



1050A

Quartz Frequency Standard

KEY FEATURES

- Low Aging, to $<5.0E-11$ Per Day
- 100 kHz, 1 MHz, 5 MHz and 10 MHz Outputs;
- Front Panel Monitors and Function Meter
- Precise Frequency Tuning Via Front Panel Control
- New Low Phase Noise, -160dBc @ 10 kHz
- Internal Battery and Automatic Charger
- Optional 1 PPS Output Configuration
- Disciplined Version Available

Symmetricom's 1050A Quartz Frequency Standard is a multiple output instrument suitable for 19" rack mounting. The instrument features a selected third overtone SC-cut precision quartz crystal with drive levels optimized for very low aging, excellent short and long term frequency stability, and retrace characteristics.

The quartz crystal oscillator exhibits unusually high spectral purity at frequencies close to the carrier frequency permitting multiplication to millimeter-wave frequencies with excellent signal-to-noise ratio. A single stage solid-state oven, advanced design and careful component selection techniques ensures the instrument's highly stable operation and ruggedness. Normally operated from a 115 or 230 VAC, 47 to 400 Hz power source, the instrument also offers a built-in standby battery and internal battery charger. Switch over to this internal battery is automatic in the event of external power failure.

Operating controls and monitors are conveniently located on the front panel. LED status monitors indicate Power On, Power Alarm, Oven Ready (oscillator at operating temperature) Battery On and Battery Charge. A built-in meter and thumb wheel switch permit monitoring of supply voltage, control voltage, oscillator oven and battery voltage and battery charging current. Five digital thumb wheel switches permit offset of the frequency over a range of $4E-7$. Rear panel connections include fused power input connections and 1 MHz, 5 MHz and 10 MHz output BNC connectors. 1 PPS outputs are also available. A frequency-control voltage can be applied through a BNC connector for external tuning of the crystal oscillator.

The 1050A satisfies a wide variety of applications with stringent requirements for precision time and frequency in radar systems, missile range timing systems, deep space communications, satellite command terminals, GPS monitoring stations, calibration labs and test equipment.



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1050A Specifications

ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

• Outputs

Frequency:	1 MHz, 5 MHz, and 10 MHz
Output amplitude:	0.9 Vrms to 1.5 Vrms into 50Ω
Harmonic distortion:	-40 dB
Spurious signals	

5 MHz:	-80dB
100 kHz, 1 MHz, 10 MHz:	-70db

• Aging per day:* 1.0E-10

• Short term stability:

Averaging Time	Allan Deviation
1 s	1.0E-12
10 s	1.0E-12
100 s	1.0E-12

• SSB phase noise (bandwidth = 1 Hz)

Offset from signal	5 MHz
1 Hz	-116dBc
10 Hz	-140dBc
100 Hz	-150dBc
1000 Hz	-157dBc
10000 Hz	-160dBc

• Frequency adjustment range

Front panel 5 digit:	4.0E-7
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• Maximum frequency change

Overoperating temperature:	1.0E-9
Due to load change (50Ω ± 10%):	5.0E-11

ENVIRONMENTAL & PHYSICAL SPECIFICATIONS

• Temperature ranges

Operating:	0° C to 50° C
Storage:	-60° C to 80° C
Storage with battery:	-40° C to 60° C

• Power requirements

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DC input:	26 to 30V, 8W @ 25° C	26 to 30V, 13W @ 25° C
AC input:	115 or 230V±10%, 47 to 400Hz, 20W @ 25° C	115 or 230V±10%, 47 to 400Hz, 30W @ 25° C

* Aging typically improves to a level of parts in E-11 per day.

Observed aging rates as low as 1.0E-12 reported after years of unperturbed operation.

• Internal battery and automatic charger

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Charge capacity @ 25° C:	~10 hours	~6 hours

• Dimensions

Height:	3.5" (89 mm)
Width:	19" (483 mm)
Depth:	18" (457 mm)

• Weight: 33 lbs. (15 kg)

OPTIONS

Options	Part No.
• 1 PPS output **	003
• Three 10 MHz outputs	010
• Disciplining option ***	015
• One 5 MHz and two 10 MHz outputs	105
• Operators manual	1050P

** 1 PPS Output (Option 003)

Connector (can use to drive digital clock):	BNC
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*** Disciplined (Option 015)

Warm-up time to lock:	30 minutes
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External phase lock

External oscillator frequency:	5 MHz
External oscillator level:	1 V rms

Resolution:	±2.5E-12
Loop time constant (switch selectable):	1 s or 100 s
Digital tuning range:	2.0E-8
Automatic acquisition:	2.0E-8



1050A connections



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