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Safety Symbols

The following symbols on the instrument and in the documentation indicate precautions which must be taken to maintain safe operation of the instrument.

	Direct current (DC)		Off (supply)
	Alternating current (AC)		On (supply)
	Both direct and alternating current		Caution, risk of electric shock
	Three-phase alternating current		Caution, risk of danger (refer to this manual for specific Warning or Caution information)
	Earth (ground) terminal		Caution, hot surface
	Protective conductor terminal		Out position of a bi-stable push control
	Frame or chassis terminal		In position of a bi-stable push control
	Equipotentiality	CAT III 1000 V	Category III 1000 V overvoltage protection
	Equipment protected throughout by double insulation or reinforced insulation	CAT IV 600 V	Category IV 600 V overvoltage protection

Safety Considerations

Read the information below before using this multimeter. The descriptions and instructions in this manual apply to the Agilent U1271A and U1272A Handheld Digital Multimeters (hereafter referred to as the multimeter). The model U1272A appears in all illustrations.

CAUTION

- Disconnect circuit power and discharge all high-voltage capacitors before testing resistance, continuity, diodes, or capacitance.
- Use the proper terminals, function, and range for your measurements.
- This device is for use at altitudes of up to 2,000 m.
- Never measure voltage when current measurement is selected.
- Always use the specified battery type.

WARNING

- **Do not use the multimeter if it is damaged. Before you use the multimeter, inspect the case. Look for cracks or missing plastic. Pay particular attention to the insulation surrounding the connectors.**
- **Inspect the test leads for damaged insulation or exposed metal. Check the test leads for continuity. Replace damaged test leads before you use the multimeter.**
- **Do not operate the multimeter around explosive gas, vapor, or wet environments.**
- **Do not apply more than the rated voltage (as marked on the multimeter) between terminals, or between terminal and earth ground.**
- **Never use the multimeter in wet conditions or when there is water on the surface. If the multimeter is wet, ensure that the multimeter is dried only by trained personnel.**
- **Before use, verify the multimeter's operation by measuring a known voltage.**

WARNING

- **When measuring current, turn off the circuit power before connecting the multimeter in the circuit. Remember to place the multimeter in series with the circuit.**
- **When servicing the multimeter, use only the specified replacement parts.**
- **Use caution when working above 60 V DC, 30 V AC RMS, or 42.4 V peak. Such voltages pose a shock hazard.**
- **Be aware of the presence of hazardous voltage before using the Low Pass Filter (LPF) function for voltage measurement. Voltages measured are usually greater than what indicated on the multimeter as the voltages with higher frequencies have been filtered through the LPF function.**
- **Do not use the Z_{LOW} (low input impedance) function (U1272A only) to measure voltages in circuits that could be damaged by this function's low input impedance of 2 kΩ.**
- **When using the probes, keep your fingers behind the finger guards on the probes.**
- **Connect the common test lead before you connect the live test lead. When you disconnect the leads, disconnect the live test lead first.**
- **Remove the test leads from the multimeter before you open the battery cover.**
- **Do not operate the multimeter with the battery cover or portions of the cover removed or loosened.**
- **To avoid false readings, which may lead to possible electric shock or personal injury, replace the battery as soon as the low battery indicator appears and flashes.**

Environmental Conditions

This instrument is designed for indoor use and in an area with low condensation. The table below shows the general environmental requirements for this instrument.

Environmental conditions	Requirements
Operating temperature	Full accuracy from –20 °C to 55 °C
Operating humidity	Full accuracy up to 80% RH (relative humidity) for temperature up to 30 °C, decreasing linearly to 50% RH at 55 °C
Storage temperature	–40 °C to 70 °C
Altitude	Up to 2000 meters
Pollution degree	Pollution degree II

NOTE

The U1271A/U1272A Handheld Digital Multimeter complies with the following safety and EMC requirements:

- EN/IEC 61010-1:2001
- ANSI/UL 61010-1:2004
- CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 61010-1-04
- Commercial limits compliance with EN61326-1

Regulatory Markings

CE ISM 1-A	The CE mark is a registered trademark of the European Community. This CE mark shows that the product complies with all the relevant European Legal Directives.	N10149	The C-tick mark is a registered trademark of the Spectrum Management Agency of Australia. This signifies compliance with the Australia EMC Framework regulations under the terms of the Radio Communication Act of 1992.
ICES/NMB-001	ICES/NMB-001 indicates that this ISM device complies with the Canadian ICES-001. Cet appareil ISM est confomre a la norme NMB-001 du Canada.		This instrument complies with the WEEE Directive (2002/96/EC) marking requirement. This affixed product label indicates that you must not discard this electrical or electronic product in domestic household waste.
C SA US	The CSA mark is a registered trademark of the Canadian Standards Association.		This symbol indicates the time period during which no hazardous or toxic substance elements are expected to leak or deteriorate during normal use. Forty years is the expected useful life of the product.

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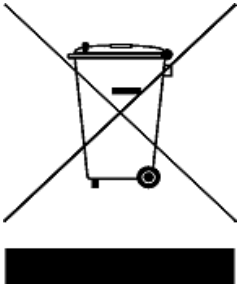
Product Category:

With reference to the equipment types in the WEEE directive Annex 1, this instrument is classified as a "Monitoring and Control Instrument" product.

The affixed product label is as shown below.



Do not dispose in domestic household waste.

To return this unwanted instrument, contact your nearest Agilent Service Centre, or visit

www.agilent.com/environment/product

for more information.

Declaration of Conformity (DoC)

The Declaration of Conformity (DoC) for this instrument is available on the Agilent Web site. You can search the DoC by its product model or description at the Web address below.

http://regulations.corporate.agilent.com/DoC/search.htm

NOTE If you are unable to search for the respective DoC, please contact your local Agilent representative.

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1 Calibration Procedures

This chapter contains procedures for verifying the instrument performance, as well as procedures for making adjustments (calibration) where necessary.

Agilent Calibration Services

Agilent Technologies offers calibration services at competitive prices. When your instrument is due for calibration, contact your local Agilent Service Center for recalibration. See "Types of Service Available" on page 44 for more information on the various calibration services offered.

Closed case calibration

The U1271A and U1272A handheld digital multimeter features closed-case electronic calibration. In other words, no internal electro-mechanical adjustment is required. This instrument calculates correction factors based on the input reference signals you feed into it during the calibration process. The new correction factors are stored in nonvolatile EEPROM memory until the next calibration (adjustment) is performed.

The contents of this nonvolatile EEPROM memory will not change even when the power is switched off.

Calibration interval

The instrument should be calibrated on a regular interval determined by the measurement accuracy requirements of your application.

A one-year interval is adequate for most applications.

Accuracy specifications are warranted only if calibration is performed at regular intervals. Accuracy specifications are not warranted beyond the one-year calibration interval.

Agilent does not recommend extending calibration intervals beyond two years for any application.

Other recommendations for calibration

Specifications are only guaranteed within the specified period from the last calibration. Agilent recommends that readjustment should always be performed at whatever calibration interval you select. This will ensure that the instrument remains within its specifications until the next calibration. This calibration criterion provides the best long-term stability.

During performance verification tests, only the performance data is collected; these tests do not guarantee that the instrument will remain within the specified limits. The tests are only for identifying which functions need adjustment.

Please refer to the "Calibration Count" on page 30 and verify that all adjustments have been performed.

Recommended Test Equipment

The test equipment recommended for the performance verification and adjustment procedures is listed below in Table 1-1. If the exact instrument is not available, substitute with another calibration standard of equivalent accuracy.

Table 1-1 Recommended test equipment

Application	Recommended equipment	Recommended accuracy requirements
DC voltage	Fluke 5520A	<20% of the U1271A/U1272A accuracy specification
DC current	Fluke 5520A	<20% of the U1271A/U1272A accuracy specification
Resistance	Fluke 5520A	<20% of the U1271A/U1272A accuracy specification
AC voltage	Fluke 5520A	<20% of the U1271A/U1272A accuracy specification
AC current	Fluke 5520A	<20% of the U1271A/U1272A accuracy specification
Frequency	Fluke 5520A	<20% of the U1271A/U1272A accuracy specification
Capacitance	Fluke 5520A	<20% of the U1271A/U1272A accuracy specification
Duty cycle	Fluke 5520A	<20% of the U1271A/U1272A accuracy specification
Diode	Fluke 5520A	<20% of the U1271A/U1272A accuracy specification
Temperature	Fluke 5520A	<20% of the U1271A/U1272A accuracy specification
Short	Shorting plug — a dual banana plug with a copper wire shorting the two terminals	

Basic Operating Test

The tests listed below are used to test the basic operability of the instrument. Repair is required if the instrument fails the any of the tests.

- "Backlight test"
- "Display test"
- "Current terminal input test"

Backlight test

Press and hold the Setup button while turning the rotary switch to any other position (OFF to ON). Check that the multimeter's backlight is turned on. Press any key to exit this mode.

Display test

Press and hold the Trig Auto Hold button while turning the rotary switch to any other position (OFF to ON). Check that all the annunciators are displayed in the LCD. Compare the display with the example shown in Figure 1-1. Press any key to exit this mode.

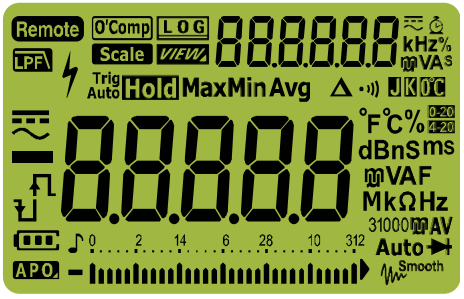

Figure 1-1 LCD display screen

Current terminal input test

This test determines if the input warnings of the current terminals are functioning properly.

A-Err test

The multimeter sounds a continuous alert beep when the test lead is inserted into the **A** terminal but the rotary switch is not set to the mA·A function. The secondary display will indicate A-Err, as shown in Figure 1-2.

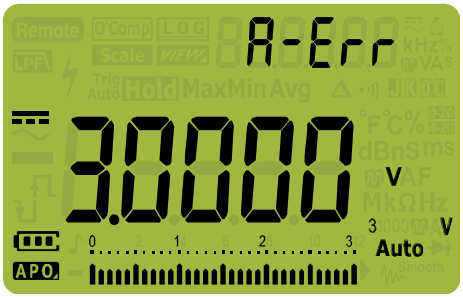

Figure 1-2 A-Err display

The alert beep tone will continue to beep until the test lead is removed from the **A** terminal or until the rotary switch is set to the mA·A function.

NOTE Before conducting this test, ensure that the beep function is not disabled in the multimeter's Setup.

µA-Err test

The multimeter sounds a continuous alert beep when the test lead is inserted into the **µA mA** terminal but the rotary switch is not set to the µA function. The secondary display will indicate µA-Err, as shown in Figure 1-3.

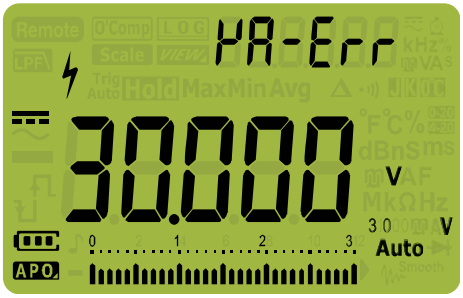

Figure 1-3 µA-Err display

The alert beep tone will continue to beep until the test lead is removed from the **µA mA** terminal or until the rotary switch is set to the $\widetilde{\overline{\mu A}}$ function.

NOTE Before conducting this test, ensure that the beep function is not disabled in the multimeter's Setup.

Calibration Process

1. Prior to performing the verification tests, see the "Test considerations" on page 8.
2. Perform the verification tests to characterize the multimeter; see "Performance Verification Tests" on page 10.
3. Unsecure the multimeter for calibration; see "Calibration Security" on page 18.
4. Prior to performing the adjustments, see the "Adjustment considerations" on page 23.
5. Perform the adjustment procedure; see "Adjustment procedure" on page 27.
6. Secure the multimeter against unauthorized calibration; see "Exiting the adjustment mode" on page 29. Ensure that the multimeter has quit the adjustment mode and is turned off.
7. Record the new security code and calibration count in the multimeter's maintenance records.

Test considerations

For optimum performance, all procedures should comply with the following recommendations:

- The performance verification test or adjustment should be performed under laboratory condition which ambient temperature can be controlled.
- Ensure that the calibration ambient temperature is stable and is between 18 °C and 28 °C. Ideally the calibration should be performed at 23 °C ± 1 °C.
- Ensure that the ambient relative humidity is less than 80%.
- The instrument should be put under the laboratory environment for at least 1 hour.
- Allow a warm-up period of 3 minutes.

- Use shielded twisted pair Teflon-insulated cables to reduce settling and noise errors. Keep the input cables as short as possible. Long test leads can also act as antennas which may pick up AC signals.
- Connect the input cable shields to earth ground.

Please ensure that the calibration standards and test procedures used do not introduce additional errors. Ideally, the standards used to verify and adjust the instrument should be of an order of magnitude more accurate than each instrument range full-scale error specification.

Input connections

Test connections to the instrument are best accomplished using the dual banana plug with a copper wire short between the two terminals for low-thermal offset measurement.

We recommend the use of shielded, twisted-pair, Teflon interconnect cables of minimum length between the calibrator and the multimeter. The cable shields should be earth ground referenced. This configuration is recommended to attain optimal noises and settling time performance during calibration.

Performance Verification Tests

Use the performance verification tests to verify the measurement performance of the instrument. The performance verification tests use the instrument's specifications listed in the *U1271A/U1272A User's Guide* (available for download at www.agilent.com/find/hhTechLib).

The performance verification tests are recommended as acceptance tests when you first receive the instrument. The acceptance test results should be compared against the one year test limits. After acceptance, you should repeat the performance verification tests at every calibration interval.

If the multimeter fails the performance verification tests, adjustment or repair is required.

NOTE Ensure that you have read the "Test considerations" on page 8 before running the performance verification tests.

Table 1-2 Functional Test

Step	Test function	Range	5520 output	Error from nominal 1 year	
				U1271A	U1272A
	Qik-V Turn the rotary switch to the Qik-V position.	1000 V	1000 V	±20 V	N/A
			1000 V, 70 Hz	±250 V	N/A
	Z_{LOW} Turn the rotary switch to the Z_{LOW} position.	1000 V	3 V	N/A	±2.03 V
			3 V, 70 Hz	N/A	±4.03 V

Table 1-2 Functional Test

Step	Test function	Range	5520 output	Error from nominal 1 year	
				U1271A	U1272A
1	**ACV** Turn the rotary switch to the LPF ⏦ V position.	3 V	3 V, 20 Hz	N/A	±0.0325 V
			3 V, 45 Hz	±0.0230 V	±0.0200 V
			3 V, 65 Hz	±0.0230 V	±0.0200 V
			3 V, 1 kHz	±0.0325 V	±0.0325 V
			3 V, 5 kHz	±0.0625 V	±0.0475 V
			3 V, 20 kHz	±0.0640 V	±0.0640 V
			2.7 V, 100 kHz	N/A	±0.0985 V
		30 V	30 V, 20 Hz	N/A	±0.325 V
			30 V, 45 Hz	±0.230 V	±0.200 V
			30 V, 65 Hz	±0.230 V	±0.200 V
			30 V, 1 kHz	±0.325 V	±0.325 V
			30 V, 5 kHz	±0.625 V	±0.475 V
			30 V, 20 kHz	±0.640 V	±0.640 V
			27 V, 100 kHz	N/A	±0.985 V
		300 V	300 V, 45 Hz	±2.30 V	±2.00 V
			300 V, 65 Hz	±2.30 V	±2.00 V
			300 V, 1 kHz	±3.25 V	±3.25 V
			300 V, 5 kHz	±6.25 V	±4.75 V
			270 V, 20 kHz	N/A	±5.80 V
		1000 V	1000 V, 45 Hz	±9.0 V	±8.0 V
			1000 V, 65 Hz	±9.0 V	±8.0 V
			1000 V, 1 kHz	±12.5 V	±12.5 V
			1000 V, 5 kHz	N/A	±17.5 V

Table 1-2 Functional Test

Step	Test function	Range	5520 output	Error from nominal 1 year	
				U1271A	U1272A
	LPF While the rotary switch is in the LPF ~V position, press the Esc Shift View key once.	3 V	3 V, 20 Hz	N/A	±0.0325 V
			3 V, 45 Hz	±0.0230 V	±0.0200 V
			3 V, 65 Hz	±0.0230 V	±0.0200 V
			2.7 V, 430 Hz	±0.1375 V	±0.1375 V
2	**Frequency** While the rotary switch is in the LPF ~V position, press the Hz % ms Log key once.	9.999 kHz	1.0000 kHz, 0.096 V	±0.005 kHz	±0.005 kHz
3	**Duty cycle** While the rotary switch is in the LPF ~V position, press the Hz % ms Log key twice.	99.99%	50%, 100 Hz, 3 Vpp square wave	±0.3%	±0.3%
4	**ACmV** Turn the rotary switch to the LPF ~mV position.	30 mV	30 mV, 20 Hz	N/A	±0.235 mV
			30 mV, 45 Hz	N/A	±0.200 mV
			30 mV, 65 Hz	N/A	±0.200 mV
			30 mV, 1 kHz	N/A	±0.235 mV
			30 mV, 5 kHz	N/A	±0.325 mV
			30 mV, 20 kHz	N/A	±0.340 mV
			30 mV, 100 kHz	N/A	±1.090 mV
		300 mV	300 mV, 20 Hz	N/A	±2.35 mV
			300 mV, 45 Hz	±2.30 mV	±2.00 mV
			300 mV, 65 Hz	±2.30 mV	±2.00 mV
			300 mV, 1 kHz	±3.25 mV	±2.35 mV
			300 mV, 5 kHz	±6.25 mV	±3.25 mV
			300 mV, 20 kHz	±6.40 mV	±3.40 mV
			300 mV, 100 kHz	N/A	±10.90 mV

Table 1-2 Functional Test

Step	Test function	Range	5520 output	Error from nominal 1 year	
				U1271A	U1272A
5	**DCV** Turn the rotary switch to the ≂V/⎓V position.	3 V	3 V	±0.0020 V	±0.0020 V
		30 V	30 V	±0.017 V	±0.017 V
		300 V	300 V	±0.17 V	±0.17 V
		1000 V	1000 V	±0.7 V	±0.7 V
6	**AC+DCV** Turn the rotary switch to the ≂V position, and press the Esc Shift View key twice.	3 V	3 V, 20 Hz	N/A	±0.0360 V
			3 V, 45 Hz	N/A	±0.0235 V
			3 V, 65 Hz	N/A	±0.0235 V
			3 V, 1 kHz	N/A	±0.0360 V
			3 V, 5 kHz	N/A	±0.0510 V
			3 V, 20 kHz	N/A	±0.0675 V
			2.7 V, 100 kHz	N/A	±0.1017 V
		30 V	30 V, 20 Hz	N/A	±0.360 V
			30 V, 45 Hz	N/A	±0.235 V
			30 V, 65 Hz	N/A	±0.235 V
			30 V, 1 kHz	N/A	±0.360 V
			30 V, 5 kHz	N/A	±0.510 V
			30 V, 20 kHz	N/A	±0.675 V
			27 V, 100 kHz	N/A	±1.017 V
		300 V	300 V, 45 Hz	N/A	±2.35 V
			300 V, 65 Hz	N/A	±2.35 V
			300 V, 1 kHz	N/A	±3.60 V
			300 V, 5 kHz	N/A	±5.10 V
			270 V, 20 kHz	N/A	±6.12 V

Table 1-2 Functional Test

Step	Test function	Range	5520 output	Error from nominal 1 year	
				U1271A	U1272A
		1000 V	1000 V, 45 Hz	N/A	±9.5 V
			1000 V, 65 Hz	N/A	±9.5 V
			1000 V, 1 kHz	N/A	±14.0 V
			1000 V, 5 kHz	N/A	±19.0 V
7	**DCmV**[1] Turn the rotary switch to the ⎓mV / ⎓mV position.	30 mV	30 mV	N/A	±0.035 mV
			–30 mV	N/A	±0.035 mV
		300 mV	300 mV	±0.20 mV	±0.20 mV
			–300 mV	±0.10 mV	±0.10 mV
[1] The accuracy is specified after the Null function is used to subtract the thermal effect (by shorting the test leads) before measuring the signal.					
8	**AC+DCmV** Turn the rotary switch to the ⎓mV position, and press the Esc Shift View key twice.	30 mV	30 mV, 20 Hz	N/A	±0.235 mV
			30 mV, 45 Hz	N/A	±0.200 mV
			30 mV, 65 Hz	N/A	±0.200 mV
			30 mV, 1 kHz	N/A	±0.235 mV
			30 mV, 5 kHz	N/A	±0.325 mV
			30 mV, 20 kHz	N/A	±0.340 mV
			30 mV, 100 kHz	N/A	±1.090 mV
		300 mV	300 mV, 20 Hz	N/A	±2.35 mV
			300 mV, 45 Hz	N/A	±2.00 mV
			300 mV, 65 Hz	N/A	±2.00 mV
			300 mV, 1 kHz	N/A	±2.35 mV
			300 mV, 5 kHz	N/A	±3.25 mV
			300 mV, 20 kHz	N/A	±3.40 mV
			300 mV, 100 kHz	N/A	±10.90 mV

Table 1-2 Functional Test

Step	Test function	Range	5520 output	Error from nominal 1 year	
				U1271A	U1272A
9	**Resistance** Turn the rotary switch to the Smart Ω / Ω position.	30 Ω[2]	30 Ω	N/A	±0.070 Ω
		300 Ω[2]	300 Ω	±0.65 Ω	±0.65 Ω
		3 kΩ[2]	3 kΩ	±0.0065 kΩ	±0.0065 kΩ
		30 kΩ	30 kΩ	±0.065 kΩ	±0.065 kΩ
		300 kΩ	300 kΩ	±1.55 kΩ	±0.65 kΩ
		3 MΩ	3 MΩ	±0.0185 MΩ	±0.0185 MΩ
		30 MΩ[3]	30 MΩ	±0.365 MΩ	±0.365 MΩ
		100 MΩ[3]	100 MΩ	±2.10 MΩ	N/A
		300 MΩ[3]	120 MΩ	N/A	±9.70 MΩ
[2] The accuracy of the 300 Ω to 3 kΩ range is specified after the Null function is used to subtract the test lead resistance and thermal effect (by shorting the test leads). Apply a 0 Ω calibrator output and allow the multimeter to settle before press the Δ Null Scale button. [3] The RH is specified for <60%.					
10	**Diode** Turn the rotary switch to the Auto / position.	3 V	3 V	0.0155 V	0.0155 V
11	**Capacitance** Turn the rotary switch to the position.	10 nF	10 nF	±0.105 nF	±0.105 nF
		100 nF	100 nF	±1.02 nF	±1.02 nF
		1000 nF	1000 nF	±10.2 nF	±10.2 nF
		10 µF	10 µF	±0.102 µF	±0.102 µF
		100 µF	100 µF	±1.02 µF	±1.02 µF
		1000 µF	1000 µF	±10.2 µF	±10.2 µF
		10 mF	10 mF	±0.102 mF	±0.102 mF

Table 1-2 Functional Test

Step	Test function	Range	5520 output	Error from nominal 1 year	
				U1271A	U1272A
12	**Temperature**[4] While the rotary switch is in the ⊣⊢ position, press the Esc Shift View key once.	–200 °C to 1372 °C	–200 °C	± 3.0 °C	± 3.0 °C
			0 °C	±1.0 °C	±1.0 °C
			1372 °C	±14.7 °C	±14.7 °C
[4] Ensure that the ambient temperature is stable within ±1 °C. Ensure that the multimeter is placed in a controlled environment for at least 1 hour before you proceed to ensure that the multimeter's internal reference junction sensor and input terminal are stabilized at the same environment. Keep the multimeter away from any ventilation exit. Differences in ambient compensation between the calibrator and multimeter may cause some deviations shown between the readings of the calibrator and multimeter. Placing the multimeter close to the output terminal of the calibrator will help reduce this deviation. Keep the thermocouple test lead as close to the multimeter as possible. Do not touch the thermocouple test lead after connecting it to the calibrator. Allow the connection to stabilize for at least another 15 minutes before performing the measurement.					
13	**DCμA** Turn the rotary switch to the ⎓ μA position.	300 μA	300 μA	±0.65 μA	±0.63 μA
		3000 μA	3000 μA	±6.5 μA	±6.3 μA
14	**ACμA** While the rotary switch is in the ≂ μA position, press the Esc Shift View key once.	300 μA	300 μA, 20 Hz	N/A	±2.95 μA
			300 μA, 45 Hz	±2.95 μA	±2.05 μA
			300 μA, 65 Hz	±2.95 μA	±2.05 μA
			300 μA, 1 kHz	±2.95 μA	±2.95 μA
		3000 μA	3000 μA, 20 Hz	N/A	±29.5 μA
			3000 μA, 45 Hz	±29.5 μA	±20.5 μA
			3000 μA, 65 Hz	±29.5 μA	±20.5 μA
			3000 μA, 1 kHz	±29.5 μA	±29.5 μA
15	**DCmA** Turn the rotary switch to the ⎓ mA A position.	30 mA	30 mA	±0.065 mA	±0.063 mA
		300 mA	300 mA	±0.65 mA	±0.63 mA

Table 1-2 Functional Test

Step	Test function	Range	5520 output	Error from nominal 1 year	
				U1271A	U1272A
16	**ACmA** While the rotary switch is in the mA·A position, press the Esc Shift View key once.	30 mA	30 mA, 20 Hz	N/A	±0.295 mA
			30 mA, 45 Hz	±0.295 mA	±0.205 mA
			30 mA, 65 Hz	±0.295 mA	±0.205 mA
			30 mA, 1 kHz	±0.295 mA	±0.295 mA
		300 mA	300 mA, 20 Hz	N/A	±2.95 mA
			300 mA, 45 Hz	±2.95 mA	±2.05 mA
			300 mA, 65 Hz	±2.95 mA	±2.05 mA
			300 mA, 1 kHz	±2.95 mA	±2.95 mA
17	**DCA**[5] Turn the rotary switch to the mA·A position.	3 A	3 A	±0.0100 A	±0.0100 A
		10 A	10 A	±0.04 A	±0.04 A
[5] **CAUTION:** Connect the calibrator to the multimeter's **A** and **COM** terminals before applying the 3 A and 10 A input.					
18	**ACA** While the rotary switch is in the mA·A position, press the Esc Shift View key once.	3 A	3 A, 45 Hz	±0.0325 A	±0.0325 A
			3 A, 65 Hz	±0.0325 A	±0.0325 A
			3 A, 1 kHz	±0.0325 A	±0.0325 A
		10 A	10 A, 45 Hz	±0.125 A	±0.125 A
			10 A, 65 Hz	±0.125 A	±0.125 A
			10 A, 1 kHz	±0.125 A	±0.125 A

Calibration Security

The calibration security code prevents accidental or unauthorized adjustments to the instrument. When you first receive your instrument, it is secured. Before you can adjust the instrument, you must unsecure it by entering the correct security code (see "Unsecuring the Instrument for Calibration" on page 19).

NOTE The security code can only be changed after the instrument has been unsecured. You can unsecure the instrument from its front panel.

The security code is set to "1234" when the instrument is shipped from the factory. The security code is stored in nonvolatile memory, and does not change when power has been turned off.

The security code may contain up to 4 numeric characters.

Unsecuring the Instrument for Calibration

Before you can adjust the instrument, you must unsecure it by entering the correct security code.

The default security code is set to 1234.

NOTE If you forget your security code, see "To reset the calibration security code to its factory default" on page 21.

To unsecure the instrument from the front panel

1 Power-on the multimeter and press the Esc Shift View and Trig Auto Hold keys simultaneously for more that 1 second to enter the calibration security code entry mode.

2 SECUr is shown in the secondary display while the security code is shown in the primary display.

Figure 1-4 SECUr display

3 Press MaxMin Peak or Range Auto to move the cursor to the right or to the left.

4 Press Dual Exit or Setup to increment or decrement the digit.

5 Press Hz % ms Log when you are done.

If the correct security code is entered, PASS is shown in the secondary display briefly, after which the instrument will enter the adjustment mode.

If the incorrect security code is entered, an error code will appear at the secondary display briefly, after which the calibration security code entry mode will appear again.

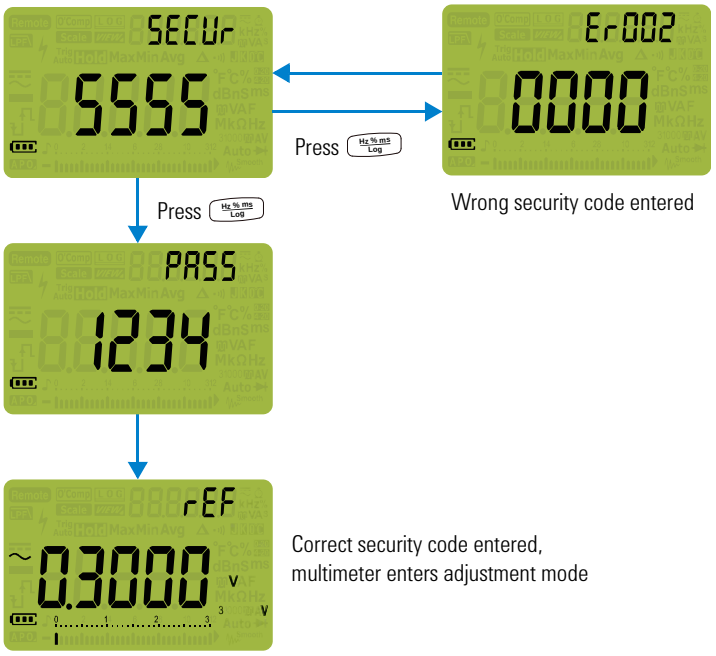

Figure 1-5 Calibration security code operation

To change the calibration security code

1. After the instrument has been unsecured, press Trig Auto Hold for more than 1 second to enter the calibration security code setting mode.
2. The factory default calibration security code “1234” will be displayed on the primary display.

Figure 1-6 SECUr display

3 Set your new calibration security code.

Press MaxMin Peak or Range Auto to move the cursor to the right or to the left.

Press Dual Exit or Setup to increment or decrement the digit.

4 Press Hz % ms Log to save the new calibration security code.

5 If the new calibration security code has been successfully stored, the secondary display will show PASS. Record down your new calibration security code and store it in a safe location.

To reset the calibration security code to its factory default

If you have forgotten the correct calibration security code, you may follow the steps below to reset the calibration security code to the factory default code (1234).

NOTE If you do not have a record (or have lost the record) of the security code, first try the factory default code, "1234" from the front panel.

1 Before you begin, note down the last four digits of the multimeter's serial number (located at the bottom of the multimeter's rear panel).

2 Power-on the multimeter and press the Esc Shift View and Trig Auto Hold keys simultaneously for more that 1 second to enter the calibration security code entry mode.

3 SECUr is shown in the secondary display while the security code is shown in the primary display.

4 Press Esc Shift View for more than 1 second to enter the calibration security code reset mode. The secondary display shows SEr.no.

Figure 1-7 SEr.no display

5 Set the code to the same as the last four digits of the instrument's serial number.

Press MaxMin Peak or Range Auto to move the cursor to the right or to the left.

Press Dual Exit or Setup to increment or decrement the digit.

6 Press Hz % ms Log to confirm the entry.

7 If the four digits entered are correct, the secondary display will show PASS. The calibration security code is now set to the its factory default code, 1234.

If you want to enter a new security code, see "To change the calibration security code" on page 20. Ensure that you record down the new security code.

Using the Front Panel for Adjustments

This section describes the procedures to perform adjustments from the front panel.

To unsecure the instrument, see "To unsecure the instrument from the front panel" on page 19. Once unsecured, the reference value will be indicated on the primary display.

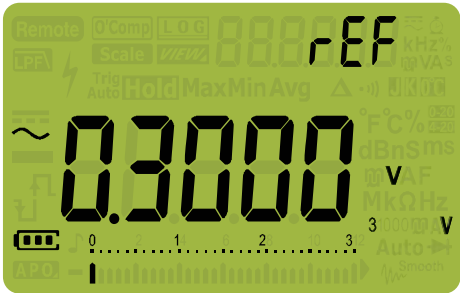

Figure 1-8 rEF display

Adjustment considerations

NOTE

After each adjustment, the secondary display shows PASS. If the calibration fails, the multimeter sounds a beep, and an error number is shown in the secondary display. Calibration error messages are described in "Calibration Error Codes" on page 31.

1. Allow the instrument to warm up and stabilize for 3 minutes before performing the adjustments.
2. Ensure that during the adjustments, the low battery indicator does not appear. If the low battery indicator appears, replace the batteries as soon as possible to avoid false readings.
3. Consider the thermal effects as you are connecting the test leads to the calibrator and handheld multimeter. It is

recommended to wait for 1 minute before you begin the calibration after connecting the test leads.

4 Before proceeding with the ambient temperature adjustment, be sure to turn on the multimeter for at least 1 hour with the K-type thermocouple connected.

CAUTION Never turn off the multimeter during an adjustment. This may delete the calibration memory for the present function.

Valid adjustment input values

Adjustment can be accomplished using the following input values below.

Table 1-3 Adjustment input values

Test function	Step	Reference value	Valid reference input
DCmV	SHORT	SHORT	SHORT V/COM terminals
	30 mV	30.000 mV	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	300 mV	300.00 mV	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
AcmV	30 mV	3.000 mV (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		30.000 mV (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		30.000 mV (30 kHz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	300 mV	30.00 mV (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		300.00 mV (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		300.00 mV (30 kHz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
DCV	SHORT	SHORT	SHORT V/COM terminals
	3 V	3.0000 V	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	30 V	30.000 V	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	300 V	300.00 V	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	1000 V	1000.0 V	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value

Table 1-3 Adjustment input values (continued)

Test function	Step	Reference value	Valid reference input
ACV	3 V	0.3000 V (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		3.0000 V (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		3.0000 V(3 kHz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	30 V	3.000 V (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		30.000 V (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		30.000 V(3 kHz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	300 V	30.00 V (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		300.00 V (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		300.00 V (3 kHz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	1000 V	30.0 V (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		300.0 V (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		300.0 V (3 kHz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
DCμA	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN terminals
	300 μA	300.00 μA	0.9 to 1.1× Reference value
	3000 μA	3000.0 μA	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
ACμA	300 μA	030.00 μA (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		300.00 μA (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	3000 μA	300.0 μA (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		3000.0 μA (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
DCmA/DCA	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN terminals
	30 mA	30.000 mA	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	300 mA	300.00 mA	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	3 A	3.0000 A	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	10 A	10.000 A	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value

Table 1-3 Adjustment input values (continued)

Test function	Step	Reference value	Valid reference input
ACmA/ACA	30 mA	03.000 mA (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		30.000 mA (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	300 mA	030.00 mA (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		300.00 mA (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	3 A	0.3000 A (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		3.0000 A (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	10 A	3.0000 A (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		10.000 A (70 Hz)	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
Capacitance	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN terminals
	10 nF	04.000 nF	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		10.000 nF	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	100 nF	010.00 nF	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		100.00 nF	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	1000 nF	0100.0 nF	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
		1000.0 nF	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	10 µF	10.000 µF	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	100 µF	100.00 µF	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	1000 µF	1000.0 µF	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	10 mF	10.000 mF	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value

Table 1-3 Adjustment input values (continued)

Test function	Step	Reference value	Valid reference input
Resistance	SHORT	SHORT	SHORT Ω/COM terminals
	30 MΩ	OPEN	OPEN terminals
		10.000 MΩ	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	3 MΩ	3.0000 MΩ	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	300 kΩ	300.00 kΩ	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	30 kΩ	30.000 kΩ	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	3 kΩ	3.0000 kΩ	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	300 Ω	300.00 kΩ	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
	30 Ω	30.000 Ω	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value
Temperature	K type	0000.0 °C	0 °C with ambient compensation required
Note: Ensure the multimeter is turned on and stabilized for at least 60 minutes with the K-type thermocouple connected between the multimeter and the calibrator output terminal.			
Diode	SHORT	SHORT	SHORT V/COM terminals
	3 V	2.0000 V	0.9 to 1.1 × Reference value

Adjustment procedure

NOTE Review the "Test considerations" and "Adjustment considerations" before beginning the adjustment procedures.

1 Turn the rotary switch to the respective test function position as shown in the adjustment input values table (Table 1-3).

2 Unsecure the instrument to enter the adjustment mode. (See "Unsecuring the Instrument for Calibration" on page 19).

NOTE While in the adjustment mode, press Esc Shift View and Trig Auto Hold simultaneously to exit the adjustment mode.

3 The primary display will show the reference value of the calibration item.

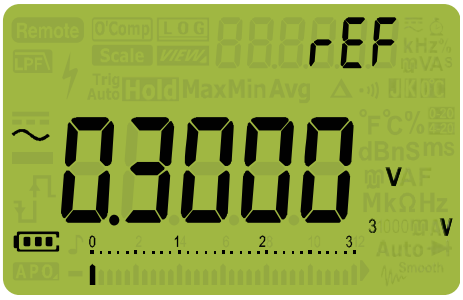

Figure 1-9 rEF display

4 Configure each calibration item.

5 Use the MaxMin Peak, Range Auto, Dual Exit, and Setup keys to select the calibration range.

6 Apply the input signal shown in the Reference Value column of Table 1-3. The analog bar graph displays the input reading. There is no bar graph display for temperature adjustment.

NOTE You are highly recommended to complete the adjustments in the same order as shown in the appropriate table.

7 Use the MaxMin Peak, Range Auto, Dual Exit, and Setup keys to enter the actual applied input values.

8 Press Hz % ms Log to start the adjustment. CAL flashes in the secondary display to indicate that the calibration is in progress.

9 Upon completion of each adjustment value, the secondary display will show PASS. If the adjustment fails, the multimeter will sound a long beep and the calibration

error number appears in the secondary display. The primary display remains at the current calibration item.

NOTE If the adjustment fails, check the input value, range, function, and entered adjustment value before repeating the adjustment steps.

10 Turn the rotary switch to the next function according to the Test Function column shown in Table 1-3. Repeat step 3 to step 8 for each adjustment point shown in the adjustment table.

11 Verify the adjustments using the "Performance Verification Tests" on page 10.

Exiting the adjustment mode

1 Remove all the shorting plugs and connectors from the instrument.

2 Record the new Calibration Count.

3 Press 

and 

simultaneously to exit the Adjustment Mode.

4 Power off and on again. The instrument will then be secured.

Calibration Count

You can query the instrument to determine how many adjustments have been performed.

NOTE The multimeter was calibrated before it left the factory. You are recommended to record the initial value of the calibration count once you receive the multimeter.

The count value increases by one for each calibration point, from 0000 up to the maximum of 19999. After the maximum count, the calibration count will reset to 0. The calibration count can be read from the front panel after the multimeter has been unsecured.

1. In adjustment mode, press Trig Auto Hold to view the calibration count. The primary display indicates the calibration count value while CoUnt is shown the secondary display.
2. Take note of the calibration count to keep track of the number of calibrations that have been performed.
3. Press Trig Auto Hold again to exit the calibration count mode.

Calibration Error Codes

The following errors indicate failures that may occur during a calibration.

Table 1-4 Calibration error codes

Code	Descriptions
Er002	Calibration error: secure code invalid
Er003	Calibration error: serial number code invalid
Er004	Calibration error: calibration aborted
Er005	Calibration error: value out of range
Er006	Calibration error: signal measurement out of range
Er007	Calibration error: frequency out of range
Er008	EEPROM write failure

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Service and Maintenance

This chapter will help you troubleshoot a failing instrument. It also describes how to obtain repair services and lists the replaceable assemblies.

Troubleshooting

WARNING **To avoid electrical shock, do not perform any service unless you are qualified to do so.**

If the instrument fails to operate, check the batteries and the test leads. Replace them if necessary. And if the instrument still does not function, check the operating procedures in this manual. When servicing, use only the specified replacement parts.

The table below will assist you in identifying some basic malfunctions.

Table 2-1 Operating checklist

Malfunction	Identification
No display when powered ON using the rotary switch	❑ Verify the batteries health and replace batteries as necessary.
No beeper tone	❑ Verify that the beeper is enabled in the multimeter's Setup mode.
Failed on current measurement	❑ Verify the fuses health and replace the fuses as necessary.
Failed on remote control	❑ Verify the optical side of of the IR-USB cable connected to multimeter — the Agilent logo should be facing up. ❑ Verify the baud rate, data bit, and parity settings in the multimeter's Setup mode. (Default values are 9600, 8, and none.) ❑ Verify that the driver for the IR-USB interface is installed.

Verifying the Fuse Health

It is recommended that you check the fuse(s) of the multimeter before using it. Follow the instructions below to test the fuses inside the multimeter.

NOTE Refer to Figure 2-5 for the respective positions of Fuse 1 (10 × 35 mm, 440 mA/1000 V fast-acting fuse) and Fuse 2 (10 × 38 mm, 11 A/1000 V fast-acting fuse).

1. Turn the rotary switch to the Ω Smart Ω / Ω position and connect the red test lead to the Ω input terminal.
2. To test Fuse 1, place the tip of the test probe on the top half of **µA mA** input terminal. Ensure that the probe tip touches the metal inside the **µA mA** input terminal, as shown in Figure 2-1.
3. To test Fuse 2, place and touch the tip of the test probe on the left half of **A** input terminal. Ensure that the probe tip touches the metal inside the **A** input terminal, as shown in Figure 2-2.
4. Observe the reading on the instrument's display. Refer to Table 2-2 below for the possible readings that could appear. Replace the fuse when OL is displayed.

Table 2-2 Fuse displayed readings

Current input terminal	Fuse	Part number	Fuse rating	Displayed readings	
				Fuse healthy	Replace fuse
	1	2110-1400	440 mA/ 1000 V	≈102 Ω	OL
	2	2110-1402	11 A/ 1000 V	≈1.5 Ω	OL

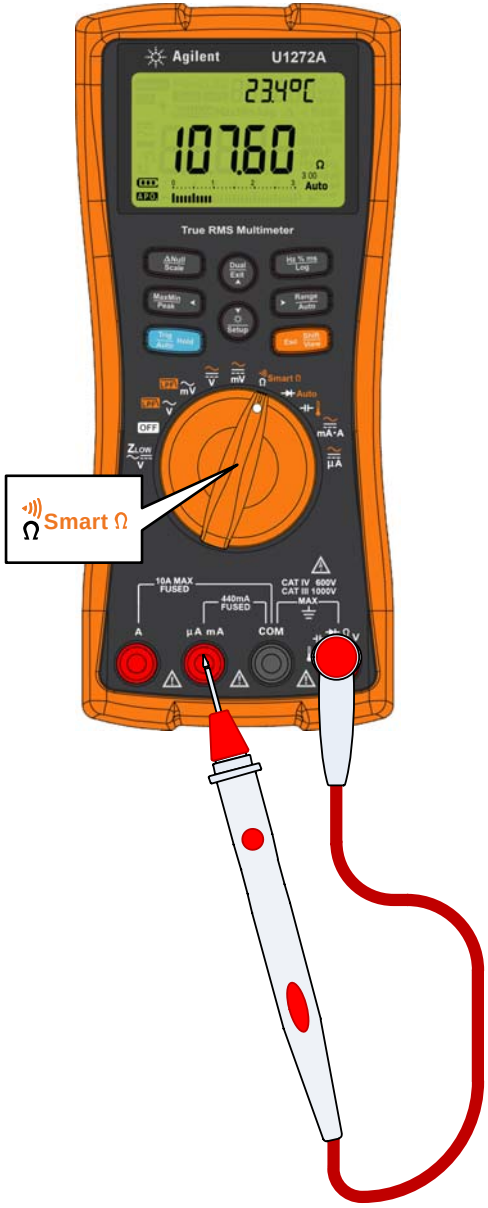

Figure 2-1 Testing Fuse 1

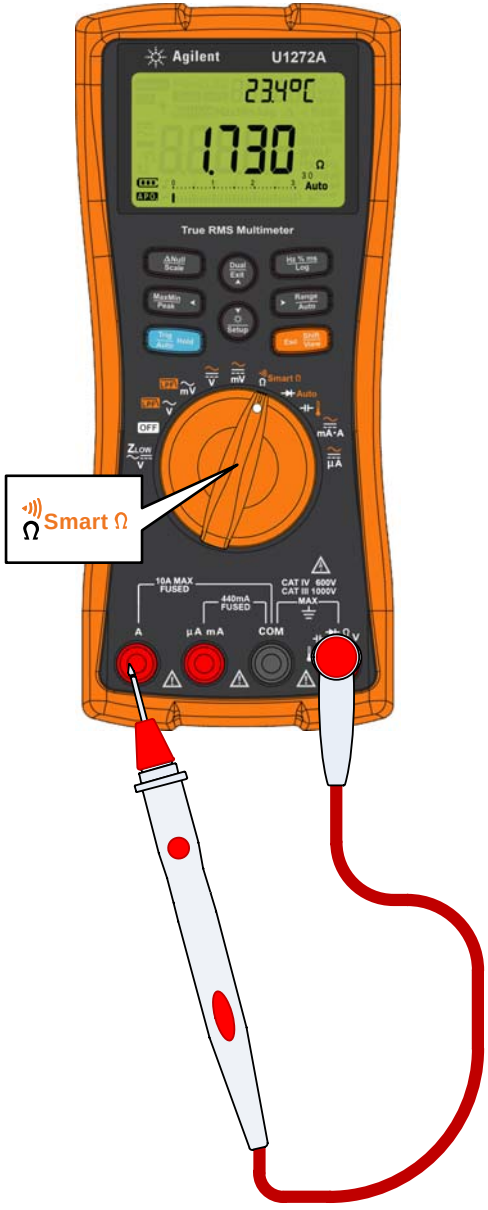

Figure 2-2 Testing Fuse 2

Fuse Replacement

NOTE No recalibration is required after replacing the fuse.

The current input terminals of your multimeter are fuse protected. The fuses are located next to the battery compartment.

- The **μA mA** terminal is protected by a 10 × 35 mm 440 mA/1000 V 30 kA fast-acting fuse (Fuse 1).
- The **A** terminal is protected by a 10 × 38 mm 11 A/1000 V 30 kA fast-acting fuse (Fuse 2).

If you are certain that the fuse is faulty, replace it with one of the same size and rating.

CAUTION Before you proceed with the fuse replacement, remove all cable connections to the terminals and ensure that the rotary switch is at the OFF position.

1. **Open the battery cover.** Lift the tilt stand and loosen screws with a suitable Phillips screwdriver and remove the battery cover.
2. **Locate the faulty fuse.** Fuse 1 (see Figure 2-3) is located to the right of batteries, and Fuse 2 (see Figure 2-4) is located at the bottom of the batteries. See Figure 2-5 for the specific location, size, and ratings of Fuse 1 and 2.

   Gently remove the defective fuse by prying one end of the fuse with a flathead screwdriver and removing it out of the fuse bracket. Replace a new fuse of the same size and rating into the center of the fuse holder.
3. **Close the batter cover.** Place the battery cover back in its original position and tighten the screws.

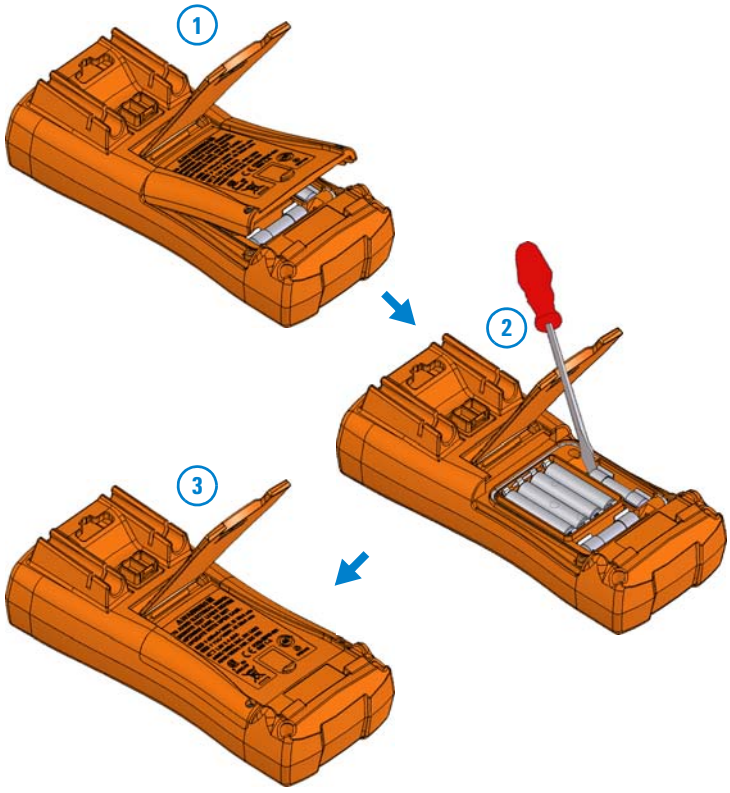

Figure 2-3 Replacing Fuse 1

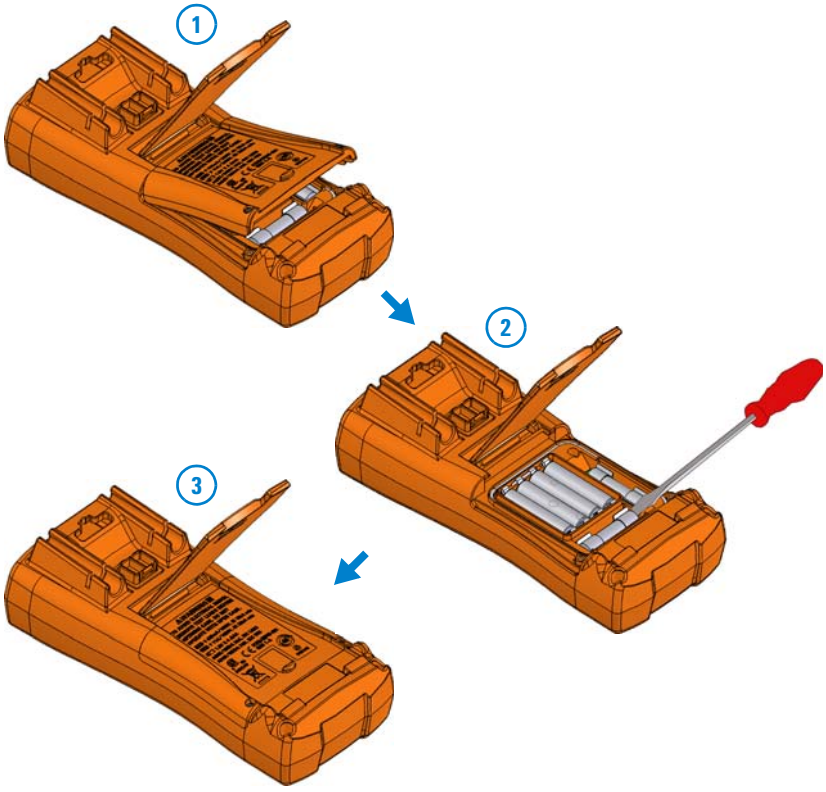

Figure 2-4 Replacing Fuse 2

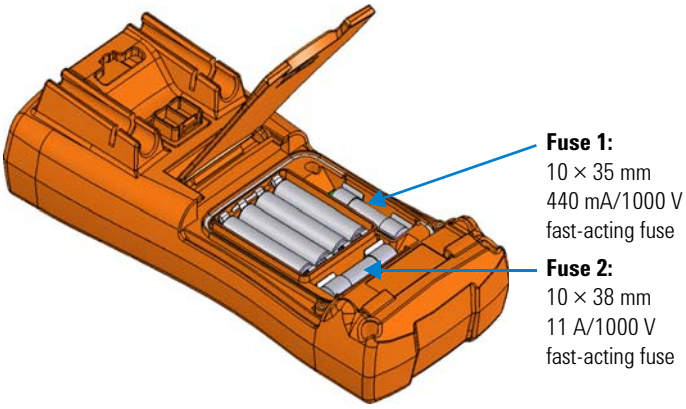

Figure 2-5 Positions of Fuse 1 and Fuse 2

Returning the Instrument for Service

Before shipping your instrument for repair or replacement, Agilent recommends that you acquire the shipping instructions from the Agilent Technologies Service Center. A clear understanding of the shipping instructions is necessary to secure your product for shipment.

1 Attach a tag to the instrument with following information:
   - Name and address of owner
   - Instrument model number
   - Instrument serial number
   - Description of the service required or failure indications
2 Remove all accessories from the instrument. Do not include accessories unless they are associated with the failure symptoms.
3 Place the instrument in its original container with appropriate packaging material for shipping.

If the original shipping container is not available, place your unit in a container which will ensure at least 4 inches of compressible packaging material around all sides for the instrument. Use static-free packaging materials to avoid additional damage to your unit.

NOTE Agilent suggests that you always insure your shipments.

Replaceable Parts

This section contains information for ordering replacement parts for your instrument. You can find the instrument support part list at Agilent's Test & Measurement Parts Catalog: http://www.parts.agilent.com/

The parts lists include a brief description of each part with applicable Agilent part number.

To order replaceable parts

You can order replaceable parts from Agilent using the Agilent part number. Note that not all parts listed are available as field-replaceable parts.

To order replaceable parts from Agilent, do the following:

1. Contact your nearest Agilent Sales Office or Service Center.
2. Identify the parts by the Agilent part number shown in the support parts list.
3. Provide the instrument model number and serial number.

Types of Service Available

If your instrument fails during the warranty period, Agilent Technologies will repair or replace it under the terms of your warranty. After your warranty expires, Agilent offers repair services at competitive prices.

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Many Agilent products are available with optional service contracts that extend the covered period after the standard warranty expires. If you have such a service contract and your instrument fails during the covered period, Agilent Technologies will repair or replace it in accordance with the contract.

Obtaining Repair Service (Worldwide)

To obtain service for your instrument (in-warranty, under service contract, or post-warranty), contact your nearest Agilent Technologies Service Center. They will arrange to have your unit repaired or replaced, and can provide warranty or repair-cost information where applicable.

To obtain warranty, service, or technical support information you can contact Agilent Technologies at one of the following telephone numbers:

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Before shipping your instrument, ask the Agilent Technologies Service Center to provide shipping instructions, including what components to ship. Agilent recommends that you retain the original shipping carton for use in such shipments.

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