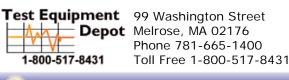
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#### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Read and understand these instructions prior to use. These operating instructions are not a substitute for proper training in the use of this equipment. High voltage systems present serious hazards, including the risk of death or serious injury due to arcing, thermal burns and electrocution. HD Electric's products are intended solely for use by professionals with knowledge, training and experience in the use of the equipment and its accessories in and around high voltage systems.

All applicable federal, state, company and OSHA work practices must be followed. If you are unfamiliar with the work practices required, **DO NOT PROCEED**. Call HD Electric if you have any questions regarding this equipment.

## THESE IMPORTANT LABELS ARE AFFIXED TO THE PRODUCT. READ AND UNDERSTAND EACH OF THEM BEFORE PROCEEDING.



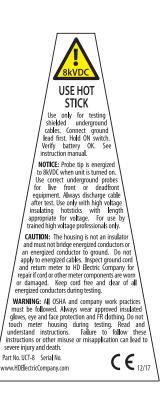
All meters require the use of accessory hot sticks, which may or may not be supplied with the meter. The minimum hot stick length required for safe use depends upon the particular operation; consult federal, state, company and OSHA specifications for the proper hot stick length for the intended operation.

The users of this meter should always be equipped with personal protective equipment including high voltage gloves, flame retardant clothing and eye protection. Face protection is recommended but not required. Some applications may require additional protective equipment.

Accessory probes are available for all meters. Always use the proper probe(s) for your application. Failure to follow these and other warnings and safety precautions may result in severe injury or death.

#### **OPERATIONAL IMPAIRMENT**

If the UCT-8 is used in a manner not described in this instruction manual, the protection and effective operation of this equipment may be impaired.



#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The HD Electric Underground Cable Tester is a self contained one piece solution for DC leakage current testing of deenergized shielded primary voltage underground cables. Test results are displayed on a large LED display.

The UCT-8 first alerts the user to the presence of AC voltage on the underground cable. After verifying the cable is completely deenergized, the UCT-8 charges the cable to a maximum voltage of 8kVDC. Cable leakage current is measured and shown on the front display as an analog bar graph. After several seconds, test results are shown as GOOD, HIGH LEAKAGE or FAULT. The UCT-8 then proceeds to discharge the connected cable and verifies when this discharge process is complete.

An internal high voltage resistor allows the UCT-8 to be used on grounded Y systems up to 25kV. The insulated ground cord connects to any system ground or neutral.

The UCT-8 can test 15kV, 1/0 XLPE cables up to 7,500 ft. in length. Higher voltage cables allow longer cable lengths and larger conductors will reduce maximum cable length. The maximum cable charging time for the longest cables is 35 seconds.



Hot Stick Connection: Shotgun or Universal Spline

#### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS MODEL NUMBER: UCT-8

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

CONDITIONS - Indoor and outdoor use ALTITUDE - Up to 6,566 ft. (2000M) OPERATING TEMPERATURE +20°F to +120°F (-7°C to +49°C) HUMIDITY - 95% to 49°C (non-condensing) POLLUTION DEGREE - PD4 MEASUREMENT CATEGORY IV - Classification Rating (CAT IV) – Product is intended for use with test and measuring circuits connected to the circuits/wiring outside of a building installation, including transmission lines. OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY IV ENCLOSURE MATERIAL - Supertough Nylon UL 94-HB PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARDS - FR-4 UL94V-0 IEC PROTECTION RATING - IP64

#### DIMENSIONS:

LENGTH - 14 in. (36cm), Width 4.6 in. (12cm), Height 4.1 in. (10cm) GROUND CORD LENGTH - 12'(3.6m) fully extended, 3.5'(1.7m) retracted WEIGHT - (w/o probes): 3 lbs. (1.36kg) BATTERY LIFE - Approximately 40 tests on 300' of 250 Kcmil (non-faulted) cable, fewer on faulted cable BATTERY - 9V lithium, ANSI-1604LC, IEC-6LR61 DIGITAL DISPLAY - Reads AC kilovolts and displays DC leakage/ discharge current as an analog bar graph **TEST VOLTAGE - 8kVDC** FAULT CURRENT MEASUREMENT - 10 - 250 uADC VOLTAGE RANGE - 50V-25kVAC line to ground, 50/60Hz AUTO-RANGING - No range selector switch ACCURACY – AC voltage 2% of reading ANALOG BAR GRAPH – Log display of DC current (see detail page 9) FAULTED CABLE CURRENT THRESHOLD: ≥120µA HIGH LEAKAGE INDICATION: >32µA and <120µA

CABLE GOOD INDICATION: <32µA

#### **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **Pre-Use Inspection**

**WARNING:** Before using the instrument be sure to inspect the equipment to ensure that it is functioning properly and is in safe, working condition. Failure to do so may cause serious injury or death and may result in erroneous test measurements.

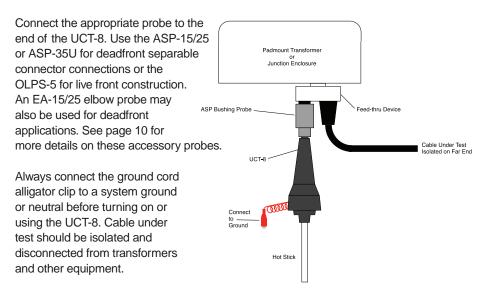
Before making any high voltage measurements, test and inspect the tester as follows:

- 1) Make certain the instrument is clean and dry.
- 2) Inspect the cord for cracked insulation.
- Be sure that you are using a hot stick of the appropriate length, and examine the hot stick to ensure that it is clean, dry and waxed to a clear shiny surface.
- 4) Confirm that the meter turns on and the battery is OK.



- 5) Attach the Brass Hook Accessory Probe (025-OLPS-5) to the tester and connect the ground cord clip to the brass hook probe.
- 6) Press and hold the ON button to turn on the high voltage. Verify a full scale deflection of the current measurement on the display (as shown).
- Discontinue this test by pressing and holding the ON button again until the 8kV indication disappears.

The UCT-8 is designed for use on deenergized shielded primary voltage underground cables. Always verify the cable is both deenergized and discharged before proceeding with testing. Only cable with extruded dielectric such as rubber or polyethylene can be tested with the UCT-8. Using it on paper insulated cable may provide erroneous test results caused by higher leakage currents typical for this type of cable.



Press the ON button to turn the unit on and verify a good battery. A low battery is shown with an empty battery icon in the bottom right corner of the screen.

Press and hold the ON button for 3 seconds to turn on the 8kVDC high voltage.

Connect the tester to the cable to be tested.

In the event the UCT-8 is connected to a live cable energized with 50/60Hz AC voltage, that voltage will be displayed on the front panel and testing cannot proceed until the cable is verified deenergized. This cable should also be grounded to completely discharge it before beginning the test.

If no AC voltage above 100V is detected, the UCT-8 is ready to test the underground cable.

The presence of high voltage DC from the UCT-8 is indicated by the lightning bolt symbol at top right of the display.

When the high voltage is first applied to the cable, the displayed charging current will be high. If the cable is in good condition and does not have high leakage current, this charging current will slowly diminish over several seconds.

If the cable leakage current drops to near zero, the CABLE GOOD message will be displayed and the cable discharging current is now shown in the bar graph.











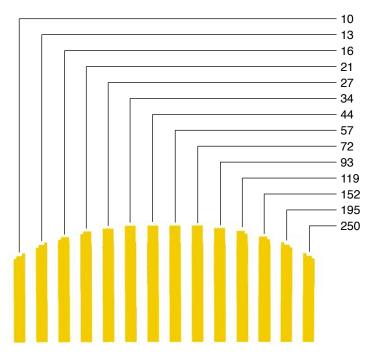
If the cable leakage current stays high, the CABLE FAULT message will be displayed and the cable discharging current is now shown in the bar graph.

If the cable leakage current remains high but not as high as a faulted cable, the HIGH LEAKAGE message will be displayed. High leakage cables are usually older unjacketed polyethylene cables with internal insulation damage. These cables may or may not hold line voltage when reenergized.

The cable discharging display will remain on the screen until the DC voltage present on the cable has fallen below 50V. Once the cable under test is discharged, the device will return to the activation screen.



#### Cable Charging / Leakage Current (DC microamps)



### PROBES & ACCESSORIES

WARNING: ALWAYS use probes appropriate to your application. NEVER use overhead probes in underground applications. Failure to use the correct probe can result in arcing or electrical contact and may cause serious injury or death. If you are not trained in the particular operation or are not sure about the appropriate probe for your application **DO NOT PROCEED**.

#### PROBES

A. OLPS-5 brass hook probe

#### **B. HOT STICK**

A range of hot sticks are available in lengths starting at 4'. Contact HD Electric for more details.

#### UNDERGROUND DEAD FRONT BUSHING PROBES

- C. ASP-15/25 for use in 15kV and 25kV loadbreak bushings
- D. ASP-35U for use in 35kV loadbreak bushings

#### E. UNDERGROUND ELBOW PROBE

EA-15/25 for insertion in loadbreak elbows. NOTE: The elbow must be firmly supported when using this probe.

WARNING: Do not use the UCT-8 if proper operation is not confirmed. Do not use it to test equipment other than underground shielded primary cable. Do not apply to energized circuits or equipment. Refer all servicing to the factory. Failure to follow these instructions may lead to electric shock, severe injury or death.



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#### CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Regular periodic maintenance is required to keep the cable tester in proper operating condition. Digital models will require periodic battery replacement. Keep the tool clean and dry and always store it in its case. The tester should be kept clean and free of dirt, contamination and marking. Examine the cord for cracking or other damage prior to each use. Although we do not specify a calibration cycle, we recommend you test, measure and calibrate your instrument annually. Contact HD Electric for details.

#### **CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS**

To clean the UCT-8 wipe with a damp cloth with water. Do not use harsh chemicals or solvents.

### REPAIRS

If any damage is found please contact us at 800-435-0786 to arrange for service.

#### MANUFACTURING LOCATION

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