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#### DESTRUCTION NOTICE

- **WHY** To prevent the enemy from using or salvaging this equipment for his benefit.
- **WHEN** When ordered by your commander.
- **HOW** I. Smash—Use sledges, axes, handaxes, pickaxes, hammers, crowbars, heavy tools.
  - 2. Cut—Use axes, handaxes, machetes.
  - 3. Burn—Use gasoline, kerosene, oil, flame throwers, incendiary grenades.
  - 4. Explosives—Use firearms, grenades, TNT.
  - 5. Disposal—Bury in slit trenches, fox holes, other holes.

    Throw in streams. Scatter.

### USE ANYTHING IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FOR DESTRUCTION OF THIS EQUIPMENT

- WHAT 1. Smash—Vibrator, transformer, capacitors, switch, box.
  - 2. Cut—All wires.
  - 3. Burn—Instruction books, cut wires, technical manuals, paper.
  - 4. Bury or scatter—Any or all of the above parts after smashing.

#### **DESTROY EVERYTHING**

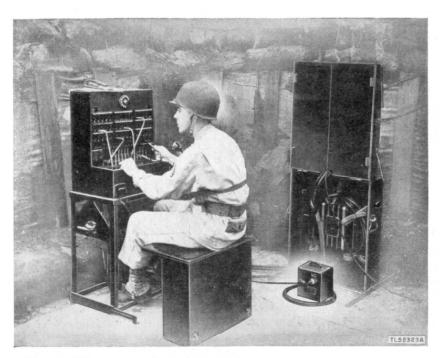


Figure 1. Converter M-222 in use with Telephone Central Office Set TC-4.

#### PART ONE

#### INTRODUCTION

#### Section I. DESCRIPTION OF CONVERTER M-222

#### I. Application

Converter M-222 is designed to supply emergency power ringing current for telephone switchboards such as Switchboards BD-91-() and BD-96, when power from a 110-volt, 60-cycle source is not available or when the standard 110-volt power ringing equipment fails in service. Converter M-222 is a component of Telephone Central Office Sets TC-4 and TC-12. Figure 1 shows Converter M-222 in use with Telephone Central Office Set TC-4.

#### 2. Technical Characteristics

- a. Power Source. Converter M-222 uses two 1½-volt Batteries BA-23, connected in series, as a source of power. Battery life is approximately 8 to 10 hours under continuous operation.
- b. Output Voltage and Frequency. The output of Converter M-222 is 100 volts alternating current open circuit, or 50 volts with a 5-watt load. The peak voltage will not exceed 250 volts. The frequency of the output voltage is 24 cycles  $\pm$  4 cycles.

#### 3. Description

Converter M-222 consists essentially of the following assemblies:

a. Box. Converter M-222 is housed in a rectangular steel box with two removable sides. (See fig. 2.) On the front panel are mounted an output receptacle, a nameplate, the lower section of one catch fastener, and Switch SW-105. The switch is mounted in a recess in the panel. The ON and OFF positions of the switch are marked on the panel.

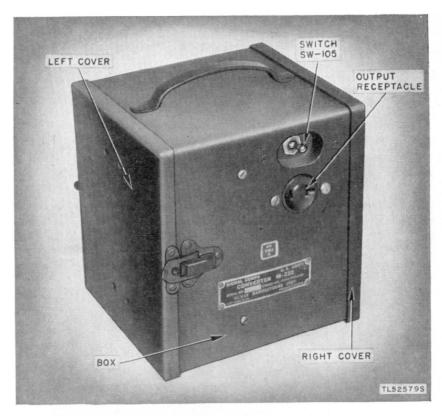


Figure 2. Converter M-222—outside view.

b. Mounting Shelf Assembly. On top of the shallow steel mounting shelf are mounted one transformer, one 0.25-mf Capacitor CA-385, one 1-mf Capacitor CA-234, and one vibrator. (See figs. 3 and 4.) The vibrator is encased in a metal box and is held in place by two steel clips which are welded to the cover. The vibrator plugs into a six-prong socket. A fiber insulator is mounted on the under side of the shelf assembly, directly under Capacitol CA-234. The mounting shelf assembly is fastened to the box by four No. 6-32 flat-top, binding head screws.

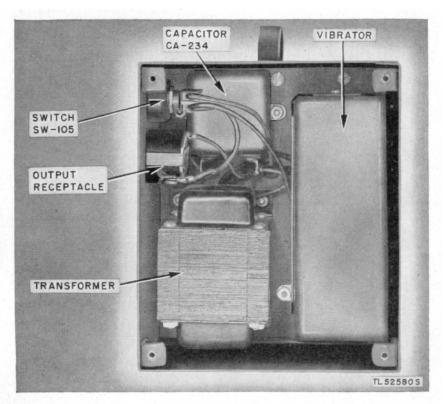


Figure 3. Converter M-222-right cover removed.

c. RIGHT COVER. The cover, to the right of the nameplate when the operator is facing the converter, is fastened to the box by four No. 8–32 roundhead screws, which fasten into four tapped angle brackets welded in the corners of the box. Two steel clips are welded to the back of this cover to hold the vibrator securely when the cover is in place. The circuit label is attached to the inside of the right cover.

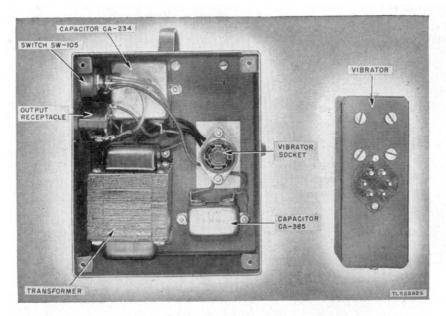


Figure 4. Converter M-222-right cover and vibrator unit removed.

d. Left Cover. Two spring clips are mounted on the inside of the left cover to hold the batteries in place. The upper section of the two catch fasteners, used to fasten the cover to the box, are mounted on the sides of the left cover.

#### 4. List of Components

a. Equipment Supplied.

	N	Dimensions (in.)				Weight (lb)	
Quantity	Name of component	Height	Width	Depth	Treight (ib)		
1	Converter M-222	81/4	63/4	65/8	11		
2	TM 11-344						

#### b. Equipment Required But Not Supplied.

Quantity	Name of component		Weight (lb)		
Quantity	rame or component	Height	Width	Depth	
2	Batteries BA-23	6½	25% (diam)		2.7

Note. This list is tor general information only. See appropriate publications for information pertaining to requisition of spare parts.

#### 5. Packaging Data

- a. When packaged for oversea shipment and not associated with other equipment, four Converters M-222, individually wrapped in water-proof fiberboard containers, are crated in a wooden box 20 inches long, 173% inches wide, and 117% inches deep. Shipping weight is approximately 70 pounds. The wooden box containing the four converters occupies approximately 2.4 cubic feet.
- b. When Converter M-222 is furnished as a component of Telephone Central Office Set TC-4 or TC-12, it is packaged with other components of the central office set as explained in TM 11-332 and TM 11-336, respectively.

#### Section II. INSTALLATION OF CONVERTER M-222

#### 6. Unpacking, Uncrating, and Checking

- a. General. Take care when unpacking or handling the equipment. It may be damaged easily when not protected by the packing case. When unpacking the converter follow the steps outlined below:
- (1) Place the packing case in a convenient location where it can be opened easily.
  - (2) Cut the steel straps.
- (3) Remove the nails with a nail puller and remove the top of the packing case. Prying the top off may result in damage to the equipment.
- (4) Carefully remove the four Converters M-222 from the wooden packing case.
- b. Removal of Converter from Fiberboard Box. (1) Open the outer fiberboard box and remove the wrapped inner fiberboard box which contains the converter.
- (2) Remove the moisture proof wrapping and open the inner fiber-board box.
  - (3) Remove the converter from the inner fiberboard box.

- (4) Open the lid of the converter and remove the bags of silica gel from the battery compartment.
- (5) Check the converter to make sure no damage has resulted during shipment.

Caution: If the converter has received moisture proofing and fungiproofing treatment, do not remove any of the protective coating.

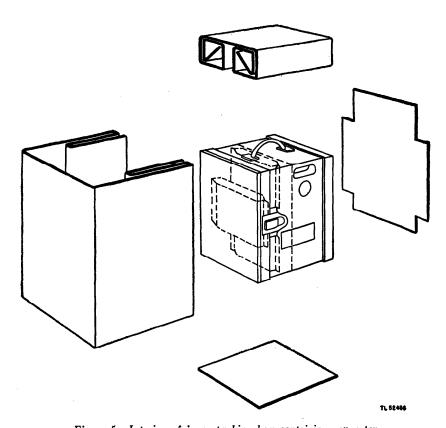


Figure 5. Interior of inner packing box containing converter.

#### 7. Installation of Batteries

Two Batteries BA-23, connected in series, are required for operation of Converter M-222. To install the batteries proceed as outlined below:

- a. Unfasten the two catch fasteners and remove the left cover from the box.
- b. Remove the short lead (battery connector) from the spring clips inside the cover.
- c. Connect the two Batteries BA-23 in series using the battery connector.
- d. Connect the green wire which is grounded to the case of the converter to the vacant positive terminal of the two batteries, and connect the red wire to the vacant negative terminal.
- e. Place the batteries in the battery compartment with the terminals facing the fiber insulator. Push the batteries toward the bottom of the compartment until the terminals fit below the phenolic strip which is mounted above the insulator.
- f. Replace the cover and fasten the catch fasteners. The spring clips mounted inside the cover will hold the batteries firmly in place.

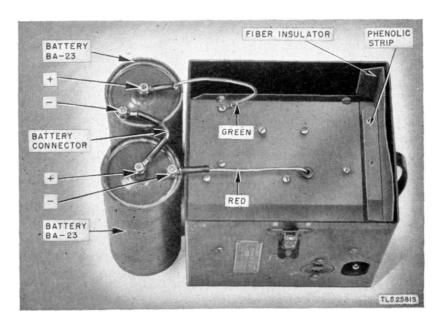


Figure 6. Converter M-222—installation of batteries.

#### 8. Connection of Converter M-222

To connect Converter M-222 for use, plug the power ringing cord from the switchboard into the receptacle located on the front of the converter.

#### 9. Removal from Service

- a. Operate Switch SW-105 (fig. 2) to the OFF position.
- b. Remove the plug of the connecting cord from the receptacle.
- c. If the converter is not to be used or is to be stored for some time, remove the batteries from the battery compartment.

## PART TWO OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Note. For information on destroying the equipment to prevent enemy use, refer to the destruction notice at the front of the manual.

#### Section III. OPERATION

#### 10. Operation of Converter M-222

- a. To start the converter, throw Switch SW-105 to the ON position. Feel the box to determine whether or not the vibrator is operating. If the vibrator is in operation, there will be a noticeable vibration of the box.
  - b. To stop the converter, throw Switch SW-105 to the OFF position.

Caution: When converter is not in use, always throw Switch SW-105 to the OFF position to prevent batteries from being discharged.

## PART THREE MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

#### Section IV. PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE TECHNIQUES

#### 11. Meaning of Preventive Maintenance

Preventive maintenance is a systematic series of operations performed at regular intervals on equipment, when turned off, to eliminate major break-downs and unwanted interruptions in service, and to keep the equipment operating at top efficiency. To understand what is meant by preventive maintenance, it is necessary to distinguish preventive maintenance from trouble shooting and repair. The prime function of preventive maintenance is to prevent break-downs and, therefore, the need for repair. The prime function of trouble shooting and repair is to locate and correct existing defects. The importance of preventive maintenance cannot be overemphasized. A system of communications depends upon the readiness and operating efficiency of each item of equipment when it is needed. Keep the equipment in first-rate operating condition at all times.

#### 12. Description of Preventive Maintenance Techniques

a. General. Although Converter M-222 has a small number of component parts, routine preventive maintenance is required. Because hit-or-miss maintenance techniques cannot be applied, definite and specific instructions are needed. This section of the manual contains these specific instructions and serves as a guide for personnel assigned to perform the six basic maintenance operations: Feel, Inspect, Tighten, Clean, Adjust, and Lubricate. Throughout this manual the following lettering system for the six operations will be:

F—Feel\*
I—Inspect
T—Tighten
C—Clean
A—Adjust\*

L--Lubricate\*

\*The Feel, Adjust, and Lubricate operations are inapplicable to Converter M-222. The second operation (Inspect) shows when the other two are needed. Selection of operations is based on a knowledge of field needs. For example, dust encountered on dirt roads during cross-country travel filters into the equipment no matter how much care is taken to prevent

- it. Rapid changes in weather (such as heavy rain followed by blistering heat), excessive dampness, snow, and ice tend to cause corrosion of exposed surfaces and parts. Without frequent inspections and the necessary tightening and cleaning operations, equipment becomes undependable and may break down when it is most needed.
- b. Inspect. Inspection is the most important operation in the preventive maintenance program. A careless observer will overlook the evidences of minor trouble. Although these defects may not interfere with the performance of the equipment, valuable time and effort can be saved if they are corrected before they lead to major break-downs. Make every effort to become thoroughly familiar with the indications of normal functioning, to recognize the signs of a defective set. Inspect for the following conditions.
- (1) Overheating, as indicated by discoloration, blistering, or bulging of the parts or surface of the container; leakage of insulating compounds; oxidation of metal contact surfaces.
- (2) Placement, by observing that all leads and cabling are in their original positions.
- (3) Cleanliness, by carefully examining all recesses in the unit for accumulation of dust, excessive moisture, etc., especially between connecting terminals. Parts, connections, and joints should be free of dust, corrosion, and other foreign matter. In tropical and high-humidity locations, look for fungus growth and mildew.
- (4) Tightness, by testing any connection or mounting which appears to be loose.
- c. TIGHTEN AND CLEAN. These operations are self-explanatory. The procedures to be followed in performing them are given wherever necessary throughout part three.

Caution: Do not tighten screws, bolts, and nuts carelessly. Fittings tightened beyond the pressure for which they are designed will be damaged or broken. Whenever a loose connection is tightened, moistureproof and fungiproof it again by applying the varnish with a small brush. (See sec. VII for details of moistureproofing and fungiproofing.)

#### Section V. ITEMIZED PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

#### 13. Introduction

The general technique involved and the application of the FITCAL operations in performing preventive maintenance on individual parts are discussed in this section. Perform all work with the power turned off. After preventive maintenance has been performed, operate the equipment and check it for satisfactory performance.

#### 14. Common Materials Needed

The following materials will be needed in performing preventive maintenance:

Common hand tools.

Clean, lint-free cloths.

#0000 sandpaper.

Small brushes.

Dry-cleaning solvent (SD).

Note. Gasoline will not be used as a cleaning fluid for any purpose. Solvent, dry cleaning, is available as a cleaning fluid through established supply channels. Oil, fuel, Diesel, may be used for cleaning purposes when dry-cleaning solvent (SD) is not at hand. Carbon tetrachloride will be used as a cleaning fluid only in the following cases: where inflammable solvents cannot be used because of the fire hazard, and for cleaning electrical contacts including relays, plugs, commutators, etc.

#### 15. Exterior of Converter M-222

- a. INSPECT (I). (1) Inspect the box for broken or damaged places, chipped paint, dirt, dust, rust, corrosion, and loose or missing screws.
  - (2) Inspect the toggle switch for looseness of mounting.
- b. TIGHTEN (T). (1) Tighten all loose screws with a screw driver of the proper size.
- (2) If the toggle switch is loose, remove the right cover of Converter M-222, and tighten the hexagonal nuts which mount the switch to the box. Tighten the exterior hexagonal nut with a socket wrench and the interior nut with an open-end, flat wrench of the proper size.
- c. CLEAN (C). Using a soft, clean, lint-free cloth, wipe off all dirt and dust from the box and exterior of the covers. If necessary, use dry-cleaning solvent to remove grease and oil.

#### 16. Interior of Converter M-222

Unfasten the two catch fasteners and take off the left cover of Converter M-222. Remove the four corner screws from the right cover and take off the cover. Remove the vibrator by pulling it away from the mounting socket.

- a. Inspect (I). (I) Inspect all chassis wiring for frayed or defective insulation and cracks or evidence of dry rot. Check to see that all connections are tight.
- (2) Carefully examine all parts for loose or missing mounting screws and nuts. Do not remove the cover of the vibrator.
  - (3) Examine all parts for dirt, dust, corrosion, and fungus.
- (4) Check the interior of the battery compartment for loose or missing screws. Examine the battery leads for signs of damaged insulation. Carefully inspect the terminals for dirt or corrosion.

- (5) Check the batteries for cracked or loose sealing compound and electrolyte leakage.
- b. Tighten (T). (1) Securely tighten all screws and nuts found to be loose, but do not force. The mounting screws for the capacitors, vibrator socket, transformer, and green (positive) battery lead are accessible from the battery compartment.
  - (2) If necessary resolder loose wiring connections.
- c. CLEAN (C). (I) Clean the interior of the converter with a clean, lint-free cloth. Use a small bristle brush on the parts not accessible for cleaning with the cloth. If necessary, use dry-cleaning solvent (SD) to remove oil, grease, or wax compounds. Do not attempt to clean the interior of the vibrator unit.
- (2) Clean the terminal lugs of the two battery connectors with a brush moistened in dry-cleaning solvent (SD). Remove corrosion with #0000 sandpaper, then wipe the terminals with a clean cloth.

#### 17. Preventive Maintenance Check List

The following check list is a summary of the preventive maintenance operations to be performed on Converter M-222. The time intervals shown on the check list may be reduced at any time by the local commander. For best performance of the equipment, perform operations at least as frequently as called for in the check list.

Item Operations	Description of item	When performed		
No.	Operations	Description of Rem	Weekly	Monthly
1	ITC	Exterior of Converter M-222.	X	
2	I	Batteries.	X	
3	ITC	Interior of Converter M-222.		х

Note. X indicates when operations are to be performed.

$F^*$	I	T	С	A*	L*
Feel	Inspect	Tighten	Clean	Adjust	Lubricate

#### Section VI. LUBRICATION

Note. Lubrication of Converter M-222 is not required.

<sup>\*</sup>The Feel, Adjust, and Lubricate operations are inapplicable to Converter M-222.

#### Section VII. MOISTUREPROOFING AND FUNGIPROOFING

#### 18. General

- a. When equipment is operated in highly humid climates, excessive failure of parts and decreased operating efficiency are usually caused by the accumulated effects of moisture, rather than by inferior parts. Rapid temperature changes accompanied by fog, rain, dew, or high humidity promote such failures.
- b. The effects of moisture on resistors, capacitors, coils, chokes, transformer windings, terminal boards, and insulating strips can be recognized in the form of corrosion, low insulation resistance, flash-overs, and crosstalk. Moisture also accelerates fungus growth which increases these effects.

#### 19. Reducing Failures

- a. A moistureproofing and fungiproofing treatment has been devised which, if properly applied, provides a reasonable degree of protection. The treatment consists of applying a film of moisture- and fungi-resistant varnish to all susceptible parts of the equipment. This film provides a nonwetting surface. Equipments which have been treated have been marked with the letters MFP and the date of treatment. Equipments not marked should be examined, and if treatment has not been applied, the equipment should be returned to third or higher echelon maintenance units for treatment.
- b. TB SIG 13 and Changes 1 and 2 contain a detailed description of this treatment.
- c. Retreatment may be required after a period of use. Need for this retreatment is indicated by excessive failures or by the effects listed in paragraph 18b.

#### 20. Treating Converter M-222

- a. PREPARATION. Make all repairs and adjustments necessary for proper operation of the equipment.
- b. DISASSEMBLY. (I) Release catches on battery compartment cover and remove cover. Remove batteries if installed.
- (2) Remove cover of wiring compartment by removing the four screws which hold it in place.
  - (3) Remove vibrator unit by pulling it from plug receptacle.
- (4) Remove cover from vibrator unit by removing the two screws at ends of vibrator unit case.
- c. CLEANING. Clean all dirt, dust, rust, and fungus from the equipment to be processed. Clean all oil and grease from the surfaces to be varnished.



Figure 7. Converter M-222-battery compartment, battery connecting wires masked.

- d. Masking. (1) Mask bare ends of battery connecting wires. (See fig. 7.)
  - (2) Mask vibrator unit plug receptacle. (See fig. 8.)
  - (3) Mask vibrator unit contact spring. (See fig. 8.)
- (4) Mask the screw holes in the cover of the vibrator unit. (See fig. 8.)
- e. Drying. Place equipment in an oven or under heat lamps and dry for 2 to 3 hours at 140° F.

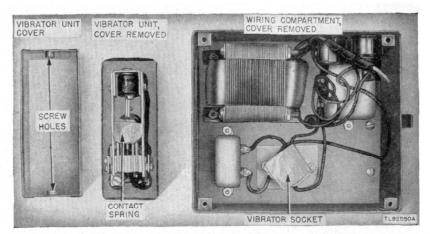


Figure 8. Converter M-222 inside of chassis, vibrator unit removed, vibrator unit plug receptacle and contact spring masked.

- f. Varnishing. (1) Spray three coats of moistureproofing and fungiproofing varnish (lacquer, fungus-resistant, Signal Corps stock No. 6G1005.3, or equal) to parts listed in (3) through (6) below. Allow each coat to air-dry for 15 or 20 minutes before applying the next coat.
- (2) Apply varnish immediately after the equipment is dried. If varnish is not applied immediately, moisture condenses on the equipment. Varnish applied over the moisture peels off readily after the varnish has dried.
  - (3) Battery compartment. (See fig. 7.)
  - (4) Battery connecting wires. (See fig. 7.)
  - (5) Transformer, vibrator unit, and wiring compartment. (See fig. 8.)
  - (6) Inside of vibrator unit case and vibrator unit cover. (See fig. 8.)
- g. Reassembly. (1) Remove all masking tape, being careful not to peel varnish from near-by areas.
- (2) If necessary to remove varnish from the vibrator contacts, burnish the contacts with a contact burnishing tool.
- (3) Reassemble the converter and test for proper operation of circuit elements.
- h. Marking. Mark the letters MFP and the date of treatment near the nameplate on the converter.

Example: MFP-15 Dec 45.

#### 21. Treating Equipment After Repairs

If the coating of protective varnish has been punctured or broken during repair and if complete treatment is not needed to reseal the equipment, brush-coat the affected part. Be sure the break is completely sealed.

## PART FOUR AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT

(Not used.)

# PART FIVE REPAIR INSTRUCTIONS

Note. Failure or unsatisfactory performance of equipment used by Army Ground Forces and Army Service Forces will be reported on WD AGO Form 468 (Unsatistory Equipment Report); by Army Air Forces, on Army Air Forces Form 54 (Unsatisfactory Report). If either form is not available, prepare letter containing the data elicited by the sample form shown in figure 16 or 17 without reproducing copies of the form.

#### Section VIII. THEORY OF EQUIPMENT

#### 22. Input Circuit

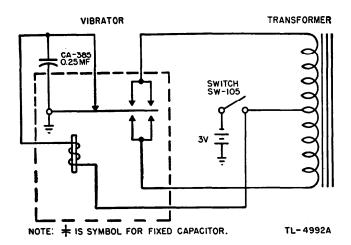


Figure 9. Converter M-222—functional diagram of input circuit.

The input circuit (fig. 9) consists of the vibrator, the tapped transformer primary, Switch SW-105, two Batteries BA-23, and Capacitor CA-385. The input current flows from the batteries through Switch SW-105 (ON), the vibrator coil, the vibrator actuating point, the vibrator center reed, and back to the batteries. (See fig. 10.) The vibrator starts and causes the center reed to make contact with one set of side reeds. Capacitor CA-385, the actuating point capacitor, quenches the arc caused by opening of the actuating point. With one set of side reeds closed, current flows through the center tap of the transformer, one-half of the transformer winding, one set of the vibrator side reeds, the vibrator center reed, and back to the batteries. (See fig. 11.) On the other half-

cycle of the vibrator, an exactly similar circuit may be traced through the other half of the transformer and the other set of side reeds of the vibrator. (See fig. 12.) The reversal of direction of current flow in the primary produces alternating magnetic flux in the iron core of the transformer.

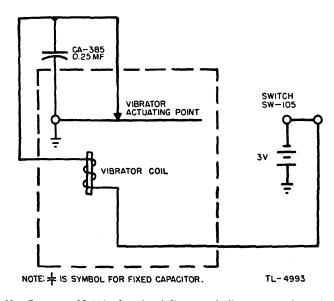


Figure 10. Converter M-222-functional diagram of vibrator actuating point circuit.

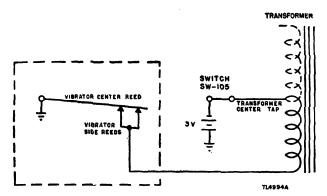


Figure 11. Converter M-222—functional diagram of vibrator circuit, first half cycle.

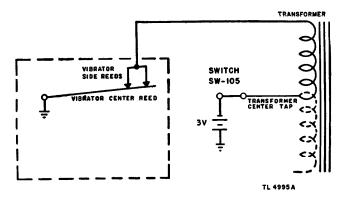


Figure 12. Converter M-222—functional diagram of vibrator circuit, second half-cycle.

#### 23. Output Circuit

The output circuit (fig. 13) consists of the transformer secondary. Capacitor CA-234, and the output receptacle. The reversal of direction of flow in the primary produces alternating magnetic flux in the transformer core, thus producing alternating voltage in the secondary. Capacitor CA-234 acts as a buffer capacitor, regulating the manner in which the magnetic flux decays in the transformer core during the intervals when the primary circuit is open by operation of the vibrator. The output receptacle is connected across the output terminals of the transformer.

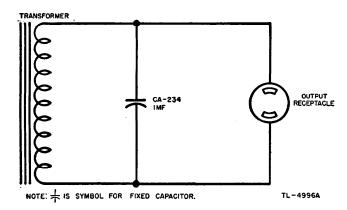


Figure 13. Converter M-222-functional diagram of output circuit.

#### Section IX. TROUBLE SHOOTING

#### 24. General

No matter how well equipment is manufactured, faults will develop in service. When such faults occur, the repairman must locate and correct them as rapidly as possible. This section contains information to aid personnel engaged in the important duty of trouble shooting.

- a. Trouble-shooting Data. Take advantage of the material contained in this manual to help in the rapid location of faults. Consult the following trouble-shooting data when necessary:
  - (1) Schematic diagram. (See fig. 14.)
  - (2) Wiring diagram. (See fig. 15.)
- (3) Illustrations showing location of parts. (See figs. 2, 3, 4, 18,, and 19.)
  - (4) Circuit test data. (See par. 25.)
  - (5) Trouble-shooting chart. (See par. 26.)
- b. Trouble-shooting Steps. The first step in servicing a defective converter is to sectionalize the fault. Sectionalization means tracing the fault to the component or circuit responsible for the abnormal operation or the nonoperation of the converter. The second step is to localize the fault. Localization means the tracing of the fault to the defective part responsible for the condition.

#### 25. Circuit Tests

- a. Point-to-point Check. A test of the circuit may be made by a point-to-point check using the schematic diagram (fig. 14) for location of points. The meters required for the test are an a-c voltmeter, o to 150 volts, rectifier type, 2,000 ohms per volt; an a-c voltmeter, o to 10 volts; a d-c voltmeter, o to 5 volts; a low-resistance range ohmmeter.
- (1) Voltage test. With the input voltage of the batteries 3.1 volts dc, Switch SW-105 in the ON position, and with no load on the converter, the readings should approximate the following:

Points	Readings (volts)			Meter
A to B	100 ac	0 t	o <b>15</b> 0	a-c voltmeter
A to chassis	0			
C to D				
C to E				
D to E	'	0 t	o 10	a-c voltmeter
E to chassis	3 dc	0 t	5	d-c voltmeter

(2) Resistance tests. Move Switch SW-105 to the OFF position. Using a low-resistance range ohmmeter, the following readings should be obtained:

Points	Resistance (ohms)
A to B	85
A to chassis	Infinity.
C to D	0.3
C to E	0.15
D to E	0.15
E to F	6
E to chassis	6

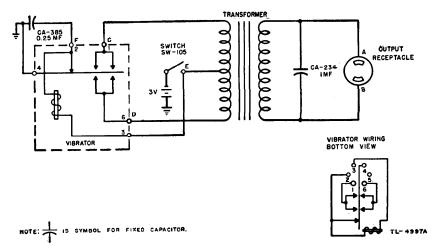


Figure 14. Converter M-222-schematic diagram.

b. Current Output Test. If reasonably fresh Batteries BA-23 are installed in Converter M-222, the output of the converter into a non-inductive circuit should be as shown below. The resistance of the output circuit includes that of the measuring instrument, which should be of the thermocouple or equivalent type to avoid errors due to waveform. Values listed in the following table are the minimum output.

Resistance (ohms)	Minimum output (milliamperes)
200	110.0
1,000	52.0
10,000	8.5
100,000	0.9

#### 26. Trouble-shooting Chart

The following trouble-shooting chart, if properly used, will simplify fault location if the converter fails to operate or does not operate satisfactorily. This chart lists the various probable sources of trouble as well as the recommended correction.

- a. Test of Input Circuit. (1) Disconnect the ringing cable from the converter.
  - (2) Operate Switch SW-105 to ON.

(3) Place a hand on the converter case to detect operation of the vibrator. If no vibration is felt, check for trouble as follows:

Source of trouble	Remedy
1. Batteries incorrectly connected	1. Check connection of batteries and correct (par. 7.)
2. Batteries dead	2. Check batteries under load. Replace dead batteries.
3. Vibrator loose in socket	3. Push vibrator firmly into sockets.
4. Vibrator contacts dirty	4. Clean and burnish vibrator contacts (par. 28.)
5. Vibrator contacts out of adjust- ment or burned.	5. Adjust contacts. The start contact should be made and the side reed contacts open when Switch SW-105 is OFF. Burned contacts indicate a shorted Capacitor CA-385. Replace vibrator if contacts cannot be adjusted, and replace defective Capacitor CA-385.
6. Open in wiring of vibrator coil or transformer primary winding.	6. Check resistance of vibrator coil and primary winding. The resistance of the vibrator coil (E to F, fig. 14) is 6 ohms. The resistance of the transformer primary winding (C to D, fig. 14) is 0.3 ohms. Replace the vibrator or transformer if the coil or winding is defective.
7. Switch SW-105 defective	7. Check continuity through switch. Replace if defective.

- b. Test of Output Circuit. (1) Operate Switch SW-105 to OFF.
- (2) Connect a Telephone EE-8-( ), with its switch lever depressed, to the output receptacle of the converter.
  - (3) Operate Switch SW-105 to ON.

(4) A loud sustained ring should be heard. If Telephone EE-8-( ) does not ring, check for trouble as follows:

Source of trouble	Remedy
Transformer secondary winding or wiring defective.	1. Disconnect Telephone EE-8-( ) and check the resistance of the transformer secondary winding. The resistance between A and B, fig. 14, should be 85 ohms. Replace the transformer if defective.
2. Shorted Capacitor CA-234	<ol> <li>A shorted Capacitor CA-234 is indicated by a low or zero ohmmeter reading. Replace the defective capacitor.</li> </ol>

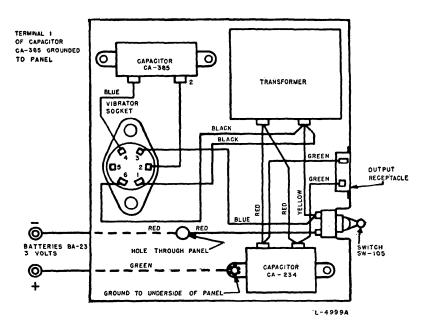


Figure 15. Converter M-222-wiring diagram.

#### Section X. REPAIRS

#### 27. Replacement of Parts

Remove the four No. 8-32 roundhead steel screws which hold the right cover in place. Remove the right cover.

- a. VIBRATOR. Pull the vibrator away from the mounting shelf until the prongs on the base of the vibrator are disengaged from the socket. Before inserting a new vibrator, note the indexing of the socket. Place the vibrator into the socket so that the two large prongs on the vibrator plug fit into the corresponding holes marked I and 6 in the socket.
- b. Other Parts. Parts other than the vibrator will rarely have to be replaced. Should any other parts have to be replaced, make all wiring connections to the new parts clean and secure. Check the wiring with the wiring diagram. (See fig. 15.) After changing any part, be sure the box, chassis, and wired parts are thoroughly cleaned and free from superfluous particles of solder.

#### 28. Burnishing Vibrator Contacts

- a. Failure of the converter to function properly may be traced in some cases to dirty vibrator contacts. The vibrator box may be opened for inspection by removing a small screw at each end of the box and taking off the cover. If an excessive amount of dust has collected on or adjacent to the contact portions of the vibrator, remove the dust with a cleaning brush or with a piece of clean lint-free cloth.
- b. When necessary to clean the vibrator contacts, burnish them using a contact burnishing tool. Wipe off the blade of the tool with a clean, dry cloth before burnishing any of the contacts. Insert the blade of the tool between the contacts and press the contacts together manually, giving a slight pressure only on the blade of the burnishing tool. Usually by rubbing the flat side of the blade back and forth between the contacts two or three times, the desired result is obtained. In some cases, where contacts are pitted, additional strokes of the contact burnishing tool may be required. Do not use abrasives other than the blade of the burnishing tool.
- c. When unable to clear contact trouble by burnishing only, the contacts may be cleaned and flushed with carbon tetrachloride. Dip the flat end of a clean new toothpick in the carbon tetrachloride to a depth of approximately ½ inch and, without rubbing, deposit the liquid on the contacts (held slightly separated). Dip the flat end of another clean new toothpick in the carbon tetrachloride and again deposit the liquid on the contact, without rubbing, to flush away the dirt which has been loosened by the first application. When the contacts are thoroughly dry, burnish them as explained in b above to make sure that no deposit or

residue from the solution or any foreign material remains on the contact.

#### 29. Painting and Refinishing

If the finish on the case has been badly scarred or damaged, the repairman should touch up the bared surface of the case to prevent rust and corrosion. When painting and refinishing are necessary, proceed as follows:

a. Clean the scarred surface down to the bare metal. Use #00 to #000 sandpaper to obtain a bright, smooth finish. To remove rust, first clean the corroded metal with dry-cleaning solvent (SD). For severe rust, use dry-cleaning solvent (SD) to soften the rust and then use sandpaper to remove it.

**Caution:** Do not use steel wool instead of sandpaper. Minute particles of the metal frequently enter the case and cause harmful internal electrical shorting or grounding of circuits.

b. Before repainting touch up bared metal parts with a primer coat and allow to dry. When a touching-up job is necessary, apply paint with a small brush. When numerous scars and scratches warrant a complete repainting job, remove the chassis from the case and spraypaint the entire case.

#### 30. Unsatisfactory Equipment Report

- a. When trouble in equipment used by Army Ground Forces or Army Service Forces occurs more often than repair personnel feel is normal, WD AGO Form 468 (Unsatisfactory Equipment Report) should be filled out and forwarded through channels to the Office of the Chief Signal Officer, Washington 25, D. C.
- b. When trouble in equipment used by Army Air Forces occurs more often than repair personnel feel is normal, Army Air Forces Form 54 should be filled out and forwarded to Commanding General, Air Technical Service Command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

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Figure 17. AAF Form 54 with sample entries.

# Appendix I. REFERENCES

Note. For availability of items listed, check FM 21-6 and ASF Catalog SIG. 2. Also see FM 21-6 for applicable Technical Bulletins, Supply Bulletins, Modification Work Orders, and changes.

#### I. Army Regulations

AR 380-5, Safeguarding Military Information.

#### 2. Supply Publications

SIG 1, Introduction to ASF Signal Supply Catalog.

SIG 2, Complete Index to ASF Signal Supply Catalog.

SIG 3, List of Items for Troop Issue.

SIG 4-1, Allowances of Expendable Supplies.

SIG 4-2, Allowances of Expendable Supplies for Schools, Training Centers, Boards and Fixed Installations.

SIG 5, Stock List of All Items.

SIG 6, Sets of Equipment.

SIG 7, Organizational Spare Parts.

SIG 8, Higher Echelon Spare Parts.

SB 11-6, Dry Battery Supply Data.

SB 11-76, Signal Corps Kit and Materials for Moisture- and Fungi-resistant Treatment.

# 3. Technical Manuals on Associated Equipment and Test Equipment

TM 11-332, Telephone Central Office Set TC-4.

TM 11-336, Telephone Central Office Set TC-12.

TM 11-2017, Test Set TS-26/TSM.

TM 11-2613 Voltohmmeter I-166.

# 4. Shipping Instructions

U. S. Army Specification No. 11-14A, Army-Navy General Specifications for Packaging and Packing for Overseas Shipment.

#### 5. Decontamination

TM 3-220, Decontamination.

#### 6. Demolition

FM 5-25, Explosives and Demolitions.

#### 7. Other Publications

TB SIG 13, Moistureproofing and Fungiproofing Signal Corps Equipment.

TB SIG 66, Winter Maintenance of Signal Equipment.

TB SIG 72, Tropical Maintenance of Ground Signal Equipment.

TB SIG 75, Desert Maintenance of Ground Signal Equipment.

TM 1-455, Electrical Fundamentals.

TM 11-430, Storage Batteries for Signal Communication Except Those Pertaining to Aircraft.

TM 11-462, Signal Corps Reference Data.

TM 11-473, Central Office Maintenance.

TM 11-486, Electrical Communication Systems Engineering.

TM 11-487, Electrical Communication Systems Equipment.

TM 11-498, Fundamental of Telephony and Manual Telegraphy.

TM 37-250, Basic Maintenance Manual.

#### 8. Forms

WD AGO Form 468, Unsatisfactory Equipment Report. AAF Form 54, Unsatisfactory Report.

#### 9. Abbreviations

AAF Army Air Forces.

ac alternating current (noun).

a-c alternating-current (adj).

dc direct current (noun).

d-c direct-current (adj).

° F. degrees Fahrenheit.

diam diameter.

fig. figure.

hex. hexagonal.

ID inside diameter.

in. inch.

lb pound.

mf microfarad.

MFP moisture proofed and fungiproofed.

mtg mounting.

# number.

No. number.

OD outside diameter.

par. paragraph.

reg regular.

SD dry-cleaning solvent.

Sig C Signal Corps.

v volt.

WD AGO War Department, Adjutant General's Office.

# Appendix II. MAINTENANCE PARTS

## 1. Maintenance Parts for Converter M-222

The following information was compiled on 30 October 1945. The appropriate pamphlets of the ASF Signal Supply Catalog for Converter M-222 are—

Organizational Spare Parts: SIG 7-TC-4. Higher Echelon Spare Parts: SIG 8-M-222.

For an index of available catalog pamphlets, see the latest issue of ASF Signal Supply Catalog SIG 2.

Note. The following list covers first, second, and third echelon maintenance parts.

Reference No.	Signal Corps stock No.	Name
Figs. 3 and 4	3D234	CAPACITOR CA-234.
Fig. 4	3D385	CAPACITOR CA-385.
Fig. 6	4F222/J1	INSULATOR: fiber.
Fig. 18 (1)	4F222/L1	LABEL, circuit.
Fig. 1	6Z7788	RECEPTACLE: (input).
Fig. 4	2Z8659-7	SOCKET: (vibrator).
Fig. 19 (8)	6L30555	SPACER: 3/8" OD x 3/16" ID x 3/4"; (socket mtg).
Figs. 1, 3, and 4	3Z8105	SWITCH SW-105.
Fig. 18 (2)	3Z12050-1	TERMINAL, lug: (ring type).
Figs. 3 and 4	4F222/T1	TRANSFORMER ASSEMBLY: (power).
Figs. 3 and 4	4F222/V1	VIBRATOR.
		General Hardware
Figs. 18 and 19 (6)	6L3106–32.1S	NUT, hex.: #6-32 (miscellaneous parts mtg and chassis assembly).
Fig. 18 (3)	6L6632–5.8S	SCREW, machine: $\#6-32 \times 5/16''$ ; (capacitor and transformer mtg and vibrator cover fastening).
Fig. 18 (4)	6L6632–16.9S .	SCREW, machine #6-32 x 1"; (vibrator socket mtg).
Fig. 19 (7)	6L6832-4.9S	SCREW, machine: #8-32 x 1/4"; (cover fastening and receptacle mtg).
Fig. 18 (5)	6L73006	WASHER: SAE reg. for #6 screw; (capacitor, transformer, and socket mtg and chassis assembly).

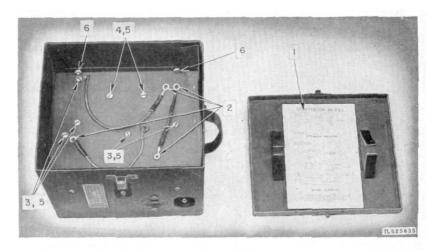


Figure 18. Converter M 222-battery compartment, identification of parts.

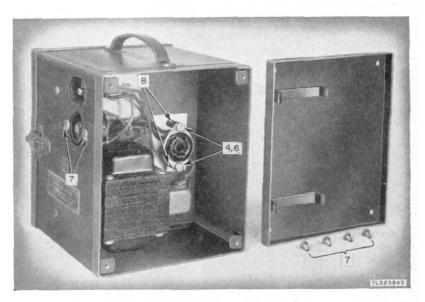


Figure 19. Converter M-222-right cover removed, identification of parts

# TECHNICAL MANUAL CONVERTER M-222

Changes No. 1

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY WASHINGTON 25, D. C., 20 April 1951

TM 11-344, 1 April 1946, is changed as follows:

The title of the manual is changed to read: CONVERTERS M-222 AND M-222-A

# PART ONE INTRODUCTION

Note (Added) Converter M-222-A is functionally the same as Converter M-222. There are no circuit changes. However, the construction of the equipment has been changed. In Converter M-222, the electrical components are mounted on a shelf at the center of the unit. In Converter M-222-A, these components are mounted on one of the side covers. Wherever Converter M-222 appears in the manual, with the exception of figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 15, 18, and 19, add M-222-A.

#### 3. Description of Converter M-222

b. Mounting Shelf Assembly. On top of \* \* \* six-prong socket. A fiber insulator is mounted on the under side of the shelf assembly directly under Capacitor CA-234. The mounting shelf \* \* \* binding head screws.

# 3.1 Description of Converter M-222-A

(Added)

- a. Box. Converter M-222-A is housed in a rectangular steel box with two removable sides (fig. 2.1). The front panel bears a caution plate, nameplate, and the lower section of one catch fastener.
- b. RIGHT COVER. The cover to the right of the nameplate, when the operator is facing the converter, is fastened to the box by four captive screws. These screws fasten into four tapped angle brackets welded to the corners of the box. All the circuit components, except the batteries, are mounted on the back of this cover (fig. 3.1). On the front of this cover are mounted the output receptacle and the power switch. This construction permits easy access to all circuit components by merely unscrewing the four captive screws and removing the right cover.
- c. Left Cover. The construction of the left cover of Converter M-222-A is the same as that of Converter M-222 (par. 3d).

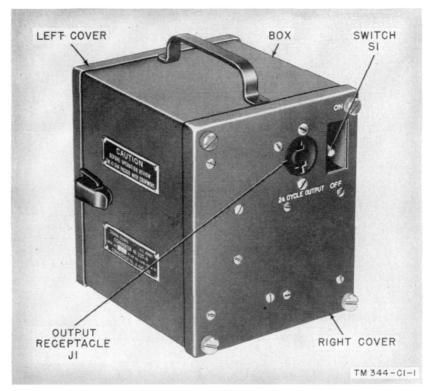


Figure 2.1 (Added). Converter M-222-A, outside view.

#### 8. Connection of Converter M-222 or M-222-A

To connect the converter for use, plug the power ringing cord from the switchboard into the output receptacle. On Converter M-222, the receptacle is located on the front of the converter. On Converter M-222-A, the receptacle is located on the right cover.

#### 9. Removal from Service

a. Operate Switch SW-105 or switch S1 (figs. 2 and 2.1) to the OFF position.

# 10. Operation of Converter M-222 or M-222-A

- a. To start the converter, throw Switch SW-105 or switch S1 to the ON position. Feel the box \* \* \* of the box.
- b. To stop the converter, throw Switch SW-105 or switch S1 to the OFF position.

Caution: When the converter is not in use, always throw Switch SW-105 or switch S1 to the OFF position to prevent batteries from being discharged.

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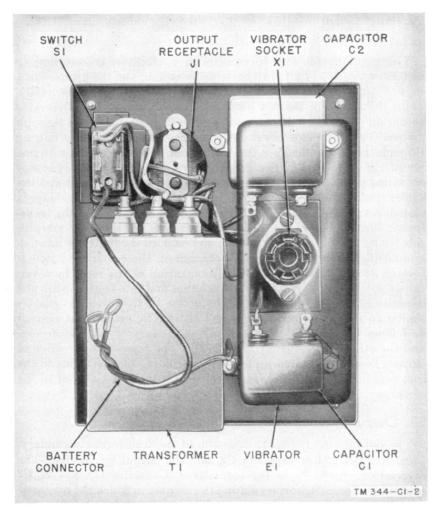


Figure 3.1 (Added). Converter M-222-A, inside view of right cover.

# 16. Interior of Converter M-222 or M-222-A

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b. Tighten (T).

(1) Securely tighten all \* \* \* do not force. In Converter M-222, the mounting screws for the capacitors, vibrator socket, transformer, and green (positive) battery lead are accessible from the battery compartment.

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Figures 9 through 14 apply to Converter M-222-A as well as to Converter M-222. For comparable component designations which apply to Converter M-222-A, refer to appendix II.

#### 22. Input Circuit

(Superseded)

The input circuit (fig. 9) consists of a vibrator, arc-suppressing capacitor CA-385 or C1, two batteries, a switch, and the primary of a tapped transformer. The input current flows through the switch (with the switch in the ON position), the vibrator coil, the vibrator actuating point, the vibrator reed, and back to the batteries through ground (fig. 10). The vibrator starts, because of the current flowing through the coil, and causes the center reed to make contact with one set of the side reeds. The capacitor, which is across the vibrator actuating point, is used to minimize arcing between the point and the center reed as contact is made and broken. With one set of side reeds closed, current flows from the batteries to the center tap of the transformer through half of the transformer winding, one set of the vibrator side reeds, the vibrator center reed, and back to the batteries through ground (fig. 11). With the coil deenergized, the center reed swings toward its original position. The momentum of the reed, however, causes it to swing past its original position and into contact with the opposite set of the side reeds. The action of the circuit is exactly similar to that described for the first half-cycle, except that current now flows through the other half of the primary of the transformer and the other set of side reeds (fig. 12). The reversal of direction of current flow in the primary produces alternating magnetic flux in the iron core of the transformer, and, consequently, an a-c output in the secondary.

### 23. Output Circuit

The output circuit (fig. 13) consists of the transformer secondary, Capacitor CA-234 or capacitor C2, and the output receptacle. The reversal of \* \* \* in the secondary. Capacitor CA-234 or C2 acts as a buffer capacitor, regulating the manner in which the magnetic flux decays in the transformer core during the intervals when the primary circuit is open by operation of the vibrator. The output receptacle \* \* \* of the transformer.

#### 24. General

a. Trouble-shooting Data. Take advantage of \* \* \* data when necessary:

(3) Illustrations showing location of parts. See figures 2, 2.1, 3, 3.1, 4, 18, and 19.

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#### 25. Circuit Tests

- a. Point-to-Point Check. A test of \* \* \* location of points. The meters required for the test are an a-c voltmeter, 0 to 150 volts, rectifier type, 2,000 ohms per volt; an a-c voltmeter, 0 to 10 volts; a d-c voltmeter, 0 to 5 volts; a low range ohmmeter.
  - (1) Voltage test. With the input voltage 3.0 volts d-c (Switch SW-105 or Switch S1 in the ON position) and with no load on the converter, the readings should approximate the following:

	Point	8	Readings (volts) Meter		r		
A to B.			110-120 a-c		 0 to 15	0 а-с	voltmeter.
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(2) Resistance tests. Move Switch SW-105 or switch S1 to the OFF position. Using a low range ohmmeter, the following readings should be obtained:

# 26. Trouble-shooting Chart

- a. Test of Input Circuit.
  - (1) Disconnect the ringing cable from the converter.

  - (2) Operate Switch SW-105 or switch S1 to ON.

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- b. Test of Output Circuit.
  - (1) Operate Switch SW-105 or switch S1 to OFF.
  - (3) Operate Switch SW-105 or switch S1 to ON.
  - (4) A loud sustained \* \* \* trouble as follows:

Source of trouble	Remedy
2. Shorted Capacitor CA-234 or capacitor C2.	2. A shorted Capacitor CA-234 or capacitor C2 is indicated by a low or zero ohmmeter reading. Replace the defective capacitor.

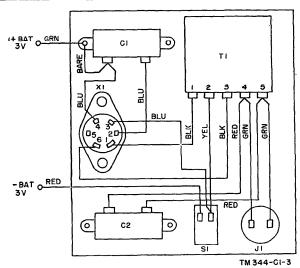


Figure 15.1 (Added) Converter M-222-A, wiring diagram.

# 27. Replacement of Parts

When replacing parts in Converter M-222, remove the four No. 8-32 roundhead steel screws which hold the right cover in place. Remove the right cover. To remove the right cover of Converter M-22-A, loosen the No. 8-32 captive steel screws.

a. VIBRATOR. Pull the vibrator away from the mounting shelf of Converter M-222 until the prongs on the base of the vibrator are disengaged from the socket. In Converter M-222-A, the vibrator is located on the back of the right cover. Before inserting a \* \* \* in the socket.

# Appendix II. IDENTIFICATION TABLE OF PARTS

(Superseded)

Note. The fact that a part is listed in this table is not sufficient basis for requisitioning the item. Requisitions must cite an authorized basis, such as the specific T/O & E, T/A, SIG 7 & 8, SIG 7-8-10, SIG 10, list of allowances of expendable material, or another authorized supply basis. The Department of the Army Supply Catalog applicable to the equipment covered in this manual is SIG 7 & 8-M-222. For an index of available supply catalogs in the Signal portion of the Department of the Army Supply Catalog, see the latest issue of SIG 1, Introduction and Index.

Ref symbol	Name of part and description	Function of part	Signal Corps stock No.	
	CONVERTER M-222 and M-222-A: vibrator type; 3 v, 2 amp d-c; output 100 v open CKT, 22 v w/load of 2.5 w, 24 cyc ±4 cyc, 110 ma into a 200 ohm CKT; steel case; 6½" lg x 6½" wd x 7½" h.	Supplies emergency power current for telephone switch- boards.	4E222	
C1 or CA- 385.	CAPACITOR, fixed: paper; 500,000 µµf ±10%; 200 vdcw; JAN type CP53B1EC504K.	Minimizes arcing be- tween actuating point of vibrator and center reed as contact is made and broken.	3DA500-534	
C2 or CA- 234.	CAPACITOR, fixed: paper; 1 \( \mu f \pm 10%; \) 200 vdew; JAN type CP53B1EC105K.	Buffer capacitor. Regulates manner of decay of mag- netic flux in trans- former core during intervals when the primary circuit is open.	3DB1-181	
J1 or OUT- PUT RE- C E P - TACLE.	CONNECTOR, receptable: double T slot, female cont; straight.	Output receptacle	6Z7788	
	SCREW, captive: thumb and slot drive; knurled thumb head, semi-finished; #8-32, NC-2; 'Me'' lg o/a (Converter M-222-A only).	Fastener for right cover, Converter M-222-A.	6L4768- 15.1SF1	
X1 or VI- BRATOR SOCKET.	SOCKET, tube: 6 cont medium; one piece saddle mtg.	Vibrator socket	2Z8659–7	

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Ref symbol	Name of part and description	Function of part	Signal Corps Stock No.	
S1 or SW- 105.	SWITCH, toggle: SPST; JAN type ST42A; 6/15	Power switch	3Z9863-42A	
Т1	amp at 125/250 v a-c. TRANSFORMER, power: vibrator; input 3 v d-c,	Transforms voltage	2 <b>Z</b> 9625–6 <b>7</b>	
	CT, 3 amp; output 22 v at 110 ma rms; 24 eye output; hard steel case (Converter M-222-A only).			
Transformer_	TRANSFORMER, power: vibrator; input 2.8 v d-c, CT, 3 amp; output 50 v at 100 ma rms; 25 cyc output; half shells on ea end (Converter M-222 only).	Transforms voltage	2Z9625	
E1 or vibra- tor.	VIBRATOR, nonsynchronous: input 3 v d-c, .5 amp.	Interrupts trans- former input.	$4\mathrm{F}222/\mathrm{V}1$	

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