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WRM-40

winding resistance meter



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The WRM-40 is designed to accurately measure the winding resistance of highly inductive power transformers. The unit's dual resistance-reading input channels can measure two winding resistances simultaneously, and four-wire (Kelvin) connections provide high accuracy and require no lead compensation. The WRM-40 provides stable resistance readings of very large transformers by utilizing a 36Vdc power supply capable of outputting up to 40 Amperes. The resistance reading of a 500MVA transformer can be achieved in 5 minutes or less. The unit's power supply is cooled by four heavy-duty fans designed for continuous operation. For greater flexibility in the field, the WRM-40 comes with a built-in 2.5-inch wide thermal printer used for printing test reports.

Since the WRM-40 can accurately measure resistances ranging from 1 microhm to 500 ohms, it can also be used to measure EHV circuit-breaker contact resistance, motor winding resistance, or any low resistance. If the transformer winding temperature is entered, the WRM-40 can calculate the equivalent resistance value of the winding material (aluminum or copper) at any standard reference temperature. Also, a special test mode can run a test for up to 45 minutes while saving resistance readings at one-minute intervals. In addition to measuring the resistance value, the WRM-40 also checks the "make-before-break" tap switching sequences of voltage regulators and load tap changers.

The WRM-40 can store test results in Flash EEPROM. Test results can be printed on the built-in 2.5-inch wide thermal printer or can be transferred to a PC via the RS-232C interface port.

The WRM-40 is furnished with three 50-foot test cables. Each test cable lead is terminated with a quick-disconnect test clip.

Built-in Safety Features

At the end of each test, the WRM-40 automatically dissipates the stored energy in the transformer. This discharge circuit will continue to work even if the supply voltage is lost. For added safety, the unit's power supply is thermally protected from over-load damage.

Internal Test Record Storage

The WRM-40 can store 63 test records (up to 48 readings per test record) in Flash EEPROM. Test records can be retrieved and printed on the built-in thermal printer or can be transferred to a PC via the RS-232C interface port. A Windows®-based application is provided with each WRM-40 that can be used to retrieve test records from the WRM-40 and can also be used to export records in Microsoft® Excel format.

User Interface

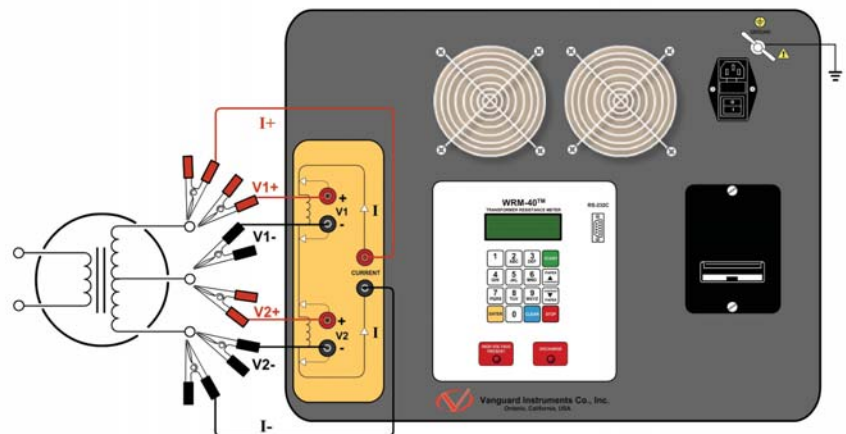
The WRM-40 features a back-lit LCD screen (20 characters by 4 lines) that is viewable in both bright sunlight and low-light levels. A rugged, alpha-numeric, membrane keypad is used to control the unit.

Built-in Thermal Printer

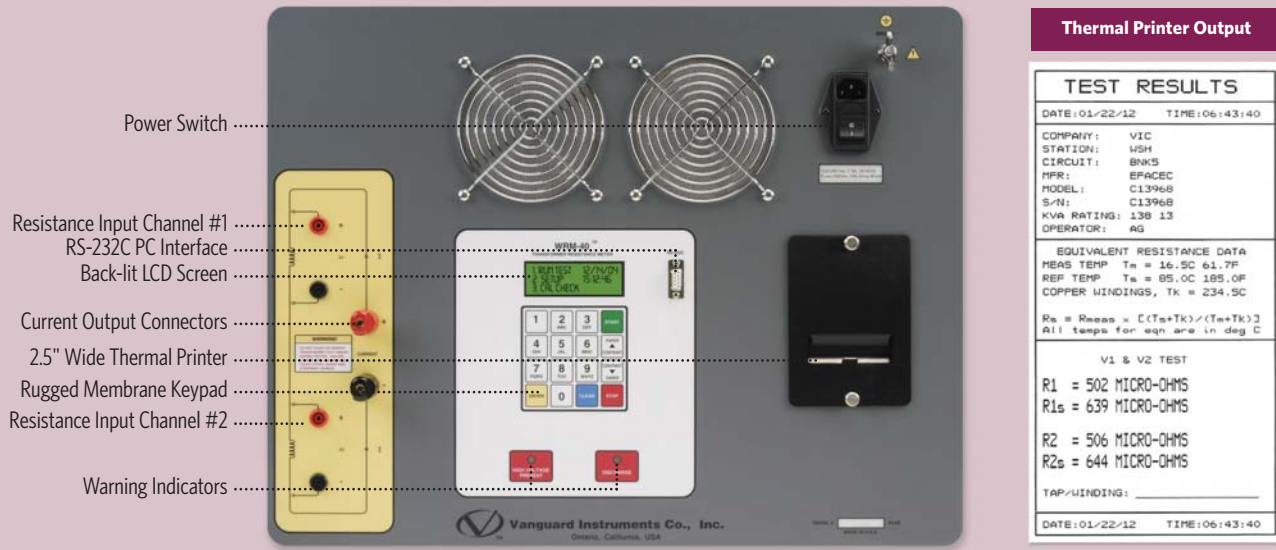
The WRM-40 features a built-in 2.5" wide thermal printer that can be used to print test reports in the field.

outstanding features

- Auto discharge circuit for operator safety
- Auto current ranging from 10 mA to 40 A
- Digital resistance reading from 1 microhm to 500 ohms
- Stores 63 records (of 48 readings each)
- Built-in 2.5-inch wide thermal printer



WRM-40 Controls & Indicators



Thermal Printer Output

TEST RESULTS	
DATE: 01/22/12	TIME: 06:43:40
COMPANY: VIC	STATION: WSH
CIRCUIT: BWS	WPR: EPACEC
MODEL: C1396B	S/N: C1396B
KVA RATING: 130 13	OPERATOR: AG
EQUIVALENT RESISTANCE DATA	
MEAS TEMP $T_m = 16.5C$	61.7F
REF TEMP $T_n = 85.0C$	185.0F
COPPER WINDINGS, $T_k = 234.5C$	
$R_n = R_{meas} \times [(T_n+T_k)/(T_m+T_k)]$	
All temps for eqn are in deg C	
V1 & V2 TEST	
R1 = 502 MICRO-OHMS	R1s = 639 MICRO-OHMS
R2 = 506 MICRO-OHMS	R2s = 644 MICRO-OHMS
TAP/WINDING: _____	
DATE: 01/22/12	TIME: 06:43:40

WRM-40 specifications

type	portable transformer winding resistance meter
physical specifications	25"W x 8½"H x 20"D, (63.5 cm x 21.6 cm x 50.0 cm); Weight: 44 lbs (20 kg)
input power	100 – 120 Vac or 200 – 240 Vac (factory pre-set), 50/60 Hz
resistance reading range	1 micro-ohm – 500 ohms
accuracy	1 – 19,999 micro-ohms: ±0.5% reading, ±1 count; 20 – 999 milli-ohms: ±1% reading, ±1 count; 1 – 500 ohms: ±1.5% reading, ±1 count
test voltage	36 Vdc max
test current range	auto range, 40 Amperes max
display	back-lit LCD Screen (20 characters by 4 lines); viewable in bright sunlight and low-light levels
printer	2.5-inch wide built-in thermal printer
keypad	rugged membrane keypad (10 alpha-numeric keys, 6 function keys)
internal test record storage	stores 63 test records of 48 readings each
computer interface	one RS-232C port
pc software	Windows®-based software is included with purchase price
safety	designed to meet IEC61010 (1995), UL61010A-1, CSA-C22.2 standards
environment	Operating: -10°C to +50°C (+15°F to +122°F); Storage: -30°C to +70°C (-22°F to +158°F)
humidity	90% RH @ 40°C (104°F) non-condensing
altitude	2,000 m (6,562 ft) to full safety specifications
cables	three 50-foot test cables, ground cable, power cord and cable bag
options	transportation case
warranty	one year on parts and labor

NOTE: the above specifications are valid at nominal voltage and ambient temperature of +25°C (+77°F). Specifications are subject to change without notice.

ordering information

Part number WRM-40	WRM-40 and cables
Part number WRM-40 CASE	WRM-40 shipping case
Part number WRM-40 50-FT CABLES	50-foot test cables
Part number TP3	2.5-inch wide thermal printer paper



Instruments designed and developed by the hearts and minds of utility electricians around the world

Vanguard Instruments Company, (VIC), was founded in 1991. Currently, our 28,000 square-foot facility houses Administration, Design & Engineering, and Manufacturing operations. From its inception, VIC's vision was, and is to develop and manufacture innovative test equipment for use in testing substation EHV circuit breakers and other electrical apparatus.

The first VIC product was a computerized circuitbreaker analyzer, which was a resounding success. It became the forerunner of an entire series of circuitbreaker test equipment. Since its beginning, VIC's product line has expanded to include microcomputer-based, precision micro-ohmmeters, single and three phase transformer winding turns-ratio testers, transformer winding-resistance meters, mega-ohm resistance meters, and a variety of other electrical utility maintenance support products.

VIC's performance-oriented products are well suited for the utility industry. They are rugged, reliable, accurate, user friendly, and most are computer controlled. Computer control, with innovative programming, provides many automated testing functions. VIC's instruments eliminate tedious and time-consuming operations, while providing fast, complex, test-result calculations. Errors are reduced and the need to memorize long sequences of procedural steps is eliminated. Every VIC instrument is competitively priced and is covered by a liberal warranty.



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