



# Installation Tester BENNING IT 130

# Short instructions

GB: Detailed instruction manual on enclosed CD-Rom.

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### 1 Start-up guide

### 1.1 Safety and operational considerations

The following symbols are used in the user manual and on the test equipment:



Important, danger, must comply with documentation!

Warning of electrical danger!



Protection class II



Ground (voltage to earth)

Warnings related to safety – general information

- □ This document is not a supplement to the Instruction manual! Please find the operating manual as PDF file on the enclosed CD-ROM.
- □ If the test equipment is used in a manner not specified in this user manual, the protection provided by the equipment could be impaired!
- Read this user manual carefully, otherwise the use of the instrument may be dangerous for the operator, the instrument or for the equipment under test!
- Do not use the instrument or any of the accessories if any damage is noticed!
- Consider all generally known precautions in order to avoid risk of electric shock while dealing with hazardous voltages!
- In case a fuse has blown follow the instructions in this manual in order to replace it! Use only fuses that are specified!
- Do not use the instrument in AC supply systems with voltages higher than 550 V AC.
- Service, repairs or adjustment of instruments and accessories is only allowed to be carried out by a competent authorized personnel!
- Please use standard or optional BENNING accessories only which are available from your authorized specialty retailer!
- Consider that protection category of some accessories is lower than of the instrument. Test tips and Tip "Commander" have removable caps. If they are removed the protection falls to CAT II. Check markings on accessories! cap off, 18 mm tip: CAT II up to 1000 V to earth

cap on, 4 mm tip: CAT II 1000 V / CAT III 600 V / CAT IV 300 V to earth

- The instrument come supplied with rechargeable Ni-MH battery cells. The cells should only be replaced with the same type as defined on the battery compartment label or as described in this manual. Do not use standard alkaline battery cells while the power supply adapter is connected, otherwise they may explode!
- Hazardous voltages exist inside the instrument. Disconnect all test leads, remove the power supply cable and switch off the instrument before removing battery compartment cover.
- □ Do not connect any voltage source on C1 input. It must be used only for connecting the current clamp adapters recommended by BENNING. Maximal input voltage is 3 V!
- □ All normal safety precautions must be taken in order to avoid risk of electric shock while working on electrical installations!

## Warnings related to safety – measurements

#### Insulation resistance

- □ Insulation resistance measurement should only be performed on de-energized objects!
- Do not touch the test object during the measurement or before it is fully discharged! Risk of electric shock!
- U When an insulation resistance measurement has been performed on a capacitive object,

automatic discharge may not be done immediately! The warning message until voltage are displayed during discharge until voltage drops below 30 V.

Do not connect test terminals to external voltage higher than 600 V (AC or DC) in order not to damage the test instrument!

#### Low-impedance resistance/continuity test

- Low-impedance resistance measurements/ continuity tests should only be performed on deenergized objects!
- Parallel loops may influence on test results.

#### **Testing PE terminal**

□ If the phase voltage is detected at the protective conductor connection PE, immediately stop all measurements and ensure that the fault of the installation will be eliminated.



#### Warnings related to safety – batteries/ storage batteries and fuses

- Disconnect all test cables / accessories from the tester and from the installation and switch the tester off before opening the cover of the battery / fuse compartment. Dangerous voltages may be applied to the interior of the tester!
- Please make sure that the storage batteries are inserted correctly, because otherwise the tester is not ready for operation and the storage batteries will discharge.
- Do not recharge alkaline battery cells!
- The storage batteries must be charged only by means of the charger included in the scope of delivery!

### Warnings related to safety – "Commander" probe tip (included in delivery) – "Commander" test plug for shock-proof socket (optional)

Measuring category of commanders:

Tip "Commander" (cap off, 18 mm tip) .... CAT II 1000 V to earth Tip "Commander" (cap on, 4 mm tip) ..... CAT II 1000 V / CAT III 600 V / CAT IV 300 V to earth "Commander" test plug for shock-proof socket CAT II 300 V to earth

- Measuring category of commanders can be lower than protection category of the instrument.
- □ If dangerous voltage is detected on the tested PE terminal, immediately stop all measurements, find and remove the fault!
- Disconnect the "Commander" from the tester and from the installation and switch the "Commander" off before opening the cover of the battery compartment. Dangerous voltages might occur inside the "Commander"!

#### 3 2 (11)1 4 (10) BENNING IT 130 MEM ¢€ 4 Z1 (L-N/L) Rio FI/RCE RE AUTO 5 SETTINGS LUX HELP ESC / \* 0 TRUE RMS Installation Tester CAL 8 9 (12)6

### 1.2 Front and connector panel

#### Legend:

1	LCD		128 x 64 dots matrix display with backlight.
2	UP DOWN		Modifies selected parameter.
4	TEST		Starts measurements.
			Acts also as the PE touching electrode.
5	ESC		Goes one level back.
6	ТАВ		Selects the parameters in selected function.
7	Backlight, Contrast		Changes backlight level and contrast.
8	ON/OFF		Switches the instrument power on or off.
			The instrument automatically turns off 15 minutes after
			the last key was pressed.
9	HELP/CAL		Help function with connection diagrams
	(press for approx. 2 seconds for $\vec{R}$ LOW and $\Delta U$ )		(press for approx. 2 seconds for R LOW and $\Delta U$ )
		For calibrating the test cables in the R LOW and	
			CONTINUITY function
			Starts the Z <sub>REF</sub> measurement in the sub-function
			ΔU voltage drop
10	Function selector switch		Selects test function.
11	MEM		Stores / recalls memory of instrument.
			Stores the settings of the current clamp adapter
12	Green LEDs Red LEDs		Indicates PASS / FAIL of result.





#### Legend:

1	Test connector	Measuring inputs / outputs.	
2	Charger socket	For charging the rechargeable Ni-MH storage batteries	
3	USB connector	USB interface for PC connection	
4	Protection cover		
5	C1	Measuring input for optional current clamp adapter BENNING CC 1 / BENNING CC 2 / BENNING CC 3	
6	PS/2 connector	Serial RS-232 interface for PC connection Connection for optional measuring adapters, e.g. BENNING luxmeter type B Connection for optional barcode scanner	

### 1.3 Standard scope of delivery

- □ 1 x BENNING IT 130 installation tester
- □ 1 x padded carrying case
- □ 1 x "Commander" probe tip (switchable by means of TEST key)
- □ 1 x test cable with shock-proof plug
- □ 1 x universal three-wire test cable (black, blue, green)
- □ 1 x set of probe tips (black, blue, green)
- □ 1 x set of alligator clips (black, blue, green)
- □ 1 x carrying strap
- □ 1 x RS 232-PS/2 interface cable
- □ 1 x USB interface cable
- □ 6 x rechargeable NiMH storage batteries of size AA
- □ 2 x batteries of size AAA
- □ 1 x charger
- 1 x CD-ROM with BENNING PC-WIN IT 130 logging software and detailed operating manual in PDF format
- 1 x printed brief operating manual
- 1 x calibration certificate



### 1.4 Indications and meaning of symbols

#### Terminal voltage monitor

The terminal voltage monitor displays on-line the voltages on the test terminals and information about active test terminals in the AC installation measuring mode.



The voltage applied is displayed by means of the testing terminal symbol. All three testing terminals L, N and PE are used for the selected measurement.

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The polarity of the testing voltage applied (R LOW, R ISO) is displayed at the output terminals L and N.

#### **Battery indication**

	Battery capacity indication.
	Low battery. The storage battery charge condition is too low to ensure correct measuring results. Recharge the storage batteries or replace the batteries.
Ō	Charging in progress (if power supply adapter is connected).

#### Messages

$\mathbb{X}$	Measurement is running, consider displayed warnings.
	Conditions on the input terminals allow starting the measurement; consider other displayed warnings and messages.
X	Conditions on the input terminals do not allow starting the measurement, consider displayed warnings and messages.
li de la companya de	RCD tripped-out during the measurement (in RCD functions).
	Portable RCD selected (PRCD).
4	Instrument is overheated. The measurement is prohibited until the temperature decreases under the allowed limit.
8	Result(s) can be stored.
22	High electrical noise was detected during measurement. Results may be impaired.
¢	L and N are changed.
4	Warning! High voltage is applied to the test terminals.
4	<b>Warning!</b> Dangerous voltage on the PE terminal! Stop the activity immediately and eliminate the fault / connection problem before proceeding with any activity!

CAL X	The test cable resistance for the low-impedance measurement / continuity test has not been compensated.
CAL V	The test cable resistance for the low-impedance measurement / continuity test has been compensated.
٢	High resistance to earth of test probes. Results may be impaired.
< 1	The current is too low for the accuracy specified. This might result in incorrect measuring results. Please check in the current clamp settings whether the accuracy of the current clamp can be increased.
CLIP	Measured signal is out of range (clipped). Results are impaired.
SF	Simple error in the IT network.
Ð	Fuse F1 is broken.

#### Sound warnings

Continuous	Warning! Dangerous voltage on the PE terminal is detected.
sound	wanning: Dangerous voltage on the PE terminal is detected.

#### Evaluation of the measuring result



### 1.5 Selecting measuring functions

MEM RISC Z, RLOW RE RLOW RE CAL CO HELP CAL	Rotary switch for selecting the measuring function	<u>R ISO 5000 1ΜΩ</u> <b>R:ΜΩ</b> Um:V
	Selects sub-function Selects value of parameter / limit	<b>₽</b> ₹ <u>₽</u> \$
	Selects parameter / limits	
TEST	Starts measurement	

### **1.6 Switch position "AUTO"**

Turn the rotary selector switch to the "AUTO" position in order to select the measuring function by means of the "Commander" probe tip (10105455) or by means of the optional "Commander" test plug (044149).

The following functions can be selected by means of the "Commander":

- □ selection of the measuring function (only in the "AUTO" switch position)
- □ start of measurement
- □ storage of measuring results
- LC display illumination ON/OFF
- measuring point illumination ON/OFF

### 1.7 Settings

Turn the rotary selector switch to the "SETTINGS" position in order to make the following settings at the tester:

- □ MEMORY (request data, delete data, delete entire memory)
- □ SELECT LÂNGUAGE (GB, D, E, F, NL)
- □ SET DATE/TIME
- □ EARTHING SYSTEM (TN/TT or IT network)
- □ RCD TESTING (according to EN 61008/EN 61009, IEC 60364-4-41, BS 7671, AS/NZS 3017)
- □ SET ISC FACTOR setting (0.20 3.00)
- □ SELECT COMMANDER (ON/OFF)
- INITIAL SETTINGS
- CLAMP SETTINGS (BENNING CC 1 (044037), BENNING CC 2 (044110), BENNING CC 3 (044038))

### 1.8 Measured value memory

The internal memory of the tester allows to store up to 1800 measuring results including parameters, limiting values and sate/time of the measurement.

The measuring results can be stored in a memory structure comprising 4 levels:

Memory structure:

[OBJ] OBJECT 001
[BLO] BLOCK 001
[FUS] FUSE 001
[CON] MEASURING POINT 001
socket 1
Measurem

Example of installation structure: customer Meyer distributor of ground floor F1 kitchen socket 1 Measurement: no.: 1/3 RCD I: 22.5 mA no.: 2/3 R ISO: >999 MΩ no.: 3/3 R LOW: 0.17 Ω

The PC software BENNING PC-Win IT 130 (included in the delivery) serves to read the memory of measured values of the tester (download) and to transmit installation structures that have already been created on the PC to the tester (upload).

### 1.9 Batteries and fuses

#### **Batteries**

#### Warning:



- Disconnect all test cables / accessories from the tester and from the installation and switch the tester off before opening the cover of the battery / fuse compartment. Dangerous voltages might occur inside the tester!
- Use alkaline batteries or rechargeable Ni-MH batteries (storage batteries) of the size AA only! Do not recharge alkaline batteries!
- Please make sure that the batteries / storage batteries are inserted with correct polarity, because otherwise the tester cannot be operated and the batteries / storage batteries will discharge.
- If the tester will not be used for a longer period of time, remove all batteries / storage batteries from the battery compartment in order to protect the tester against leakage of the batteries / storage batteries.

The rechargeable Ni-MH batteries (storage batteries) will be recharged automatically as soon as the charger is connected to the charging socket. An integrated protective circuit controls the charging process.



Power supply socket polarity

#### Fuses

#### Warning:



- Disconnect all test cables / accessories from the tester and from the installation and switch the tester off before opening the cover of the battery / fuse compartment. Dangerous voltages may be applied to the interior of the tester!
- Replace the fuses removed with new fuses of exactly the same fuse type. An incorrect fuse might affect the safety of the user and / or damage the tester.

There are three fuses under back cover of the BENNING IT 130 instrument.

🗆 F1

M 0,315 A / 250 V, 20×5 mm

This fuse is intended to protect the internal switching circuits for low-impedance measurement/ continuity test, if during measurement the probe tips are accidentally connected to the mains voltage.

#### 🗆 F2, F3

F 4 A / 500 V,  $32 \times 6,3$  mm (breaking capacity: 50 kA) General input protection fuses of test terminals L/L1 and N/L2.



Legend:

1	Fuse F1	M 315 mA / 250 V
2	Fuses F2 and F3	F 4 A / 500 V (breaking capacity 50 kA)
3	Serial number label	
4	Storage batteries/ batteries	Size AA, rechargeable NiMH / alkaline quantity: 6 pieces

### 1.10 Calibration and Service

#### Calibration

To maintain accuracy of the measuring results, the device must be recalibrated in regular intervals by our factory service. We recommend recalibrating the device once a year. In case of need, please contact our service.

#### Service

Please do not hesitate to contact our specialists for any further information. BENNING Elektrotechnik & Elektronik GmbH & Co KG Robert-Bosch-Str. 20 D - 46397 Bocholt Internet: www.benning.de

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### 1.11 Optional accessories

Earthing set	
Earthing set consisting of 2 earth rods and 3 test cables	the second se
2  x L = 20  m, 1  x L = 4.5  m item no.: 044113	
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Current clamp adapter	9
BENNING CC 1, 1 A - 400 A AC	
output: 1 mV per 1 A item no.: 044037	
<b>BENNING CC 2</b> , 0.5 A - 20 A AC	
output: 1 mA per 1 A item no.: 044110	
BENNING CC 3, 0.2 A - 300 A AC/DC	
output: 1 mV/10 mV per 1 A item no.: 044038	
Luminous intensity sensor	-
BENNING luxmeter type B item no.: 044111	Q
For the planning and installation of interior and exterior	a 🚔
lighting	
	I' II
"Commander" test plug	
For shock-proof socket, switchable with "TEST" and "MEM"	
keys, with "PASS" / "FAIL" indication by means of green/red	
LED, PE contact electrode for detecting a phase voltage at	
the protective conductor connection (PE)	
item no.: 044149	
CEE measuring adapter	
16 A, 5-pin, for measuring the voltage and phase sequence	
(rotary field) at 16 A CEE sockets item no.: 044148	
lien no 044140	
40 m Measurement cable	
40 m measurement cable with winder and strap, for the	
measurement of protective conductors	
item no.: 044039	
Barcode scanner	
Barcode scanner with PS/2 interface for identifying the	
measuring point and renaming the storage location	
item no.: 009371	
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### 2 Measurements

### 2.1 Null balance (compensation) of the test cables



f.....Frequency

### 2.2 TRMS voltage (V AC/DC), frequency and phase sequence (rotary field)



### 2.3 Insulation Resistance (R<sub>ISO</sub>)







R .....Test voltage (actual value)

### 2.4 Low-impedance resistance (R<sub>LOW</sub>)/ continuity test





5. The measuring result can be stored by means of the "MEM" key.



**R** ..... R LOWΩ **R+** .... Result at positive polarity **R-** .... Result at negative polarity



R.....CONTINUITY resistance

### 2.5 Residual current operated device (RCD)







5. The measuring result can be stored by means of the "MEM" key.



Uc .... Contact voltage RL .... Fault loop resistance



 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{t} .....Tripping time \\ \textbf{Uc} ....contact voltage \\ for nominal value I_{\Delta N} \end{array}$ 



I ...... Tripping current Uci.... Contact voltage at trip-out current I or end value in case the RCD didn't trip t ...... Tripping time



Measuring values for 0°/180°:

### 2.6 Loop impedance (Z<sub>s L-PE</sub>)









**Zs**..... Loop impedance (L-PE) **Isc**.... prospective short-circuit current (fault current) **Lim** .. lower limiting value of the prospective short-circuit current

### 2.7 Line impedance ( $Z_{I L-N/L}$ )





5. The measuring result can be stored b	by means of the "MEM" key.



Z: .... Line impedance Isc.... Prospective short-circuit current Lim .. Lower limiting value of the prospective short-circuit current



- **ΔU** ... Voltage drop
- **Isc** ... Prospective short-circuit current
- ${\bf Z} \ldots \ldots$  Line impedance at the measuring point
- Zref.. Line impedance of the reference point

### 2.8 Earth resistance (R<sub>E</sub>)



# Connection of the optional earthing set (044113)

4. Press the key	
5. The measuring result can be stored by means of the "MEM" key.	
R Earth resistance	
<b>Rp</b> Probe resistance of the S probe (potential)	
Rc Auxiliary earth electrode resistance of the H probe (current)	

### 2.9 Current (A AC/DC)









### 2.10 Luminous intensity (LUX)





Positioning of the luminous intensity sensor BENNING luxmeter type B (044111)



### 2.11 First fault current (R<sub>ISO</sub>) in IT supply system (ISFL)





4. Press the key

#### 5. The measuring result can be stored by means of the "MEM" key.



Isc1.. Single-fault current between L1 and PE Isc2.. Single-fault current between L2 and PE