

- DIGITAL MULTIMETER
with Non-Contact Detection

5233



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INTRODUCTION













This device complies with safety standard IEC-61010-1 (Ed 2–2001) for voltages up to 1000V CAT III or 600V CAT IV, at an altitude below 2000m, indoors, with a pollution level of not more than 2.

Failure to observe the safety instructions may cause an electric shock, fire, explosion, or destruction of the instrument and of the installations.

- Do not use the instrument in an explosive atmosphere or in the presence of flammable gases or fumes.
- Do not use the instrument on networks of which the voltage or category exceeds those mentioned.
- Do not exceed the rated maximum voltages and currents between terminals or with respect to earth/ground.
- Do not use the instrument if it appears to be damaged, incomplete, or not properly closed.
- Before each use, check the condition of the insulation on the leads, housing, and accessories. Any element of which the insulation is deteriorated (even partially) must be set aside for repair or scrapped.
- Use leads and accessories rated for voltages and categories at least equal to those of the instrument.
- Observe the environmental conditions of use.
- Do not modify the instrument and do not replace components with “equivalents”. Repairs and adjustments must be done by approved qualified personnel.
- Replace the battery as soon as the  symbol appears on the display unit. Disconnect all leads before opening the battery compartment cover.
- Use personal protective equipment when conditions require.
- Keep your hands away from unused terminals of the instrument.
- When handling probes or contact tips, keep your fingers behind the guards.

1.1 International Electrical Symbols

	Signifies that the instrument is protected by double or reinforced insulation.
	This symbol on the instrument indicates a WARNING that the operator must refer to the user manual for instructions before operating the instrument. In this manual, the symbol preceding instructions indicates that if the instructions are not followed, bodily injury, installation/sample and/or product damage may result.
	Compliance with the Low Voltage & Electromagnetic Compatibility European directives (73/23/CEE & 89/336/CEE)
	AC – Alternating current
	AC or DC – Alternating or direct current
	Risk of electric shock. The voltage at the parts marked with this symbol may be dangerous.
	Important instructions to read and understand completely.
	Important information to acknowledge.
	Ground/Earth symbol
	In conformity with WEEE 2002/96/EC

1.2 Definition of Measurement Categories

- CAT II:** For measurements performed on circuits directly connected to the electrical distribution system. Examples are measurements on household appliances or portable tools.
- CAT III:** For measurements performed in the building installation at the distribution level such as on hardwired equipment in fixed installation and circuit breakers.
- CAT IV:** For measurements performed at the primary electrical supply (<1000V) such as on primary overcurrent protection devices, ripple control units, or meters.

1.3 Receiving Your Shipment

Upon receiving your shipment, make sure that the contents are consistent with the packing list. Notify your distributor of any missing items. If the equipment appears to be damaged, file a claim immediately with the carrier and notify your distributor at once, giving a detailed description of any damage. Save the damaged packing container to substantiate your claim.

1.4 Ordering Information

Multimeter Model 5233 **Cat. #2125.65**
Includes set of two 5 ft color-coded leads (red/black) with needle tip (1000V CAT IV 15A), thermocouple Type K with adapter, soft carrying case and a user manual.

1.4.1 Replacement Parts

Fuse - Set of 10, 10A, 600V, 50kA, (Fast Blow), 5x32mm **Cat. #2118.62**

Soft Carrying Case **Cat. #2121.54**

Adapter - Banana (Male) to Mini (Female)
with K-Type Thermocouple **Cat. #2125.83**

Thermocouple - Flexible (1m) K-Type 58° to 480°F **Cat. #2126.47**

Set of 2, Color-coded 5 ft leads with safety needle tips (2mm)
(1000V CAT IV 15A) **Cat. #2140.68**

Multifix Mounting System..... **Cat. #5000.44**

Order Accessories and Replacement Parts Directly Online

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PRODUCT FEATURES

2.1 Description

The Model 5233 is a TRMS digital multimeter, specially designed to combine the various functions and measurements of the following electrical quantities:

- Non-contact detection of presence of network voltage (NCV function)
- AC voltmeter with low input impedance (voltage measurements for electricity and electrical engineering)
- AC/DC voltmeter with high input impedance (voltage measurements for electronics)
- Frequency and duty cycle measurements
- Ohmmeter
- Continuity test with buzzer
- Diode test
- Ammeter
- Capacitance meter
- Thermometer in °C or °F by measurement and linearization of the voltage across the terminals of a K-type thermocouple

2.2 Control Features

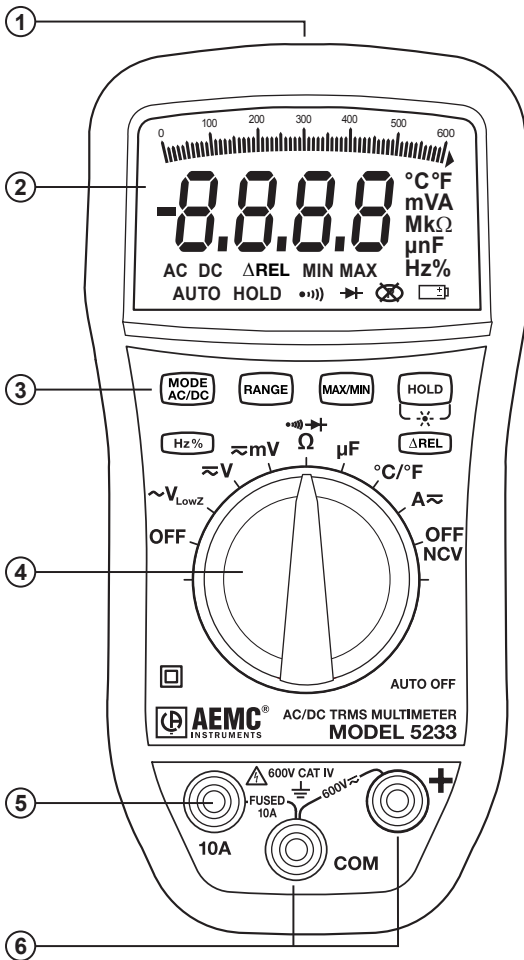












Figure 2-1

1. NCV detection sensor (see § 3.5)
2. Analog and digital display (see § 2.3)
3. Function buttons (see § 2.4)
4. Rotary switch (see § 2.5)
5. Current measurement 10A terminal (see § 3.12)
6. Positive (Red) input and COM (Black) input



2.3 Display Features

Icon	Function
AC	Alternating Current
DC	Direct Current
AUTO	Automatic range selection (see § 3.4)
HOLD	Freezes the display of the measurement
MAX	Maximum RMS value
MIN	Minimum RMS value
REL	Relative value
OL	The Over Load symbol is displayed when the signal measured exceeds the range of the device
V	Voltage
Hz	Hertz
%	Duty Cycle
F	Farad
°C	Degrees Celsius
°F	Degrees Fahrenheit
A	Ampere
Ω	Ohm
n	Prefix "nano"
μ	Prefix "micro"
m	Prefix "milli"
k	Prefix "kilo"
M	Prefix "Mega"
••)	Continuity Beeper Enabled
	Diode Test
	Low Battery
	Auto Power OFF function activated

2.4 Button Functions

Button	Function
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measurement type selection NOTE: The DC mode is activated by default Activates/Deactivates Auto-OFF at start-up (see § 3.3)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows manual selection of a measurement range (short press) Returns to Auto-range mode (long press >2s) NOTE: Continuity and Diode modes are not Auto-ranging
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Press once to activate the MAX/MIN mode; press >2s to exit Once activated, press to view the MAX, MIN and current value NOTE: MAX mode is activated by default
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freezes/Unfreezes the display of the measured value (short press) Activates/Deactivates the display backlight  (long press >2s)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Displays the frequency of the AC signal measured, along with the duty cycle NOTE: This is inactive in DC mode
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Displays the value relative to a reference stored when the key was pressed Example: If the value stored when the key was pressed equals 10V and the current value is 11.5V, the display in relative mode will be $11.5 - 10 = 1.5V$. NOTE: Auto-range is deactivated in this mode

2.5 Rotary Functions

Range	Function
OFF	Powers down the multimeter
$\sim V_{LowZ}$	Low impedance AC voltage measurement
$\approx V$	AC or DC voltage measurement (V)
$\approx mV$	AC or DC voltage measurement (mV)
	Resistance measurement; Continuity test; Diode test
μF	Capacitance measurement
$^{\circ}C/^{\circ}F$	Temperature measurement
$A \approx$	AC or DC current measurement
	NCV (Non-contact Voltage) + Partial OFF mode of the multimeter (NCV function active)

OPERATION


3.1 Turning the Multimeter ON

Turn the switch to the appropriate function. All segments of the display will light for a few seconds. The screen corresponding to the chosen function will then appear. The multimeter is now ready for measurements.

3.2 Turning the Multimeter OFF



To turn the meter off manually, turn the switch to **OFF**. If left unused for 15 minutes, the meter will turn off automatically. At 14 minutes, five beeps warn that the meter is about to be turned off. To turn back on, press any button on the unit.



NOTE: The  position does not completely turn the multimeter off. It remains active for non-contact detection of the presence of network voltage (NCV).

3.3 Activating/Deactivating Auto-OFF

By default, Auto-OFF is activated and the  symbol is displayed.

A long press on the  button during start-up, while turning the switch to any range, deactivates the Auto-OFF function. The  symbol is not displayed.

3.4 Auto and Manual Range Selection

By default, the meter is in auto-range. This is indicated by the **AUTO** symbol on the display. While on, the instrument will automatically adjust to the correct measurement range when taking the measurement.

To change the range selection to Manual, press the  button.

3.5 Non-Contact Voltage (NCV)

- Turn the rotary switch to the **NCV** position.
- Move the Model 5233 (NCV detection sensor) close to the potentially live conductor(s) (presence of phase).

If a network voltage of 90V is present, the back-lighting lights up red, otherwise, it remains off.

3.6 Voltage Measurement

The Model 5233 measures AC voltage at low input impedance (V_{LowZ}), DC and AC voltages.

- Set the switch to $\sim V_{LowZ}$, $\approx V$, or $\approx mV$. When set to $\sim V_{LowZ}$ the device is in AC mode only.
- For $\approx V$ or $\approx mV$, select AC or DC by pressing **MODE AC/DC**. By default the meter is in DC mode.
- Insert the red lead to the red “+” input jack and the black lead to the black “COM” input jack.
- Connect the test probe tips to the sample under test.

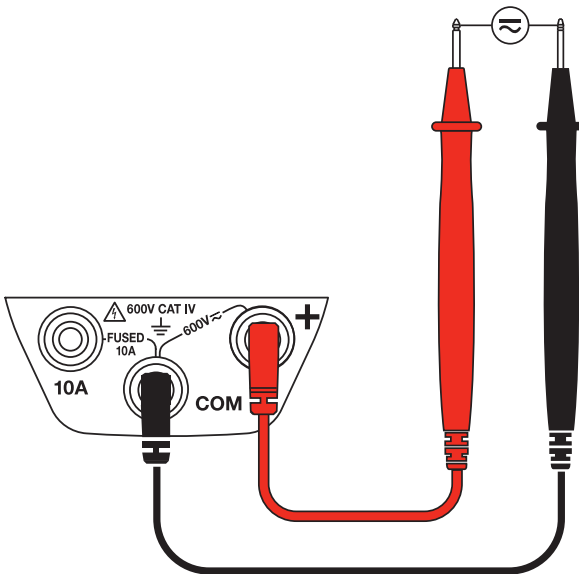


Figure 3-1

3.7 Resistance Measurement



WARNING: When making a resistance measurement, make sure that the power is off (de-energized circuit). It is also important that all capacitors in the measured circuit be fully discharged.

- Turn the rotary switch to the Ω range.
- Insert the red lead to the red “+” input jack and the black lead to the black “COM” input jack.
- Connect the test probe tips to the sample under test.

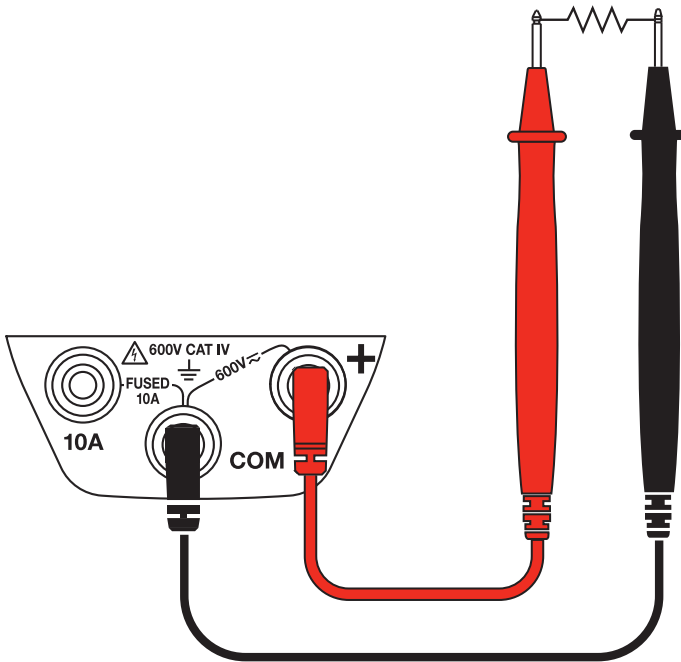


Figure 3-2

3.8 Continuity Test



WARNING: When making a resistance measurement, make sure that the power is off (de-energized circuit).

- Turn the rotary switch to the Ω position.
- Press the **MODE AC/DC** button. The $\bullet\text{---})$ symbol is displayed.
- Insert the red lead to the red “+” input jack and the black lead to the black “COM” input jack.
- Connect the test probe tips to the sample under test.
- The buzzer sounds when the circuit to be checked is DC or has a resistance of less than $100\Omega \pm 3\Omega$.

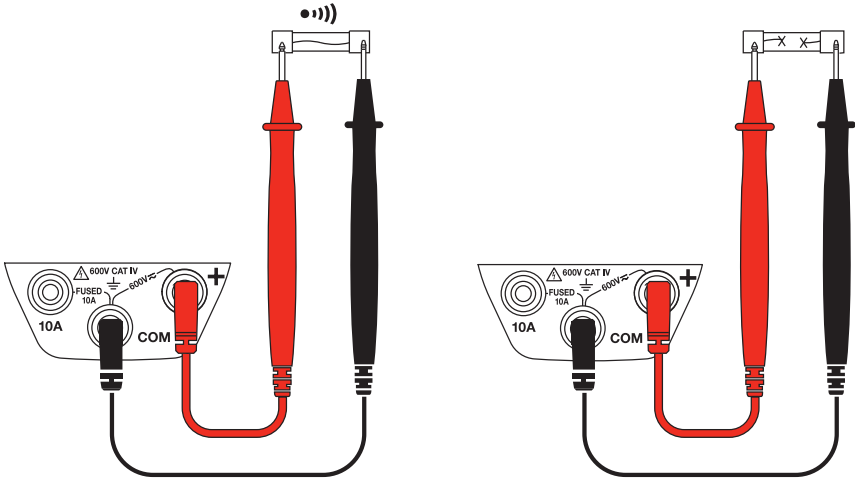


Figure 3-3

3.9 Diode Test



WARNING: When making a diode measurement, make sure that the power is off (de-energized circuit).

- Turn the rotary switch to the Ω position.
- Press the **MODE AC/DC** button twice. The $\rightarrow|$ symbol is displayed.
- Insert the red lead to the red “+” input jack and the black lead to the black “COM” input jack.
- Connect the test probe tips to the sample under test.

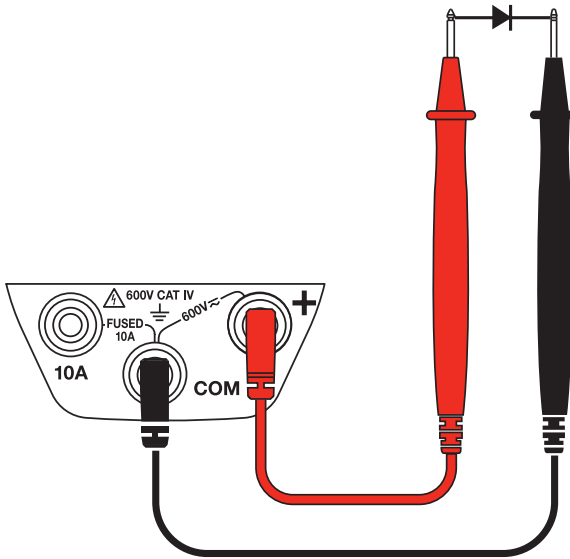


Figure 3-4

3.10 Capacitance Test



WARNING: When making a capacitance measurement, make sure that the power is off (de-energized circuit). Observe the connection polarity (+ to the red terminal, - to the black terminal).

- Make sure that the capacitor to be measured is discharged.
- Turn the rotary switch to the μF position.
- Insert the red lead to the red “+” input jack and the black lead to the black “COM” input jack.
- Connect the test probe tips to the sample under test.

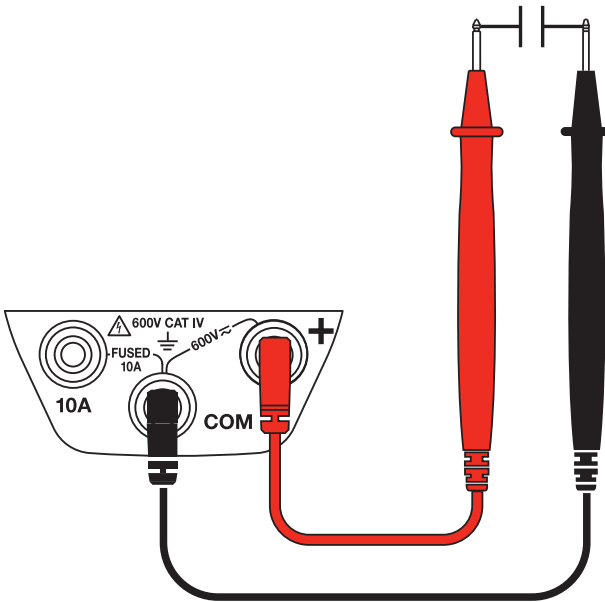


Figure 3-5

3.11 Temperature Test

- Turn the rotary switch to the °C/°F position.
- Press the **MODE AC/DC** button to select the temperature unit and scale (°C/ °F)
- Connect the temperature probe adapter to the “COM” and “+” terminals, observing the polarity.
- Connect the temperature probe to the adapter, observing the polarity.



NOTE: If the probe is disconnected or open-circuit, the display unit indicates *OL*.

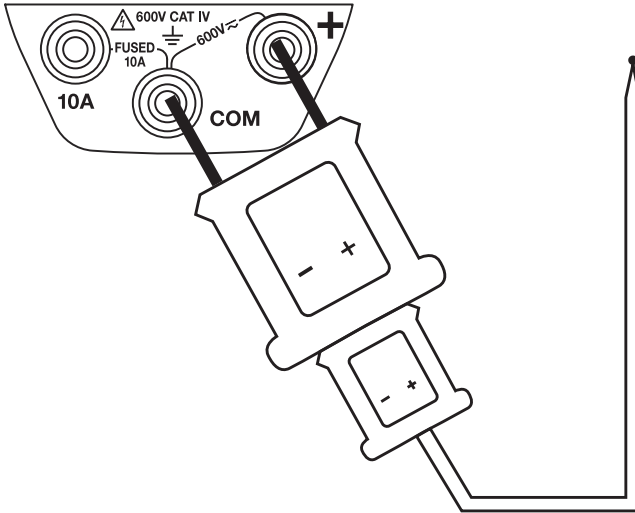


Figure 3-6

3.12 Current Measurement

- Turn the rotary switch to the **A** \approx position.
- Select AC or DC by pressing the **MODE** $\frac{\text{AC}}{\text{DC}}$ button. By default the meter is in DC mode. Depending on the selection, the screen displays AC or DC.
- Insert the red lead to the “10A” input jack and the black lead to the “COM” input jack.
- Connect the multimeter in series in the circuit.

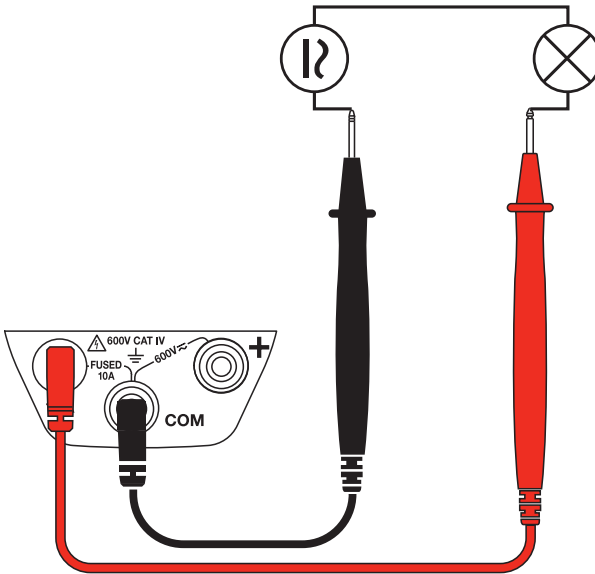



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MAINTENANCE

4.1 Warning

- Remove the test leads from any input before opening the case. Do not operate the instrument without a battery case cover.
- To avoid electrical shock, do not attempt to perform any servicing unless you are qualified to do so.
- If the meter is not going to be used for a long period of time, take out the batteries. Do not store the meter in high temperatures or high humidity.
- To avoid electrical shock and/or damage to the instrument, do not get water or other foreign agents into the probe.

4.2 Battery Replacement

- The batteries will need to be replaced when the  symbol appears on the display.
- The meter must be in the **OFF** position and disconnected from any circuit or input.
- Using a screwdriver, unscrew the four screws of the battery compartment cover on the back of the housing.
- Replace the old battery with one new 9V battery, observing the polarity.
- Replace the battery compartment cover and tighten the screws.

4.3 Fuse Replacement

- The meter must be in the **OFF** position and disconnected from any circuit or input.
- Using a screwdriver, unscrew the four screws of the battery compartment cover on the back of the housing.
- Remove the blown fuse using a screwdriver.
- Insert a new identical fuse (10A, 600V, 50kA, Fast Blow, 5x32mm), then screw the cover back onto the housing.

4.4 Cleaning

- Disconnect all leads from the instrument and set the switch to **OFF**.
- To clean the instrument, wipe the case with a damp cloth and mild detergent. Do not use abrasives or solvents. Dry thoroughly before use.
- Do not get water inside the case. This may lead to electrical shock or damage to the instrument.

CHAPTER 5

SPECIFICATIONS

Reference Conditions: Accuracy given @ 23°C ± 2°C; Relative Humidity 45 to 75%; Supply Voltage 8.5V ± 0.5V; From 10% to 100% of each measurement range.

ELECTRICAL					
DC (mVdc)	60mV			600mV	
Resolution	0.01mV			0.1mV	
Accuracy (±)	1% + 12cts			0.6% + 2cts	
Input Impedance	10MΩ				
DC (Vdc)	600mV	6V	60V	600V	1000V*
Resolution	0.1mV	0.001V	0.01V	0.1V	1V
Accuracy (±)	0.6% + 2cts	0.2% + 2cts			0.2% + 2cts
Input Impedance	10MΩ				
AC (mVAC TRMS)	60mV			600mV	
Resolution	0.01mV			0.1mV	
Accuracy (±) 40 to 60Hz	2% + 12cts			2% + 3cts	
Accuracy (±) 60Hz to 1kHz	2.5% + 12cts			2.5% + 3cts	
Input Impedance	10MΩ				
AC (VAC TRMS)	6V	60V	600V	1000V	
Resolution	0.001V	0.01V	0.1V	1V	
Accuracy (±) 40 to 60Hz	2% + 3cts			2.5% + 3cts	
Accuracy (±) 60Hz to 1kHz	2.5% + 3cts			2.5% + 3cts	
Input Impedance	10MΩ				
AC (VAC LowZ TRMS)*	6V	60V	600V	1000V	
Resolution	0.001V	0.01V	0.1V	1V	
Accuracy (±) 40 to 60Hz	2% + 10cts				
Input Impedance	270kΩ				

* According to safety rules, 1000V range is limited to 600V.

**NOTE: A low input impedance serves to eliminate the effects of interference voltages due to the supply network and makes it possible to measure AC voltage with minimum error.

ELECTRICAL						
Resistance	600Ω	6kΩ	60kΩ	600kΩ	6MΩ	60MΩ
Resolution	0.1Ω	0.001kΩ	0.01kΩ	0.1kΩ	0.001MΩ	0.01MΩ
Accuracy (±)	2% + 2cts	0.3% + 4cts				0.5% + 20cts
Continuity Test	600Ω					
Resolution	0.1Ω					
Measurement Current	< 0.35mA					
Accuracy (±)	Audible signal < 20Ω + 3Ω					
Diode Test	2.8V					
Resolution	0.001V					
Open-circuit Voltage	< 2.8V					
Measurement Current	< 0.9mA					
Accuracy (±)	2% + 5cts					
Frequency (V/A)	10 to 3000Hz					
Resolution	0.01Hz					
Accuracy (±)	0.5%					
Sensitivity	15Vrms					
Duty Cycle	0.1 to 99.9%					
Resolution	0.1%					
Accuracy (±)	1.2% + 2cts					
Frequency	5Hz to 150kHz					
Capacitance	40nF	400nF	4μF	40μF	400μF	1000μF
Resolution	0.01nF	0.1nF	0.001μF	0.01μF	0.1μF	1μF
Accuracy (±)	4% + 4cts					6% + 5cts
Temperature	- 20 to 760°C			- 4 to 1400°F		
Resolution	1°C			1°F		
Accuracy (±) (not including K-type thermocouple)	2% + 5°C			2% + 9°F		
Max/Min						
Capture time	400ms					
Accuracy (±)	Add 0.5% +2cts to the accuracy of the function and range used					
DC Current (10Aac)	6A			10A*		
Resolution	0.001A			0.01A		
Protection	Fast blow fuse F10A/600V/50kA, 6.3x32					
Accuracy (±)	1.5% + 3cts					
AC Current (10Aac)	6A			10A*		
Resolution	0.001A			0.01A		
Protection	Fast blow fuse F10A/600V/50kA, 6.3x32					
Accuracy (±)	40Hz to 1kHz; 2% + 3cts					

* 15A for a maximum of 60 seconds.

Power	9V (6LR61) alkaline battery
Battery Life	> 100 hours
Auto Power OFF	Automatic shut down after 15 minutes of no use
ENVIRONMENTAL	
Operating Temp.	32°F to 122°F (0°C to 50°C)
Storage Temp.	-4°F to 158°F (-20°C to 70°C)
Operating RH	≤ 90% at 104°F (40°C)
Storage RH	≤ 50% at 140°F (60°C)
MECHANICAL	
Dimension	6.1 x 2.95 x 2.17" (155 x 75 x 55mm)
Weight	11 oz (320g) with battery
Measurement Acquisition	3 times per second
Bargraph	61 segments, refresh interval 30ms
SAFETY	
Safety Rating	IEC/EN 61010-1, 1000V CAT III, 600V CAT IV; Pollution Degree 2
Double Insulated	Yes
Electro-magnetic Compatibility	EN-61326/A2:2001
Drop Test	1 m (in accordance with standard IEC-68-2-32)
Case Protection	IP54 as per EN 60529
CE	Yes

Specifications are subject to change without notice

Repair and Calibration

To ensure that your instrument meets factory specifications, we recommend that it be scheduled back to our factory Service Center at one-year intervals for recalibration, or as required by other standards or internal procedures.

For instrument repair and calibration:

You must contact our Service Center for a Customer Service Authorization Number (CSA#). This will ensure that when your instrument arrives, it will be tracked and processed promptly. Please write the CSA# on the outside of the shipping container. If the instrument is returned for calibration, we need to know if you want a standard calibration, or a calibration traceable to N.I.S.T. (Includes calibration certificate plus recorded calibration data).

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(Or contact your authorized distributor)

Costs for repair, standard calibration, and calibration traceable to N.I.S.T. are available.

NOTE: You must obtain a CSA# before returning any instrument.

Technical and Sales Assistance

If you are experiencing any technical problems, or require any assistance with the proper operation or application of your instrument, please call, mail, fax or e-mail our technical support team:

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NOTE: Do not ship Instruments to our Foxborough, MA address.

Limited Warranty

The Model 5233 is warranted to the owner for a period of one year from the date of original purchase against defects in manufacture. This limited warranty is given by AEMC®, not by the distributor from whom it was purchased. This warranty is void if the unit has been tampered with, abused or if the defect is related to service not performed by AEMC®.

For full and detailed warranty coverage, go to www.aemc.com. The warranty information is located in our customer service section.

What AEMC® will do:

If a malfunction occurs within the one-year period, you may return the instrument to us for repair, provided you submit a proof of purchase. AEMC® will, at its option, repair or replace the faulty material.

Warranty Repairs

What you must do to return an Instrument for Warranty Repair:

First, request a Customer Service Authorization Number (CSA#) by phone or by fax from our Service Department (see address below), then return the instrument along with the signed CSA Form. Please write the CSA# on the outside of the shipping container. Return the instrument, postage or shipment pre-paid to:

AEMC® Instruments
Service Department
15 Faraday Drive • Dover, NH 03820 USA
Tel: (800) 945-2362 (Ext. 360)
(603) 749-6434 (Ext. 360)
Fax: (603) 742-2346 or (603) 749-6309

Caution: To protect yourself against in-transit loss, we recommend you insure your returned material.

NOTE: You must obtain a CSA# before returning any instrument.



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