) (p. 45)
- [TRIGger\[:SEQuence\]:SLOPe <TriggerSlope>](#) (p. 46)
- [TRIGger\[:SEQuence\]:SOURce <TriggerSource>](#) (p. 46)

#### **TRIGger[:SEQuence]:HOLDoff[:TIME] <TriggerDelay>**

---

This command defines the length of the trigger delay.

#### Parameter

<TriggerDelay>

Numeric value in the range from 0 s to 100 s.



**Example**

```
TRIG:HOLD 500us
```

Defines a trigger delay of 500  $\mu$ s.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 s  
SCPI: conform

**TRIGger[:SEquence]:SLOPe <TriggerSlope>**

This command selects the slope of the trigger signal.

The trigger slope affects all trigger sources.

**Parameter**

<TriggerSlope>  
POSitive | NEGative

**Example**

```
TRIG:SLOP NEG
```

Selects a negative trigger slope.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: POSitive  
SCPI: conform

**TRIGger[:SEquence]:SOURce <TriggerSource>**

This command selects the trigger source that initiates a measurement.

**Parameter**

<TriggerSource>

IMMediate	Free Run
EXTernal	External trigger

For more information see R&S ZVH operating manual chapter "Setting the Sweep"

**Example**

```
TRIG:SOUR EXT
```

Selects the external trigger input as source of the trigger signal

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: IMMediate  
SCPI: conform

## 7.2.5 Working with Traces

The following commands set up the trace and the various functions associated with it, e.g. trace mathematics or the selection of the detector.

The suffix <t> at TRACe and MATH selects the trace the command works on.

### List of commands

- [CALCulate:MATH<t>:COPY:MEMory](#) (p. 47)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:MEMory\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 47)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:MODE <TraceMode>](#) (p. 48)
- [FORMat\[:DATA\] <DataFormat>](#) (p. 48)
- [MEASurement:ISUP <State>](#) (p. 49)
- [MEASurement:ISUP:APER <Aperture>](#) (p. 49)
- [TRACe<t>:DATA](#) (p. 49)
- [UNIT:LENGth <Unit>](#) (p. 50)

### CALCulate:MATH<t>:COPY:MEMory

---

This command copies the current trace into the memory of the R&S ZVH.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

#### Example

```
CALC:MATH:COPY:MEM
Copies the trace into the memory.
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

### DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:MEMory[:STATe] <State>

---

This command turns the memory trace on and off.

#### Parameter

<State>  
ON | OFF

#### Example

```
DISP:TRAC:MEM ON
Turns on the memory trace.
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:MODE <TraceMode>**

This command selects the trace mode.

If you are using the average, max hold or min hold trace mode, you can set the number of measurements with [SENSE:]SWEep:COUNT <SweepCount>. Note that synchronization to the end of the average count is possible only in single sweep mode.

**Parameter**

<TraceMode>

AVERage | MAXHold | MINHold | VIEW | WRITe

**Example**

```
SWE:CONT OFF
```

```
SWE:COUN 16
```

Turn on single sweep mode and defines a sweep count of 16 measurements.

```
DISP:TRAC:MODE MAXH
```

Activates MAXHold mode for the trace.

```
INIT;*WAI
```

Performs a measurement with synchronization after 16 sweeps.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: WRITe

SCPI: device-specific

**FORMat[:DATA] <DataFormat>**

This command selects the data format that is used for transmission of trace data from the R&S ZVH to the controlling computer.

Note that the command has no effect for data that you send to the R&S ZVH. The R&S ZVH automatically recognizes the data it receives, regardless of the format.

**Parameter**

<DataFormat>

AScii                    Ascii format, separated by commas

REAL,32                32-bit IEEE 754 floating-point numbers in the "definite length block format"

In REAL,32 format, a string of return values would look like:

```
#42524<value 1><value 2>...<value n>
```

with

#4                    Number of digits of the following number of data bytes (= 4 in this example)

2524                Number of following data bytes (2524, corresponds to the 631 sweep points of the R&S ZVH.

<value>            4-byte floating point value

**Example**

```
FORM ASC
Selects the ASCII data format.
```

**Characteristics**

```
*RST value: ASCii
SCPI: conform
```

**MEASurement:ISUP <State>**

This command turns interference suppression on and off.

**Parameter**

```
<State>
ON | OFF
```

**Example**

```
MEAS:ISUP ON
Turns interference suppression on.
```

**Characteristics**

```
*RST value: OFF
SCPI: device-specific
```

**MEASurement:ISUP:APER <Aperture>**

This command defines the aperture size for interference suppression.

**Parameter**

```
<Aperture>
Numeric value that defines the aperture.
```

**Example**

```
MEAS:ISUP:APER 0.8
Sets an aperture of 0.8.
```

**Characteristics**

```
*RST value: 1
SCPI: device-specific
```

**TRACe<t>:DATA <Destination>**

This command queries the current trace data.

You can set the data format with the `FORMat[:DATA] <DataFormat>`.

**Parameter**

```
<Destination>

TRACe1      reads out trace 1
TRACe2      reads out trace 2
```

**Return value**

The R&S ZVH returns 631 values. Each value corresponds to one pixel of a trace.

The result and unit depends on the measurement format.

**Example**

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

Reads out the data for trace 1.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**UNIT:LENGth <Unit>**

---

This command selects the length unit.

**Parameter**

<Unit>

METer | FEET

**Example**

```
UNIT:LENGth FEET
```

Selects feet as the length unit.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: METer

SCPI: conform

## 7.2.6 Using Markers

The following commands position and control markers and deltamarkers.

The suffix <n> at CALCulate is irrelevant.

The suffix <m> at MARKer selects the marker or delta marker.

### List of commands

- CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe] <State> (p. 51)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:AOFF (p. 52)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] (p. 52)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT (p. 52)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] (p. 52)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X <Coordinate> (p. 53)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:RELative <Distance> (p. 53)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:Y? (p. 54)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] <State> (p. 55)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF (p. 55)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] (p. 55)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT (p. 56)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] (p. 56)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X <Coordinate> (p. 56)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits[:STATe] <State> (p. 57)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:LEFT <SearchLimit> (p. 57)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:RIGHT <Searchlimit> (p. 58)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:Y? (p. 58)

### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe] <State>

This command turns delta markers on and off.

If you set the suffix at DELTmarker to 1, or use no suffix, the R&S ZVH interprets this as delta marker 2 because the first marker has to be a normal marker. If more than one normal marker (2 to 6) are already active, the command turns these marker into delta markers. If no delta marker is active yet, the command activates the delta marker and positions it on the trace maximum.

#### Parameter

<State>  
ON | OFF

#### Example

```
CALC:DELT3 ON
```

Turns delta marker 3 on or turns marker 3 into a delta marker.

#### Characteristics

RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:AOFF**

---

This command turns off all active delta markers.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
CALC : DELT : AOFF
Turns off all delta markers.
```

**Characteristics**

RST value: –  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]**

---

This command positions a delta marker on the current trace maximum.

If necessary, the corresponding delta marker is activated first.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
CALC : DELT3 : MAX
Moves delta marker 3 to the maximum peak.
```

**Characteristics**

RST value: –  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT**

---

This command positions a delta marker on the next smaller trace maximum.

If necessary, the corresponding delta marker is activated first.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
CALC : DELT2 : MAX : NEXT
Moves delta marker 2 to the next smaller maximum peak.
```

**Characteristics**

RST value: –  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]**

---

This command positions a delta marker on the current trace minimum.

If necessary, the corresponding delta marker is activated first.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
CALC:DELT3:MIN
```

Moves delta marker 3 to the trace minimum.

**Characteristics**

RST value: –

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:DELTaMarker<m>:X <Coordinate>**

This command positions a delta marker on a particular coordinate on the horizontal axis.

Note that it is possible to place the marker outside the visible trace. In that case, this value is invalid.

If necessary, the corresponding delta marker is activated first.

**Parameter**

<Coordinate>

Numeric value that indicates the coordinate on the horizontal axis.

The range corresponds to the maximum span.

The unit depends on the measurement, e.g. Hz for measurements in the frequency domain and seconds for measurements in the time domain.

**Example**

```
CALC:DELT:MOD REL
```

Delta marker positions are relative to marker 1.

```
CALC:DELT2:X 10.7MHz
```

Positions delta marker 2 10.7 MHz to the right of marker 1.

```
CALC:DELT2:X?
```

```
CALC:DELT2:X:REL?
```

Queries the absolute and relative position of delta marker 2.

**Characteristics**

RST value: –

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:DELTaMarker<m>:X:RELative <Distance>**

This command positions a delta marker on a position relative to the reference marker.

If necessary, the corresponding delta marker is activated first.

**Parameter**

<Distance>

Numeric value that defines the distance of the marker to the reference marker



The range depends on the current scaling of the horizontal axis.

The unit depends on the measurement, e.g. Hz for measurements in the frequency domain and seconds for measurements in the time domain.

### Example

```
CALC:DELT3:X:REL 5 kHz
```

Sets the delta marker at a distance of 5 kHz to the reference position.

### Characteristics

RST value: –

SCPI: device-specific

## CALCulate<n>:DELTaMarker<m>:Y?

This command queries the vertical position of a delta marker. The result is always a relative value in relation to marker 1.

If necessary, the corresponding delta marker is activated first.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end between activating the delta marker and reading out the result. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

### Return value

<MarkerPosition>

In NA and CAT mode, the unit depends on the measurement format.

In spectrum analyzer mode, the unit depends on the unit you have set and the scaling of the vertical axis.

Parameter or measuring functions	Output unit
DBM   DBPW   DBUV   DBMV   DBUA	dB (lin/log)
WATT   VOLT   AMPere	dB (lin), % (log)

### Example

```
INIT:CONT OFF
```

Switches to single sweep mode.

```
CALC:DELT2 ON
```

Switches on delta marker 2.

```
INIT;*WAI
```

Starts a sweep and waits for its end.

```
CALC:DELT2:Y?
```

Queries the horizontal position of delta marker 2.

### Characteristics

RST value: –

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] <State>**

---

This command turns markers on and off.

If you do not use a suffix at MARKer, marker 1 is selected. If one or more delta markers (2 to 6) are already active, the command turns these delta markers into normal markers.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK3 ON
```

Turns on marker 3.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF**

---

This command turns off all active markers, delta markers and active marker measurement functions.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:AOFF
```

Turns off all markers.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]**

---

This command positions a marker on the current trace maximum.

If necessary, the corresponding marker is activated first.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK2:MAX
```

Moves marker 2 to the maximum peak.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT**

---

This command positions a marker on the next smaller trace maximum.

If necessary, the corresponding marker is activated first.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK2:MAX:NEXT
```

Moves marker 2 to the next smaller maximum peak.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]**

---

This command positions a marker on the current trace minimum.

If necessary, the corresponding marker is activated first.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK2:MIN
```

Moves marker 2 to the trace minimum.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X <Coordinate>**

---

This command positions a marker on a particular coordinate on the horizontal axis.

If one or more delta markers (2 to 6) are already active, the command turns these delta markers into normal markers.

Note that it is possible to place the marker outside the visible trace. In that case, this value is invalid.

If necessary, the corresponding delta marker is activated first.

**Parameter**

<Coordinate>

Numeric value indicating the coordinate on the horizontal axis.

The range corresponds to the maximum span.

The unit in spectrum analyzer mode depends on the measurement, e.g. Hz for measurements in the frequency domain and seconds for measurements in the time domain.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK2:X 10.7MHz
```

Positions marker 2 to frequency 10.7 MHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits[:STATe] <State>**

This command turns marker search limits on and off.

If you perform a measurement in zero span, this command limits the evaluation range on the trace.

The numeric suffix at MARKer is irrelevant.

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:X:SLIM ON
```

Turns on search limits.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:LEFT <SearchLimit>**

This command defines the left limit of the marker search range.

To use the command, you first have to turn on search limits with "[CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits\[:STATe\] <State>](#)".

If you perform a measurement in zero span, this command, this command limits the evaluation range on the trace.

The numeric suffix at MARKer is irrelevant.

**Parameter**

<SearchLimit>

Numeric value that sets the left marker search limit.

The value range corresponds to the maximum span.

The unit in spectrum analyzer mode depends on the measurement, e.g. Hz for measurements in the frequency domain and seconds for measurements in the time domain.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:X:SLIM ON
CALC:MARK:X:SLIM:LEFT 10MHz
CALC:MARK:X:SLIM:RIGH 100MHz
```

Turns search limits on and defines a search range from 10 MHz to 100 MHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: – (is set to the left diagram border when switching on search limits)

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:RIGHT <Searchlimit>**

This command defines the right limit of the marker search range.

To use the command, you first have to turn on search limits with "CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits[:STATe] <State>".

If you perform a measurement in zero span, this command, this command limits the evaluation range on the trace.

The numeric suffix at MARKer is irrelevant.

**Parameter**

<SearchLimit>

Numeric value that sets the right marker search limit.

The value range corresponds to the maximum span.

The unit depends on the measurement, e.g. Hz for measurements in the frequency domain and seconds for measurements in the time domain.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:X:SLIM ON
CALC:MARK:X:SLIM:LEFT 10MHz
CALC:MARK:X:SLIM:RIGH 100MHz
```

Turns search limits on and defines a search range from 10 MHz to 100 MHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: – (is set to the right diagram border when switching on search limits)

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:Y?**

This command queries the absolute vertical position of a marker.

If necessary, the corresponding marker is activated first.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end between activating the delta marker and reading out the result.

This is only possible in single sweep mode.

**Return values**

<MarkerPosition>

numeric value of the marker position

In CAT mode, the unit depends on the measurement format.

In spectrum mode, the unit depends on "UNIT:POWER".

**Example**

```
INIT:CONT OFF
```

Switches to single sweep mode.

```
CALC:MARK2 ON
```

Switches marker 2.

```
INIT;*WAI
```

Starts a sweep and waits for the end.

```
CALC:MARK2:Y?
```

Outputs the measured value of marker 2.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.2.7 Using Limit Lines

The following commands define limit lines and perform the corresponding limit checks.

The suffix <n> at CALCulate is irrelevant.

The suffix <k> at LIMit selects the limit line and is in the range <1...2>.

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:BEEP\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 102)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:COMMeNt?](#) (p. 102)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:DELeTe](#) (p. 104)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:FAIL?](#) (p. 104)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:LOWer:SELeCt <LimitLine>](#) (p. 104)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:STATe <State>](#) (p. 105)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UNIT:X?](#) (p. 105)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UNIT\[:Y\]?](#) (p. 106)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UPPer:SELeCt <LimitLine>](#) (p. 106)

For a detailed description of all commands not included here, refer to "[Using Display Lines and Limit Lines](#)" in spectrum mode.

## 7.2.8 Configuring and Using Measurement Functions

This chapter provides information on how to configure two-port measurements with the tracking generator. The structure follows the order of the actual operation sequence used when performing a measurement:

- [Selecting the Cable Characteristics](#) on page 62
- [Selecting the Measurement Mode](#) on page 62
- [Calibrating the Measurement](#) on page 65

To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)".

### 7.2.8.1 Selecting the Measurement Port

The following commands select the measurement port.

#### List of commands

- [MEASurement:PORT <Port>](#) (p. 61)

#### MEASurement:PORT <Port>

---

This command selects the measurement port.

#### Parameter

<Port>

Numeric value in the range from 1 to 2.

#### Example

```
MEAS:PORT 1  
Selects port 1.
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: 1

SCPI: device-specific



### 7.2.8.2 Selecting the Cable Characteristics

The following commands define the cable characteristics for the cable you are testing.

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate:DTF:CABLE:PRESet <CableModel>](#) (p. 62)

#### **CALCulate:DTF:CABLE:PRESet <CableModel>**

---

This command selects the cable model.

#### Parameter

<CableModel>

String containing the file name of the cable model.

#### Example

```
CALC:DTF:CAB:PRES '5088-HLFR.CBLMOD'
```

Selects the cable model from the file 5088-HLFR.CBLMOD

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.2.8.3 Selecting the Measurement Mode

The following commands select the measurement mode.

#### List of commands

- [MEASurement<n>:MODE <MeasMode>](#) (p. 62)

#### **MEASurement:MODE <MeasMode>**

---

This command selects the measurement mode.

#### Parameter

<MeasMode>

DTFault	Distance-to-fault measurement
LOSS	Cable loss measurement
REFlection	Reflection (S11) measurement
TRANsmission	Transmission (S21) measurement (option R&S ZVH-K39)

#### Example

```
MEAS:MODE LOSS
```

Activates cable loss measurement.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: REFlection

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.2.8.4 Selecting the Measurement Format

The following commands select the measurement format in CAT mode.

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate:TRACe:VSWR:MAX:STATe <State>](#) (p. 63)
- [MEASurement<n>:FORMat <MeasFormat>](#) (p. 63)

#### **CALCulate:TRACe:VSWR:MAX:STATe <State>**

---

This command turns the display of the maximum and average VSWR on and off.

Use [CALCulate:TRACe:VSWR:AVG:RESult?](#) and [CALCulate:TRACe:VSWR:MAX:RESult?](#) to query the corresponding results.

#### Parameter

<State>  
ON | OFF

#### Example

```
CALC:TRAC:VSWR:MAX:STAT ON
```

Displays the VSWR results.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: MAGNitude  
SCPI: device-specific

#### **MEASurement<n>:FORMat <MeasFormat>**

---

This command selects the measurement format.

#### Note:

For transmission measurements only the Magnitude, Phase, Magnitude+Phase and GDelay formats are available.

#### Parameter

LOSS	cable loss format
MAGNitude	magnitude format
REFlection	reflection coefficient format
VSWR	VSWR format

#### Example

```
MEAS:MODE VECT
```

Switches to vector measurement mode.

```
MEAS:FUNC:REFL ON
```

Activates reflection measurement.

MEAS:FORM SMIT

Displays the reflection in a Smith Chart.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: MAGNitude

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.2.8.5 Reading Out Measurement Results

The following commands query various measurement results.

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate:TRACe:CABLe:LOSS:RESult?](#) (p. 64)
- [CALCulate:TRACe:VSWR:AVG:RESult?](#) (p. 64)
- [CALCulate:TRACe:VSWR:MAX:RESult?](#) (p. 65)

#### CALCulate:TRACe:CABLe:LOSS:RESult?

---

This command queries the cable loss measurement result.

#### Return values

Cable loss in dB.

#### Example

```
CALC:TRAC:CABL:LOSS:RES?
```

Returns the cable loss.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

#### CALCulate:TRACe:VSWR:AVG:RESult?

---

This command queries the average VSWR measurement result.

The command is available when the calculation of the VSWR has been turned on with [CALCulate:TRACe:VSWR:MAX:STATe <State>](#).

#### Return value

Average VSWR (no unit)

#### Example

```
CALC:TRAC:VSWR:MAX:STAT ON
```

```
CALC:TRAC:VSWR:AVG:RES?
```

Queries the average VSWR.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

### CALCulate:TRACe:VSWR:MAX:RESult?

---

This command queries the maximum VSWR measurement result.

The command is available when the calculation of the VSWR has been turned on with `CALCulate:TRACe:VSWR:MAX:STATe <State>`.

#### Return value

Maximum VSWR (no unit)

#### Example

```
CALC:TRAC:VSWR:MAX:STAT ON
```

```
CALC:TRAC:VSWR:MAX:RES?
```

Queries the maximum VSWR.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

## 7.2.8.6 Calibrating the Measurement

The following commands control calibration of cable measurements.

#### List of commands

- `CALibration:ABORt` (p. 65)
- `CALibration:ATTenuation:STATus?` (p. 66)
- `CALibration:CONTinue?` (p. 66)
- `CALibration:MODE?` (p. 66)
- `CALibration:START? <CalibrationMethod>` (p. 67)
- `SYSTem:PRESet:CALibration:DISCard <State>` (p. 68)

### CALibration:ABORt

---

This command aborts calibration.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

#### Example

```
CAL:ABOR
```

Aborts calibration.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALibration:ATTenuation:STATus?**

---

This command queries the current calibration state.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return values**

NORMALized	full calibration
APPRoximate	approximate calibration (caused by a change of attenuation, for example): measurement uncertainty must be anticipated

**Example**

```
CAL:STAT?
```

Queries the calibration status of the R&S ZVH.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALibration:CONTinue?**

---

This command resumes calibration after a calibration standard has been connected.

After the command has been sent, it returns instructions on what to do to continue the calibration process and finish it successfully.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
CAL:CONT?
```

Resumes calibration and would return, e.g.:

```
'Connect Load to Port 1'
```

Connect the load before resuming calibration.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALibration:MODE?**

---

This command queries the general current calibration state.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return values**

0	not calibrated
1	calibrated

**Example**

CAL:MODE?  
 would return, e.g.  
 0

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**CALibration:START? <CalibrationMethod>**

This command selects a calibration method and initiates calibration.

After the command has been sent, it returns instructions on what to do to continue the calibration process and finish it successfully.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Parameter**

<CalibrationMethod>

F2PCal	Full 2-Port calibration
F2PHighacc	Full 2-Port High Accuracy
S11Cal	Full 1-Port calibration
S11easy	Easy 1-Port calibration (Port 1) (CAT mode only)
S12Cal	Normalize transmission with isolation (CAT mode only)
S12Norm	Normalize transmission (CAT mode only)
S21Cal	Normalize transmission with isolation (CAT mode only)
S21Norm	Normalize transmission (CAT mode only)
S22Cal	Full 1-Port calibration
S22easy	Easy 1-Port calibration (Port 2) (CAT mode only)
T2PCal	Normalize transmission with isolation (network analysis only)
T2PNorm	Normalize transmission (CAT mode only)

**Return values**

<Instructions>

Connect Open to Port 1	Connect the open to port 1 before resuming calibration.
Connect Open to Port 2	Connect the open to port 2 before resuming calibration.
Connect Short to port 1	Connect the short to port 1 before resuming calibration.
Connect Short to port 2	Connect the short to port 2 before resuming calibration.
Connect Load to port 1	Connect the short to port 1 before resuming calibration.
Connect Load to port 2	Connect the short to port 2 before resuming calibration.
Connect Through	Connect a through to ports 1 and 2.

Disconnect DUT from port 1

Disconnect DUT from port 2

Calibration done                      Calibration has been finished. No further actions required

### Example

```
CAL:STAR? F2PCal
```

Selects and initiates a full 2-port calibration and would return, e.g.:

```
'Connect Open to Port 1'
```

Connect the open before resuming calibration.

### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

## SYSTem:PRESet:CALibration:DISCard <State>

---

This command turns the mechanism that discards or keeps user calibration after a preset on and off.

### Parameter

<State>

ON | OFF

### Example

```
SYST:PRESet:CAL:DISC ON
```

Discards user calibration after a preset.

### Characteristics

\*RST value: OFF

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.2.8.7 Working with a DTF List

The following commands configure the DTF peak list. The peak list is available for DTF measurements only.

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate:TRANSform:DTFault:PEAK:COUNT?](#) (p. 69)
- [CALCulate:TRANSform:DTFault:PEAK:DATA<y>?](#) (p. 69)
- [CALCulate:TRANSform:DTFault:PEAK\[:STATE\] <State>](#) (p. 69)
- [CALCulate:TRANSform:DTFault:PEAK:THReshold <Threshold>](#) (p. 70)

**CALCulate:TRANSform:DTFault:PEAK:COUNT?**

---

This command queries the number of entries in the DTF list.

**Return value**

<DTFListEntries>

**Example**

```
CALC:TRAN:DTF:PEAK:COUN?
```

Queries the number of values in the DTF list.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:TRANSform:DTFault:PEAK:DATA<y>?**

---

This command queries the DTF list.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Suffix**

<y>

Selects an entry in the DTF list.

**Return value**

<distance>,<return loss>

The number of values depends on the number of peaks that exceed the threshold you can set with [CALCulate:TRANSform:DTFault:PEAK:THReshold <Threshold>](#).

**Example**

```
CALC:TRAN:DTF:PEAK:RES2?
```

Reads out the second result in the DTF peak list.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:TRANSform:DTFault:PEAK[:STATe] <State>**

---

This command turns the display of the DTF list on and off.

**Parameter**

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:TRAN:DTF:PEAK ON
```

Turns on the DTF peak list.



**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:TRANSform:DTFault:PEAK:THReshold <Threshold>**

---

This commands defines the threshold for the DTF list.

All values that exceed the threshold are in the DTF list. You can query the list with [CALCulate:TRANSform:DTFault:PEAK:DATA<y>?](#).

**Parameter**

<Threshold>

Numeric value that sets the threshold level.

The unit depends on the measurement format.

**Example**

```
CALC:TRAN:DTF:PEAK:THR -20
```

Sets the threshold to -20 dB

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

## 7.3 Remote Commands of the Spectrum Analyzer

This section provides a detailed description of all remote control commands required to configure and perform measurements with the spectrum analyzer. These commands are available in spectrum analyzer mode only.



### Availability of remote commands for spectrum measurements

Note that the listed remote commands take effect only if you have installed option R&S ZVH-K1 and after you have entered the spectrum analyzer operating mode.

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### 7.3.1 Configuring the Horizontal Axis

The following commands configure the horizontal (frequency) axis of the active display.

#### List of commands

- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUency:CENTer <Frequency>](#) (p. 34)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUency:CENTer:STEP <StepSize>](#) (p. 34)
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- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUency:SPAN:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 36)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUency:SPAN:FULL](#) (p. 73)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUency:STARt <StartFrequency>](#) (p. 36)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUency:STOP <StopFrequency>](#) (p. 36)

For a detailed description of all commands not included here, refer to "[Configuring the Horizontal Axis](#)" in CAT mode.

#### [SENSe:]FREQUency:INPut:MODE <InputMode>

---

This command selects the frequency mode. Select the Channel frequency mode only if you want to work with channel tables. In this case, the input of the center frequency is not a frequency value, but a channel number.

##### Parameter

<InputMode>

FREQUency	sets the frequency input mode to frequency input (Hz)
CHANnel	sets the frequency input mode to selection of a channel

##### Example

```
FREQ:INP:MODE CHAN
```

Sets the frequency mode to work with channel tables.

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: FREQ  
SCPI: device-specific

#### [SENSe:]FREQUency:MODE <OperationMode>

---

This command the measurement domain (frequency or time).

In the time domain (CW and FIXed), set the frequency with:

- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUency:CENTer <Frequency>](#)

In the frequency domain (SWEep), set it with

- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUency:CENTer <Frequency>](#)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUency:SPAN <Span>](#)

- [SENSe:]FREQUency:STARt <StartFrequency>
- [SENSe:]FREQUency:STOP <StopFrequency>

**Parameter**

<OperationMode>

CW	time domain (span = 0)
FIXed	time domain (span = 0)
SWEEp	frequency domain (span > 0)

**Example**

```
FREQ:MODE SWE
```

Activates frequency domain measurements.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: SWEEp  
SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]FREQUency:OFFSet <FrequencyOffset>**

This command defines a frequency offset.

**Parameter**

<FrequencyOffset>

Numeric value in the range from -100 GHz to 100 GHz.

**Example**

```
FREQ:OFFS 1GHZ
```

Defines a frequency offset of 1 GHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 Hz  
SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]FREQUency:SPAN:FULL**

This command restores the full span.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
FREQ:SPAN:FULL
```

Restores full span.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –  
SCPI: conform

### 7.3.2 Configuring the Vertical Axis

The following commands configure the vertical (level) axis and level parameters of the active display.

The suffix <t> at TRACe is irrelevant for these commands.

The suffix <c> at TRANsducer selects the primary or secondary transducer. The range is <1...2>.

#### List of commands

- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:Y\[:SCALe\]:ADJust](#) (p. 38)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:Y:SPACing <Scaling>](#) (p. 74)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:Y\[:SCALe\] <DisplayRange>](#) (p. 75)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:Y\[:SCALe\]:RLEVel <ReferenceLevel>](#) (p. 75)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:Y\[:SCALe\]:RLEVel:OFFSet <Offset>](#) (p. 75)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:Y\[:SCALe\]:RPOStion <ReferencePosition>](#) (p. 76)
- [INPut:ATTenuation <Attenuation>](#) (p. 42)
- [INPut:ATTenuation:MODE <AttenuationMode>](#) (p. 76)
- [INPut:ATTenuation:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 77)
- [INPut:GAIN:STATe <State>](#) (p. 77)
- [INPut:IMPedance <Impedance>](#) (p. 77)
- [\[SENSe:\]CORRection:TRANsducer<c>\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 78)
- [\[SENSe:\]CORRection:TRANsducer<c>:SElect <TransducerFactor>](#) (p. 78)
- [\[SENSe:\]CORRection:TRANsducer<c>:UNIT?](#) (p. 78)
- [UNIT:POWer <Unit>](#) (p. 79)

For a detailed description of all commands not included here, refer to "[Configuring the Vertical Axis](#)" in CAT mode.

#### DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:Y:SPACing <Scaling>

This command selects the scaling of the vertical axis.

##### Parameter

<Scaling>

LOGarithmic	logarithmic scaling
LINear	linear scaling (%)

##### Example

```
DISP:TRAC:Y:SPAC LIN
Selects linear scaling of the level axis.
```

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: LOGarithmic  
SCPI: conform

**DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe] <DisplayRange>**

---

This command defines the display range of the vertical axis.

Note that you have to set a logarithmic scaling before you can use this command with `DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:Y:SPACing`. For a linear scale, you can not modify the display range as it is fixed.

**Parameter**

<DisplayRange>  
numeric value in the range from 10 dB to 200 dB

**Example**

```
DISP:TRAC:Y 110dB
```

Sets the display range to 110 dB.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 100dB  
SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel <ReferenceLevel>**

---

This command defines the reference level.

With a reference level offset  $\neq 0$ , the value range of the reference level is modified by the offset.

**Parameter**

<ReferenceLevel>  
numeric value that sets the reference level; the unit depends on `UNIT:POWer`.

The available value range is specified in the data sheet.

**Example**

```
DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV -60dBm
```

Sets the reference level to -60 dBm.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -20dBm  
SCPI: conform

**DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet <Offset>**

---

This command defines a reference level offset.

**Parameter**

<Offset>  
numeric value (dB) that sets the reference level offset

The available value range is from -200dB to 200dB.

**Example**

```
DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV:OFFS -10dB
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0dB

SCPI: conform

**DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RPOSition <ReferencePosition>**

This command defines the position of the reference level on the display grid.

First, you have to set a logarithmic scale for the vertical axis with `DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:Y:SPACing`. For a linear scale, you can not modify the reference position.

**Parameter**

<ReferencePosition>

numeric value (%) that defines the reference position

The available value range is from 1 to 10.

**Example**

```
DISP:TRAC:Y:RPOS 5
```

Sets the reference position to the 5th grid line.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value:10

SCPI: conform

**INPut:ATTenuation:MODE <AttenuationMode>**

This command selects the attenuation mode.

**Parameter**

<AttenuationMode>

LDISortion      Auto low distortion

LNOise          Auto low noise

**Example**

```
INP:ATT:MODE LNO
```

Sets the attenuation mode to Auto Low Noise.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: LNOise

SCPI: device-specific

**INPut:ATTenuation:AUTO <State>**

---

This command couples and decouples input attenuation to the reference level.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

```
INP:ATT:AUTO ON
```

Couples the attenuation set on the attenuator to the reference level.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ON  
SCPI: conform

**INPut:GAIN:STATe <State>**

---

This command turns the preamplifier on and off.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

```
INP:GAIN:STAT ON
```

Activates the preamplifier

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: conform

**INPut:IMPedance <Impedance>**

---

This command selects the nominal input impedance. The set impedance is taken into account in all level indications of results.

The setting 75  $\Omega$   would be selected, if the 50  $\Omega$   input impedance is transformed to a higher impedance using a 75  $\Omega$  adapter of the RAZ type (= 25  $\Omega$  in series to the input impedance of the instrument). The correction value in this case is 1.76 dB = 10 log (75 $\Omega$  /50 $\Omega$ ).

**Parameter**

<Impedance>  
50 | 75

**Example**

```
INP:IMP 75
```

Sets the input impedance to 75 Ohm.



**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 50  $\Omega$   
 SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]CORRection:TRANsducer<c>[:STATe] <State>**

This command turns a transducer factor on and off.

Before turning it on, you have to select a transducer factor with  
[\[SENSe:\]CORRection:TRANsducer<c>:SElect](#).

**Parameter**

<State>  
 ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CORR:TRAN1 ON
```

Activates the primary transducer

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]CORRection:TRANsducer<c>:SElect <TransducerFactor>**

This command selects a transducer factor.

If <name> does not exist yet, a new transducer factor is created.

The suffix<1...2> specifies the primary or secondary transducer.

**Parameter**

<Transducerfactor>  
 string containing the file name of the transducer factor.

If the file does not exist, the R&S ZVH creates a new transducer factor.

**Example**

```
CORR:TRAN2:SEL 'FSH-Z38.sectrd'
```

Selects the FSH-Z38 secondary transducer factor.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]CORRection:TRANsducer<c>:UNIT?**

This command queries the unit of the current transducer factor.

**Example**

```
CORR:TRAN2:UNIT?
```

Queries the unit of the primary transducer.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**UNIT:POWer <Unit>**

---

This command selects the unit of the vertical axis.

The availability of units depends on the operating mode and type of measurement.

**Parameter**

<Unit>  
DBM | DBUV | DBMV | V | W | DUVM | DUAM | V\_M | W\_M2

Note that the availability of units depends on the operating mode.

**Example**

```
UNIT:POW DBUV  
Sets the power unit to dB $\mu$ V.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: DBM  
SCPI: conform

### 7.3.3 Setting the Bandwidths

The following commands configure the filter bandwidths of the R&S ZVH. Note that both groups of commands (BANDwidth and BWIDth) are the same.

#### List of commands

- [\[SENSe:\]BANDwidth|BWIDth\[:RESolution\] <ResBW>](#) (p. 80)
- [\[SENSe:\]BANDwidth|BWIDth\[:RESolution\]:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 80)
- [\[SENSe:\]BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo <VideoBW>](#) (p. 81)
- [\[SENSe:\]BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 81)

#### [SENSe:]BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution] <ResBW>

---

This command defines the resolution bandwidth.

##### Parameter

<ResBW>  
Numeric value in Hz.

The available value range is from 1 Hz to 3 MHz in 1 - 3 - 5 steps. In addition, you can select a 200 kHz bandwidth.

##### Example

```
BAND 100 kHz
Sets the resolution bandwidth to 100 kHz
```

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: - (AUTO is set to ON)  
SCPI: conform

#### [SENSe:]BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution]:AUTO <State>

---

This command couples and decouples the resolution bandwidth to the span.

##### Parameter

<State>  
ON | OFF

##### Example

```
BAND:AUTO OFF
Decouples the resolution bandwidth from the span.
```

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: ON  
SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo <VideoBW>**

---

This command defines the video bandwidth.

**Parameter**

<VideoBW>

Numeric value in Hz.

The available value range is from 1 Hz to 3 MHz in 1 - 3 steps.

**Example**

```
BAND:VID 10kHz
```

Sets the video bandwidth to 10 kHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: - (AUTO is set to ON)

SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo:AUTO <State>**

---

This command couples and decouples the video bandwidth to the resolution bandwidth.

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
BAND:VID:AUTO OFF
```

Turns off video bandwidth coupling.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ON

SCPI: conform

### 7.3.4 Performing and Triggering Measurements

The following commands control the actual measurement process, including trigger functionality.

#### 7.3.4.1 Performing the Measurement

The following commands initialize a measurement and set up the sweep.

##### List of commands

- [\\*WAI](#) (p. 32)
- [ABORt](#) (p. 82)
- [INITiate\[:IMMediate\]](#) (p. 82)
- [INITiate:CONTinuous <SweepMode>](#) (p. 83)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEEp:COUNT <SweepCount>](#) (p. 83)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEEp:POINTS?](#) (p. 84)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEEp:TIME <SweepTime>](#) (p. 84)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEEp:TIME:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 84)

##### ABORt

---

This command aborts the current measurement and resets the trigger system.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

##### Example

```
ABOR;
```

```
INIT:IMM
```

Aborts a measurement and starts a new one.

##### Characteristics

RST value: –

SCPI: conform

##### INITiate[:IMMediate]

---

The command initiates a new measurement sequence.

With sweep count > 0 or average count > 0, this means a restart of the indicated number of measurements. With trace functions MAXHold, MINHold and AVERage, the previous results are reset on restarting the measurement.

In single sweep mode, synchronization to the end of the indicated number of measurements can be achieved with the command \*OPC, \*OPC? or \*WAI. In continuous-sweep mode, synchronization to the sweep end is not possible since the overall measurement never ends.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
INIT:CONT OFF
DISP:WIND:TRAC:MODE AVER
Turns single sweep mode and trace averaging on.
```

```
INIT;*WAI
Starts the measurement and waits for the end of the sweep.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –  
SCPI: conform

**INITiate:CONTinuous <SweepMode>**


---

This command selects the sweep mode.

**Parameter**

<SweepMode>

ON	Continuous sweep
OFF	Single sweep

**Example**

```
INIT:CONT OFF
Turns on single sweep mode.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ON  
SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNT <SweepCount>**


---

This command defines the number of sweeps included in a single sweep. It also defines the number of sweeps the R&S ZVH uses to average traces or calculate maximum values.

The R&S ZVH performs one sweep for sweep count 0 or 1.

**Parameter**

<SweepCount>  
0 to 999

**Example**

```
SWE:COUN 64
Defines a sweep count of 64 sweeps.
```

```
INIT:CONT OFF
INIT;*WAI
Turns on single sweep mode, starts the sweep and waits for its end.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 1  
SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]SWEep:POINts?**

---

This command queries the number of measurement points in a single sweep.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

Number of sweep points.

**Example**

```
SWE:POIN?
```

Returns the number of sweep points.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –  
SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]SWEep:TIME <SweepTime>**

---

This command defines the sweep time.

If you set a sweep time in spectrum mode with this command, the R&S ZVH decouples the sweep time from the span and the resolution and video bandwidths.

**Parameter**

<SweepTime>  
Numeric value in seconds.

The available value range is specified in the datasheet.

**Example**

```
SWE:TIME 10s
```

Sets the sweep time to 10 s

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: - (AUTO is set to ON)  
SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]SWEep:TIME:AUTO <State>**

---

This command couples and decouples the sweep time to the span and the resolution and video bandwidths.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

```
SWE:TIME:AUTO ON
```

Switches on the coupling to frequency span and bandwidths.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ON

SCPI: conform

**7.3.4.2 Triggering Measurements**

The following commands set up trigger conditions if you are using a trigger for the measurement.

**List of commands**

- [\[SENSe:\]SWEep:EGATe <State>](#) (p. 85)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEep:EGATe:HOLDoff <GateDelay>](#) (p. 85)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEep:EGATe:LENGth <GateLength>](#) (p. 86)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEep:EGATe:TIME <SweepTime>](#) (p. 86)
- [TRIGger\[:SEquence\]:HOLDoff\[:TIME\] <TriggerDelay>](#) (p. 45)
- [TRIGger\[:SEquence\]:LEVel:VIDeo <TriggerLevel>](#) (p. 87)
- [TRIGger\[:SEquence\]:SLOPe <TriggerSlope>](#) (p. 46)
- [TRIGger\[:SEquence\]:SOURce <TriggerSource>](#) (p. 88)

For a detailed description of all commands not included here, refer to "[Triggering Measurements](#)" in CAT mode.

**[SENSe:]SWEep:EGATe <State>**


---

This command turns a gated trigger on and off.

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
SWE:EGAT ON
```

Activates the gated trigger.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: off

SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]SWEep:EGATe:HOLDoff <GateDelay>**


---

This command defines the length of the gate delay.

**Parameter**

<GateDelay>

Numeric value in the range from 0 s to 100 s.



**Example**

```
SWE:EGAT:HOLD 2.5
```

Sets a gate delay of 2.5 seconds.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 s  
SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]SWEep:EGATe:LENGth <GateLength>**

---

This command defines the gate length.

**Parameter**

<GateLength>  
Numeric value in the range from 10  $\mu$ s to 100 s.

**Example**

```
SWE:EGAT:LENG 2.5
```

Sets a gate length of 2.5 seconds.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 400  $\mu$ s  
SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]SWEep:EGATe:TIME <SweepTime>**

---

This command defines the sweep time for the gated trigger.

**Parameter**

<SweepTime>  
Numeric value in seconds.

**Example**

```
SWE:GATE:TIME 4ms
```

Sets a sweep time of 4 ms for the gated trigger.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 400  $\mu$ s  
SCPI: device-specific

**TRIGger[:SEQuence]:HOLDoff[:TIME] <TriggerDelay>**

---

This command defines the length of the trigger delay.

**Parameter**

<TriggerDelay>  
Numeric value in the range from 0 s to 100 s.

**Example**

```
TRIG:HOLD 500us
```

Sets the trigger delay to 500  $\mu$ s.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 s  
SCPI: conform

**TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:VIDeo <TriggerLevel>**

---

This command defines the level of the video trigger.

Video trigger is available for time domain measurements (span = 0).

**Parameter**

<TriggerLevel>  
Numeric value in the range from 0 % to 100 %.

**Example**

```
TRIG:LEV:VID 50PCT
```

Sets the trigger level to 50%.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 50 PCT  
SCPI: device-specific

**TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SLOPe <TriggerSlope>**

---

This command selects the slope of the trigger signal.

The trigger slope applies to all trigger sources.

**Parameter**

<TriggerSlope>  
POSitive | NEGative

**Example**

```
TRIG:SLOP NEG
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: POSitive  
SCPI: conform

**TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce <TriggerSource>**

---

This command selects the trigger source.

**Parameter**

<TriggerSource>

IMMediate	Free Run
EXTernal	External trigger
VIDeo	Video trigger

For more information see R&S ZVH operating manual chapter "Setting the Sweep"

**Example**

```
TRIG:SOUR EXT
```

Selects the external trigger input as source of the trigger signal

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: IMMediate

SCPI: conform

### 7.3.5 Working with Traces

The following commands set up the trace and the various functions associated with it, e.g. trace mathematics or the selection of the detector.

The suffix <t> is in the range {1..2} and selects the number of the trace.

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate:MATH<t>\[:EXPRession\]\[:DEFine\] <Expression>](#) (p. 89)
- [CALCulate:MATH<t>:COPY:MEMory](#) (p. 47)
- [CALCulate:MATH<t>:STATe <State>](#) (p. 89)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 90)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:MEMory\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 47)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:MODE <TraceMode>](#) (p. 90)
- [FORMat:BORDER <ByteOrder>](#) (p. 91)
- [\[SENSe:\]DETEctor<t>\[:FUNCTion\] <Detector>](#) (p. 91)
- [\[SENSe:\]DETEctor<t>\[:FUNCTion\]:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 91)
- [TRACe<t>\[:DATA\]? <Destination>](#) (p. 92)
- [FORMat\[:DATA\] <DataFormat>](#) (p. 92)

For a detailed description of all commands not included here, refer to "[Working with Traces](#)" in CAT mode.

#### **CALCulate:MATH[:EXPRession][:DEFine] <Expression>**

This command defines the mathematical expression for relating traces to trace 1.

You have to activate trace mathematics with [CALCulate:MATH<t>:STATe <State>](#) first.

#### Parameter

<Expression>

(IMPLied - memory) Subtracts the trace in memory from the current trace.

(memory - IMPLied) Subtracts the current trace from the trace in memory.

#### Example

```
CALC:MATH (MTRACE-TRACE)
```

Selects the subtraction of the current trace from trace in the memory.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: –

SCPI: conform

#### **CALCulate:MATH:STATe <State>**

This command turns trace mathematics on and off.

#### Parameter

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:MATH:STAT ON
```

Switches on the trace mathematics.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
 SCPI: conform

**DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>[:STATe] <State>**

This command turns a trace on and off.

**Parameter**

<State>  
 ON | OFF

**Example**

```
DISP:TRAC2 ON
```

Turns the trace on.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ON for TRACe1, OFF for TRACe2  
 SCPI: conform

**DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>:MODE <TraceMode>**

This command selects the trace mode.

If you are using the average, max hold or min hold trace mode, you can set the number of measurements with [SENSE:]SWEep:COUNT <SweepCount>. Note that synchronization to the end of the average count is possible only in single sweep mode.

**Parameter**

<TraceMode>  
 AVERage | MAXHold | MINHold | VIEW | WRITe

You can turn off the trace with `DISPlay[:WINDow]:TRACe<t>[:STATe] <State>`.

For more information see the operating manual, chapter "Trace Mode".

**Example**

```
SWE:CONT OFF
```

```
SWE:COUN 16
```

Turn on single sweep mode and sets the number of measurements to 16.

```
DISP:TRAC:MODE MAXH
```

Activates MAXHold mode for the trace.

```
INIT;*WAI
```

Starts the measurement and waits for the end of the 16 sweeps.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: WRITe  
 SCPI: device-specific

**FORMat:BORe <ByteOrder>**

This command selects the format of binary data.

**Parameters**

<ByteOrder>

SWAPped	The least significant byte is transferred first (little endian)
NORMal	The most significant byte is transferred first (big endian)

**Example**

```
FORM: BORD NORM
```

Changes the byte order to normal mode

**Characteristics**

\*RST value SWAPped  
 SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]DETeCtor<t>[:FUNctIon] <Detector>**

This command selects the detector.

**Parameter**

<Detector>

APEak | NEGative | POSitive | SAMPlE | RMS

For more information see the operating manual, chapter "Detectors".

**Example**

```
DET POS
```

Sets the detector to "positive peak".

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: POS  
 SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]DETeCtor<t>[:FUNctIon]:AUTO <State>**

This command couples and decouples the detector to the trace mode.

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
DET:AUTO OFF
```

Turns off automatic detector selection.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ON  
SCPI: conform

**TRACe[:DATA]? <Destination>**

This command queries the trace data of the current measurement.

It also transfers data from a file to a particular trace.

With `FORMat[:DATA] <DataFormat>` command, you can set the data format.

**Parameter**

<Destination>

TRACe1	writes to or reads out trace 1
TRACe2	writes to or reads out trace 2
LIST	reads out peak list of SEM measurements

**Return value**

The R&S ZVH returns 631 values. Each value corresponds to one pixel of a trace.

The unit depends on the measurement and the unit you have set with `UNIT:POWer <Unit>`.

**Note:**

If you use the auto peak detector, the command reads out positive peak values only.

**Example**

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

Reads out the data for trace 1

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**FORMat[:DATA] <DataFormat>**

This command selects the data format that is used for transmission of trace data from the R&S ZVH to the controlling computer.

Note that the command has no effect for data that you send to the R&S ZVH. The R&S ZVH automatically recognizes the data it receives, regardless of the format.

**Parameter**

<DataFormat>

ASCii	ASCii format, separated by commas
REAL,32	32-bit IEEE 754 floating-point numbers in the "definite length block format"

In REAL,32 format, a string of return values would look like:

```
#42524<value 1><value 2>...<value n>
```

with

#4	Number of digits of the following number of data bytes (= 4 in this example)
2524	Number of following data bytes (2524, corresponds to the 631 sweep points of the R&S ZVH).
<value>	4-byte floating point value

### Example

```
FORM ASC
```

Selects the ASCii data format.

### Characteristics

\*RST value: ASCii

SCPI: conform



### 7.3.6 Using Markers

- [Markers and Delta Markers](#) on page 94
- [Marker Functions](#) on page 94

#### 7.3.6.1 Markers and Delta Markers

The following commands are for setting and controlling markers and deltamarkers.

In spectrum mode mode, the suffix <n> at CALCulate selects the trace.

The suffix <m> at MARKer is in the range {1..6} and selects the marker or deltamarker.

##### List of commands

- [CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 51)
- [CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:AOFF](#) (p. 52)
- [CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum\[:PEAK\]](#) (p. 52)
- [CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT](#) (p. 52)
- [CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum\[:PEAK\]](#) (p. 52)
- [CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X <Coordinate>](#) (p. 53)
- [CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:RELative <Distance>](#) (p. 53)
- [CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:Y?](#) (p. 54)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 55)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF](#) (p. 55)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum\[:PEAK\]](#) (p. 55)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT](#) (p. 56)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum\[:PEAK\]](#) (p. 56)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X <Coordinate>](#) (p. 56)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 57)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:LEFT <SearchLimit>](#) (p. 57)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:RIGHT <Searchlimit>](#) (p. 58)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:Y?](#) (p. 58)

For a detailed description of all commands not included here, refer to "[Using Markers](#)" in CAT mode.

#### 7.3.6.2 Marker Functions

The following commands perform various kinds of analysis at the marker position.

The suffix <m> at MARKer is irrelevant, except where noted.

##### List of commands

- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:COUNT:FREQuency?](#) (p. 95)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:COUNT\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 95)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FREQuency:MODE <InputMode>](#) (p. 96)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTion:CENTer](#) (p. 96)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTion:DEModulation\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 96)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTion:DEModulation:HOLDoff <Time>](#) (p. 97)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTion:DEModulation:SElect <Demodulation>](#) (p.97)

- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:NDBDown <Distance>](#) (p. 98)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:NDBDown:FREQuency?](#) (p. 98)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:NDBDown:RESult?](#) (p. 98)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:NDBDown:STATe <State>](#) (p. 99)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:NOISe\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 99)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:NOISe:RESult?](#) (p. 99)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:REFerence](#) (p. 100)

### **CALCulate:MARKer<m>:COUNT:FREQuency?**

This command performs a frequency measurement at the marker position and returns the result.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end to make sure that the R&S ZVH actually reaches the frequency you want to measure. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

Before you can use the command, you have to turn on the frequency counter with [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:COUNT\[:STATe\] <State>](#).

#### **Example**

See [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:COUNT\[:STATe\] <State>](#).

#### **Characteristics**

\*RST value: –  
SCPI: device-specific

### **CALCulate:MARKer<m>:COUNT[:STATe] <State>**

This command turns the frequency counter at the marker position on and off.

You can read out the result with [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:COUNT:FREQuency?](#).

Frequency counting is possible only for one marker at a time. If it is activated for another marker, it is automatically deactivated for the previous marker.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end to make sure that the R&S ZVH actually reaches the frequency you want to measure. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

The suffix <m> selects the marker.

#### **Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

#### **Example**

```
INIT:CONT OFF
CALC:MARK ON
Turns on single sweep mode and marker 1.
```

```
CALC:MARK:COUN ON
Turns on the frequency counter for marker 1.
```

```
INIT; *WAI
CALC:MARK:COUN:FREQ?
```

Performs a measurement and queries the results of the frequency counter.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

### CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FREQuency:MODE <InputMode>

---

This command selects the marker frequency display mode.

#### Parameter

<InputMode>

FREQuency	sets the marker frequency mode to frequency input (Hz)
CHANnel	sets the marker frequency mode to channel input (channel number)

#### Example

```
CALC:MARK:FREQ:MODE FREQ
Selects the frequency display mode.
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: FREQ  
SCPI: device-specific

### CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCCtion:CENTER

---

This command matches the center frequency to the frequency of a marker

If you use a delta marker, the R&S ZVH turns it into a normal marker.

The suffix <m> selects the marker.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

#### Example

```
CALC:MARK1:FUNC:CENT
Matches the center frequency to the frequency of marker 1.
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

### CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCCtion:DEModulation[:STATE] <State>

---

This command turns the audio demodulator on and off when the measurement hits a marker position.

With a span greater than 0, you can define a hold time at the marker position with `CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCCtion:DEModulation:HOLDoff <Time>`.

In zero span the demodulation is on permanently.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK3:FUNC:DEM ON
```

Switches on the demodulation for marker 3.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DEModulation:HOLDoff <Time>**

---

This command defines the hold time at the marker position for the demodulation with span > 0.

**Parameter**

<Time>  
Numeric value in the range from 10 ms to 500 s.

**Example:**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:DEM:HOLD 3s
```

Sets a hold time of 3 seconds.

**Characteristics:**

\*RST value: – (DEModulation is set to OFF)  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DEModulation:SElect <Demodulation>**

---

This command selects the type of demodulation type for the audio demodulator.

**Parameter**

<Demodulation>  
AM | FM

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:DEM:SEL FM
```

Selects FM demodulation.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: AM  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NDBDown <Distance>**

---

This command defines the distance of the n dB down markers to the reference marker.

**Parameter**

<Distance>

Distance of the temporary markers to the reference marker in dB.

**Example**

See `CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NDBDown:STATe <State>`

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 3 dB

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NDBDown:FREquency?**

---

This command queries the horizontal position of the n dB down markers.

**Return value**

<frequency1> absolute frequency of the n dB marker to the left of the reference marker in Hz

<frequency1> absolute frequency of the n dB marker to the right of the reference marker in Hz.

**Example**

See `CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NDBDown:STATe <State>`

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NDBDown:RESult?**

---

This command queries the frequency spacing or bandwidth of the n dB down markers.

**Return value**

<Bandwidth>

Bandwidth in Hz.

**Example**

See `CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NDBDown:STATe <State>`

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NDBDown:STATe <State>**

This command turns the n dB Down marker function on and off.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

CALC:MARK:FUNC:NDBD:STAT ON  
Turns on the n dB marker function.

CALC:MARK:FUNC:NDBD 3  
Positions two temporary markers 3 dB below a reference marker.

CALC:MARK:FUNC:NDBD:FREQ?  
Queries the frequency position of the n dB Down markers; would return e.g.  
100000000,200000000

CALC:MARK:FUNC:NDBD:RES?  
Queries the measurement result; would return e.g.  
100000000

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NOISe[:STATe] <State>**

This command turns the noise measurement for all markers on and off.

You can query the results of the noise power density at the marker position with  
[CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NOISe:RESult?](#).

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

See [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NOISe:RESult?](#).

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:NOISe:RESult?**

This command queries the result of the noise measurement.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end before reading out the result. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Return value**

<NoiseLevel>

The unit depends on `UNIT:POWer`.

**Example**

```
INIT:CONT OFF
```

Turns on single sweep mode.

```
CALC:MARK2 ON
```

```
CALC:MARK2:FUNC:NOIS ON
```

Turns on marker 2 and assigns the noise measurement to that marker.

```
INIT;*WAI
```

```
CALC:MARK2:NOIS:RES?
```

Performs the measurement and queries the noise marker results.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:REFerence**

---

This command matches the reference level to the power level of a marker

If you use a delta marker, the R&S ZVH turns it into a normal marker.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK1:FUNC:REF
```

Matches the reference level to the power level of marker 1.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

## 7.3.7 Using Display Lines and Limit Lines

### 7.3.7.1 Display Lines

The following commands define the position of the display line.

The suffix <n> at CALCulate is irrelevant.

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate<n>:DLINe <Amplitude>](#) (p. 101)
- [CALCulate<n>:DLINe:STATe <State>](#) (p. 101)

#### CALCulate<n>:DLINe <Amplitude>

---

This command defines the position of a display line.

##### Parameter

<Amplitude>

Numeric value with a variable range and unit.

You can use any unit you want, the R&S ZVH then converts the unit to the currently selected unit. If you omit a unit, the R&S ZVH uses the currently selected unit.

##### Example

```
CALC:DLIN -20dBm
```

Sets the display line threshold to -20 dBm.

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: – (STATe to OFF)

SCPI: device-specific

#### CALCulate<n>:DLINe:STATe <State>

---

This command turns display lines on and off.

##### Parameter

<State>

ON | OFF

##### Example

```
CALC:DLIN:STAT OFF
```

Turns on the display line.

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: OFF

SCPI: device-specific



### 7.3.7.2 Limit Lines

The following commands define limit lines and perform the corresponding limit checks.

The suffix <n> at CALCulate is irrelevant.

The suffix <k> at LIMit selects the limit line and is in the range <1...2>.

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:BEEP\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 102)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:COMMeNt?](#) (p. 102)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:DEFine](#) (p. 103)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:DELete](#) (p. 104)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:FAIL?](#) (p. 104)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:LOWer:SELect <LimitLine>](#) (p. 104)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:LOWer:THReshold <Level>](#) (p. 105)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:STATe <State>](#) (p. 105)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UNIT:X?](#) (p. 105)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UNIT\[:Y\]?](#) (p. 106)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UPPer:SELect <LimitLine>](#) (p. 106)
- [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UPPer:THReshold <Level>](#) (p. 106)

#### CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:BEEP[:STATe] <State>

This command turns the beeper that beeps if a limit line is violated on and off.

##### Parameter

<State>  
ON | OFF

##### Example

```
CALC:LIM:BEEP ON
Activates the audio beep.
```

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

#### CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:COMMeNt?

This command queries the description of a limit line.

This command is a query and therefore has no RST value.

##### Return value

<Comment>  
String containing the description of the limit line.

##### Example

```
CALC:LIM:COMM?
Queries the description of limit line 1.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:DEFine**

**<Name>,<Comment>,<Unit>,<Scale>,<Unit>,<x1>,<y1>[,<xn>,<yn>]**

---

This command defines the shape of a limit line.

After you have defined the shape of the limit line you still have to activate it with [CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UPPer:SElect <LimitLine>](#) before it takes effect.

**Parameters**

**<Name>**

String containing the name of the limit line.

**Note:** if a limit line with the same name already exists, it will be overwritten.

**<Comment>**

String containing a comment for the limit line.

**<X-unit>**

Unit of the x-axis. HZ | S | M

**<Scale>**

Scale of the x-axis: ABS | REL

**<Y-unit>**

Unit of the y-axis: DB | DBM | DBUV | DBMV | DBUVM | DBUAM | VSWR | V | W

**<x1>,<xn>**

Data points on the x-axis.

**Note:** a limit line may consist of up to 100 horizontal data points.

**<y1>,<yn>**

Data points on the y-axis.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:DEF 'Line', 'Example', HZ, ABS, DBM, 10000000, -10,
10000000, 0, 20000000, 0
```

Defines a limit line with three data points.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:DELete**

---

This command deletes a limit line.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM2:DEL  
Deletes the second limit line
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:FAIL?**

---

This command queries the result of a limit check.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end before reading out the result. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

**Return value**

0 for PASS and 1 for FAIL

**Example**

```
INIT;*WAI  
CALC:LIM1:FAIL?  
Performs a measurement and queries the result of the check for limit line 1.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:LOWer:SELect <LimitLine>**

---

This command selects the lower limit line.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Parameter**

<LimitLine>  
String containing the file name of the lower limit line.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:LOW:SEL 'GSM_Lower.rellim'  
Selects the lower limit line.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value:  
SCPI: conform

**CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:LOWer:THReshold <Level>**

---

This command defines the level of a lower threshold limit line.

**Parameter**

<Level>

Numeric value whose unit depends on the unit you have currently selected for the vertical axis.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:LOW:THR -10DBM
```

Defines a threshold of -10 dBm

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:STATe <State>**

---

This command turns a limit check on and off.

You can query the result of the limit check with

[CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:FAIL?](#).

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:STAT ON
```

Switches on the limit check for limit line 1.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF

SCPI: conform

**CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UNIT:X?**

---

This command queries the horizontal unit of a limit line.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:UNIT:X?
```

Queries the x-unit of the first limit line.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UNIT[:Y]?**

---

This command queries the vertical unit of a limit line.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM1:UNIT?
```

Queries the y-unit of the first limit line.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UPPer:SElect <LimitLine>**

---

This command selects the upper limit line.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Parameter**

<LimitLine>

string containing the file name of the upper limit line

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:UPP:SEL 'GSM_Upper.rellim'
```

Selects the upper limit line.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**CALCulate<n>:LIMit<k>:UPPer:THReshold <Level>**

---

This command defines the level of an upper threshold limit line.

**Parameter**

<Level>

Numeric value whose unit depends on the unit you have currently selected for the vertical axis.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:UPP:THR -10DBM
```

Defines a threshold of -10 dBm

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.3.8 Configuring and Using Measurement Functions

The R&S ZVH provides measurement functions that allow you to perform advanced measurements and can also be controlled remotely.

#### General measurement functions:

- [Working with Channel Tables](#) on page 107

#### Power measurements:

- [Power Measurements](#) on page 110
- [Measuring the Channel Power](#) on page 113
- [Measuring the Occupied Bandwidth](#) on page 115
- [TDMA Measurements](#) on page 116
- [Measuring the Adjacent Channel Leakage Ratio](#) on page 117
- [Measuring the Spectrum Emission Mask](#) on page 132
- [Measuring Spurious Emissions](#) on page 134

#### Other measurements

- [Measuring the Harmonic Distortion](#) on page 129
- [Measuring the AM Modulation Depth](#) on page 131

#### Isotropic Antenna

- [Using an Isotropic Antenna](#) on page 135

#### 7.3.8.1 Working with Channel Tables

Use the following commands to work with channel tables.

##### List of commands

- [\[SENSe:\]CHANnel <ChannelNumber>](#) (p. 107)
- [\[SENSe:\]CHANnel:TABLE:SElect <ChannelTable>](#) (p. 108)
- [\[SENSe:\]CHANnel:TABLE:SElect:DOWNlink <ChannelTable>](#) (p. 109)
- [\[SENSe:\]CHANnel:TABLE:SElect:UPLink <ChannelTable>](#) (p. 109)
- [\[SENSe:\]CHANnel:TABLE:SET <Direction>](#) (p. 109)

##### [SENSe:]CHANnel <ChannelNumber>

---

This command selects the channel to be analyzed.

You have to set the frequency mode with [\[SENSe:\]FREquency:INPut:MODE](#) to channel first.

##### Parameter

<ChannelNumber>

numeric value that selects the number of the channel to be analyzed

**Example**

See `[SENSe:]CHANnel:TABLE:SElect <ChannelTable>`.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: depends on the channel table  
 SCPI: conform

**[SENSe:]CHANnel:TABLE:SElect <ChannelTable>**

This command selects a channel table configured for the link direction you have selected with `[SENSe]:CHANnel:TABLE:SET <Direction>`.

Note that if you have previously selected a channel table with `[SENSe]:CHANnel:TABLE:SElect:DOWNlink <ChannelTable>` or `[SENSe]:CHANnel:TABLE:SElect:UPLink <ChannelTable>`, this command replaces that file.

**Parameter**

<ChannelTable>

String containing the file name of the channel table.

**Example**

```
CHAN:TABL:SET UP
```

Selects channel table selection for uplink signals.

```
CHAN:TABL:SEL 'TV China.CHNTAB'
```

Loads the channel table with the name 'TV China' for the uplink.

```
CHAN:TABL:SEL 'TV Italy.chntab'
```

**or**

```
CHAN:TABL:SEL:UPL 'TV Italy.chntab'
```

Both commands replace the uplink channel table 'TV China' with 'TV Italy'.

Downlink channel tables are not affected by the commands sent so far.

```
FREQ:INP:MODE CHAN
```

```
CHAN 10
```

Select a particular uplink channel (e.g. #10) instead of a (center) frequency.

To select an additional downlink channel table, use either:

```
CHAN:TABL:SET DOWN
```

```
CHAN:TABL:SEL 'TV Italy.chntab'
```

**or**

```
CHAN:TABL:SEL:DOWN 'TV Italy.chntab'
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ''  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe]:CHANnel:TABLE:SElect:DOWNlink <ChannelTable>**

---

This command selects a channel table configured for downlink signals.

**Parameter**

<ChannelTable>  
string containing the name of the channel table.

**Example**

See `[SENSe:]CHANnel:TABLE:SElect <ChannelTable>`.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ''  
SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe]:CHANnel:TABLE:SElect:UPLink <ChannelTable>**

---

This command selects a channel table configured for uplink signals.

**Parameter**

<ChannelTable>  
string containing the name of the channel table.

**Example**

See `[SENSe:]CHANnel:TABLE:SElect <ChannelTable>`.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ''  
SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe]:CHANnel:TABLE:SET <Direction>**

---

This command selects the link direction for measurements with channel tables.

**Parameter**

<Direction>  

DOWN	Downlink
UP	Uplink

**Example**

See `[SENSe:]CHANnel:TABLE:SElect <ChannelTable>`.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: UP  
SCPI: device-specific



### 7.3.8.2 Power Measurements

The following commands configure power measurements. To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)".

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWER:SElect <Measurement>](#) (p. 110)
- [CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWER\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 110)
- [CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWER:PRESet <Standard>](#) (p. 111)
- [CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWER:PRESet:CHECK?](#) (p. 111)
- [CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:LEVel:ONCE](#) (p. 112)
- [CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWER:RESult? <Measurement>](#) (p. 112)

#### **CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWER:SElect <Measurement>**

---

This command selects a power measurement and turns the measurement on.

##### Parameter

ACPower   MCACpower	Adjacent channel leakage ratio (ACLR) aka adjacent channel power or multi carrier adjacent channel
CPOWER	Channel power measurement
OBANdwidth   OBWidth	Occupied bandwidth
TDMA	TDMA power

##### Example

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:POW:SEL CPOW
Selects the channel power measurement
```

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: –  
SCPI: device-specific

#### **CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWER[:STATe] <State>**

---

This command turns a power measurement on and off.

You can select a power measurement with  
[CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWER:SElect <Measurement>](#).

##### Parameter

ON	Particular power measurement active
OFF	Basic spectrum measurement

##### Example

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:POW OFF
Switches off the power measurement.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
 SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWer:PRESet <Standard>**

This command selects one of the predefined configurations for a telecommunications standard. This command only works if you have turned on power measurements with `CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWer[:STATe] <State>`.

The configuration for a standard is in line with the specifications and includes parameters like weighting filter, channel bandwidth and spacing, resolution and video bandwidth, as well as detector and sweep time.

**Parameter**

<Standard>  
 string containing the file name of the standard

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:POW:PRES '3GPP WCDMA.chpstd'
```

Selects the 3GPP WCDMA standard for channel power measurements.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWer:PRESet:CHECK?**

This command checks if the current settings are in line with the settings defined by the standard selected with `CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWer:PRESet <Standard>`.

Note that the command only checks those parameters that are defined by the standard.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

0	R&S ZVH settings violate a standard configuration
1	R&S ZVH setting comply with the standard

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:POW:PRES:CHECK?
```

Queries compliance to the standard currently in use.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer:FUNction:LEVel:ONCE**

This command adjusts the reference level to the measured signal power.

This automatic routine makes sure that the that the signal power level does not overload the R&S ZVH or limit the dynamic range by too small a S/N ratio.

To determine the best reference level, the R&S ZVH aborts current measurements and performs a series of test sweeps. After it has finished the test, it continues with the actual measurement.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:LEV:ONCE
```

Initiates an automatic level adjust routine.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer:FUNction:POWer:RESult? <Measurement>**

This command queries the results of power measurements.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end before reading out the result. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

Before you can use this command, you have to select the power measurement with `CALCulate:MARKer:FUNction:POWer:SElect <Measurement>` and activate it with `CALCulate:MARKer:FUNction:POWer[:STATe] <State>`.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Parameter and return value**

ACPower   MCACpower	Returns the results for ACLR measurements aka adjacent channel power or multi carrier adjacent channel
------------------------	---

The number of return values depends on the number of TX and adjacent channel. The order of return values is:

- power of the transmission channel
- power of the lower adjacent channel
- power of the upper adjacent channel
- power of the lower alternate channel 1
- power of the upper alternate channel 2
- etc.

The unit of the return values depends on the scaling of the vertical axis:

- logarithmic scaling returns the power in the currently selected unit (see `UNIT:POWer`).
- linear scaling returns the power in W.

CPOWer	Returns the results for channel power measurements The return value is the power of the channel. The unit depends on the scaling of the vertical axis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• logarithmic scaling returns the power in the currently selected unit (see <a href="#">UNIT:POWer</a>).</li> <li>• linear scaling returns the power in W.</li> </ul>
OBANdwidth   OBWidth	Returns the results for measurements of the occupied bandwidth The command returns the occupied bandwidth in Hz.
TDMA	Returns the results for TDMA power measurements The return value is the power of the signal. The unit depends on the scaling of the vertical axis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• logarithmic scaling returns the power in the currently selected unit (see <a href="#">UNIT:POWer</a>).</li> <li>• linear scaling returns the power in W.</li> </ul>

#### Example of occupied bandwidth measurement

```
POW:BAND 90PCT
Defines the occupied bandwidth (90%).

INIT:CONT OFF
INIT;*WAI
CALC:MARK:FUNC:POW:RES? OBW
Turns on single sweep mode, performs a measurement and queries the results.
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

### 7.3.8.3 Measuring the Channel Power

The following commands configure channel power measurements. To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)".

The suffix <m> at MARKer is irrelevant.

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:CPOWer:BANDwidth <Bandwidth>](#) (p. 114)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:CPOWer:MODE <DisplayMode>](#) (p. 114)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:CPOWer:UNIT <Unit>](#) (p. 114)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:POWER:RESult:PHZ <State>](#) (p. 115)

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:CPOWer:BANDwidth <Bandwidth>**

This command defines the channel bandwidth for channel power measurements.

**Parameter**

<Bandwidth>  
Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:CPOW:BAND 4 MHZ
```

Sets the channel bandwidth to 4 MHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 3.84 MHz  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:CPOWer:MODE <DisplayMode>**

This command selects the display mode for channel power measurements.

**Parameter**

<DisplayMode>

CLR	Clear/Write
MAX	Max Hold

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:CPOW:MODE CLR
```

Selects clear/write trace mode

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: CLR  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:CPOWer:UNIT <Unit>**

This command selects the unit of the vertical axis for channel power measurements.

**Parameter**

<Unit>  
DBM | DBMV | DBUV | VOLT | WATT | V | W

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:CPOW:UNIT DBM
```

Sets the unit to dBm.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: dBm  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:POWER:RESult:PHZ <State>**

This command turns the display of the channel power per Hertz on and off.

**Parameter**

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:POW:RES:PHZ ON
```

Displays the measured Channel Power / Hz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: dBm  
SCPI: device-specific

### 7.3.8.4 Measuring the Occupied Bandwidth

The following commands configure the measurement of the Occupied Bandwidth. To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)".

The suffix <m> at MARKer is irrelevant.

**List of commands**

- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:OBANdwidth:BANDwidth <Bandwidth>](#) (p. 115)
- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:OBANdwidth:BANDwidth:PCT <OBW>](#) (p. 116)

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:OBANdwidth:BANDwidth <Bandwidth>**

This command defines the channel bandwidth for occupied bandwidth measurements.

Instead of OBANdwidth, you can also use the alias OBWidth

**Parameter**

<Bandwidth  
Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:OBW:BAND 1 MHZ
```

Sets the channel bandwidth to 1 MHz

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 3.84 MHz  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:OBANdwidth:BANDwidth:PCT <OBW>**

This command defines the percentage of the total power that defines the occupied bandwidth.

Instead of OBANdwidth, you can also use the alias OBWidth

**Parameter**

<Percentage>

Numeric value in the range from 10% to 99.9%.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:OBW:BAND:PCT 95
```

Sets the power percentage to 95%

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 99%

SCPI: device-specific

**7.3.8.5 TDMA Measurements**

The following commands configure TDMA measurements. To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)".

The suffix <m> at MARKer is irrelevant.

**List of commands**

- [CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:TDMA:BURSt <BurstLength>](#) (p. 116)

**CALCulate:MARKer<m>:FUNction:TDMA:BURSt <BurstLength>**

This command defines the burst length of the TDMA signal.

**Parameter**

<BurstLength>

Numeric value in seconds.

The value range depends on the current sweep time.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:TDMA:BURS 80 US
```

Sets the burst length to 80 us.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 470 us

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.3.8.6 Measuring the Adjacent Channel Leakage Ratio

The following commands configure Adjacent Channel Leakage Ratio (ACLR) measurements. To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "Performing and Triggering Measurements".

The suffix <y> selects one of the 11 alternate channels. The range is <1...11>.

The suffix <k> at LIMit is irrelevant.

- [Configuring and Performing the ACLR Measurement](#) on page 117
- [ACLR Limit Check](#) on page 123

#### Configuring and Performing the ACLR Measurement

The following commands configure and perform the ACLR measurements.

##### List of commands

- [CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:ACPower:UNIT <Unit>](#) (p. 117)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:ACPairs <ChannelPairs>](#) (p. 118)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:BANDwidth\[:CHANnel\] <Bandwidth>](#) (p. 118)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:BANDwidth:ACHannel <Bandwidth>](#) (p. 118)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:BANDwidth:ALternate<y> <Bandwidth>](#) (p. 119)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:MODE <PowerMode>](#) (p. 119)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:PRESet:RLEVel](#) (p. 120)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:REFerence:TXChannel:AUTO <RefChannel>](#) (p. 120)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:REFerence:TXChannel:MANual <RefChannel>](#) (p. 120)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:SPACing\[:ACHannel\]](#) (p. 121)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:SPACing:ALternate<y> <Spacing>](#) (p. 121)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:SPACing:CHANnel<Tx> <Spacing>](#) (p. 122)
- [\[SENSe:\]POWer:ACHannel:TXChannel:COUNT <TxChannels>](#) (p. 122)

#### CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:ACPower:UNIT <Unit>

This command selects the unit of the ACLR results.

##### Parameter

<Unit>  
DBM | DBMV | DBUV | VOLT | WATT

##### Example

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:ACP:UNIT DBM
```

ACLR results are converted into the unit dBm.

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: 1  
SCPI: device-specific



**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:ACPairs <ChannelPairs>**

---

This command defines the number of pairs of adjacent channels.

**Parameter**

<ChannelPairs>

Numeric value in the range from 1 to 12.

The number corresponds to a pair of adjacent channels, one channel on the left and one on the right of the transmission channel.

**Example**

See `[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:TXChannel:COUNT <TxChannels>`

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 1

SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:BANDwidth[:CHANnel] <Bandwidth>**

---

This command defines the channel bandwidth of the transmission channels.

Instead of BANDwidth, you can also use the alias BWIDth

**Parameter**

<Bandwidth>

Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

See `[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:TXChannel:COUNT <TxChannels>`

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 14 kHz

SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:BANDwidth:ACHannel <Bandwidth>**

---

This command defines the channel bandwidth of the adjacent channel.

The adjacent channel is the first pair of channels next to the transmission channels. If you set the channel bandwidth for these channels, the R&S ZVH sets the bandwidth of the alternate channels to the same value.

Instead of BANDwidth, you can also use the alias BWIDth

**Parameter**

<Bandwidth>

Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

See `[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:TXChannel:COUNT <TxChannels>`

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 14 kHz  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:BANDwidth:ALternate<y> <Bandwidth>**

This command defines the bandwidth of the alternate channels.

If you set the channel bandwidth for the first alternate channel, the R&S ZVH sets the bandwidth of the other alternate channels to the same value. The command works hierarchically: to set a bandwidth of the 10th and 8th channel, you have to set the bandwidth of the 8th channel first.

Instead of BANDwidth, you can also use the alias BWIDth

**Parameter**

<Bandwidth>  
 Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

See [SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:TXChannel:COUNT <TxChannels>

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 14 kHz  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:MODE <PowerMode>**

This command selects the way the R&S ZVH displays the power of adjacent channels.

The number of adjacent and alternate channels has to be greater than 0 for the command to work.

**Parameter**

<PowerMode>

ABSolute	shows the absolute power of all channels
RELative	shows the power of adjacent and alternate channels in relation to the transmission channel

**Example**

POW:ACH:MODE ABS  
 Shows absolute powers for all channels.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:PRESet:RLEVel**

This command adjusts the reference level to the measured signal power.

This automatic routine makes sure that the that the signal power level does not overload the R&S ZVH or limit the dynamic range by too small a S/N ratio.

To determine the best reference level, the R&S ZVH aborts current measurements and performs a series of test sweeps. After it has finished the test, it continues with the actual measurement.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
POW:ACH:PRESet:RLEV
```

Initiates an ACP measurement and adjusts the reference level.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:REFerence:TXCHannel:AUTO <RefChannel>**

This command automatically selects a reference channel for relative ACLR measurements.

The number of transmission channels and adjacent / alternate channels has to be greater than 0 for the command to work.

**Parameter**

<RefChannel>

MINimum	transmission power with the lowest power
MAXimum	transmission channel with the highest power
LHIGest	lowest transmission channel for lower adjacent channels and highest transmission channel for upper adjacent channels

**Example**

```
POW:ACH:REF:TXCH:AUTO MIN
```

Sets the TX channel with the lowest power as reference channel

**Characteristics**

\*RST value

SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:REFerence:TXCHannel:MANual <RefChannel>**

This command defines a reference channel for relative ACLR measurements.

The number of transmission channels and adjacent / alternate channels has to be greater than 0 for the command to work.

**Parameter**

<RefChannel>

Numeric value from 1 to 12.

The actual value range depends on the number of active transmission channels.

**Example**

See `[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:TXChannel:COUNT <TxChannels>`

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 1

SCPI: device-specific

---

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:SPACing[:ACHannel] <Spacing>**

---

This command defines the spacing between the transmission channel and its adjacent channel.

A change of the adjacent channel spacing causes a change in the spacing of all alternate channels above the adjacent channel.

**Parameter**

<Spacing>

Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

See `[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:TXChannel:COUNT <TxChannels>`

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 14 kHz

SCPI: device-specific

---

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:SPACing:ALTErnate<y> <Spacing>**

---

This command defines the spacing between alternate channels.

If you set the channel spacing for the first alternate channel, the R&S ZVH sets the bandwidth of the other alternate channels to the same value. The command works hierarchically: to set a spacing of the 10th and 8th channel, you have to set the spacing of the 8th channel first.

**Parameter**

<Spacing>

Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

See `[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:TXChannel:COUNT <TxChannels>`

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ALT1: 40 kHz; ALT2: 60 kHz; ALT3: 80 kHz etc.

SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:SPACing:CHANnel<Tx> <Spacing>**

This command defines the spacing between transmission channels.

If you set the channel spacing for the first transmission channel, the R&S ZVH sets the bandwidth of the other transmission channels to the same value. The command works hierarchically: to set a spacing between the 9th and 10th and 8th and 9th channel, you have to set the spacing between the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9th channel first.

The suffix at CHANnel selects the transmission channel.

**Parameter**

<Spacing>  
Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

See [SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:TXChannel:COUNT <TxChannels>

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 20 kHz  
SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]POWer:ACHannel:TXChannel:COUNT <TxChannels>**

This command defines the number of transmission channels.

The command is available for measurements with span > 0.

**Parameter**

<TxChannels>  
Numeric value from 1 to 12.

**Example**

CALC:MARK:FUNC:POW:SEL CPOW  
Selects the channel power measurement

POW:ACH:TXCH:COUN 2  
Defines 2 transmission channels.

POW:ACH:ACP 2  
Defines 2 pairs of neighboring channels to the left and right of the TX channel(s).

POW:ACH:SPAC:CHAN2 20KHZ  
Defines a distance of 20 kHz between the first and the second Tx channel.

POW:ACH:BAND:CHAN2 120KHZ  
Defines a bandwidth of 120 kHz for the second TX channel.

POW:ACH:REF:TXCH:MAN 2  
Selects the second Tx channel as reference channel.

POW:ACH:SPAC 10KHZ  
Defines a distance of 10 kHz from the TX channel to the adjacent channel.

POW:ACH:BAND:ACH 120KHZ

Defines a bandwidth of 120 kHz for the adjacent channel.

POW:ACH:SPAC:ALT 20KHZ

Defines a distance of 20 kHz from the adjacent to the first alternate channel.

POW:ACH:BAND:ALT 120KHZ

Defines a bandwidth of 120 kHz for the first alternate channel

### Characteristics

\*RST value: 1

SCPI: device-specific

### ACLR Limit Check

The following commands configure and perform limit checks when measuring the adjacent channel power.

The suffix <k> at LIMit is irrelevant.

### List of commands

- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 123)
- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ACHannel\[:RELative\] <Limit>](#) (p. 124)
- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ACHannel\[:RELative\]:STATe <State>](#) (p. 124)
- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ACHannel:ABSolute <Limit>](#) (p. 125)
- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ACHannel:ABSolute:STATe <State>](#) (p. 125)
- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ACHannel:RESult?](#) (p. 125)
- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ALTernate<y>\[:RELative\] <Limit>](#) (p. 126)
- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ALTernate<y>\[:RELative\]:STATe <State>](#) (p. 126)
- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ALTernate<y>:ABSolute <Limit>](#) (p. 127)
- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ALTernate<y>:ABSolute:STATe <State>](#) (p. 127)
- [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ALTernate<y>:RESult?](#) (p. 128)

### CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower[:STATe] <State>

This command turns the limit check for ACLR measurements on and off.

You have to use

`CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ACHannel[:RELative]:STATe <State>`

or `CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ALTernate<y>[:RELative]:STATe <State>` in combination with this command to select the channels the limit check should be performed on.

### Parameter

<State>

ON | OFF

### Example

`CALC:LIM:ACP ON`

Activates the limit check

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPpower:ACHannel[:RELative] <Limit>**

This command defines the relative limit of the adjacent channels. The reference value for the relative limit value is the measured channel power.

Note that the relative limit has no effect on the limit check if it is below the absolute limit value (see [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPpower:ACHannel:ABSolute<Limit>](#)). This mechanism allows automatic checking of the absolute basic values of adjacent-channel power as defined in mobile radio standards.

**Parameter**

<Limit>  
Numeric value in the range from 0 dB to 100 dB.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:ACP:ACH 30
```

Defines a limit of 30 dB.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPpower:ACHannel[:RELative]:STATe <State>**

This command turns the relative limit check for the adjacent channels on and off.

You have to activate the general ACLR limit check before using this command with [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPpower\[:STATe\] <State>](#) first.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:ACP:ACH:STAT ON
```

Activates the relative limit check.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ACHannel:ABSolute <Limit>**

---

This command defines the absolute limit for the adjacent channels.

Note that the absolute limit has no effect on the limit check if it is below the relative limit (see `CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ACHannel[:RELative] <Limit>`). This mechanism allows automatic checking of the absolute basic values of adjacent-channel power as defined in mobile radio standards.

**Parameter**

<Limit>

Numeric value in the range from -200 dBm to 200 dBm.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:ACP:ACH:ABS -30
```

Sets the absolute limit to -30 dBm

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ACHannel:ABSolute:STATe <State>**

---

This command turns the absolute limit check for the adjacent channel on and off.

You have to activate the general ACLR limit check before using this command with `CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower[:STATe] <State>` first.

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:ACP:ACH:ABS:STAT ON
```

Activates the absolute limit check.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ACHannel:RESult?**

---

This command queries the result of the limit check of the adjacent channels.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end before reading out the result. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.



**Return value**

The return value consists of two values, one for the lower and one for the upper adjacent channel.

FAILed	limit check failed
PASSed	limit check passed

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:ACP:ACH:RES?
```

Queries the limit check results. The command would return, e.g.

```
FAILED, FAILED
```

Upper and lower adjacent channels violate a limit.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPpower:ALTernate<y>[:RELative] <Limit>**

This command defines the relative limit of the alternate channels. The reference value for the relative limit value is the measured channel power.

Note that the relative limit has no effect on the limit check if it is below the absolute limit value (see [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPpower:ALTernate<y>:ABSolute<Limit>](#)). This mechanism allows automatic checking of the absolute basic values of adjacent-channel power as defined in mobile radio standards.

**Parameter**

<Limit>

Numeric value in the range from 0 dB to 100 dB.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:ACP:ALT3 30
```

Defines a limit of 30 dB for the third alternate channel.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPpower:ALTernate<y>[:RELative]:STATe <State>**

This command turns the relative limit check for an alternate channels on and off.

You have to activate the general ACLR limit check before using this command with [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPpower\[:STATe\] <State>](#) first.

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:ACP:ALT3:STAT ON
```

Activates the relative limit check for the third alternate channel.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ALTernate<y>:ABSolute <Limit>**

This command defines the absolute limit for the alternate channels.

Note that the absolute limit has no effect on the limit check if it is below the relative limit (see [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ALTernate<y>\[:RELative\] <Limit>](#)). This mechanism allows automatic checking of the absolute basic values of adjacent-channel power as defined in mobile radio standards.

**Parameters**

<Limit>

Numeric value in the range from -200 dBm to 200 dBm.

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:ACP:ALT3:ABS -30
```

Sets the absolute limit to -30 dBm for the third alternate channel.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ALTernate<y>:ABSolute:STATe <State>**

This command turns the absolute limit check for an alternate channel on and off.

You have to activate the general ACLR limit check before using this command with [CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower\[:STATe\] <State>](#) first.

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:ACP:ALT3:ABS:STAT ON
```

Activates the absolute limit check for the third alternate channel.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:LIMit<k>:ACPower:ALTernate<y>:RESult?**

This command queries the result of the limit check of the alternate channels.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end before reading out the result. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

The return value consists of two values, one for the lower and one for the upper alternate channel.

FAILed	limit check failed
PASSed	limit check passed

**Example**

```
CALC:LIM:ACP:ALT2:RES?
```

Queries the limit check results for the second alternate channels. The command would return, e.g.

```
FAILED, FAILED
```

Upper and lower alternate channels violate a limit.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**ACLR Result Query**

The following commands query results specific to the adjacent channel power measurement.

The suffixes <n> and <m> at CALCulate and MARKer are irrelevant.

**List of commands**

- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:TXPower:RESult?](#) (p. 128)

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:TXPower:RESult?**

This command queries the total TX channel power.

(Use [CALCulate:MARKer:FUNCTION:POWER:RESult? <Measurement>](#) to query the power of each TX channel.)

**Return value**

<Power>

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:TXP:RES?
```

Queries the total channel power over all TX channels.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**7.3.8.7 Measuring the Harmonic Distortion**

The following commands configure Harmonic Distortion measurements. To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)".

The numeric suffixes <n> and <m> at CALCulate and MARKer are irrelevant.

**List of commands**

- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 129)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:DISTortion?](#) (p. 129)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:LIST?](#) (p. 130)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:NHARMonics <Harmonics>](#) (p. 130)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:PRESet](#) (p. 131)

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics[:STATe] <State>**

This command turns the harmonic distortion measurement on and off.

**Parameter**

<State>  
 ON | OFF

**Example**

See [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:PRESet](#).

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
 SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:DISTortion? TOTal**

This command queries the total harmonic distortion of the signal.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end before reading out the result. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Parameter**

TOTal

**Return value**

<Distortion%>,<DistortiondB>

Pair of values, one showing the THD in %, one in dB.

**Example**

See `CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:PRESet`.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:LIST?**

---

This command queries the position of the harmonics.

To get a valid result, you should perform a complete sweep in single sweep mode before querying the results.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

Returns one value for every harmonic.

The first value is the absolute power of the first harmonic. The level unit depends on the unit you have set with the `UNIT:POWer` command. The other values are power levels relative to the first harmonic. The unit for these is dB.

The total number of return values depends on the number of harmonics you have set with `CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:NHARmonics <Harmonics>`.

**Example**

See `CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:PRESet`.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:NHARmonics <Harmonics>**

---

This command sets the number of harmonics. The valid range is from 1 to 6 harmonics.

**Parameter**

<Harmonics>  
Numeric value in the range from 1 to 6.

**Example**

See `CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCTION:HARMonics:PRESet`.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 2  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:HARMonics:PRESet**

This command optimizes the settings for the harmonic distortion measurement.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:HARM ON
```

Activates the harmonic distortion measurement.

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:HARM:NHAR 4
```

Sets the number of harmonics to 4.

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:HARM:PRES
```

Adjusts the settings of the measurement.

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:HARM:LIST?
```

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:HARM:DIST? TOT
```

Queries the position of the harmonics and the total harmonic distortion.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**7.3.8.8 Measuring the AM Modulation Depth**

The following commands configure AM Modulation Depth measurements. To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)".

The numeric suffixes <n> and <m> at CALCulate and MARKer are irrelevant.

**List of commands**

- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:MDEPth\[:STATE\] <State>](#) (p. 131)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:MDEPth:RESult?](#) (p. 132)

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:MDEPth[:STATE] <State>**

This command turns the AM Modulation Depth measurement on and off.

The numeric suffixes at CALCulate and MARKer are irrelevant.

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:MDEP ON
```

Activates the harmonic distortion measurement.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
 SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:MDEPth:RESult?**

This command queries the results of the AM modulation depth measurement.  
 This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

<ModulationDepth>  
 Modulation depth in %.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:MDEP:RES?
```

Queries the AM modulation depth.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**7.3.8.9 Measuring the Spectrum Emission Mask**

The following commands configure Spectrum Emission Mask (SEM) measurements. To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)".

**List of commands**

- [\[SENSe:\]ESpectrum:PRESet\[:STANdard\] <Standard>](#) (p. 133)
- [\[SENSe:\]ESpectrum:PRESet:SETTings](#) (p. 133)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEep:MODE <State>](#) (p. 133)
- [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:TXPower:RESult?](#) (p. 132)

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:TXPower:RESult?**

This command queries the TX channel power.

**Return value**

<Power>

The power is either the peak power or the channel power, depending on the selected standard.

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:TXP:RES?
```

Queries the total channel power over all TX channels.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]ESpectrum:PRESet[:STANdard] <Standard>**

This command loads one of the predefined spectrum emission masks for a telecommunications standard.

**Parameter**

<Standard>  
 String containing the file name of the spectrum emission mask.

**Example**

```
ESP:PREs 'W-CDMA 3GPP.semstd'
```

Loads the SEM for 3GPP WCDMA.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]ESpectrum:PRESet:SETTings ONCE**

This command optimizes the settings for the SEM measurement.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

**Parameter**

ONCE

**Example**

```
ESP:PREs:SET ONCE
```

Initializes an adjustment of the settings.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]SWEep:MODE <State>**

This command turns the spectrum emission mask measurement on and off.

**Parameter**

AUTO	turns on spectrum mode
ESpectrum	turns on SEM measurements
LIST	turns on spurious emission measurements



**Example**

```
SWE:MODE ESP
```

Starts the SEM measurement.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: AUTO  
 SCPI: device-specific

**7.3.8.10 Measuring Spurious Emissions**

The following commands configure Spurious Emission measurements. To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)".

**List of commands**

- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUENCY:CARRier:STARt <Frequency>](#) (p. 134)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUENCY:CARRier:STOP <Frequency>](#) (p. 134)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEep:MODE <State>](#) (p. 133)

**[SENSe:]FREQUENCY:CARRier:STARt <Frequency>**


---

This command defines the start frequency of the 3GPP carrier.

**Parameter**

<Frequency>  
 Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

```
FREQ:CARR:STAR 1910MHZ
```

Defines a carrier start frequency of 1910 MHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]FREQUENCY:CARRier:STOP <Frequency>**


---

This command defines the start frequency of the 3GPP carrier.

**Parameter**

<Frequency>  
 Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

```
FREQ:CARR:STOP 1990MHZ
```

Defines a carrier stop frequency of 1990 MHz.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**7.3.8.11 Using an Isotropic Antenna**

This chapter describes all commands available to set up measurements with an isotropic antenna.

You can use an isotropic antenna with all measurement modes that are described above.

**List of commands**

- [INPut:ANTenna:MEASure <Direction>](#) (p. 135)
- [INPut:ANTenna:STATe <State>](#) (p. 135)
- [\[SENSe:\]CORRection:TRANsducer<t>:ISOTropic\[:STATe\]?](#) (p. 136)

**INPut:ANTenna:MEASure <Direction>**

This command selects the direction that the isotropic antenna measures.

**Parameter**

<Direction>

AUTO	automatically selects the direction
X   Y   Z	measures the corresponding direction only

**Example**

```
INP:ANT:MEAS X
Measures in x-direction.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: AUTO  
 SCPI: device-specific

**INPut:ANTenna:STATe <State>**

This command turns the use of an isotropic antenna on and off.

**Parameter**

<State>  
 ON | OFF

**Example**

```
INP:ANT:STAT ON
Activates the isotropic antenna
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**[SENSe:]CORRection:TRANsducer<t>:ISOTropic[:STATe]?**

This command queries if the currently selected transducer is an isotropic antenna.

When you use the command for 3GPP WCDMA measurements in the Digital Modulation operating mode, the command also turns the use of an isotropic antenna on and off.

The numeric suffix <t> at TRANsducer selects the primary or secondary transducer and is in the range <1...2>.

**Return values**

0	transducer is not an isotropic antenna
1	transducer is an isotropic antenna

**Example**

```
CORR:TRAN:ISOT?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

## 7.4 Remote Commands of the Network Analyzer Mode

The chapter provides information on remote commands that configure and perform two-port measurements with the tracking generator. These commands are available in network analyzer mode only.



### Availability of remote commands for the Network Analyzer

Note that some of the listed remote commands take effect only if options R&S ZVH-K42 Vector Reflection and Transmission Measurements and / or R&S ZVH-K45 Vector Voltmeter are installed.

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### 7.4.1 Configuring the Horizontal Axis

The following commands configure the horizontal axis of the active display.

#### List of commands

- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUENCY:CENTer <Frequency>](#) (p. 34)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUENCY:CENTer:STEP <StepSize>](#) (p. 34)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUENCY:CENTer:STEP:LINK <StepSizeCoupling>](#) (p. 35)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUENCY:SPAN <Span>](#) (p. 35)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUENCY:SPAN:FULL](#) (p. 73)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUENCY:STARt <StartFrequency>](#) (p. 36)
- [\[SENSe:\]FREQUENCY:STOP <StopFrequency>](#) (p. 36)

For a detailed description of the commands refer to "[Configuring the Horizontal Axis](#)" in CAT mode.

## 7.4.2 Configuring the Vertical Axis

The following commands configure the level axis (y-axis) and level parameters of the active display.

The suffix <n> at DISPLAY selects the measurement screen in dual trace mode. The range is <1...2>.

### List of commands

- [DISPlay<n>:GDElay:REfERENCE <RefValue>](#) (p. 138)
- [DISPlay<n>:GDElay:REfERENCE:POSition <RefPosition>](#) (p. 139)
- [DISPlay<n>:GDElay:Y:SCALE <DisplayRange>](#) (p. 139)
- [DISPlay<n>:IMPedance:REfERENCE:POSition <Impedance>](#) (p. 148)
- [DISPlay<n>:LOSS:REfERENCE <RefValue>](#) (p. 38)
- [DISPlay<n>:LOSS:REfERENCE:POSition <RefPosition>](#) (p. 39)
- [DISPlay<n>:LOSS:Y:SCALE <DisplayRange>](#) (p. 39)
- [DISPlay<n>:MAGNitude:REfERENCE <RefValue>](#) (p. 40)
- [DISPlay<n>:MAGNitude:REfERENCE:POSition <RefPosition>](#) (p. 40)
- [DISPlay<n>:MAGNitude:Y:SCALE <DisplayRange>](#) (p. 40)
- [DISPlay<n>:MAGNitude:Y:SPACing <Scaling>](#) (p. 41)
- [DISPlay<n>:PHASe:REfERENCE <RefValue>](#) (p. 140)
- [DISPlay<n>:PHASe:REfERENCE:POSition <RefPosition>](#) (p. 140)
- [DISPlay<n>:PHASe:Y:SCALE <DisplayRange>](#) (p. 140)
- [DISPlay<n>:PHASe:UNWRap <State>](#) (p. 141)
- [DISPlay<n>:REFLection:Y:SCALE <DisplayRange>](#) (p. 141)
- [DISPlay<n>:REFLection:UNIT <Unit>](#) (p. 142)
- [DISPlay<n>:VSWR:Y:SCALE:MINimum <BottomValue>](#) (p. 41)
- [DISPlay<n>:VSWR:Y:SCALE:MAXimum <TopValue>](#) (p. 42)
- [DISPlay<n>:VSWR:Y:SCALE <DisplayRange>](#) (p. 42)
- [INPut:ATTenuation <Attenuation>](#) (p. 42)
- [SOURce:TG:ATTenuation <TGAttenuation>](#) (p. 43)
- [UNIT:POWer <Unit>](#) (p. 79)

For a detailed description of commands not described below refer to "[Configuring the Vertical Axis](#)" in CAT mode and "[Configuring the Vertical Axis](#)" in spectrum mode.

### DISPlay<n>:GDElay:REfERENCE <RefValue>

This command sets the reference value for the group delay measurement format.

#### Parameter

<RefValue>

Numeric value in the range from 1 ns to 1000 ns.

#### Example

```
DISP:GDEL:REF 20
```

Sets the reference level to 20 nanoseconds

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 ns  
SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:GDElay:REfERENCE:POSition <RefPosition>**

---

This command defines the position of the reference value on the display for the group delay measurement format.

Each step shifts the reference position one grid line up or down.

**Parameter**

<RefPosition>  
Numeric value in the range from 0 to 10.

**Example**

```
DISP:GDEL:REF:POS 1
```

Sets the reference to the first grid line from the bottom.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 5  
SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:GDElay:Y:SCALe <DisplayRange>**

---

This command defines the display range of the vertical axis for the group delay measurement format.

**Parameter**

<DisplayRange>  
Numeric value in the range from 10 ns to 100000 ns.

The number you enter is rounded up to the next possible display range. For example, if you enter 9, the R&S ZVH automatically sets the display range to 10.

**Example**

```
DISP:GDEL:Y:SCAL 20E-9
```

Sets the display range to 20 nanoseconds

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 100 ns  
SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:PHASe:REFerence <RefValue>**

---

This command sets the reference value for the phase measurement format.

**Parameter**

<RefValue>

Numeric value in the range from -100000° to 100000°.

**Example**

```
DISP:MAGN:REF -10
```

Sets the reference level to -10 dB

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 dB

SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:PHASe:REFerence:POSition <RefPosition>**

---

This command defines the position of the reference value on the display for the phase measurement format.

Each step shifts the reference position one grid line up or down.

**Parameter**

<RefPosition>

Numeric value in the range from 0 to 10.

**Example**

```
DISP:LOSS:REF:POS 5
```

Sets the reference to the center of the display (i.e. the fifth grid line from the bottom).

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 10

SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:PHASe:Y:SCALe <DisplayRange>**

---

This command defines the display range of the vertical axis for the phase measurement format.

**Parameter**

<DisplayRange>

Numeric value in the range from 90° to 100000°.

The number you enter is rounded up to the next possible display range. For example, if you enter 80°, the R&S ZVH automatically sets the display range to 90°.

**Example**

```
DISP:PHAS:Y:SCAL 180
```

Sets the display range of the phase measurement to 180°

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 360°

SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:PHASe:UNWRap <State>**

---

This command removes the restriction limiting the value range to +/- 180°.

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
DISP:PHAS:UNWR ON
```

Activates the phase unwrap

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF

SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:REFLection:Y:SCALe <DisplayRange>**

---

This command defines the display range of the vertical axis for the reflection coefficient measurement format.

**Parameter**

<DisplayRange>

Numeric value in the range from 1 dB to 1000 mrho.

The number you enter is rounded up to the next possible display range. For example, if you enter 18, the R&S ZVH automatically sets the display range to 20 mrho.

**Example**

```
DISP:REFL:Y:SCAL 100
```

Sets a display range of 100 mrho.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 1000 mp

SCPI: device-specific



**DISPlay<n>:REFLection:UNIT <Unit>**

---

This command defines the unit of the reflection coefficient.

**Parameter**

<Unit>  
RHO | MRHO

**Example**

```
DISP:REFL:UNIT RHO
```

Sets the unit to RHO.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: MRHO  
SCPI: device-specific

### 7.4.3 Setting the Bandwidths

The following commands configure the filter bandwidths of the R&S ZVH. Note that both groups of commands (BANDwidth and BWIDth) are the same.

#### List of commands

- [\[SENSe:\]BANDwidth|BWIDth\[:RESolution\] <MeasBW>](#) (p. 44)
- [\[SENSe:\]BANDwidth|BWIDth\[:RESolution\]:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 44)

For a detailed description of commands refer to "[Setting the Bandwidth](#)" in CAT mode.

### 7.4.4 Performing and Triggering the Measurement

The following commands configure the sweep.

#### List of commands

- [\\*WAI](#) (p. 32)
- [ABORt](#) (p. 82)
- [INITiate\[:IMMediate\]](#) (p. 82)
- [INITiate:CONTInuous <SweepMode>](#) (p. 83)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEep:COUNT <SweepCount>](#) (p. 83)
- [SENSe:SWEep:POINTs <Points>](#) (p. 45)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEep:TIME <SweepTime>](#) (p. 84)
- [\[SENSe:\]SWEep:TIME:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 84)
- [TRIGger\[:SEQuence\]:HOLDoff\[:TIME\] <TriggerDelay>](#) (p. 45)
- [TRIGger\[:SEQuence\]:SLOPe <TriggerSlope>](#) (p. 46)
- [TRIGger\[:SEQuence\]:SOURce <TriggerSource>](#) (p. 46)

For a detailed description of commands refer to "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)" in CAT mode and "[Performing and Triggering Measurements](#)" in spectrum analyzer mode.

## 7.4.5 Working with Traces

The following commands set up the trace and the various functions associated with it, e.g. the selection of the detector.

### List of commands

- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:MEMory\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 47)
- [DISPlay\[:WINDow\]:TRACe<t>:MODE <TraceMode>](#) (p. 48)
- [FORMat\[:DATA\] <DataFormat>](#) (p. 48)
- [FORMat:BORDER <ByteOrder>](#) (p. 91)
- [\[SENSe:\]DETEctor<t>\[:FUNCTion\] <Detector>](#) (p. 91)
- [\[SENSe:\]DETEctor<t>\[:FUNCTion\]:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 91)
- [TRACe\[:DATA\]?](#) (p. 144)

For a detailed description of commands not described here refer to "[Working with Traces](#)" in CAT mode and "[Working with Traces](#)" in spectrum analyzer mode.

### TRACe[:DATA]?

This command reads out the trace data of the current measurement.

With the [FORMat \[:DATA\] <DataFormat>](#) command, you can set the data format.

#### Parameter

The available parameters depend on the format of the result display.

#### Display of one S-parameter

TRACE1            queries the data of the currently displayed data

#### Display of two S-parameters (split screen mode)

TRACE1            queries the data of the upper screen

TRACE2            queries the data of the lower screen

#### Display of four S-parameters (split screen mode)

TRACE1            queries the data of S11

TRACE2            queries the data of S21

TRACE3            queries the data of S22

TRACE4            queries the data of S12

**Return value**

The R&S ZVH returns 631 values. Each value corresponds to one pixel of a trace.

The result and unit depends on the measurement format.

Note that for the MPHase format (simultaneous measurement of magnitude and phase), you can read out the magnitude data with the parameter `TRACE1` and the phase data with the parameter `TRACE2`.

**Example**

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

Reads out the data for trace 1.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

## 7.4.6 Using Markers and Deltamarkers

### 7.4.6.1 Markers and Deltamarkers

The following commands are for setting and controlling markers and deltamarkers. If not otherwise noted, the numeric suffix <1...6> at MARKer or DELTAmarker select the marker to be controlled.

The suffix <n> at CALCulate selects the measurement screen in dual trace mode and is in the range <1...2>.

The suffix <m> at MARKer selects the marker and is in the range <1...6>.

#### List of commands

- CALCulate<n>:DELTAmarker<m>[:STATe] <State> (p. 51)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTAmarker<m>:AOFF (p. 52)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTAmarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] (p. 52)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTAmarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT (p. 52)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTAmarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] (p. 52)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTAmarker<m>:X <Coordinate> (p. 53)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTAmarker<m>:X:RELative <Distance> (p. 53)
- CALCulate<n>:DELTAmarker<m>:Y? (p. 54)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] <State> (p. 55)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF (p. 55)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] (p. 55)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT (p. 56)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] (p. 56)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MODE <MarkerMode> (p. 146)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X <Coordinate> (p. 56)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits[:STATe] <State> (p. 57)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:LEFT <SearchLimit> (p. 57)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:RIGHT <Searchlimit> (p. 58)
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:Y? (p. 147)

For a detailed description of commands not described below refer to "[Using Markers](#)" in CAT mode.

#### CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MODE <MarkerMode>

---

This command selects the type of information a marker shows.

##### Parameter

ADMittance	admittance in complex format (real + imaginary)
IMPedance	impedance in complex format (real + imaginary)
NADMittance	standardized admittance in complex format (real + imaginary)
NIMPedance	standardized impedance in complex format (real + imaginary)
NORMal	normal marker
RPDB	reflection coefficient in complex format (magnitude (dB) + phase)

RPL	reflection coefficient in complex format (magnitude (lin) + phase
RSCalar	reflection coefficient in complex format (real + imaginary)

**Example**

```
CALC:MARK:MODE ADM
```

Selects admittance in complex format with real and imaginary components

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: NORMAl  
 SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:Y?**

This command queries the measurement results at the marker position.

If necessary, the corresponding marker is activated first.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the sweep end between activating the delta marker and reading out the result. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

**Return value**

The return value depends on the marker format you have selected with [CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MODE](#).

ADMittance	<real part>, <imaginary part>
IMPedance	<real part>, <imaginary part>
NADMittance	<real part>, <imaginary part>
NIMPedance	<real part>, <imaginary part>
NORMAl	<value> = trace value
RPDB	<magnitude in dB>, <phase>
RPL	<magnitude linear>, <phase>
RSCalar	<real part>, <imaginary part>

**Example**

```
INIT:CONT OFF
```

```
CALC:MARK2 ON
```

Turns on single sweep mode and marker 2.

```
INIT;*WAI
```

```
CALC:MARK2:Y?
```

Performs a measurement and queries the marker position.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –  
 SCPI: device-specific

### 7.4.6.2 Marker Functions

The following commands perform various kinds of analysis at the marker position.

The suffix <n> at DISPLAY selects the measurement screen in dual trace mode and is in the range <1...2>.

#### List of commands

- [DISPLAY<n>:IMPedance:REFerence:POSition <Impedance>](#) (p. 148)
- [DISPLAY<n>:ZOOM:AREA\[:STAT\] <State>](#) (p. 148)
- [DISPLAY<n>:ZOOM:FACTor <ZoomFactor>](#) (p. 149)
- [DISPLAY<n>:ZOOM:X <HorizShift>](#) (p. 149)
- [DISPLAY<n>:ZOOM:Y <VerticalShift>](#) (p. 149)

#### DISPLAY<n>:IMPedance:REFerence:POSition <Impedance>

---

This command sets the reference impedance for the smith chart measurement format. The impedance can be between 1 mΩ and 10 kΩ.

##### Parameter

<Impedance>

Numeric value in the range from 1 mΩ to 10 kΩ.

##### Example

```
DISP:IMP:REF:POS 75 OHM
```

Sets the reference impedance to 75 Ohm.

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: 50

SCPI: device-specific

#### DISPLAY<n>:ZOOM:AREA[:STAT] <State>

---

This command turns the marker zoom function in a Smith chart on and off.

##### Parameter

<State>

ON | OFF

##### Example

```
DISP:ZOOM:AREA ON
```

Activates the marker zoom function.

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: OFF

SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:ZOOM:FACTOR <ZoomFactor>**

---

This command sets the zoom factor of the marker zoom function in a Smith chart.

**Parameter**

<ZoomFactor>

2 | 4 | 8

**Example**

```
DISP:ZOOM:FACT 4
```

Sets the zoom factor to 4

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:ZOOM:X <HorizShift>**

---

This command shifts the zoom window horizontally in the Smith chart.

'0%' marks the center on the horizontal axis.

**Parameter**

<HorizShift>

Numeric value in the range from -50 % to 50 %.

**Example**

```
DISP:ZOOM:X 10
```

Shift the zoom window 10% to the right.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0

SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay<n>:ZOOM:Y <VerticalShift>**

---

This command shifts the zoom window vertically in the Smith chart.

'0%' marks the center on the vertical axis.

**Parameter**

<VerticalShift>

Numeric value in the range from -50 % to 50 %.

**Example**

```
DISP:ZOOM:Y -25
```

Shifts the zoom window 25% down.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0

SCPI: device-specific



## 7.4.7 Configuring the Measurement

This chapter provides information on how to configure two-port measurements with the tracking generator. The structure follows the order of the actual operation sequence used when performing a measurement:

The suffix <n> at MEASurement selects the measurement screen in dual trace mode and is in the range from <1...2>.

- [Selecting the Measurement Port](#) on page 150
- [Calibrating the Measurement](#) on page 151
- [Selecting the Result Display](#) on page 152
- [Selecting the Measurement Format](#) on page 153

It also deals with configuring the Vector Voltmeter (Option R&S ZVH-K45).

- [Configuring the Vector Voltmeter \(option R&S ZVH-K45\)](#) on page 155

To perform the actual measurement, use the commands described in section "[Performing and Triggering the Measurement](#)".



### Commands independent of the operating mode

Note that some of the commands for configuring two-port measurements are also valid for other operating modes. If a command is available in another mode, it is indicated by the list in the respective section.

### 7.4.7.1 Selecting the Measurement Port

The following commands select the measurement port.

#### List of commands

- [MEASurement:PORT <Port>](#) (p. 61)

### 7.4.7.2 Selecting the Measurement Mode

The following commands select the measurement mode for two-port measurements.

#### List of commands

- [MEASurement<n>:MODE <MeasMode>](#) (p. 150)

#### MEASurement<n>:MODE <MeasMode>

This command sets the measurement mode for network analysis measurements.

#### Parameter

<MeasMode>

SCALar            scalar measurements

VECTor           vector measurements

**Example**

```
MEAS:MODE SCAL
```

Starts a scalar measurement.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: VECTor  
 SCPI: device-specific

**7.4.7.3 Calibrating the Measurement**

The following commands query and control calibration for two-port measurements.

**List of commands**

- [CALCulate:CALKit:USER:OFFSet<p>:LENGth <ElecLengthOffs>](#) (p. 151)
- [CALibration:MODE?](#) (p. 151)
- [CALibration:STATus?](#) (p. 152)

**CALCulate:CALKit:USER:OFFSet<p>:LENGth <ElecLengthOffs>**

This command sets the offset of the electrical length. It is taken into account for phase measurements and in the Smith Chart when phase correction for additional cables and adapters has to be performed.

The offset is taken into account for phase measurements and the Smith chart if you perform phase correction for additional cables and adapters.

**Parameter**

<ElecLengthOffset>  
 Numeric value in the range from 0 mm to 100 m.

**Example**

```
CALK:USER:OFFS2:LENG 500 MM
```

Sets the offset length of port 2 to 500 millimeter.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0 mm  
 SCPI: device-specific

**CALibration:MODE?**

This command queries if the current measurement is calibrated.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

0	not calibrated
1	calibrated

**Example**

```
CAL:MODE?
```

Queries the calibration state.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALibration:STATus?**


---

This command queries if the R&S ZVH is fully calibrated for the current measurement.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

NORMALized      full factory or user calibration

APPRoximate      approximate calibration: measurement uncertainty must be anticipated

**Example**

```
CAL:STAT?
```

Queries the calibration status of the R&S ZVH.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**7.4.7.4 Selecting the Result Display**

The following commands select the result display for two-port measurements.

**List of commands**

- [MEASurement<n>:FUNCtion:SElect <ResultDisplay>](#) (p. 152)

**MEASurement<n>:FUNCtion:SElect <ResultDisplay>**


---

This command selects the result display.

**Parameter**

<ResultDisplay>

S11 | S12 | S21 | S22

**Example**

```
MEAS:FUNC:SEL S11
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: S11

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.4.7.5 Selecting the Measurement Format

The following commands are for selecting and configuring the measurement formats available for two-port measurements.

#### List of commands

- [CALCulate:TRACe:CABLe:LENGth\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 153)
- [CALCulate:TRACe:CABLe:LENGth:RESult?](#) (p. 153)
- [CALCulate:TRACe:CABLe:TIME\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 154)
- [CALCulate:TRACe:CABLe:TIME:RESult?](#) (p. 154)
- [DISPlay:GDELay:APERture:STEP <Aperture>](#) (p. 154)
- [MEASurement<n>:FORMat <MeasFormat>](#) (p. 155)

#### CALCulate:TRACe:CABLe:LENGth[:STATe] <State>

---

This command turns the electrical length format on and off.

##### Parameter

<State>  
ON | OFF

##### Example

```
CALC:TRAC:CABL:LENG ON
Activates the electrical cable length.
```

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

#### CALCulate:TRACe:CABLe:LENGth:RESult?

---

This command queries the results of the electrical cable length.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

##### Return value

<EILength>  
Numerical value in mm

##### Example

```
CALC:TRAC:CABL:LENG:RES?
Queries the measurement result of the electrical cable length.
```

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:TRACe:CABLE:TIME[:STATe] <State>**

---

This command turns the delay time format on and off.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:TRAC:CABL:TIME ON
```

Activates the cable delay time.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:TRACe:CABLE:TIME:RESult?**

---

This command queries the results of the cable delay time.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

<DelayTime>  
Numerical value in s.

**Example**

```
CALC:TRAC:CABL:TIME:RES?
```

Queries the measurement result of the delay time.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**DISPlay:GDElay:APERture:STEP <Aperture>**

---

This command sets the aperture steps for the group delay measurement format.

**Parameter**

<Aperture>  
Numeric value in the range from 1 to 630.

**Example**

```
DISP:GDEL:APER:STEP 100
```

Defines an aperture size of 100w.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 10  
SCPI: device-specific

**MEASurement<n>:FORMat <MeasFormat>**

This command selects the measurement format.

**Note:**

For transmission measurements only the Magnitude, Phase, Magnitude+Phase and GDelay formats are available.

**Parameter**

GDElay	group delay format
LOSS	cable loss format
MAGNitude	magnitude format
PHASe	phase format
REFlection	reflection coefficient format
SMITh	Smith chart format
VSWR	VSWR format

**Example**

```
MEAS:MODE VECT
Switches to vector measurement mode.
```

```
MEAS:FUNC:REFL ON
Activates reflection measurement.
```

```
MEAS:FORM SMITh
Displays the reflection in a Smith Chart.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: MAGNitude  
SCPI: device-specific

**7.4.7.6 Configuring the Vector Voltmeter (option R&S ZVH-K45)**

The following commands configure the vector voltmeter.

**Availability of remote commands for the Vector Voltmeter**

Note that the listed remote commands take effect only if option R&S ZVH-K45 Vector Voltmeter is installed.

**List of commands**

- [CALCulate:VVMeter:MAGNitude:REFerence?](#) (p. 156)
- [CALCulate:VVMeter:MAGNitude:RESult?](#) (p. 156)
- [CALCulate:VVMeter:PHASe:REFerence?](#) (p. 156)
- [CALCulate:VVMeter:PHASe:RESult?](#) (p. 157)
- [CALCulate:VVMeter:REFerence\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 157)

### CALCulate:VVMeter:MAGNitude:REFerence?

---

This command queries the reference value for the magnitude.

To get a result, you first have to turn on the reference value with [CALCulate:VVMeter:REFerence\[:STATe\] <State>](#).

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

#### Return value

<ReferenceValue>

Reference value for the magnitude in dB.

#### Example

```
CALC:VVM:PHAS:REF?
```

Queries the reference values for the phase.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

### CALCulate:VVMeter:MAGNitude:RESult?

---

This command queries the magnitude of the measurement results.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

#### Return values:

<Magnitude>

Magnitude of the return loss in dB.

#### Example

```
CALC:VVM:MAGN:RES?
```

Queries the current return loss of the DUT

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

### CALCulate:VVMeter:PHASe:REFerence?

---

This command queries the reference value for the phase of the DUT.

To get a result, you first have to turn on the reference value with [CALCulate:VVMeter:REFerence\[:STATe\] <State>](#).

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

#### Return values

<ReferenceValue>

Reference value for the phase in degrees.

**Example**

```
CALC:VVM:PHAS:REF?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:VVMeter:PHASe:RESult?**

---

This command queries the phase of the measurement results.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return values**

<Phase>  
Phase of the return loss in degrees.

**Example**

```
CALC:VVM:PHAS:RES?  
Queries the current phase of the DUT
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:VVMeter:REFerence[:STATe] <State>**

---

This command saves the current measurement values as reference values. The reference values can be used for comparison measurements.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:VVM:REF ON  
Activates the reference values.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: OFF  
SCPI: device-specific



## 7.5 Remote Commands of the Power Meter

The chapter provides information on remote commands that configure and perform power measurements with the power sensor. These commands are available in power meter mode only.



### Availability of remote commands for Power Sensor measurements

Note that the listed remote commands take effect only if a power sensor is connected.

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### 7.5.1 Setting the Frequency

The following chapter describes commands necessary to define frequency settings.

#### List of commands

- [\[SENSe:\]PMETer:FREQuency <Frequency>](#) (p. 158)
- [CALCulate:PMETer:CPOWer:BANDwidth <Bandwidth>](#) (p. 159)

#### [SENSe:]PMETer:FREQuency <Frequency>

This command sets the frequency of the power sensor.

##### Parameter

<Frequency>

Numeric value in Hz.

The available value range is specified in the data sheet.

##### Example

```
PMET:FREQ 500 MHZ
```

Sets the power sensor's frequency to 500 MHz

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:PMETer:CPOWer:BANDwidth <Bandwidth>**

---

This command defines the channel bandwidth.

Available for the channel power meter.

**Parameter**

<Bandwidth>

Numeric value in Hz.

**Example**

```
CALC:PMET:CPOW:BAND 5 MHZ
```

Sets the channel bandwidth to 5 MHz

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

## 7.5.2 Configuring Power Level Readout

The following chapter describes commands that configure the power level readout.

**List of commands**

- [CALCulate:PMETer:RELative\[:MAGNitude\] <RefValue>](#) (p. 159)
- [CALCulate:PMETer:RELative\[:MAGNitude\]:AUTO](#) (p. 160)
- [CALCulate:PMETer:RELative\[:MAGNitude\]:OFFSet <Offset>](#) (p. 160)
- [UNIT<z>:PMETer:POWer <Unit>](#) (p. 160)

**CALCulate:PMETer:RELative[:MAGNitude] <RefValue>**

---

This command sets the reference value for relative measurements.

**Parameter**

<RefValue>

Numeric value in dBm.

**Example**

```
CALC:PMET:REL 30
```

The the reference value to 30 dBm.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:PMETer:RELative[:MAGNitude]:AUTO ONCE**

This command sets the current measurement result as the reference level for relative measurements.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Parameter**

ONCE

**Example**

```
CALC:PMET:REL ONCE
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:PMETer:RELative[:MAGNitude]:OFFSet <Offset>**

This command sets an offset for the reference value.

**Parameter**

<Offset>

Numeric value in dB.

**Example**

```
CALC:PMET:REL -10
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**UNIT<z>:PMETer:POWER <Unit>**

This command selects the unit of the power sensor.

The suffix <z>at UNIT has the following effects:

Power Measurement with R&S ZVH-Z1 and R&S ZVH-Z18:

Unit 1 Power unit

Unit 2 not available.

Power Measurement with R&S ZVH-Z14 and R&S ZVH-Z44:

Unit 1 Forward Power

Unit 2 Reflected Power

**Parameter**

<Unit>

DBM | WATT | W | DB | VSWR

Note on the parameter DB: when applied to UNIT1, the power is relative to the reference level, when applied to UNIT2, the return loss is displayed.

Note on the parameter VSWR: the parameter is only available if applied to UNIT2.

#### Example

```
UNIT1:PMET:POW DBM
```

When measuring with the R&S ZVH-Z1 or R&S ZVH-Z18: sets unit to dBm.

When measuring with the R&S ZVH-Z14 or R&S ZVH-Z44: sets unit of forward power to dBm.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.5.3 Defining the Measurement Time

The following chapter describes commands to define the measurement time of the power sensor.

- [\[SENSe:\]PMETer:MTIME <MeasTime>](#) (p. 161)

#### [SENSe:]PMETer:MTIME <MeasTime>

---

This command sets the duration of measurements.

Available for measurements with a power sensor.

#### Parameter

<MeasTime>

SHORt | NORMAl | LONG

#### Example

```
PMET:MTIME SHOR
```

Sets a short measurement time for power measurements.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

## 7.5.4 Performing Measurements with the Power Sensor

The following chapter describes all commands that are available for performing power measurements with the power sensor.

- [CALibration:PMETer:ZERO:AUTO](#) (p. 162)
- [\[SENSe:\]PMETer:DETEctor\[:FUNCTion\] <PowerDisplay>](#) (p. 162)
- [CALCulate:PMETer:PRESet:BANDwidth:VIDeo <Bandwidth>](#) (p. 163)
- [FETCh<z>:PMETer?](#) (p. 163)
- [CALCulate:PMETer:PRESet\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 164)
- [CALCulate:PMETer:PRESet:SElect <Standard>](#) (p. 164)

### 7.5.4.1 Zeroing of the Power Sensor

#### CALibration:PMETer:ZERO:AUTO ONCE

---

This command starts to zero the power sensor.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

##### Parameter

ONCE

##### Example

```
CAL:PMET:ZERO:AUTO ONCE
```

Starts to zero the power meter.

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

### 7.5.4.2 Forward Power Display

Note that the forward power is only available in conjunction with the R&S ZVH-Z14 or R&S ZVH-Z44.

#### [SENSe:]PMETer:DETEctor[:FUNCTion] <PowerDisplay>

---

This command selects the forward power display of the power sensor.

##### Parameter

<PowerDisplay>

AVERage            average power

PENvelope        peak envelope power

##### Example

```
PMET:DET AVER
```

Selects the Average weighting mode.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**7.5.4.3 Defining the Video Bandwidth**

Selecting a video bandwidth is only possible when you are measuring the peak envelope power with the R&S ZVH-Z44 power sensor based on a customized (= user) standard.

See the following commands for more information about these conditions:

- `[SENSe:]PMETer:DETEctor[:FUNCTion] <PowerDisplay>`
- `CALCulate:PMETer:PRESet[:STATe] <State>`
- `CALCulate:PMETer:PRESet:SElect <Standard>`

**CALCulate:PMETer:PRESet:BANDwidth:VIDeo <Bandwidth>**

This command defines the video bandwidth of the R&S ZVH-Z44 power sensor.

**Parameter**

<Bandwidth>

Video bandwidth of the power sensor in Hz.

**Example**

```
CALC:PMET:PRESet:BAND:VID 10MHZ
Defines a video bandwidth of 10 MHz.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**7.5.4.4 Reading Out Measurement Results****FETCh<z>:PMETer?**

This command queries the results of measurements with the power sensor.

**Return value**

The return values depend on the power sensor in use and the selected suffix at FETCh.

Measurements with R&S ZVH-Z1 or R&S ZVH-Z18:

```
FETC1:PMET?    power in dBm
FETC2:PMET?    n/a
```

Measurements with R&S ZVH-Z14 or R&S ZVH-Z44

```
FETC1:PMET?    forward power in dBm
FETC2:PMET?    reflected power in dBm
```

**Example**

```
FETC2:PMET?
```

Returns nothing for R&S ZVH-Z1 / R&S ZVH-Z18 and the reflected power for R&S ZVH-Z14 / Z44.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**7.5.4.5 Selecting a Standard**

These commands apply radio communication standards to measurements with the power sensor.

Note that the selection of a standard is available only for the power sensors R&S FSH-Z1, -Z14, -Z18 and -Z44.

**CALCulate:PMETer:PRESet[:STATe] <State>**


---

This command turns the use of a standard on and off.

**Parameters**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
CALC:PMET:PRES ON
```

Activates usage of a standard

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**CALCulate:PMETer:PRESet:SElect <Standard>**


---

This command selects the standard for power sensor measurements.

**Parameter**

<Standard>

GSM | EDGE | WCDMA | CDMAOne | CDMA2000 | DVBT | DAB | TETRA | USER

**Example**

```
CALC:PMET:PRES:SEL GSM
```

Selects the GSM standard for power sensor measurements

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

## 7.6 File Management

The following commands perform various tasks in the context of file management.

These commands are independent from the operating mode.

### List of commands

- [MMEMory:CATalog?](#) (p. 165)
- [MMEMory:CATalog:DIRectories?](#) (p. 166)
- [MMEMory:CDIRectory <Directory>](#) (p. 166)
- [MMEMory:COpy <SourceFile>,<DestinationFile>](#) (p. 166)
- [MMEMory:DATA <FileName>\[,<BlockData>\]](#) (p. 167)
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- [MMEMory:FILE <File>](#) (p. 168)
- [MMEMory:FILE:DATE <FileName>,<Date>](#) (p. 168)
- [MMEMory:FILE:TIME <FileName>,<Time>](#) (p. 169)
- [MMEMory:INIT](#) (p. 169)
- [MMEMory:LOAD:STATe 1,<FileName>](#) (p. 170)
- [MMEMory:MDIRectory <Directory>](#) (p. 170)
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- [SYSTem:SET:LOCK <FileName>](#) (p. 172)
- [SYSTem:SET:UNLock <FileName>](#) (p. 172)

### MMEMory:CATalog?

This command queries the files of the current directory.

You can select directories with [MMEMory:CDIRectory <Directory>](#).

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

#### Return value

<UsedDiskSpace>,<FreeDiskSpace>,<FileName\_1>,<SizeFile\_1><Modification  
DateFile\_1>,<ModificationTimeFile\_1>,...,<FileName\_n>,<SizeFile\_n>  
<ModificationDateFile\_n>,<ModificationTimeFile\_n>

#### Example

```
MMEM:CDIR '\Public\Limit Lines'
Opens directory 'Limit Lines'
```

```
MMEM:CAT?
Returns all files in \Public\Limit Lines
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform



### MMEMory:CATalog:DIRectories?

---

This command queries the directories of the current directory.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

#### Return value

<UsedMemory>,<FreeMemory>,<DirName\_1>,<ModificationDateDir\_1>,  
<ModificationTimeDir\_1>,...,<DirName\_n>,<ModificationDateDir\_n>,  
<ModificationTimeDir\_n>

#### Example

```
MMEM:CDIR '\Public'
```

Opens directory \Public.

```
MMEM:CAT:DIR?
```

Returns all directories in the \Public directory

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

### MMEMory:CDIRectory <Directory>

---

This command changes the current directory.

#### Parameter

<Directory>

String containing the path to another directory.

#### Example

```
MMEM:CDIR '\Public'
```

Opens directory \Public.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

### MMEMory:COPY <SourceFile>,<DestinationFile>

---

This command copies one or more files to another directory.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

#### Parameter

<SourceFile>

String containing the path and file name of the source file.

<DestinationFile>

String containing the path and name of the destination file.

**Example**

```
MMEM: COPY
'\Public\Standards\cdmaOne.obwstd', '\USB\cdmaOne.std'
```

Copies the cdmaOne standard file file to a memory stick.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**MMEMory:DATA <FileName>[,<BlockData>]**

This command writes block data into a file. The delimiter must be set to EOI to obtain error-free data transfer.

When you query the contents of a file, you can save them in a file on the remote control computer.

The command is useful for reading stored settings files or trace data from the instrument or for transferring them to the instrument.

**Parameter**

<FileName>

String containing the path and file name.

<BlockData>

Data block with the structure

# hash sign

<number> length of the length information

<number> length information of the binary data (number of bytes)

<data> binary data with the indicated number of bytes

**Example**

```
MMEM: NAME '\Public\User\Testfile.txt'
```

Creates a new file called 'Testfile.txt'.

```
MMEM: DATA '\Public\User\Testfile.txt', #220
```

Contents of the file

The parameter mean:

- '\Public\...' selects the target file
- #2: hash sign and length of the length information (20 bytes = 2 digits)
- 20: indicates the number of subsequent binary data bytes
- Contents of the file: store 20 binary bytes (characters) to the file

```
MMEM: DATA? '\Public\User\Testfile.txt'
```

Transfers the contents of the file 'Testfile.txt' to the control computer.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**MMEMory:DELeTe <File>**

---

This command deletes a file.

**Parameter**

<File>

String containing the path and file name of the file to delete.

**Example**

```
MMEM:DEL '\Public\Screen Shots\Screen0001.png'
```

Deletes the file Screen0001.png.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**MMEMory:FILE <File>**

---

This command creates a file.

**Parameter**

<File>

String containing the file name.

**Example**

```
MMEM:FILE 'TEST.TXT'
```

Creates the file TEST.TXT

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**MMEMory:FILE:DATE <FileName>,<Date>**

---

This command sets the date of a file.

**Parameter**

<FileName>

String containing the path and file name.

<Date>

Numeric values indicating the date

You have to enter the date as comma separated values after the string with the file name. The sequence is year,month,day.

The available value range is 1980...2099, 1...12, 1...31

**Example**

```
MMEM:FILE:DATE '\Public\Screen  
Shots\Screen0001.png', 2006, 04, 01
```

Sets the date to April, 1st, 2006.

```
MMEM:FILE:DATE? '\Public\Screen Shots\Screen0001.png'
```

Returns the modification date of the file Screen0001.png.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**MMEMory:FILE:TIME <FileName>,<Time>**

---

This command sets the time of a file. The sequence of entry is hour, minute, second.

**Parameter**

<FileName>  
String containing the path and file name.

<Time>  
Numeric values indicating the time.

You have to enter the time as comma separated values after the string with the file name. The sequence is hour,minute,second.

The available value range is 0...23, 0...59, 0...59.

**Example**

```
MMEM:FILE:TIME '\Public\Screen Shots\Screen0006.png',11,04,00
```

Sets the time to 11:04:00

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**MMEMory:INIT**

---

This command formats the indicated drive.

**Note**

Formatting deletes all data stored on the memory drive.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example:**

```
MMEM:INIT
```

Formats and deletes all data from the drive.

**Characteristics:**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**MMEMory:LOAD:STATe 1,<FileName>**

---

This command loads the settings from a \*.set file.

**Parameter**

<FileName>

String containing the path and file name.

**Example**

```
MMEM:LOAD:STAT 1, '\Public\Datasets\Dataset001.set'
```

Loads the settings from the file Dataset001.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**MMEMory:MDIRectory <Directory>**

---

This command creates a new directory.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Parameter**

<Directory>

String containing the path and new directory name.

**Example**

```
MMEM:MDIR '\Public\USER'
```

Creates the a directory called 'User'

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**MMEMory:MOVE <SourceFile>,<NewFileName>**

---

This command renames files, if <file\_destination> contains no path. Otherwise the file is moved to the indicated path and stored under the file name specified there.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Parameter**

<SourceFile>

String containing the path and file name of the source file.

<DestinationFile>

String containing the path and name of the destination file.

**Example**

```
MMEM:MOVE '\Public\Screen  
Shots\Screen0002.png', '\Public\Screen Shots\Screen0001.png'
```

Renames Screen0002.png to Screen0001.png

```
MMEM:MOVE '\Public\Screen
Shots\Screen0001.png','\Public\Test\Pic1.png'
Moves file Screen0006.png to the 'Test' folder and renames the file Pic1.png
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**MMEMory:RDIRectory <Directory>**

---

This command deletes the indicated directory. The directory name includes the path and may also include the drive name. The path name complies with DOS conventions.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Parameter**

<Directory>  
String containing the path of the directory to delete.

**Example**

```
MMEM:RDIR '\Public\Screen Shots\
Deletes the directory 'Screen Shots'.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**MMEMory:STORe:STATe 1,<FileName>**

---

This command stores the current device settings in a \*set file.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Parameter**

1,<FileName>  
String containing the path and name of the destination file.

**Example**

```
MMEM:STOR:STAT 1, 'DATASET001.SET'
Saves the current device settings in the file DATASET001.SET.
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:SET:LOCK <FileName>**

---

This command adds write-protection to a dataset.

**Parameter**

<FileName>

String containing the path and name of the dataset.

**Example**

```
SYST:SET:LOCK 'Dataset001.set'
```

Protects the file Dataset001.set from overwriting.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:SET:UNLock <FileName>**

---

This command removes write-protection from a dataset.

**Parameter**

<FileName>

String containing the path and name of the dataset.

**Example**

```
SYST:SET:UNL 'Dataset001.set'
```

Removes write-protection from the file Dataset001.set.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

## 7.7 Making and Storing Screenshots

The following commands manage screenshots.

These commands are independent from the operating mode.

### List of commands

- [DISPlay:WINDow:STORe](#) (p. 173)
- [HCOPy:DEVice:LANGuage](#) (p. 173)
- [HCOPY\[:IMMEDIATE\]](#) (p. 174)
- [MMEMory:NAME <FileName>](#) (p. 174)

### DISPlay:WINDow:STORe

---

This command makes a screenshot of the current display contents in png or jpg format and stores it on the R&S ZVH internal memory.

You can select a file name for the screenshot in png format with [MMEMory:NAME <FileName>](#) and select the file format of the screenshot with [HCOPy:DEVice:LANGuage](#).

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

#### Example

```
HCOP:DEV:LANG PNG
MMEM:NAME '\Public\Screen Shots\Test.png'
DISP:WIND:STOR
```

Makes and stores a screenshot of the current screen in a file 'Test.png'.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

### HCOPy:DEVice:LANGuage

---

This command selects the file format for screenshots.

#### Parameter

PNG | JPG

#### Example

```
HCOP:DEV:LANG PNG
Selects the png format for screenshots.
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific



### HCOPY[:IMMEDIATE]

---

This command makes a screenshot of the current display contents in png format and stores it on the R&S ZVH internal memory.

You can select a file name for the screenshot in png format with `MMEMory:NAME <FileName>` and select the file format of the screenshot with `HCOPY:DEVIce:LANGUage`.

To make a screenshot in jpg format, use `DISPlay:WINDow:STORe`.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

#### Example

```
HCOP:DEV:LANG PNG
MMEM:NAME '\Public\Screen Shots\Test.png'
HCOP
```

Makes and stores a screenshot of the current screen in a file 'Test.png'.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

### MMEMory:NAME <FileName>

---

This command defines the path and file name that the R&S FSH uses for storing screenshots (see `HCOPY[:IMMEDIATE]`). The path and file name comply with DOS conventions.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

#### Parameter

<FileName>  
String containing the file name.

#### Example

```
MMEM:NAME 'Public\Screenshots\Test.png'
```

Stores the screenshot on the in the corresponding directory on the R&S ZVH.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

## 7.8 Configuring Data Capture

The following commands configure the data capture.

These commands are independent from the operating mode.

### List of commands

- [SYSTem:CAPTure:COUNter <Counter>](#) (p. 175)
- [SYSTem:CAPture:MODE <MODE>](#) (p. 175)

### SYSTem:CAPTure:COUNter <Counter>

---

This command defines the start of the file name counter.

The counter numbers the files stored when you capture data (screenshots, datasets etc.).

#### Parameter

<Counter>

String containing the number with which to start numbering files.

#### Example

```
SYST:CAPT:COUN '0100'
```

Starts numbering files with 0100, e.g. Measurement0100.png.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: '0000'

SCPI: device-specific

### SYSTem:CAPture:MODE <MODE>

---

This command selects the data types that the R&S ZVH saves when you capture the current measurement data.

#### Parameter

<Mode>

SCReen            Saves a screenshot

DATaset           Saves a dataset

BOTH             Saves a screenshot and a dataset

#### Example

```
SYST:CAPT:MODE BOTH
```

Captures both a screenshot and a dataset of the current measurement.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: SCReen

SCPI: device-specific

## 7.9 Configuring the Instrument

The following commands configure general instrument settings.

These commands are independent from the operating mode.

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### 7.9.1 Mode Selection

This chapter describes all commands that select the operating mode of the R&S ZVH.

#### List of commands

- [INSTrument\[:SElect\] <OperatingMode>](#) (p. 176)
- [INSTrument:NSElect <OperatingMode>](#) (p. 177)

#### INSTrument[:SElect] <OperatingMode>

---

This command selects the operating mode.

#### Parameter

<OperatingMode>

ACT	cable and antenna analyzer
NAN	network analyzer
PM	power meter
SANalyzer	spectrum analyzer
VVMeter	vector voltmeter

#### Example

```
INST SAN
Selects spectrum analyzer mode.
```

#### Characteristics

```
*RST value: ACT
SCPI: conform
```

**INSTrument:NSElect <OperatingMode>**

---

This command selects the operating mode.

**Parameter**

1	spectrum analyzer
2	network analyzer
5	power meter
11	cable and antenna analyzer
12	vector voltmeter

**Example**

```
INST:NSEL 1
```

Selects spectrum analyzer mode.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 11

SCPI: conform

## 7.9.2 Controlling the GPS Receiver

This chapter describes all commands that control the GPS receiver.

### List of commands

- [SYSTem:POSition:ALTitude?](#) (p. 178)
- [SYSTem:POSition:GPS\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 178)
- [SYSTem:POSition:GPS:CONNected?](#) (p. 179)
- [SYSTem:POSition:GPS:CORRection:FREQUency?](#) (p. 179)
- [SYSTem:POSition:GPS:QUALity](#) (p. 179)
- [SYSTem:POSition:GPS:SATellites?](#) (p. 180)
- [SYSTem:POSition:LATitude?](#) (p. 180)
- [SYSTem:POSition:LONGitude?](#) (p. 180)
- [SYSTem:POSition:VALid?](#) (p. 181)

### SYSTem:POSition:ALTitude?

---

This command queries the altitude of the current position of the R&S ZVH.

<altitude>

Altitude in meters above sea level.

If the GPS receiver is inactive, this query returns 0.

#### Example

```
SYST:POS:ALT?
```

Return value would be, for example, 554.1

#### Characteristics:

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

### SYSTem:POSition:GPS[:STATe] <State>

---

This command turns the GPS receiver (R&S HA-Z240) on and off.

Note that the GPS receiver only works if a connection between the R&S ZVH and a GPS signal transmitter is established.

#### Parameter

<State>

ON | OFF

#### Example

```
SYST:POS:GPS ON
```

Activates the GPS receiver.

#### Characteristics:

\*RST value: OFF

SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:POSition:GPS:CONNected?**

---

This command queries if the R&S ZVH is currently connected to the GPS receiver.

**Return values**

0	no connection to a satellite
1	connection to a satellite established

**Example**

```
SYST:POS:GPS:CONN?
```

**Characteristics:**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:POSition:GPS:CORRection:FREQuency?**

---

This command queries the frequency correction factor.

The R&S ZVH calculates this factor from a reference signal provided by the GPS receiver R&S HA-Z240. The reference signal is used to determine the deviation of the internal clock of the instrument. The deviation can be turned into a correction factor for the measured frequency.

**Return values**

<floating point value>

If the GPS receiver is inactive, this query returns 0.

**Example**

```
SYST:POS:GPS:CORR:FREQ?  
Queries the frequency correction factor.
```

**Characteristics:**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:POSition:GPS:QUALity?**

---

This command queries the quality of the GPS signal.

**Return values**

INSufficient | LOW | MEDium | HIGH | EXCellent

**Example**

```
SYST:POS:GPS:QUAL?
```

**Characteristics:**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:POSition:GPS:SATellites?**

---

This command queries the number of tracked satellites.

**Return values**

<number of satellites>

**Example**

```
SYST:POS:GPS:SAT?
```

**Characteristics:**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:POSition:LATitude?**

---

This command queries the latitude of the current position of the R&S ZVH.

**Return values**

<sign><degrees>,<minutes>,<seconds>

<sign>           no sign = northern hemisphere  
negative sign (-) = southern hemisphere

<degrees>       degrees of latitude (integer value)

<minutes>       minutes of latitude (integer value)

<seconds>       seconds of latitude (floating point value)

**Example**

```
SYST:POS:LAT?
```

Return value would be, for example, 48,7,40.0 for 48°, 7', 40.0" in the northern hemisphere.

**Characteristics:**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:POSition:LONGitude?**

---

This command queries the longitude of the current position of the R&S ZVH.

**Return values**

<sign><degrees>,<minutes>,<seconds>

<sign>           no sign = east  
negative sign (-) = west

<degrees>       degrees of longitude (integer value)

<minutes>       minutes of longitude (integer value)

<seconds>       seconds of longitude (floating point value)

**Example**

```
SYST:POS:LONG?
```

Return value would be, for example, 11,36,46.2 for 11°, 36', 46.2" East

**Characteristics:**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:POSition:VALid?**

---

This command queries if the current position is valid.

**Return values**

0                    GPS position is not valid

1                    GPS position is valid

**Example**

```
SYST:POS:VAL?
```

**Characteristics:**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific



### 7.9.3 Display Configuration

This chapter describes commands to set up the display of the R&S ZVH via remote control.

#### List of Commands

- [DISPlay:BRIGhtness <Brightness>](#) (p. 182)
- [DISPlay:CMAP <ColorScheme>](#) (p. 182)
- [DISPlay:CMAP:DEFault](#) (p. 183)
- [DISPlay:DATE:FORMat <DateFormat>](#) (p. 183)

#### DISPlay:BRIGhtness <Brightness>

---

This command sets the brightness of the display backlight.

##### Parameter

<Brightness>

Numeric value in the range from 0 to 1

##### Example

```
DISP:BRIG 0.80
```

Sets the brightness of the display to 80%

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: 0.5 (50%)

SCPI: device-specific

#### DISPlay:CMAP <ColorScheme>

---

This command sets the color scheme of the display.

##### Parameter

<ColorScheme>

COLor            color

BW                black & white

PF                printer friendly

##### Example

```
DISP:CMAP BW
```

Sets the screen colors to black and white

##### Characteristics

\*RST value: COLor

SCPI: conform

**DISPlay:CMAP:DEFault**

---

This command sets the display to the default state.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
DISP:CMAP:DEF
```

Restores the original color scheme

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**DISPlay:DATE:FORMat <DateFormat>**

---

This command sets the display date format.

**Parameter**

<DateFormat>

DDMMyyyy | MMDDyyyy

**Example**

```
DISP:DATE:FORM DDMMyyyy
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: DDMMyyyy

SCPI: device-specific

## 7.9.4 Audio Settings

This chapter describes all commands to control the audio functions of the R&S ZVH.

### List of commands

- [SYSTem:AUDio:VOLume <Volume>](#) (p. 184)
- [SYSTem:BEEPer:VOLume <Volume>](#) (p. 184)
- [SYSTem:BEEPer:KEY:VOLume <Volume>](#) (p. 185)

### SYSTem:AUDio:VOLume <Volume>

---

This command sets the volume of the internal speaker.

#### Parameter

<Volume>

Numeric value in the range from 0 to 1

#### Example

```
SYST:AUD:VOL 0.40  
Sets the volume to 40%
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: 0.3 (30%)  
SCPI: device-specific

### SYSTem:BEEPer:VOLume <Volume>

---

This command sets the volume of the system beeper.

#### Parameter

<Volume>

Numeric value in the range from 0 to 1

#### Example

```
SYST:BEEP:VOL 0.50  
Sets the volume of the beeper to 50%
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: 0.6 (60%)  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:BEEPer:KEY:VOLume <Volume>**

---

This command sets the volume of the keyboard click noise.

**Parameter**

<Volume>

Numeric value in the range from 0 to 1

**Example**

```
SYST:BEEP:KEY:VOL 0.10
```

Sets of keyboard clicking volume to 10%

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0.3 (30%)

SCPI: conform

## 7.9.5 Setting up a Network Connection

This chapter describes all commands that are used if the R&S ZVH is part of a network.

### List of commands

- [SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:ETHernet?](#) (p. 186)
- [SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:GATeway <Gateway>](#) (p. 186)
- [SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:SUBMask <SubnetMask>](#) (p. 187)
- [SYSTem:COMMunicate:SOCKet:ADDRess <IPAddress>](#) (p. 187)
- [SYSTem:COMMunicate:SOCKet:DHCP\[:STATe\] <State>](#) (p. 187)
- [SYSTem:COMMunicate:SOCKet:PORT <Port>](#) (p. 188)

### SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:ETHernet?

---

This command queries the MAC address of the R&S ZVH.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

#### Example

```
SYST:COMM:LAN:ETH?  
Returns the MAC address
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

### SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:GATeway <Gateway>

---

This command sets the gateway in the LAN.

#### Parameter

<Gateway>  
String containing the identifier of the gateway.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:SUBMask <SubnetMask>**

---

This command sets the subnet mask of the R&S ZVH.

**Parameter**

<SubnetMask>

String containing the subnet mask ('x.x.x.x').

**Example**

```
SYST:COMM:LAN:SUBM '255.255.255.0'
```

Sets the subnet mask address to 255.255.255.0

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 255.255.255.0  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:COMMunicate:SOCKet:ADDRess <IPAddress>**

---

This command sets the IP address of the R&S ZVH.

**Parameter**

<IPAddress>

String containing the IP address ('x.x.x.x').

**Example**

```
SYST:COMM:SOCK:ADDR '172.76.68.30'
```

Sets the IP address of the R&S ZVH to 172.76.68.30

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 172.76.68.24  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:COMMunicate:SOCKet:DHCP[:STATe] <State>**

---

This command turns the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) on and off.

**Parameter**

<State>

ON | OFF

**Example**

```
SYST:COMM:SOCK:DHCP ON
```

Activates DHCP.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: ON  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:COMMunicate:SOCKet:PORT <Port>**

---

This command sets the port number for the connection.

**Parameter**

<Port>  
Port number

**Example**

```
SYST:COMM:SOCK:PORT 1000  
Sets the port number to 1000
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 5555  
SCPI: device-specific

## 7.9.6 System Settings

This chapter describes all commands that define or query general system settings.

### List of commands

- [INPut:IMPedance:PAD <MatchingPad>](#) (p. 189)
- [\[SENSe:\]ROSCilator:SOURce <RefSource>](#) (p. 190)
- [SYSTem:ACCessory?](#) (p. 190)
- [SYSTem:ACCessory:AUTO <State>](#) (p. 190)
- [SYSTem:BNC<1...2>:MODE <BNCFunction>](#) (p. 191)
- [SYSTem:DATE <Date>](#) (p. 191)
- [SYSTem:ERRor\[:NEXT\]?](#) (p. 192)
- [SYSTem:ERRor:ALL?](#) (p. 192)
- [SYSTem:ERRor:COUNT?](#) (p. 193)
- [SYSTem:ERRor:CODE\[:NEXT\]?](#) (p. 193)
- [SYSTem:ERRor:CODE:ALL?](#) (p. 193)
- [SYSTem:HELP:HEADers?](#) (p. 194)
- [SYSTem:HELP:SYNTax?](#) (p. 194)
- [SYSTem:LANGuage:CATalog?](#) (p. 195)
- [SYSTem:POWER:SOURce?](#) (p. 195)
- [SYSTem:POWER:STATus?](#) (p. 195)
- [SYSTem:PRESet](#) (p. 196)
- [SYSTem:PRESet:FACTory](#) (p. 196)
- [SYSTem:PRESet:MODE <Mode>](#) (p. 196)
- [SYSTem:PRESet:USER <Preset>](#) (p. 197)
- [SYSTem:REBoot](#) (p. 197)
- [SYSTem:SHUTdown](#) (p. 197)
- [SYSTem:TIME <Time>](#) (p. 197)
- [SYSTem:TZONee <TimeShift>](#) (p. 198)
- [SYSTem:VERSion?](#) (p. 198)

### INPut:IMPedance:PAD <MatchingPad>

This command selects the matching pad connected to the R&S ZVH.

#### Parameter

<MatchingPad>  
RAM | RAZ | HZTE

#### Example

```
INPut:IMP 75;PAD RAZ
```

Selects 75  $\Omega$  input impedance and the R&S RAZ as the matching pad.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific



**[SENSe:]ROSCillator:SOURce <RefSource>**

---

This command selects the source of the frequency reference oscillator.

If you use an external reference signal, make sure to connect the signal to the Ext Ref BNC connector of the R&S ZVH.

**Parameter**

<RefSource>

INTernal	internal reference
EXTernal	external reference

**Example**

```
ROSC:SOUR EXT
```

Activates external source as reference signal.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:ACcessory?**

---

This command queries the type of measurement accessory, if one is connected to the R&S ZVH (for example an isotropic antenna or power sensor).

**Return value**

Name of the accessory.

**Example**

```
SYST:ACC?
```

Queries connected measurement accessories.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:ACcessory:AUTO <State>**

---

This command turns automatic detection of connected measurement accessories on and off.

**Parameter**

<State>  
ON | OFF

**Example**

```
SYST:ACC:AUTO ON
```

Turns on automatic accessory detection.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:BNC<1...2>:MODE <BNCFunction>**


---

This command configures the BNC sockets.

The numeric suffix at BNC selects the BNC socket you want to configure.

**Parameter**

<BNCFunction>

REFerence	input for external reference signal (BNC1)
TRIGger	input for external trigger (BNC1)
BIAS	BIAS port (BNC1 and BNC2)
IF3	IF output (BNC2)
INTernalbias	Internal DC BIAS (BNC 2)

**Example**

```
SYST:BNC2:MODE TRIG
```

Sets the seconds BNC socket to trigger input.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: BNC 1: TRIGger, BNC 2: IF3  
 SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:DATE <Date>**


---

This command sets the date for the internal calendar.

**Parameter**

<Date>

Numeric value indicating the date

You have to enter the date as comma separated values after the string with the file name. The sequence is year,month,day.

The available value range is 1980...2099, 1...12, 1...31

**Example**

```
SYST:DATE 2000,6,1
```

Sets the date to 1/6/2000

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
 SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:ERRor[:NEXT]?**

---

This command queries the oldest entry in the error queue and deletes it.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

<error number>,<error description>

<error number>      number that contains information about the error  
                              negative number: error as defined in the SCPI standard  
                              positive number: error that is specific to the R&S ZVH

<error description>    string containing a short error description

If the error queue is empty, the command returns 0,'no error'.

**Example**

```
STAT:ERR?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:ERRor:ALL?**

---

This command queries the complete error queue.

This command is a query and therefore no \*RST value.

**Return value**

<error number>,<error description>

<error number>      number that contains information about the error  
                              negative number: error as defined in the SCPI standard  
                              positive number: error that is specific to the R&S ZVH

<error description>    string containing a short error description

The number of values depends on the length of the queue.

If the error queue is empty, the command returns 0,'no error'.

**Example**

```
SYST:ERR:ALL?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:ERRor:CODE[:NEXT]?**

---

This command queries the code of the next error in the error queue.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

<error number>

number that contains information about the error

Negative number: error as defined in the SCPI standard

Positive number: error that is specific to the R&S ZVH

If the error queue is empty, the command returns 0.

**Example**

```
STAT:ERR:CODE?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:ERRor:CODE:ALL?**

---

This command queries the complete error queue.

This command is a query and therefore no \*RST value.

**Return value**

<error number>

number that contains information about the error

Negative number: error as defined in the SCPI standard

Positive number: error that is specific to the R&S ZVH

The number of values depends on the length of the queue.

If the error queue is empty, the command returns 0,'no error'.

**Example**

```
SYST:ERR:CODE:ALL?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:ERRor:COUNt?**

---

This command queries the number of errors currently in the error queue.

This command is a query and therefore no \*RST value.

**Return value**

<numeric\_value>

number of the errors in the queue

**Example**

```
SYST:ERR:COUN?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:HELP:HEADers?**

---

This command returns a list of all available remote control commands.

This command is a query and therefore no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
SYST:HELP:HEAD?
```

Returns the syntax of all available commands.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:HELP:SYNTax?**

---

This command returns the full syntax of the specified command.

This command is a query and therefore no \*RST value.

**Parameter**

<Command>

String containing the command you want to query

**Example**

```
SYST:HELP:SYNT? 'SYST:ERR?'
```

Returns the full syntax. In this case: 'SYSTem:ERRor[:NEXT]'.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:LANGUage <Language>**

---

This command sets the language of the R&S ZVH user interface. You can query a list of available languages with [SYSTem:LANGUage:CATalog?](#).

**Parameter**

<Language>

string containing the language

**Example**

```
SYST:LANG 'english'
```

Sets the system language to English

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:LANGUage:CATalog?**

---

This command lists all languages available for the user interface.

This command is a query and therefore no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
SYST:LANG:CAT?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:POWer:SOURce?**

---

This command queries the current R&S ZVH power source.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return values**

ADAP	R&S ZVH is powered by the AC power supply
BATT	R&S ZVH is powered by the battery

**Example**

```
SYST:POW:SOUR?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:POWer:STATus?**

---

This command queries the remaining power of the battery.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return values**

Numeric value in the range from 0 to 100 %.

**Example**

```
SYST:POW:STAT?
```

**Example**

```
SYST:POW:STAT?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:PRESet**

---

Resets the R&S ZVH to its default state or a state defined by the user, depending on SYSTem:PRESet:MODE.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
SYST:PRESet
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:PRESet:FACTory**

---

This command initiates an instrument reset back to factory settings.

This command is an event and therefore has no query and no \*RST value.

**Example**

```
SYST:PRESet:FACT
```

Resets the R&S ZVH to its factory settings.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:PRESet:MODE <Mode>**

---

This command selects the preset mode.

**Parameter**

<Mode>

DEFault            default preset state

USER              user defined preset state

**Example**

```
SYST:PRESet:MODE USER
```

Selects a user defined preset.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:PRESet:USER <Preset>**

---

This command selects a file containing a user defined preset state.

**Parameter**

<Preset>  
filename of the user defined preset state

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:REBoot**

---

This command initiates a reboot of the R&S ZVH.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
SYST:REB
```

Restarts the R&S ZVH.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:SHUTdown**

---

This command turns the R&S ZVH off.

This command is an event and therefore has no \*RST value and no query.

**Example**

```
SYST:SHUT
```

Turns the R&S ZVH off.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:TIME <Time>**

---

This command sets the internal clock.

**Parameter**

<Time>  
Numeric value indicating the time

You have to enter the time as comma separated values after the string with the file name. The sequence is hour,minute,second.

The available value range is 0...23, 0...59, 0...59.



**Example**

```
SYST:TIME 12,30,30
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**SYSTem:TZONee <TimeShift>**

---

This command defines a shift of the system time to select another time zone.

**Parameter**

<TimeShift>

Numeric value indicating the time shift.

You have to enter the time shift as comma separated value. The sequence is hour,minute.

The available value range is 0...23, 0...59.

**Example**

```
SYST:TZON 01,00
```

Shifts the time an hour ahead

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: 0,0  
SCPI: device-specific

**SYSTem:VERSion?**

---

This command queries the SCPI version the remote control is based on.

This command is a query and therefore has no \*RST value.

**Return value**

1999.0

**Example**

```
SYST:VERS?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

## 7.10 Status Reporting System

The status reporting system stores all information on the present operating state of the instrument, and on errors which have occurred. This information is stored in the status registers and in the error queue. The status registers and the error queue can be queried via Ethernet.

The information is of a hierarchical structure. The register status byte (STB) defined in IEEE 488.2 and its associated mask register service request enable (SRE) form the uppermost level. The STB receives its information from the standard event status register (ESR) which is also defined in IEEE 488.2 with the associated mask register standard event status enable (ESE) and registers STATus:OPERation and STATus:QUESTIONable which are defined by SCPI and contain detailed information on the instrument.

The output buffer contains the messages the instrument returns to the controller. It is not part of the status reporting system but determines the value of the MAV bit in the STB.

### 7.10.1 Structure of an SCPI Status Register

Each standard SCPI register consists of 5 parts which each have a width of 16 bits and have different functions. The individual bits are independent of each other, i.e. each hardware status is assigned a bit number that applies to all five parts. For example, bit 0 of the STATus:OPERation register is assigned to the calibration status of the R&S ZVH. Bit 15 (the most significant bit) is set to zero for all parts. Thus the contents of the register parts can be processed by the controller as positive integer.

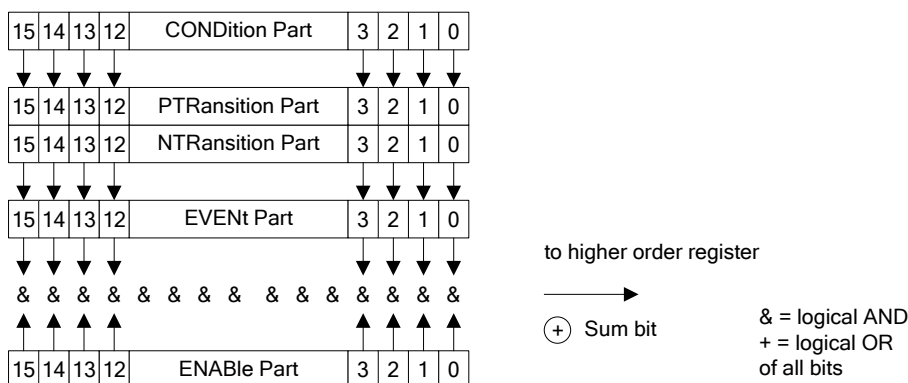


Figure 7-1: The status-register model

#### 7.10.1.1 CONDition part

The CONDition part is directly written into by the hardware or the sum bit of the next lower register. Its contents reflects the current instrument status. This register part can only be read, but not written into or cleared. Its contents is not affected by reading.

#### 7.10.1.2 PTRansition part

The Positive-TRansition part acts as an edge detector. When a bit of the CONDition part is changed from 0 to 1, the associated PTR bit decides whether the EVENT bit is set to 1.

PTR bit =1: the EVENT bit is set.

PTR bit =0: the EVENT bit is not set.

This part can be written into and read at will. Its contents is not affected by reading.

#### 7.10.1.3 NTRansition part

The Negative-TRansition part also acts as an edge detector. When a bit of the CONDition part is changed from 1 to 0, the associated NTR bit decides whether the EVENT bit is set to 1.

NTR-Bit = 1: the EVENT bit is set.

NTR-Bit = 0: the EVENT bit is not set.

This part can be written into and read at will. Its contents is not affected by reading.

With these two edge register parts the user can define which state transition of the condition part (none, 0 to 1, 1 to 0 or both) is stored in the EVENT part.

#### 7.10.1.4 EVENT part

The EVENT part indicates whether an event has occurred since the last reading, it is the "memory" of the condition part. It only indicates events passed on by the edge filters. It is permanently updated by the instrument. This part can only be read by the user. Reading the register clears it. This part is often equated with the entire register.

#### 7.10.1.5 ENABLE part

The ENABLE part determines whether the associated EVENT bit contributes to the sum bit (see below). Each bit of the EVENT part is ANDed with the associated ENABLE bit (symbol '&'). The results of all logical operations of this part are passed on to the sum bit via an OR function (symbol '+').

ENABLE-Bit = 0: the associated EVENT bit does not contribute to the sum bit

ENABLE-Bit = 1: if the associated EVENT bit is "1", the sum bit is set to "1" as well.

This part can be written into and read by the user at will. Its contents is not affected by reading.

7.10.1.6 Sum bit

As indicated above, the sum bit is obtained from the EVENT and ENABLE part for each register. The result is then entered into a bit of the CONDition part of the higher-order register.

The instrument automatically generates the sum bit for each register. Thus an event, e.g. a PLL that has not locked, can lead to a service request throughout all levels of the hierarchy.



The service request enable register SRE defined in IEEE 488.2 can be taken as ENABLE part of the STB if the STB is structured according to SCPI. By analogy, the ESE can be taken as the ENABLE part of the ESR.

7.10.2 Overview of the Status Register

The following figure shows the status registers used by the R&S ZVH.

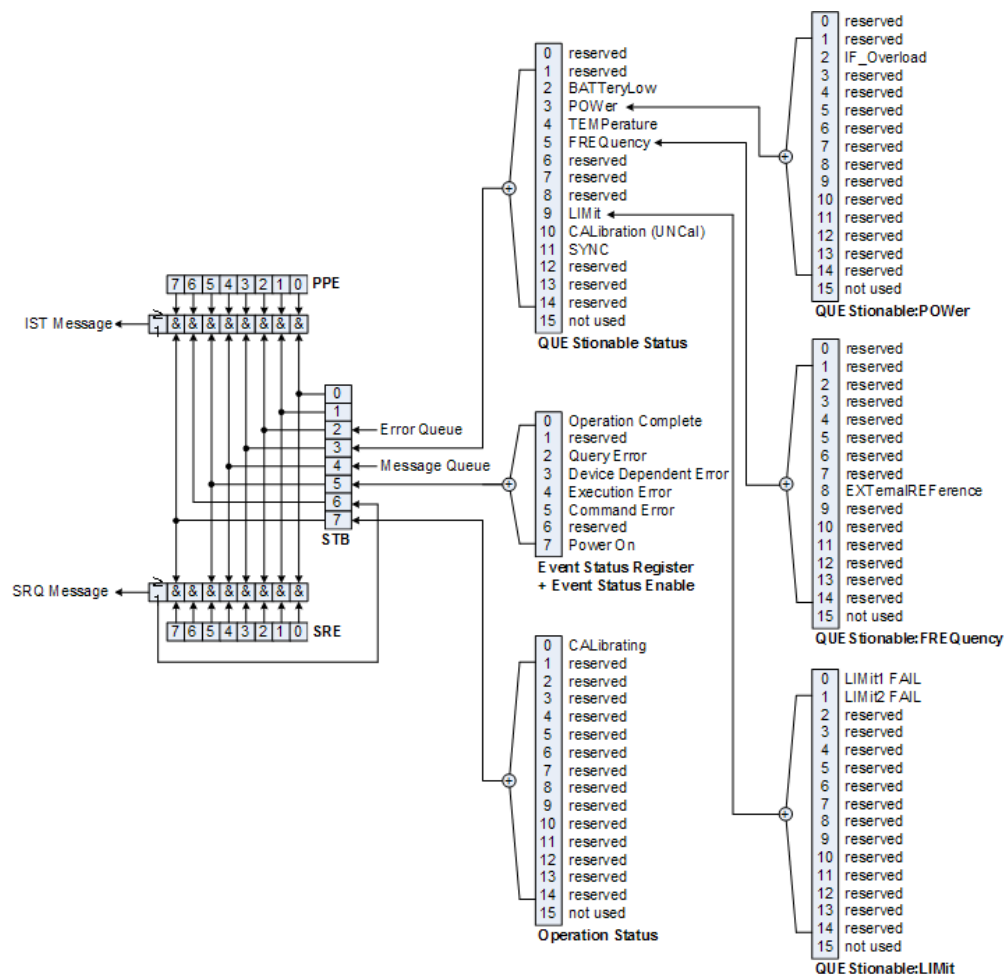


Figure 7-2: Overview of the status registers

### 7.10.3 Status Byte (STB) & Service Request Enable Register (SRE)

The STB is already defined in IEEE 488.2. It provides a rough overview of the instrument status by collecting the pieces of information of the lower registers. It can thus be compared with the CONDITION part of an SCPI register and assumes the highest level within the SCPI hierarchy. A special feature is that bit 6 acts as the sum bit of the remaining bits of the status byte.

The STATUS BYTE is read using the command "\*STB?" or a serial poll.

The STB is linked to the SRE. The latter corresponds to the ENABLE part of the SCPI registers in its function. Each bit of the STB is assigned a bit in the SRE. Bit 6 of the SRE is ignored. If a bit is set in the SRE and the associated bit in the STB changes from 0 to 1, a service request (SRQ) is generated, which triggers an interrupt in the controller if this is appropriately configured and can be further processed there. The SRE can be set using the command "\*SRE" and read using the command "\*SRE?"

*Table 7-1: Meaning of the bits used in the Status Byte*

Bit No.	Meaning
0 to 1	Not used
2	<p><b>Error Queue not empty</b></p> <p>The bit is set when an entry is made in the error queue. If this bit is enabled by the SRE, each entry of the error queue generates a service request. Thus an error can be recognized and specified in greater detail by polling the error queue. The poll provides an informative error message. This procedure is to be recommended since it considerably reduces the problems involved with remote control.</p>
3	<p><b>QUESTIONable status sum bit</b></p> <p>The bit is set if an EVENT bit is set in the QUESTIONable: status register and the associated ENABLE bit is set to 1. A set bit indicates a questionable instrument status, which can be specified in greater detail by polling the QUESTIONable status register.</p>
4	<p><b>MAV bit</b> (message available)</p> <p>The bit is set if a message is available in the output buffer which can be read. This bit can be used to enable data to be automatically read from the instrument to the controller.</p>
5	<p><b>ESB bit</b></p> <p>Sum bit of the event status register. It is set if one of the bits in the event status register is set and enabled in the event status enable register. Setting of this bit indicates a serious error which can be specified in greater detail by polling the event status register.</p>
6	<p><b>MSS bit</b> (master status summary bit)</p> <p>The bit is set if the instrument triggers a service request. This is the case if one of the other bits of this registers is set together with its mask bit in the service request enable register SRE.</p>
7	<p><b>OPERation status register sum bit</b></p> <p>The bit is set if an EVENT bit is set in the OPERation status register and the associated ENABLE bit is set to 1. A set bit indicates that the instrument is just performing an action. The type of action can be determined by polling the OPERation status register.</p>

### 7.10.4 Event Status Register (ESR) and Event Status Enable Register (ESE)

The ESR is defined in IEEE 488.2. It can be compared with the EVENT part of a SCPI register. The event status register can be read out using command \*ESR?.

The ESE is the associated ENABLE part. It can be set using the command \*ESE and read using the command \*ESE?.

*Table 7-2: Meaning of the bits in the event status register*

Bit No.	Meaning
0	<b>Operation Complete</b> This bit is set on receipt of the command *OPC exactly when all previous commands have been executed.
1	Not used
2	<b>Query Error</b> This bit is set if either the controller wants to read data from the instrument without having sent a query, or if it does not fetch requested data and sends new instructions to the instrument instead. The cause is often a query which is faulty and hence cannot be executed.
3	<b>Device-dependent Error</b> This bit is set if a device-dependent error occurs. An error message with a number between -300 and -399 or a positive error number, which denotes the error in greater detail, is entered into the error queue.
4	<b>Execution Error</b> This bit is set if a received command is syntactically correct but cannot be performed for other reasons. An error message with a number between -200 and -300, which denotes the error in greater detail, is entered into the error queue.
5	<b>Command Error</b> This bit is set if a command is received, which is undefined or syntactically incorrect. An error message with a number between -100 and -200, which denotes the error in greater detail, is entered into the error queue.
6	Not used
7	<b>Power On</b> (supply voltage on) This bit is set on switching on the instrument.

#### 7.10.4.1 STATus:OPERation Register

In the CONDition part, this register contains information on which actions the instrument is being executing or, in the EVENT part, information on which actions the instrument has executed since the last reading. It can be read using the commands STATus:OPERation:CONDition? or STATus:OPERation[:EVENT]?

*Table 7-3: Meaning of the bits in the STATus:OPERation register*

Bit No.	Meaning
0	<b>CALibrating</b> This bit is set as long as the instrument is performing a calibration.
1 to 14	Not used
15	This bit is always 0

#### 7.10.4.2 STATus:QUEStionable Register

This register contains information about indefinite states which may occur if the unit is operated without meeting the specifications. It can be read using the commands STATus:QUEStionable: CONDition? and STATus:QUEStionable[:EVENT]?

*Table 7-4: Meaning of bits in STATus:QUEStionable register*

Bit No.	Meaning
0 to 1	These bits are not used
2	<b>BATTERY LOW</b> If the instrument is running without any external power supply and the charging level of the internal battery is approximately lower than 5% this bit is set to indicate that the system will be shut down automatically in approx. 5 minutes.
3	Not used
4	<b>TEMPerature</b> This bit is set if a questionable temperature occurs.
5 to 8	Not used
9	<b>LIMit (device-specific)</b> This bit is set if a limit value is violated
10	<b>CALibration</b> The bit is set if a measurement is performed unaligned (label <b>UNCAL</b> )
11 to 14	Not used
15	This bit is always 0.

#### 7.10.4.3 STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency Register

This register contains information about the reference frequency. It can be read using the commands STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit:FREQuency? and STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency[:EVENT]?

*Table 7-5: Meaning of bits in STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency register*

Bit No.	Meaning
0 to 7	Not used
8	<b>EXtErnal REFerence</b> This bit is set if an external reference is used.
9 to 14	Not used
15	This bit is always 0.

#### 7.10.4.4 STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit Register

This register contains information about the observance of limit lines. It can be read using the commands STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit:CONDition? and STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit[:EVENT]?

*Table 7-6: Meaning of bits in STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit register*

Bit No.	Meaning
0	<b>LIMit 1 FAIL</b> This bit is set if limit line 1 is violated.
1	<b>LIMit 2 FAIL</b> This bit is set if limit line 2 is violated.
2 to 14	Not used
15	This bit is always 0.

#### 7.10.4.5 STATus:QUEStionable:POWer Register

This register contains information about possible overload states. It can be read using the commands STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:CONDition? and STATus:QUEStionable:POWer[:EVENT]?

*Table 7-7: Meaning of bits in STATus:QUEStionable:POWer register*

Bit No.	Meaning
0 to 1	Not used
2	<b>IF_Overload</b> This bit is set if the IF path is overloaded. 'IFOVL' is displayed.
3 to 14	Not used
15	This bit is always 0.



## 7.10.5 Application of the Status Reporting Systems

In order to be able to effectively use the status reporting system, the information contained there must be transmitted to the controller and further processed there. There are several methods which are represented in the following.

### 7.10.5.1 Service Request

Under certain circumstances, the instrument can send a service request (SRQ) to the controller. Usually this service request initiates an interrupt at the controller, to which the control program can react appropriately. As evident from Fig. 1-4, an SRQ is always initiated if one or several of bits 2, 3, 4, 5 or 7 of the status byte are set and enabled in the SRE. Each of these bits combines the information of a further register, the error queue or the output buffer. The ENABLE parts of the status registers can be set so that arbitrary bits in an arbitrary status register initiate an SRQ. In order to make use of the possibilities of the service request effectively, all bits should be set to "1" in enable registers SRE and ESE.

#### Example

Use of the command \*OPC to generate an SRQ at the end of a sweep

```
CALL InstrWrite(analyzer, "*ESE 1")  
'Set bit 0 in the ESE (Operation Complete)  
  
CALL InstrWrite(analyzer, "*SRE 32")  
'Set bit 5 in the SRE (ESB)?
```

After its settings have been completed, the instrument generates an SRQ.

The SRQ is the only possibility for the instrument to become active on its own. Each controller program should set the instrument in a way that a service request is initiated in the case of malfunction. The program should react appropriately to the service request.

### 7.10.5.2 Serial Poll

In a serial poll, just as with command \*STB, the status byte of an instrument is queried. However, the query is realized via interface messages and is thus clearly faster. The serial-poll method has already been defined in IEEE 488.1 and used to be the only standard possibility for different instruments to poll the status byte. The method also works with instruments which do not adhere to SCPI or IEEE 488.2.

The VISUAL BASIC command for executing a serial poll is IBRSP(). Serial poll is mainly used to obtain a fast overview of the state of several instruments connected to the controller.

### 7.10.5.3 Query by Means of Commands

Each part of any status register can be read by means of queries. The individual commands are listed in the description of the STATus Subsystem. The returned value is always a number that represents the bit pattern of the queried register. This number is evaluated by the controller program.

Queries are usually used after an SRQ in order to obtain more detailed information on the cause of the SRQ.

### 7.10.5.4 Error Queue Query

Each error state in the instrument leads to an entry in the error queue. The entries of the error queue are detailed plain-text error messages that can be displayed via manual operation using the setup menu or queried via remote control using the command SYSTem:ERRor?. Each call of SYSTem:ERRor? provides one entry from the error queue. If no error messages are stored there any more, the instrument responds with 0, "No error".

The error queue should be queried after every SRQ in the controller program as the entries describe the cause of an error more precisely than the status registers. Especially in the test phase of a controller program the error queue should be queried regularly since faulty commands from the controller to the instrument are recorded there as well.

### 7.10.6 Reset Values of the Status Reporting System

Table 7-8 contains the different commands and events causing the status reporting system to be reset. None of the commands, except \*RST and SYSTem:PRESet, influences the functional instrument settings. In particular, DCL does not change the instrument settings.

**Table 7-8: Resetting the status reporting system**

Event	Switching on supply voltage		DCL,SDC			
	0	1				
	Power-On-Status-Clear		(Device Clear, Selected Device Clear)	*RST or SYSTem:PRESet	STATus:PRESet	*CLS
Effect	0	1				
Clear STB,ESR	—	yes	—	—	—	yes
Clear SRE,ESE	—	yes	—	—	—	—
Clear PPE	—	yes	—	—	—	—
Clear EVENT parts of the registers	—	yes	—	—	—	yes
Clear ENABLE parts of all OPERation and QUEStionable registers; Fill ENABLE parts of all other registers with "1".	—	yes	—	—	yes	—
Fill PTRansition parts with "1"; Clear NTRansition parts	—	yes	—	—	yes	—
Clear error queue	yes	yes	—	—	—	yes
Clear output buffer	yes	yes	yes	1)	1)	1)
Clear command processing and input buffer	yes	yes	yes	—	—	—

1) Every command being the first in a program message, i.e., immediately following a <PROGRAM MESSAGE TERMINATOR> clears the output buffer.

### 7.10.7 Remote Commands of the Status Reporting System

The following commands control the status-reporting system. \*RST does not influence the status registers.

The OPERation status register contains information about the calibration status of the instrument.

The QUEStionable status register contains information about the status of the reference and local oscillator, possible overloads of the instrument and the status of limit checks and limit margins.

The commands are independent from the operating mode.

#### List of commands

- [STATus:PRESet](#) (p. 209)
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- [STATus:QUEStionable:ENABle <SumBit>](#) (p. 212)
- [STATus:QUEStionable:NTRansition <SumBit>](#) (p. 212)
- [STATus:QUEStionable:PTRansition <SumBit>](#) (p. 213)

#### STATus:PRESet

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This command resets the edge detectors and ENABle parts of all registers to a defined value. All PTRansition parts are set to FFFFh, i.e. all transitions from 0 to 1 are detected. All NTRansition parts are set to 0, i.e. a transition from 1 to 0 in a CONDition bit is not detected. The ENABle part of the STATus:OPERation and STATus:QUEStionable registers are set to 0, i.e. all events in these registers are not passed on.

#### Example

```
STAT:PRESet
```

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**STATus:QUEue[:NEXT]**

---

This command returns the earliest entry to the error queue and deletes it.

Positive error numbers indicate device-specific errors, negative error numbers are error messages defined by SCPI. If the error queue is empty, the error number 0, "no error", is returned. This command is identical with the command SYSTem:ERRor.

**Example**

```
STAT:QUE?
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: –

SCPI: conform

**STATus:OPERation[:EVENT]?**

---

This command reads out the EVENT section of the OPERATION register.

The command at the same time deletes the contents of the EVENT section.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**STATus:OPERation:CONDition?**

---

This command reads out the CONDition section of the OPERATION register.

The command does not delete the contents of the EVENT section.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**STATus:OPERation:ENABLE <SumBit>**

---

This command controls the ENABLE part of the OPERATION register.

The ENABLE part allows true conditions in the EVENT part of the status register to be reported in the summary bit. If a bit is 1 in the enable register and its associated event bit transitions to true, a positive transition will occur in the summary bit reported to the next higher level.

**Parameter**

<SumBit>  
0 to 65535

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**STATus:OPERation:NTRansition <SumBit>**

---

This command controls the Negative TRansition part of the OPERation register.

Setting a bit causes a 1 to 0 transition in the corresponding bit of the associated register. The transition also writes a 1 into the associated bit of the corresponding EVENT register.

**Parameter**

<SumBit>  
0 to 65535

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**STATus:OPERation:PTRansition <SumBit>**

---

This command controls the Positive TRansition part of the OPERation register.

Setting a bit causes a 0 to 1 transition in the corresponding bit of the associated register. The transition also writes a 1 into the associated bit of the corresponding EVENT register.

**Parameter**

<SumBit>  
0 to 65535

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**STATus:QUESTionable[:EVENT]?****STATus:QUESTionable:FREQuency[:EVENT]?****STATus:QUESTionable:LIMit[:EVENT]?****STATus:QUESTionable:POWEr[EVENT]?**

---

This command reads out the EVENT section of the QUESTionable register.

The command at the same time deletes the contents of the EVENT section.

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**STATus:QUESTionable:CONDition?**  
**STATus:QUESTionable:FREQuency:CONDition?**  
**STATus:QUESTionable:LIMit:CONDition?**  
**STATus:QUESTionable:POWer:CONDition?**

---

This command reads out the CONDition section of the QUESTionable register.

The command does not delete the contents of the EVENt section.

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**STATus:QUESTionable:ENABle <SumBit>**  
**STATus:QUESTionable:FREQuency:ENABle <SumBit>**  
**STATus:QUESTionable:LIMit:ENABle <SumBit>**  
**STATus:QUESTionable:POWer:ENABle <SumBit>**

---

This command controls the ENABle part of the QUESTionable register.

The ENABle part allows true conditions in the EVENt part of the status register to be reported in the summary bit. If a bit is 1 in the enable register and its associated event bit transitions to true, a positive transition will occur in the summary bit reported to the next higher level.

#### Parameter

<SumBit>

0 to 65535

#### Characteristics

\*RST value: -

SCPI: conform

**STATus:QUESTionable:NTRansition <SumBit>**  
**STATus:QUESTionable:FREQuency:NTRansition <SumBit>**  
**STATus:QUESTionable:LIMit:NTRansition <SumBit>**  
**STATus:QUESTionable:POWer:NTRansition <SumBit>**

---

This command controls the Negative TRansition part of the QUESTionable register.

Setting a bit causes a 1 to 0 transition in the corresponding bit of the associated register. The transition also writes a 1 into the associated bit of the corresponding EVENt register.

#### Parameter

<SumBit>

0 to 65535

**Example**

```
STAT:QUES:NTR 65535
```

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform

**STATus:QUESTionable:PTRansition <SumBit>**

**STATus:QUESTionable:FREQuency:PTRansition <SumBit>**

**STATus:QUESTionable:LIMit:PTRansition <SumBit>**

**STATus:QUESTionable:POWer:PTRansition <SumBit>**

---

This command control the Positive TRansition part of the QUESTionable register.

Setting a bit causes a 0 to 1 transition in the corresponding bit of the associated register. The transition also writes a 1 into the associated bit of the corresponding EVENT register.

**Parameter**

<SumBit>  
0 to 65535

**Characteristics**

\*RST value: -  
SCPI: conform



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