

# Instructions

**Tektronix**

**P6158**

**20X 1 k $\Omega$  Low Capacitance Probe  
For 50 Ohm Oscilloscopes**

**071-0123-00**

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## To Avoid Fire or Personal Injury

**Connect and Disconnect Properly.** Connect the probe output to the measurement instrument before connecting the probe to the circuit under test. Disconnect the probe input and the probe ground from the circuit under test before disconnecting the probe from the measurement instrument.

**Observe All Terminal Ratings.** To avoid fire or shock hazard, observe all ratings and markings on the product. Consult the product manual for further ratings information before making connections to the product.

Connect the ground lead of the probe to earth ground only.

**Do Not Operate in Wet/Damp Conditions.**

**Do Not Operate in an Explosive Atmosphere.**

**Keep Product Surfaces Clean and Dry.**

## Symbols and Terms

**Terms in this Manual.** These terms may appear in this manual:



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**WARNING.** Warning statements identify conditions or practices that could result in injury or loss of life.

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**CAUTION.** Caution statements identify conditions or practices that could result in damage to this product or other property.

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**Symbols on the Product.** The following symbols may appear on the product:



CAUTION  
Refer to Manual



Protective Ground  
(Earth) Terminal

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# Features and Accessories

The P6158 probe is a DC to 3 GHz, 20X, low capacitance probe. (This type of probe is also known as a voltage divider probe or low impedance  $Z_0$  probe.) The P6158 probe is designed for use with wide-band oscilloscope amplifiers that have 50  $\Omega$  inputs. For compatible oscilloscopes, the BNC connector has TekProbe Level I encoding so that the oscilloscope will display the correct 20X scale factor.

The P6158 probe is fully compatible with the Tektronix family of 3.5 mm compact probe accessories.

Table 1 illustrates the features and accessories of the P6158 probe.

Table 1: Features and accessories

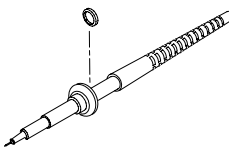
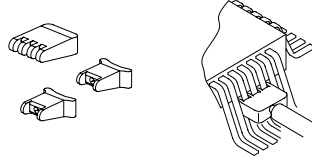
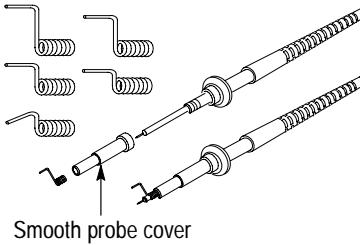
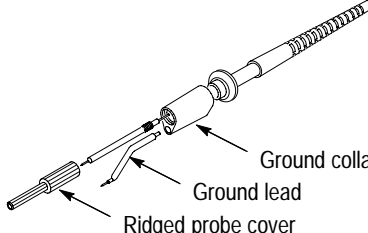
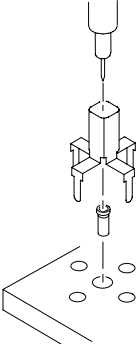
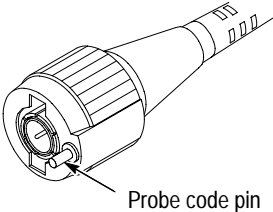
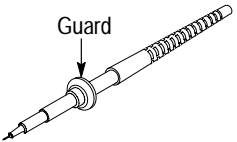
Feature/Accessory	Description	Applications/Notes
	Marker band set	Identifies each probe head with its respective input connection.
	SureFoot probe tip set	Provides fault-free probing of SMD packages that have lead spacings of 0.50 mm/20 mil (red), 0.65 mm/25 mil (blue), or 50 mil (orange).
 <p>Smooth probe cover</p>	Ground contact kit	<p>Connects the probe ground close to the signal source.</p> <p>Select the appropriate size ground spring depending on how close the reference is to the signal source. The short lead length minimizes inductance that can cause signal aberrations at high frequencies.</p> <p>To install, slip the smooth probe cover over the probe tip and slide it firmly onto the probe head. Twist the ground spring onto the probe tip.</p>
 <p>Ground collar</p> <p>Ground lead</p> <p>Ridged probe cover</p>	Ground lead	<p>Connects the probe ground to a ground reference close to the signal source. Because of the longer length, this method may allow more aberrations than the ground springs.</p> <p>To install, slip the ground collar onto the probe head then screw the ridged probe cover down over the probe tip. Insert the socket end of the ground lead into the hole of the ground collar.</p>

Table 1: Features and accessories (cont.)

Feature/Accessory	Description	Applications/Notes
	<p>Probe tip to circuit board connector</p>	<p>Allows the probe connection to be integrated into the circuit board design. This method provides the highest quality connection to a signal. To order additional quantities, see page 10.</p>
	<p>Probe code pin</p>	<p>Communicates the correct scale factor to oscilloscopes with the compatible firmware (TekProbe I).</p>
	<p>Guard</p>	<p>Keeps fingers away from the probe tip for protection against electric shock.</p>



**WARNING.** To avoid electric shock when using the probe, keep fingers behind the guard on the probe body.



# Operating Basics

For the best results, make the proper input and output connections to the probe and use the probe within the specified input ratings.

## 50 $\Omega$ Input Oscilloscopes

The P6158 probe connects directly onto the input of 50  $\Omega$  wide-band oscilloscope; no other adapter or terminator is necessary. The probe code pin on the probe output communicates the correct scale factor for display on instruments with compatible firmware (TekProbe I).

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***NOTE.** Degradation of system performance can result if you attempt to adapt the probe to 1 M $\Omega$  inputs or employ some means of capacitive (AC) coupling.*

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## Maximum Input Voltage

Estimate the RMS voltage of a pulse signal before measurement. The combination of pulse width, duty factor, and DC level determine the RMS signal voltage.

The P6158 probe can measure peak voltages up to 150 volts as long as the duty factor, pulse width, and RMS equivalent do not exceed the ratings listed in the *Specifications* section. See page 5.

## Probe Tip Connections

To minimize inductive effects that cause ringing at high frequencies, keep all signal and ground contacts as short as possible (see Figure 1). Accessories are included with the probe that provide convenient means to make short connections (see page 1).

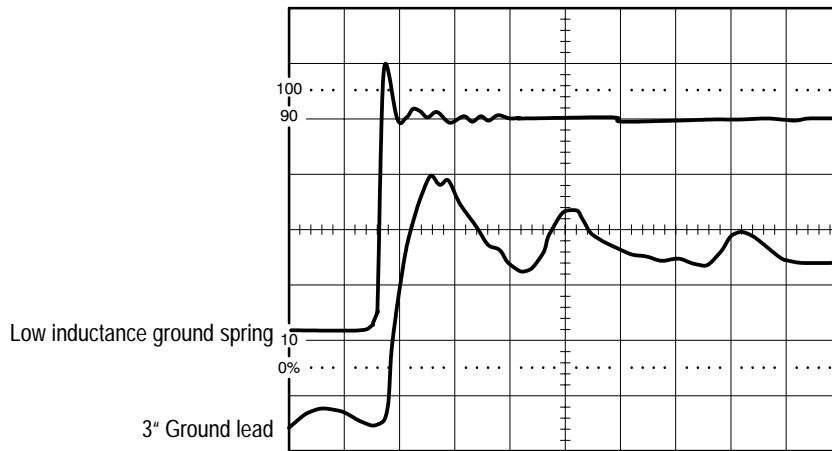


Figure 1: Ground lead effects

# Specifications

The specifications in Table 2 apply when the P6158 probe is operated in an environment that does not exceed the limits described in Table 3 on page 7. Table 4 lists the physical characteristics of the P6158 probe.

**Table 2: P6158 specifications**

Specifications	Description
Attenuation, typical <sup>1,2,3</sup>	÷ 20 (-26 dB)
Input resistance, typical <sup>1,2,5</sup>	1000 $\Omega$ at DC
Input capacitance, typical <sup>1,2,5</sup>	1.5 pF
Maximum continuous nondestructive input voltage	22 V <sub>RMS</sub>
Maximum peak nondestructive input voltage	150 V <sub>peak</sub> 2% duty factor returning to 0V, 5 $\mu$ s maximum pulse width
Probe bandwidth, typical <sup>3,4</sup>	DC to 3 GHz
Rise time, typical <sup>4</sup>	< 100 ps
Signal delay, typical	5.0 ns

<sup>1</sup> System characteristic

<sup>2</sup> Oscilloscope input 50  $\Omega$   $\pm$ 1%

<sup>3</sup> See Figure 2

<sup>4</sup> Probe only, driven from a 25  $\Omega$  source (use 013-0227-00, 50  $\Omega$  adapter)

<sup>5</sup> See Figure 3

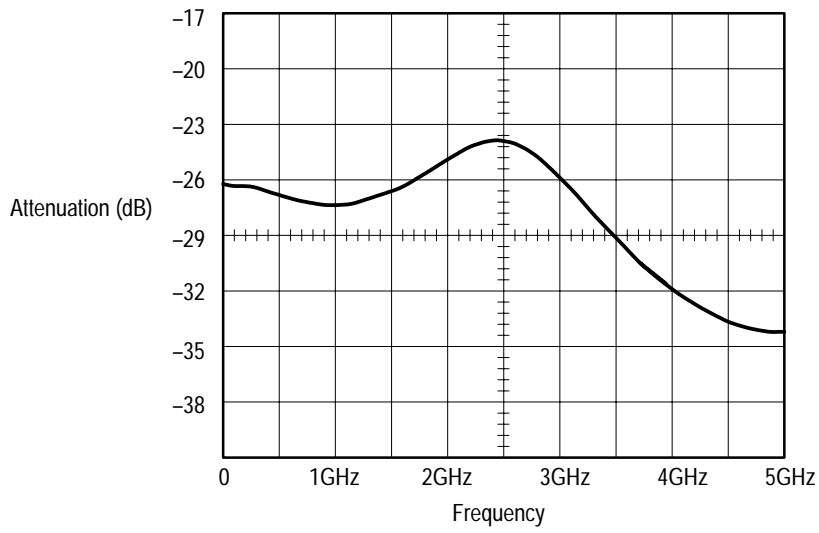


Figure 2: P6158 attenuation vs frequency

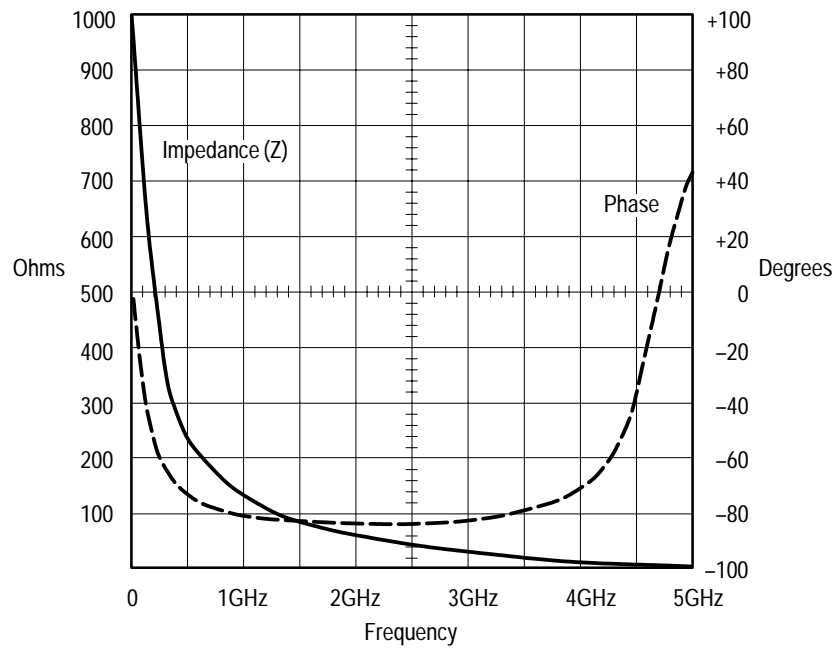


Figure 3: P6158 Input impedance and phase

**Table 3: Environmental characteristics**

Characteristic	Description
Temperature range	
operating <sup>1</sup>	-15° C to +55° C (+5° F to +131° F)
nonoperating <sup>1</sup>	-62° C to +85° C (-80° F to +185° F)
Humidity, operating <sup>1</sup>	Five cycles (120 hr) at 95% to 97% relative humidity 30° C to 55° C

<sup>1</sup> This environmental exposure is more severe than that stated in MIL-T-28800E for Class 3 Equipment.

**Table 4: Physical characteristics**

Characteristic	Description
Length	1.2 m (4.0 ft.)
Net weight	< 64 g (0.14 lb) including standard accessories
Accessory compatibility	Accommodates all 3.5 mm "compact" probe accessories
SureFoot adapter lead pitch spacings	0.50 mm/20 mil (red), 0.65 mm/25 mil (blue), 50 mil (orange)



# Replaceable Parts

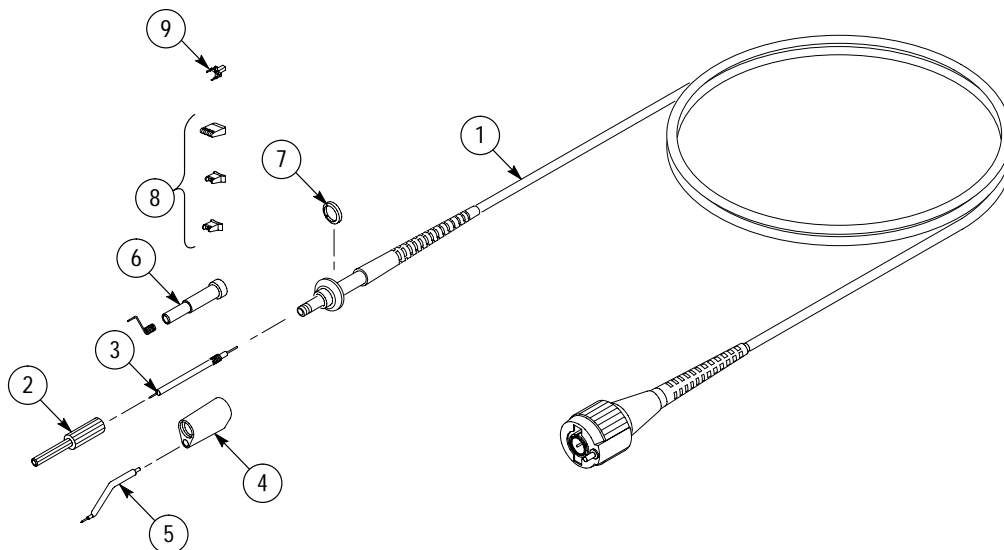


Figure 4: P6158 probe and accessories

## Replaceable parts

Fig. & index number	Tektronix part number	Serial no. effective	Serial no. discont'd	Qty	Name & description	Mfr. code	Mfr. part number
4-1	174-3889-00			1	CA,ASSY:COAXIAL,P6158	80009	174-3889-00
-2	204-1049-00			1	BODY SHELL:TIP COVER	80009	204-1049-00
-3	206-0381-00			1	PROBE TIP ASSY:20X	80009	206-0381-00
					<b>STANDARD ACCESSORIES</b>		
	020-2232-00			1	ACCESSORY KIT, P6158 (includes Figures 4-4, through 4-9)	80009	020-2232-00
-4	343-1003-01			1	COLLAR,GND	80009	343-1003-01
-5	195-4240-00			1	LEAD,ELECTRICAL:0.025 DIA,COPPER,2.3 L	80009	195-4240-00
-6	016-1077-00			1	ACCESSORY KIT:GND TIP CONTACT,PKG OF 2 EAOF 5 LENGHTS W/COVER SHELL	80009	016-1077-00
-7	016-0633-00			1	MARKER SET,CA:2 EA VARIOUS COLORS	80009	016-0633-00
-8	See Optional Accessories			1	ADAPTER,SMD KIT 2 EA 0.50 mm/20 mil (red), 0.65 mm/25 mil (blue), and 50 mil (orange)	80009	See Optional Accessories
-9	See Optional Accessories			2	ACCESSORY PKG:PROBE TO CIRCUIT BOARD ADAPTER,PKG OF 2	80009	See Optional Accessories
	071-0123-00			1	MANUAL,TECH:INSTRUCTION,P6158,DP	80009	071-0123-00

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### Replaceable parts (cont.)

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<b>OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES</b>							
4-8	SF201A			12	INSULATOR: ADAPTER, SMD, ORANGE, 50 MIL	80009	SF201A
	SF202A			12	INSULATOR: ADAPTER, SMD, BLUE, 0.65 mm/25 mil	80009	SF202A
	SF203A			12	INSULATOR: ADAPTER, SMD, RED, 0.50 mm/20 mil	80009	SF203A
-9	131-5031-00			1	CONNECTOR,PROBE:PKG OF 25,COMPACT	80009	131-5031-00
	131-4244-00			1	CONNECTOR,PROBE:PKG OF 100,COMPACT	80009	131-4244-00

### Manufacturers cross index

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