



Question and Answer Guide

The Testing of Electrical Installations



Compliance Testers

Compliance Test Kits

Description	TCTRP Analogue Kit	TCTDT Digital Kit	TCTCDK Digital Kit
DMM	TBM811	-	-
Clamp Meter	-	TBM3030	TBM3030
Insulation Tester	T1800	T1851	T1151
Earth Resistance	T1805	T1820	T1120
Loop Tester	T1825	T1825	T1125
ELCB Tester	TEL1TLB	TEL1TLB	TEL1TLB
Phase Rotation	T860	T887	T890
Foam	TCTRPFM	TCTDTFM	TCTCDKFM
Case	тстсѕ	TCTCS	TCTCS

Refer to pages 19-24 for Technical Specifications



Compliance Combination Tester

Model T419 | T89





All the above testers featured in a single lightweight compliance combination tester

- Continuity (Low OHM)
- Insulation (50/100/250/500/1000 V)
- Loop impedance
- Earth resistance (resistivity)
- ELCB (sensitivity & time)
- RS232 Interface or USB
- Frequency/Voltage
- Phase Rotation
- 350 Memory Locations

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QUESTION 1: WHAT IS AN ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION?

- ANSWER: The regulations published under notice R2920 in the Government Gazette 23rd October 1992, as amended in the new EIR 2009, say that an electrical installation is where any machinery is used for the transmission of electricity from a point of control to a point of consumption on any premises. Vehicle, telecommunication, and certain other equipment including that of the supply authority is excluded from the definition.
- QUESTION 2: WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY, SAFE USE AND MAINTENANCE OF AN INSTALLATION?
- ANSWER: These same regulations state clearly that the USER/LESSOR/LESSEE is responsible for the installation. Reg 2(1) (2) (3). EIR 2009.
- QUESTION 3: HOW CAN A LAYMAN KNOW IF THE INSTALLATION IS SAFE?
- ANSWER: By ensuring that the installation is covered by a valid certificate of compliance / test report. The law requires that the USER must possess a valid certificate of compliance for the installation being used.
- QUESTION 4: WHERE CAN A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE BE OBTAINED?
- ANSWER: A certificate of compliance / test report can be obtained from a REGISTERED PERSON, who has been registered by the Chief Inspector of the Department of Labour in terms of the regulations (as an electrical contractor).
- QUESTION 5: WHAT MUST THE REGISTERED PERSON DO BEFORE ISSUING A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE TEST REPORT?
- ANSWER: The law requires that a visual inspection covering no less than 15 aspects of the installation must be carried out as well as a series of 16 electrical tests. The details are shown on page 18 at the back of the booklet.
- QUESTION 6: WHAT ELECTRICAL TESTS MUST BE CARRIED OUT?
- ANSWER: The tests required are: (see page 18)
 - 1) Continuity of bonding
 - 2) Resistance of earth continuity conductor
 - 3) Continuity of ring circuits (if applicable)
 - 4) Earth loop impedance test: at main switch
 - 5) Prospective short-circuit current at point of control (PSCC) for sub-distribution boards
 - 6) Elevated voltage between incoming neutral and external earth (ground)
 - 7) Earth resistance at electrode (if required)
 - 8) Insulation resistance
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 - 14) Polarity of points of consumption
 - 15) Phase rotation at points of consumption for three-phase systems
 - 16) All switching devices, make-and-break circuits



OUESTION 7a: WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST CONTINUITY OF ALL BONDING **CONDUCTORS?**

ANSWER:

Any insulation tester similar to:

- a) Toptronic MacroG3
- Toptronic T1151 b)
- T89 c)

OUESTION 7b: HOW IS THE TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?

ANSWER:

- a) Set the instrument to be used on RESISTANCE. (ohms).
- b) Short the instrument test leads together (including any extension leads) and make a note of the reading on the instrument.
- c) To test, connect one test lead to the earth bar in the distribution panel and the other test lead to the test point (each geyser, gutter, aerial and other exposed conductive parts of the installation) and make a note of this reading (see fia. A - Pa 3).
- d) Subtract previous reading (b) from this reading (c) to get the required reading.
- e) This reading shall not exceed 0.2 Ω . (see note on table 8.1 on page 276 of code of practice). SANS 10142
- f) All points must be tested.

Table 1 - Maximum Resistance Of Earth Continuity Conductor

1	2	
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Rated current of protective device A	Maximum resistance of earth continuity path	Type of Instrument
6.3 10 16	1.7 1.1 0.70	T1132 T1800
20 25 32	0.55 0.53 0.41	T1832 T1151 T89 T52
40 50 63	0.33 0.26 0.24	T418 T419 MacroG3
80 100 125	0.19 0.14 0.12	
160 200 250 315	0.096 0.077 0.062 0.049	T4137

NOTE - in the case of metallic roofs, gutters, downpipes and waste pipes (See 6.13.2.4). The resistance of the earth continuity path shall not exceed $0,2\Omega$

WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST THE RESISTANCE OF THE EARTH **QUESTION8a:** CONTINUITY CONDUCTORS?

ANSWER:

- Only use insulation resistance testers:
- a) Toptronic T1132 b) Toptronic MacroG3
- c) Toptronic T1832
- d) Toptronic T1151
- e) T89

Fig A - Continuity of all Bonding Conductors



Fig B - Resistance of Earth Continuity Conductors



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QUESTION 8b: HOW IS THIS TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?

ANSWER:

- a) Set the instrument to be used on RESISTANCE (ohms).
- b) Short the instrument test leads together (including any extension leads) and make a note of the reading on the instrument.
- c) To test, connect one test lead to the earth bar in the distribution panel and the other test lead to the test point (each switch, socket outlet or other point of consumption) and make a note of this reading (see Fig. B Pg 3).
- d) Subtract previous reading (b) from this reading (c) to get the required reading.
- e) Compare this reading (d) with the maximum value given in table 1 above (table 8.1 on page 276 of code of practice). SANS 10142
- f) A reading lower than the listed value is acceptable.
- g) All points must be tested.
- The worst reading can then be recorded for each of the following: lights, sockets, stove, geyser, etc. or all values measured can be written down as illustrated in addendum A below.

ADDENDUM A	
Lights 10A (1.1Ω):	0.9 0.85 1.01 0.75
Sockets 20A (0.55Ω):	0.34 0.50 0.41 0.34
Geyser 40A (0.33Ω):	0.21 0.25

QUESTION 9a: WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST THE CONTINUITY OF THE RING CIRCUIT?

ANSWER:

- Any meter with continuity (buzzer) function similar to:
- a) Toptronic TBM805
- b) Toptronic T1151
- c) Toptronic TBM811
- d) Toptronic MacroG3

QUESTION 9b: HOW IS THE TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?

ANSWER:

- a) Set the meter to the continuity function (no reading required).
 - b) Disconnect both ends of the ring from the circuit breaker. (refer Fig. C & D Pg 5). As this is an example only the phase conductor is shown).
 - c) Connect the test leads of the meter to the disconnected ends of the ring circuit. (refer Fig. D)
 - d) If there is continuity the buzzer will sound.
 - e) Record the following onto the certificate: Correct or N/A.
 - f) Re-connect both ends of the conductors to the same terminal. Phases together and neutrals together, etc. (refer Fig. D1)

QUESTION 10a: WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST EARTH FAULT LOOP IMPEDANCE (Main switch)?

ANSWER: A digital earth loop tester like: a) Toptronic T1125 (with electronic load).

TIMT Line Insulation Monitor Tester

FEATURES

- Testing of IT Supply Systems derived from high impedance transformers.
- Test between earth reference and phase with output connections for a multimeter.
- Test Insulation monitoring alarm by adjusting the potentiometer to verify the audio and visual indication.

INSTRUCTION MANUAL

A) Multimeter voltage test:

- Socket Outlet Voltage Test 1: Test between "Earth Reference" and Line 1 (Blue) Reading ± 115 Volts. Socket Outlet Voltage Test 2: Test between "Earth Reference" and Line 2 (Red) Reading ± 115 Volts.
- B) Remove "Multimeter" and set switch to blue or red phase, turn the potentiometer clockwise until the line insulation monitor indicates both audio and visual.
- C) Verify operation of Line Insulation Monitor testing all socket-outlets. These values can be captured on a "COC" test report.

Note: The Voltage values could fluctuate due to changes in load.



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QUESTION 10b: HOW IS THIS TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?

ANSWER:

a) The test needs to be performed at the distribution board.

- b) Connect the leads above the earth leakage circuit breaker to avoid it from tripping (see Fig. E, F, G & H - Pg 7 & 8). Fig E, F, G & H shows typical installations that can be encountered.
- c) Make use of the test leads supplied with the tester only as non standard leads may lead to erroneous readings. No extension leads should be used.
- c) The earth loop impedance test will be conducted between the phase and earth conductors and the prospective short circuit current (PSC) will be between the phase and neutral conductor.
- e) T1825 is autoranging and will automatically select the most suitable range.
- f) Pressing the test button will momentarily inject a 16A (typical load current) test current through the circuit and a loop impedance reading will be indicated. Record this reading on the test certificate.
- g) It is accepted that a circuit should carry a fault current of twice the rated circuit current.

To calculate the acceptable value of measurement proceed as per the following formula:

v 2 x I (Amps) rated Remax = Maximum earth loop impedance Where Remax = Measured Voltage v _ I = Rated Circuit Current Example: 60 Amp Circuit (I) 230 VAC System (V) v 2 x I Remas = 230 = (2 x 60) **1.92**Ω =

Therefore the loop resistance of the circuit must be below 1.92Ω to allow a fault current of 120 amps to flow.

- h) Set the tester on the 2000A range on the PSC scale and measure the prospective short circuit current. The result will be indicated in amps.
- The result should be entered on the front page of the certificate of compliance / test report. An example can be found on page 282 of the SANS 10142-1:2003. (See addendum B – Pg 9).
- j) In the case of supply systems rated at not more than 250 V to earth, measure the PSCC at the point of control with a commercially available instrument (fault current meter). Before any instrument is connected, confirm that the instrument is rated for the applicable current rating, in particular where the current rating at the main switch disconnector exceeds 100 A or the PSCC is expected to exceed 10 kA. Note 1: Do not measure three-phase PSCC if the meter is not specifically designed for that purpose or for the capacity of supply (or both). In a balanced three-phase system,

the three-phase value can be estimated by multiplying the single-phase value by 1.73. Note 2: Ensure that the instrument connections do not add impedance to the circuit measured.

CAUTION: Verify the suitability and accuracy of the PSCC instrument with the manufacturer.

- k) To calculate prospective short-circuit current see page 271 of the SANS 10142-1:2003 (See addendum C Pg 11).
- It is important to take into account the distance from the transformer and size of supply cable when inspecting and accepting the kA rating of the circuit breaker and installation.

Fig E - TT System Earthing



Line earth loop resistance is the sum of wiring resistance, earth resistance and resistance of transformer winding.

Fig F - IT Earthing System



Line earth loop resistance is the sum of wiring resistance, earth resistance and resistance of transformer winding.

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Fig G - TN-S Earthing System



Line earth loop resistance is the sum of wiring resistance, earth resistance and resistance of transformer winding.

Fig H - TN-C-S System Earthing



Line earth loop resistance is the sum of wiring resistance, earth resistance and resistance of transformer winding.

ADDENDUM B

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THE ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS' Association (S.A)			
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TEST REPORT	FOR USE BY ECA MEMBERS ONLY		
for ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS	Date of Issue:		
Note 1. In terms of South African legislation, the user or lesser	is responsible for the safety of the electrical installation.		
Note 3. This report covers the circuits for fixed appliances, but doe air conditioning and refrigeration plant and lights. Note 4. Medical and hazardous locations require additional test re	is not cover the actual appliances, for example stoves, geysers,		
SECTION 1. LOCATION	KK.		
SECTION 1 - LOCATION (only required if not provided on Certificate of Comp	liance)		
Name of huilding:			
SECTION 2 - INSTALLATION			
Existing Certificate No Yes Date Issued:	Number:		
Existing installation Alteration / Extension	New installation Temporary installation		
Type of installation: Residential Commercial	Industrial Common area for multiple users (Sectional title)		
Other Describe:			
Type of electricity supply system: TN-S	TN-C-S TN-C TT IT		
Supply earth terminal provided: Yes	No		
Characteristics of supply:			
Voltage: 230 V 400 V	525 V Other: V		
Number of Phases: One Two Three	Phase rotation: Clockwise Anticlockwise		
Frequency: 50Hz Oth	ner: d.c.		
Prospective short-circuit current at point of control (PSCC):			
kA How	determined? Calculated Measured From supplier		
Main switch type: Switch disconnector (on-load isolator) Fuse switch Circuit-breaker Earth leakage circuit-breaker Earth leakage switch disconnector			
Number of poles: Current rating: A Sh	ort-circuit / withstand rating: kA		
Rated earth leakage tripping current / $ rianglename n$ 30mA	Other: MA		
Surge protection (see 6.7.6 and Annex. L):	Yes No		
Is alternative power supply installed (see 7.12)?:	Yes No		
Is any part of the installation a specialised electrical installation?:	Yes No If yes, complete additional test reports (see 8.8.2 or 8.8.3)		
Is any part of the installation at a voltage above 1 kV?:	Yes No If yes, competent person to approve design and complete additional test reports (see 8.6.3 and SANS 10142-2).		
Is this installation one of five or more on the same new supply?:	Yes No If yes, name of the competent person who supervised the installation (see 8.2.3).		

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QUESTION 11a:	WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST THE ELEVATED VOLTAGE ON THE NEUTRAL?		
ANSWER:	Any meter with a voltage function similar to: a) Toptronic TBM811 DMM b) TBM3030 c) TBM251		
QUESTION 11b:	HOW IS THIS TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?		
ANSWER:	 a) Switch off the main switch. b) Measure the voltage between the supplier neutral and the external earth of the installation (ie. earth spike) and record on certificate of compliance / test report. c) The reading should not exceed 25V. d) If the reading exceeds 25V notify the supply authority by completing Annex K (see addendum D – Pg 16). e) If the reading exceeds 50V disconnect the supply and notify the supply authority as above. 		
QUESTION 12a:	WHAT INSTRUMENT SHOULD BE USED TO TEST THE EARTH ELECTRODE RESISTANCE?		
ANSWER:	Any 3 terminal earth resistance tester similar to: a) Toptronic T1105 b) Toptronic T416 (Earth Resistivity) c) Toptronic T120 d) Toptronic T2000 e) Toptronic MacroG3		
QUESTION 12b:	HOW IS THE TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTED?		
ANSWER:	 a) Connect the Toptronic T1805 as shown in the diagram (figure 1 - Pg 12). Ensure that the cables are not touching or twisted as this will affect the measurement due to induction. b) Make sure to insert the auxiliary earth bars in the moist part of the earth. c) Spikes must be inserted in a straight line (minimum spacing is 2m). d) If the ground is dry or sandy moisten with water (Test spikes only). e) Where it is not possible to insert the auxiliary earth bars due to a hard surface like concrete or stony ground lay the earth bars in a suitable position and cover them with wet cloths (preferably with salt added to the water). f) Please note, this is not possible on tarred, tiled or painted surfaces. g) To check for earth voltage, depress the AC voltage button. If the reading is less than 10 volts proceed with the earth resistance test but if the reading is higher do not proceed. First rectify the problem as this can affect the reading. h) Now test for the correct wiring connection between the E, P and C terminals and earthspikes by depressing the battery check button. If the OK light is lit up, proceed with the earth resistance. i) Select the appropriate ohm scale. The meter will now indicate the earth resistance. j) It is accepted that a circuit should carry a fault current of twice the rated circuit current. To calculate what the maximum acceptable value of measurement proceed as per the following formula: 		
	Remax = $\frac{V}{2 \times I}$ $\frac{V}{2 \times I \text{ (Amps) rated}}$		
	Where Remax = Maximum earth electrode resistance V = Measured Voltage I = Rated Circuit Current Example: 60 Amp Circuit (I) 230 VAC System (V) V		
	Remax V Therefore the earth electrode resistance must be below $=$ 230 1.92 Ω to allow a fault current of 120 amps to flow. (2×60) *Note: When the supplier provides an earth terminal, then this text is optional.		

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ADDENDUM C

- 8.5 PROSPECTIVE SHORT CIRCUIT CURRENT (SEE SECTION 2 OF THE CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE / TEST REPORT)
- 8.5.1 Obtain the estimated prospective short-circuit current (PSCC) at the point of supply from the supplier of electric.
- 8.5.2 In the case of supply systems rated at not more than 250V to earth, measure the PSCC at the point of control with a commercially available instrument (fault current meter). Before any instrument is connected, confirm that the instrument is rated for the applicable current rating, in particular where the current rating at the main switch disconnector exceeds 100 A or the PSCC is expected to exceed 10 kA.

Note 1: Do not measure three-phase PSCC if the meter is not specifically designed for that purpose or for the capacity supply (or both). In a balanced three-phase system, the three-phase value can be estimated by multiplying the single-phase value by 1.73.

Note 2: Ensure that the instrument connections do not add impedance to the circuit measured. CAUTION: Verify the suitability and accuracy of the PSCC instrument with the manufacturer.

8.5.3 Information on three-phase PSCC can also be obtained from graphs, tables and computer programs, suppliers of equipment, or can be calculated using the following formula:

$$\frac{V}{\sqrt{3 \times Z_{total}}}$$

 Where V
 =
 the phase-to-phase voltage, in volts;

 Z_{total}
 =
 the total impedance of the upstream network in ohms, including, for example, the source transformer impedance and the impedance of a phase conductor.

8.5.4 The source transformer impedance can be calculated using the following formula:

Ztransformer	=	$\frac{V^2}{P x 10^3} x \frac{Z_{\%}}{100}$
Where Ztransformer	=	the source transformer impedance;
Р	=	the power of the transformer, in kilovolt amperes;
Ζ%	=	the rated short-circuit impedance voltage of the
		transformer expressed as a percentage

EXAMPLE TO WORK OUT PSC



C The PSCC of complete system

	A + B	=	Z (TRF) + Z (conductor)	=	Z Total
*	lsc	=	V √3 x Z Total	=	A
		=	<u>400</u> √3 x (0,0144 + 0,0044716049)		
	lsc	=	<u>400</u> 0,0326882		
	lsc	=	12 136.829 A		
	lsc	=	12,36829 kA		

The circuit breaker for this system must be the next size:

15 kA will be OK!

Fig I - Earth Resistance Measurement (Toptronic T1805)



On a concrete floor (not asphalt) where auxilary earth bars cannot be driven, lay the earth bars and make them moist with water before proceeding with measurement.





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	 k) Avoid backfilled areas as the ground has not been compacted and rubble might influence the reading. l) The above test should only be performed if an earth is provided. (Earth at the installation).
QUESTION 13a:	WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST INSULATION RESISTANCE?
ANSWER:	An installation tester like the: a) Toptronic MacroG3 b) Toptronic T1132 c) Toptronic T419 d) Toptronic T1151
QUESTION 13b:	HOW IS THIS TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?
ANSWER:	 a) Set the test voltage on the insulation tester to twice that of the system voltage (500 volts for a normal 230VAC system). b) Disconnect the power to the installation, the earth leakage circuit breaker and other electrical/electronic devices which could be damaged during the test. c) All switches and circuit breakers must be in the on position. d) Set the insulation tester to 500V and connect the test leads as required (For example: phase to phase, phase to neutral, phase to earth, etc). e) Depress the "push-on" button and note the insulation resistance reading indicated by the instrument. f) Infinity is preferred but a minimum of 1M ohm will be accepted.
QUESTION 14a:	WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST THE VOLTAGE (MAIN DB) WITH NO LOAD?
ANSWER:	Any meter with voltage function similar to: a) Toptronic TBM811 b) Toptronic TBM251 c) Toptronic TBM3030
QUESTION 14b:	HOW IS THIS TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?
ANSWER:	 a) Switch off all loads and measure the voltage at the point of control (the distribution board). b) If the voltage is out of regulatory limits notify the supplier by completing Annexure K (see Addendum D - Pg 16). c) The regulatory limit of the supply voltage is 230 VAC ±10%.
QUESTION 15a:	WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST THE VOLTAGE (MAIN DB) WITH THE LOADS SWITCHED ON?
ANSWER:	Any meter with a voltage function similar to: a) Toptronic TBM811 b) Toptronic TBM251 c) Toptronic TBM3030
QUESTION 15b:	HOW IS THE TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?
ANSWER:	 a) Switch on the maximum loads available and measure the voltage at the point of control (distribution board). b) The stove and geyser could be used as loads if available. c) If the voltage measured is out of regulatory limits notify the supplier by completing Annexure K (see Addendum D – Pg 16). d) The regulatory limit of the supply voltage is 230 VAC ±10%.
QUESTION 16a:	WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST THE VOLTAGE AT THE AVAILABLE LOAD (WORST CONDITION)?
ANSWER:	Any meter with a voltage function similar to: a) Toptronic TBM811 b) Toptronic TBM3030

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- c) Toptronic TBM251
- d) Toptronic TBM195

QUESTION 16b: HOW IS THIS TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?

ANSWER:

- a) This is a volt drop test and should be carried out on the furthest point of consumption. This could be a socket outlet or terminals of an appliance, etc.
- b) With no load connected to the point of consumption, measure the phase/ neutral voltage.
- c) Another measurement must now be taken with a load connected to the point of consumption. A typical load is 3kW and could be in the form of an element, heater, etc.
- d) The difference between the two readings gives the volt drop through the circuit. Calculate the percentage difference (error).
- e) The volt drop should not exceed 5%.
- f) Using the stove and geyser is not acceptable unless they are the furthest point of consumption.
- g) Keep the time between taking measurements b and c as short as possible as a fluctuation of suppliers voltage could result in erroneous results.
- h) Also note that the starting voltage is not important as the percentage change will be the same.

QUESTION 17a: WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST THE EARTH LEAKAGE PROTECTION UNITS?

ANSWER: Any ELCB tester similar to:

- a) Toptronic TEL1TLB
- b) Toptronic T419

QUESTION 17b: HOW IS THIS TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?

ANSWER:

- a) Ensure ALL leads are disconnected (all appliances unplugged, stove and geyser off).
 - b) Plug the ELCB tester (TEL1TLB) into any convenient socket outlet and switch on the socket.
 - c) Test at various points of outlet.
 - d) Increase the milliamps from 0 until the circuit breaker trips.
 - e) Note and record the value when tripping occurs. The earth leakage circuit breaker should trip between 15 and 30 mA. Ideally the unit should trip at 30 mA. The difference between the actual value and 30 mA is the "standing leakage" of the installation. If this is less than around 15 mA spurious tripping may occur.

QUESTION 18a: WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST THE OPERATION OF THE EARTH LEAKAGE TEST BUTTON?

ANSWER: a) No tester required

QUESTION 18b: HOW IS THIS TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?

ANSWER:

- a) Press the test button on the earth leakage circuit breaker (ELCB) installed in the distribution board.
 - b) The earth leakage circuit breaker (ELCB) should trip.
 - c) No value is required as this is to verify the operation and not the sensitivity.
 - d) The only result must be correct. (The ELCB tripped).

QUESTION 19a: WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST THE POLARITY OF THE POINTS OF CONSUMPTION?

ANSWER:

Any socket / ELCB Tester similar to:

- a) Toptronic TEL1TLB
- b) Toptronic TEL2SC
- c) T1825 (loop / PSC tester)
- d) Toptronic MacroG3

Annex K

(informative)

Notification of a potential danger (See 8.7.6 and 8.7.10)

То:		
		The supplier)
From:		
		The registered person)
During an ir	nspection in terms of SANS 10142. The wiring of	f premises, performed at stand
No.		
situated at		
l,	, Re	gistration No
I found the	following potential danger:	
I 🗌 elevate	ed voltage of neutral	v
I 🗌 voltage	e not within limits	V
I 🗌 other		
SIGNED:	Date:	

QUESTION 19b: HOW IS THIS TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?

ANSWER:

- a) Test that the polarity on all switches, sockets, appliance terminals and points of consumption are correct.
- b) Insert the TEL1TLB into all sockets, switch on and confirm polarity. Adaptors could be used when terminals are open.
- c) The correct wiring will be indicated by 3 lights. All must be on for correct status.
- d) If any of the lights remain off, the table on the instrument will indicate the fault condition.
- e) To test at a light switch, remove the cover, confirm visually that the phase conductor (Red) has been used. A non-contact voltage detector can be used to verify polarity as this will only function with the magnetic field of a live / phase conductor.
- f) A phase rotation test must also be carried out if it is a 3 phase installation. This is not applicable on a single phase. Results should then also be recorded on the front of the certificate of compliance / test report (page 282 of SANS 10142-1:2003) as illustrated in Addendum B – Pg 9.
- g) The results can only be correct, if a fault is detected it must be rectified immediately.

QUESTION 20a: WHAT INSTRUMENT CAN BE USED TO TEST ALL THE SWITCHING DEVICES AND MAKE AND BREAK CIRCUITS?

ANSWER: Any tester similar to:

- a) Toptronic TBM811
- b) Toptronic T1132
- c) Toptronic T1151

QUESTION 20b: HOW IS THIS TEST DONE AND WHAT VALUE OF MEASUREMENT IS ACCEPTABLE?

ANSWER:

All switching devices for example light switches, circuit breakers, isolators, etc should be tested.

- b) Switches must be switched on and off. The circuit must be interrupted as intended.
- c) Any defect must be rectified before the results can be recorded on the certificate of compliance / test report.
- d) The answer can only be correct.

QUESTION 21: WHY SHOULD ANYONE BOTHER WITH THESE TESTS WHEN VALUES CAN JUST BE FILLED IN ON THE FORMS?

ANSWER: You are an ACCREDITED PERSON and have clear responsibilities spelt out by the law. Furthermore, the law provides stiff penalties for failure to comply with the requirements of the regulations, and / or for contravention of the law. These include fines and / or imprisonment.

> DO THE TEST CORRECTLY, HOLD YOUR HEAD HIGH, AND BE PROUD OF YOUR WORK

HELLERMANNTYTON WILL BE HAPPY TO ASSIST WITH MORE INFORMATION AND DETAILS. CONTACT US AT THE NEAREST OFFICE.

TABLE 2

SANS 10142-1

	Section 4 - Inspection and Tests (New and existing installations)										
Additional tests added Yes No					N/A						
	Inspection Note: Answer "Yes" or "N/A". The report shall not be issued if any "No" answers appear.				Existing Installation			New / Altered / Temporary Installation			
1.	Accessible components are correctly selected										
2.	All protective devices are of correct rating										
3.	All protective devices are capable of withstanding the prospect	All protective devices are capable of withstanding the prospective fault level									
4.	Conductors are of the correct rating and current-carrying capacity for the protective devices and connected load				evices						
5.	Components have been correctly installed										
6.	Disconnecting devices are correctly located and all switchgear st	witches	the pha	se cond	uctors						
7.	Different circuits are separated electrically										
8.	Connection of conductors and earthing and bonding are mecha	anically	sound								
9.	Connection of conductors and earthing and bonding are electric	cally co	ntinuos								
10.	. Circuits, fuses, switches, terminals, earth leakage units, circuit breakers, distribution boards are correctly and permanently marked or labelled										
11.	. Where an electrical circuit passes through a fire barrier, the integrity of the fire barrier has been maintained										
12.	Safety and emergency lighting and signs are functioning correct	tly									
13.	3. (a) in the case of new installations or additions or alterations to existing installations, the new, added or altered installation complies with this part of SANS 10142; or (b) in the case of installations which existed prior to the publication of this edition of SANS 10142, and is reasonably safe to the general safety requirements in this edition of this part of SANS 10142 and is reasonably safe Note 1: Indicate (a) or (b) on (c) and (b) on the test report.										
14.	. Where an alternative supply is installed, it complies with the requirements in respect of connections, change-over switch and indicator										
15.	5. Is the position of the readily accessible earthing terminal for earth connections of other services by installers of such services (see 6.11.5) indicated on the distribution board (see 6.6.1.21 (e))?										
Tests						Reading / Results					
0	omplete copies of the tests for each distribution board and for each supply (normal and alternative supplies), and attach as annexures to this report.	Units		nstrume	ent	Existi	ng insta	allation	Nev Tempo	w / Alter rary Inst	ed / allation
1.	Continuity of bonding	Ω									
2.	Resistance of earth continuity conductor	Ω									
3.	Continuity of ring circuits (if applicable)										
4.	Earth loop impedance test: at main switch	Ω									
5.	Prospective short-circuit current at point (PSCC) for sub-distribution boards. Indicate: KA Calculated Measured From supplier										
6.	Elevate voltage between incoming neutral and external earth (ground)	v									
7.	Earth resistance at electrode (if required)	Ω									
8.	Insulation resistance	MΩ									
9.	Voltage at main distribution board with no load for each phase to neutral	v				R	Y	В	R	Y	В
10.	Voltage at main distribution board with load (as calculated for full load) for each phase to neutral	v				R	Y	В	R	Y	в
11.	Voltage at available load (worst condition as calculated for full load) for each phase to neutral	v				R	Y	В	R	Y	В
12.	Operation of earth leakage units	mA									
13.	Operation of earth leakage test button					corre	ect		corre	ct	
14.	Polarity of points of consumption	—				corre	ect		corre	ct	
15.	Phase rotation at points of consumption for three-phase systems	-				correct correct		ct			
16.	All switching devices, make-and-break circuits	-				corre	ect		corre	ct	
Con	nments:										

Comments on parts of the installation not covered by this report:

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TBM805 General Purpose DMM

- Splash proof •
- Beep guard
- Rugged construction •
- Diode •
- . Continuity
- Data hold
- Min/max

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Resistance

Frequency

Capacitance

Accuracy

DC Voltage AC Voltage

DC Current

AC Current

Resistance

Frequency

Capacitance Protection

AC/DC Current

Resistance

Transient Protection

Relative zero

Technical Specification

AC/DC Voltage	400m,4,40,400,1000V			
AC/DC Current	400µ,4000µ,40m,400m,4,10A			
Resistance	400,4K,40K,400K,4M,40MΩ			
Frequency	50,500,5K,50K,500K,1MHz			
Capacitance	500n,5µ,50µ,500µ,3000µF			
Accuracy				
DC Voltage	±1,0%+4 Digit			
AC Voltage	4 -400V ± 1,5% + 5 Digit			
	1000V ± 4,0% + 5 Digit			
DC Current	±1,2% + 3 Digit			
AC Current	±1,8% + 4 Digit			
Resistance	±2,0% + 4 Digit			
Frequency	±0,5% + 4 Digit			
Capacitance	±3,5% + 6 Digit			
Protection				
AC/DC Voltage	1050Vrms,1450V Peak			
AC/DC Current	0,5A/250V FUSED			
	15A/250V FUSED			
Resistance	600V DC/AC RMS			
Input Warning	1			
Transient	6.5KV LIGHTNING SURGE			
Protection	(1.2/50 µs) FUSE			



TBM251 General Purpose DMM

- Bar graph
- Beep guard
- **USB** Interface
- Rugged construction
- Diode
- Continuity
- Separate battery compartment

Technical Specification

AC/DC Voltage	60m,600m,6,60,600,1000V		
AC/DC Current	600µ,6000µ,60m,600m,6,8A		
Resistance	600,6K,60K,600K,6M,60MΩ		
Frequency	5Hz - 1MHz		
Accuracy			
DC Voltage	±0,2% + 3 Digit		
AC Voltage	60mV - 600mV - 1% + 5 Digit		
	1V - 1000V - 1,4% + 5 Digit		
DC Current	±0,5% + 3 Digit		
AC Current	±1,0% + 3 Digit		
Resistance	±1,2% + 4 Digit		
Frequency	±0,003% + 2 Digit		
Protection			
AC/DC Voltage	1050Vrms,1450V Peak		
AC/DC Current	0,63A/500V FUSED		
	10A/600V FUSED		
Resistance	0.45V DC Typical		
Input Warning	1		
Transient	6.5KV LIGHTNING SURGE		
Protection	(1.2/50 µs) surge		



TBM811 General Purpose DMM Splash/Drop Proof 1000 VAC/DC • USB Interface Dual display Back light (UL Technical Specification DC/AC Voltage 60m,600m,6,600,1000V DC/AC Current 600µ,6000µ,60m,600m, 6,10A 0.1O - 60MO 5Hz - 1MHz 60n,600n,6µ,60µ,600µ,20mF 0.08% + 2 Digit 2.0% + 3 Digit 0.2% + 4 Digit 1.0% + 4 Digit 1.5% + 5 Digit 0.004% + 4 Digit 5.0% + 5 Digit DC/AC Voltage 1050Vrms,1450V PEAB 0.44A/1000V Fuse (IR10kA) 11A/1000V Fuse (IR20kA) 1.2V DC OPEN CIRCUIT Input Warning 🗸 12kV surge (1.2/50 µs) surge

•	Jaw	size	26mm	

- Large LCD display
- Diode
- Continuity
- Relative zero
- Data hold
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Technical Specification					
AC Current	40,600A				
DC Voltage	400m,4,40,400,600V				
AC Voltage	4,40,400,600V				
Resistance	400,4K,40K,400K,4M,40MΩ				
Frequency	5Hz to 100KHz				
Capacitance	500n,5µ,50µ,500µ,3000µF				
Accuracy					
AC Current	±1,9%+ 8 Digit				
DC Voltage	±1,0%+ 4 Digit				
AC Voltage	4,40,400V ±1,5% + 5 Digit				
	600V ±2,0% + 5 Digit				
Resistance	4K,40K,400KΩ ± 0,6%+4 Digit				
	$4M\Omega \pm 1,0\% + 4$ Digit				
	40MΩ ± 2,0% + 4 Digit				
Frequency	± 0,5% + 4 Digit				
Capacitance	± 3,5% + 6 Digit				
Protection					
AC/DC Voltage	600V DC/AC RMS				
Current	400A RRS CONTINUOUS				
Transient	6.5KV LIGHTNING SURGE				
Protection	(1.2/50 µs)				



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- Thinner jaws







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T4137 Digital Milliohm Meter

- Four terminal measurement
 - Large LCD display
- 12V DC battery powered • with O-ring seal
- Robust lightweight case



T860 3 phase & Motor Rotation indicator

- Determine rotation of unconnected motors
- Heavy duty alligator clips
- Open phase identification





T890 Safety 3 phase Detector (Non contact)

- Clamps over wire insulation without contact on conductor
- Auto off
 - Non contact sensor clips
 - Open phase and phase sequence
 - Magnets on back of unit to mount on metal surfaces



TEL1TLB SOCKET/ELCB TESTER/POLARITY

- Live on earth indication (LCD Display)
- Polarity indication Identifies 6 wiring conditions
- Earth tripping function TEL13L (British Type 13A)
- Floating earth detection Ready-board compatible
- If wiring is incorrect and brass knob is touched, LCD will display a floating earth



±7mA for Phas

rotation field indication

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INSTRUMENTS | For more specifications, refer to the Test Instruments Catalogue

MACROG3

Model Specification

Optional

Accessories

Accessories

Power Source

Weight

Standard

- Continuity with 200mA
- Insulation resistance •
- Line/Loop Impedance (L-L, L-N, L-PE)
- Earth reistance and ground resistivity •
- RCD tripping time and current •
- Non-trip earth loop impedance
- 1 Terminal phase sequence

Software & USB cable

4 Cables, alligator clips, test

English instruction manua

TEL11 ELCB/Phase Rotation Tester

6 x 1,5 AA Batteries

(TOPVIEW)

Dimensions (mm) 225(L) x 165(W) x 75(H)

12000

MACROGI leads and earth rods. Carry case Calibration certificate ISO9000

TEL28 Industrial ELCB

- Micro-processor controlled .
- Fully programmable
- Direct readout of Time/Current
- Voltage measurement during test •
- Suitable for Industrial, Mining and Domestic environments •
- Each phase tested separately on a 3 phase system





WIBRE1000 1000V CATIV

• IEC61243-3 Indicates phase presence LED lights Indicates phase rotation • DIN / VDE 0682-401 TEST for disconnection sensitivity 8 • AC/DC Voltage 110,230,380,690,1000V TEST for disconnection time Polarity • Select one of 3 phase to test ELCB Oil resistant Measure voltage phase to Earth No batteries Over temperature protection Phase polarity trip indicator Technical Specification Current Settings 999mAac/50H Current Selection Knob 0° & 180 Phase-start-selection 60Vac to 317Va Operation Voltage (L-e) (525V System) Timer Resolution 1mS (Max Time = 99.99s) Current Resolution 1mA Voltmeter Resolution Accuracy Earth Leakage Constant Current lac 5 to 999 (mA) @50Hz Ramping Current 5 to 999 (mA) Sensitivity Disconnection Check 5 to 999 (mA) Time Delay Disconnection Check(s) 0.001 - 99.999 Maximum Current Consumption 10mA ELCB Voltage Measurement L-E (Vac) 10 to 330 ELCB Tester Voltage Present (VELCB) LED Model Specification ELCB Fuse (Slow Blow) 1.5A Test Leads x 2 (ter Accessories Protection own plug OverVoltage CLASS III 450V Dimensions (mm) 330(L) x 260(W) x 150(H) Over Load between all terminals Power Source 8 x C Batt Battery OK goes off when battery <9Vdd Weight voltage 2.0kg



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