

# User's Manual

## CL345 Leakage Clamp-on Tester

IM CL345

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#### ■ Precautions for Safe Use of the Instrument

When handling the instrument, ALWAYS observe all of the cautionary notes on safety given below. Yokogawa Meters & Instruments Corporation is not at all liable for damage resulting from misuse of this product by the user that is contrary to these cautionary notes. Various symbols are used on the instrument and in this manual to ensure the product is used safely and to protect operators and property from possible hazards or damage. The following safety symbols are used where appropriate. Read the explanations carefully and familiarize yourself with the symbols before reading the text.

The instrument and this manual use the following safety symbols:  
**Danger! Handle with Care.**

This symbol indicates that the operator must refer to an explanation in the User's Manual in order to avoid the risk of personal injury or death and/or damage to the instrument.

**Double Insulation**

This symbol indicates double insulation.

**AC Voltage/Current**

This symbol indicates AC voltage or current.

**Ground**

This symbol indicates ground (earth).

Indicates that this instrument can clamp on bare conductors when Measuring a voltage corresponding to the applicable Measurement Category, which is marked next to this symbol.

**WARNING**

Indicates that there is a possibility of serious personal injury or loss of life if the operating procedure is not followed correctly and describes the precautions for avoiding such injury or loss of life.

**CAUTION**

Indicates that there is a possibility of serious personal injury or damage to the instrument if the operating procedure is not followed correctly and describes the precautions for avoiding such injury or damage.

**NOTE**

Draws attention to information essential for understanding the operation and features.

**WARNING**

- Never make measurement on a circuit above 300V AC.
- Do not use the instrument in an atmosphere where any flammable or explosive gas is present.
- Do not attempt to make measurement in the presence of flammable gasses, fumes, vapor or dust. Otherwise, the use of the instrument may cause sparking, which can lead to an explosion.
- Avoid using the instrument if it has been exposed to rain or moisture or if your hands are wet.
- Do not exceed the maximum allowable input of any measurement range.
- Never open the battery compartment cover when making measurement.

- Do not use the instrument if there is any damage to the casing or when the casing is removed.
- Do not install substitute parts or make any modification to the instrument. Return the instrument to Yokogawa Meters & Instruments or your distributor for repair or re-calibration.
- Always switch off the instrument before opening the battery compartment cover for battery replacement.

### WARNING

To avoid damage to the instrument or electric shock!  
The restrictions on the maximum voltage level for which the CL345 testers can be used, depend on the measurement categories specified by the safety standards. These category specifications are formulated to protect operators against transient impulse voltage in power lines.

Function	Maximum Allowable Input
MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III	
~A	400Arms AC Measuring circuit voltage : 300Vrms AC

#### Measurement category I (CAT.I):

Signal level, special equipment or parts of equipment, telecommunication, electronic etc., with smaller transient over-voltages than CAT.II.

#### Measurement category II (CAT.II):

Local level, appliance, portable equipment etc., with smaller transient over-voltages than CAT.III.

#### Measurement category III (CAT.III):

Distribution level, fixed installation, with smaller transient over-voltages than CAT.IV.

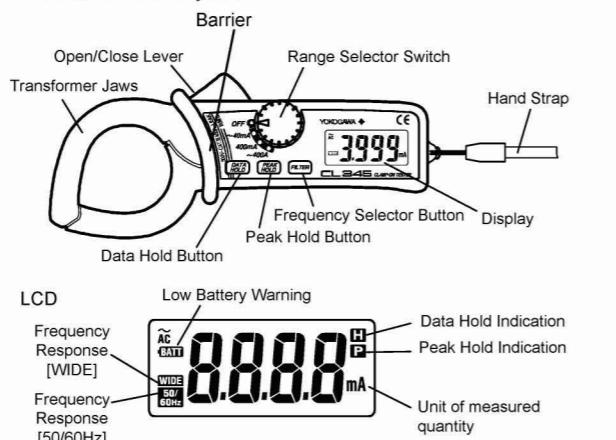
### CAUTION

- Be sure to set the Range switch to the "OFF" position after use. When the instrument will not be in use for a long period of time, Place it in storage after removing the battery.
- Use a damp cloth and detergent for cleaning the instrument. Do not use abrasives or solvents.

#### NOTE

- Radiation immunity affects the accuracy of CL345 testers under the conditions specified in EN 61000-4-3.
- If equipment generating strong electromagnetic interference is located nearby, the testers may malfunction.

#### 1. Instrument Layout



**Barrier** : It is a part providing protection against electrical shock and ensuring the minimum required air and creep age distances.

#### 2. Measurement

##### 2.1 Preparation for Measurement

### WARNING

- Do not make measurement on a circuit above 300V AC. This may cause shock hazard or damage to the instrument or equipment under test.
- When measuring current is 300A or more (400Hz or more), be sure to stop measurement within 5 minutes. Otherwise, transformer jaws may heat to cause a fire or deformation of molded parts, which will degrade insulation.
- Keep your fingers and hands behind the barrier during measurement.

### CAUTION

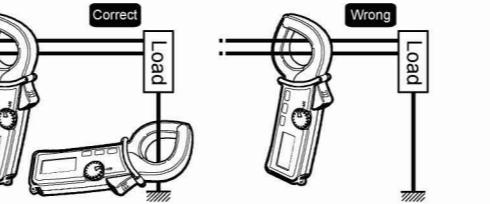
- The jaw section is a delicate, precision sensor. Do not subject the jaw to unreasonably strong shock, vibration, or force when using it.
- If dust gets into the tops of the jaws, remove it immediately. Do not close the jaws when dust is trapped in its joints as the sensor may break.
- Please check that the Range switch is set to the desired position before measurement.

##### 2.2 AC Current Measurement

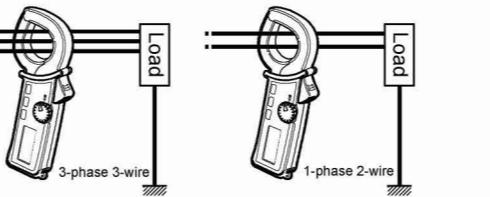
- (1) Set the Range switch to the desired position. Current to measure should be within the selected measuring range.

#### (2) Normal measurement : (See figure below)

Press the open/close lever to open the transformer jaws and close them over one conductor only. Measured current value is shown on the display. Earth leakage current or small current that flows through a grounded wire can also be measured by this method.



- (3) Measuring out of balance leakage current : (See figure below) Clamp onto all conductors except a grounded wire. Measured current value is shown on the display.



Note : In case of 3-phase 3-wire, clamp four wires for measurement.

Note : In case of 1-phase 3-wire, clamp three wires for measurement.

#### 2.3 How to Use Frequency Selector Button

When high frequencies from such equipment as inverters are present in the circuit under test, the instrument measures AC current of not only 50Hz or 60Hz of fundamental frequency but also of these high frequencies and harmonics.

To eliminate the effect of such high frequency noise and measure AC current of 50Hz or 60Hz fundamental frequency, a "high-cut" filter circuit is incorporated into the instrument which works when "50/60Hz" frequency response is selected with the Frequency Selector button. Cut-off frequency of "high-cut" filter is about 160Hz with attenuation characteristic of approx. -24dB/octave.

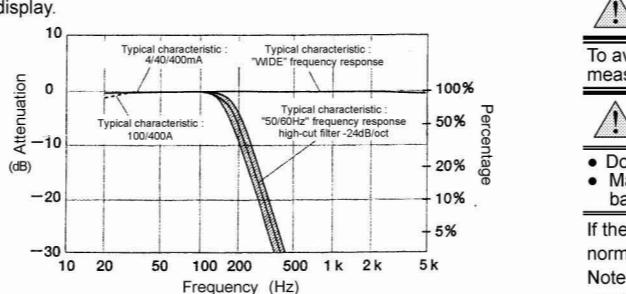
#### NOTE

Characteristic of -24dB/octave means that signal magnitude declines to about one sixteenth of that at the initial frequency when frequency doubles.

The Frequency Selector button has the following two positions.

- WIDE (20Hz or more) : Permits measurement of currents of fundamental frequencies as well as currents of high frequencies generated by such equipment as inverters.
- 50/60Hz (20 to approx. 160Hz) : Filters out high frequency currents and measures current of fundamental frequency only.

When the **FILTER** button is pressed, "50/60Hz" mark is shown on the left side of the display. When the **FILTER** button is pressed again, frequency response is switched to WIDE with "WIDE" mark shown on the display.



Recently there has been increased use of power through inverters, switching regulators, etc. When the high frequency noise from such appliances leaks or flows into the ground through capacitors not filtering completely, the earth leakage breaker may trip even though there is no "actual" leakage. In such a case, the instrument do not give leakage current reading if "50/60Hz" frequency response is selected.

Take care readings with the 50/60Hz and WIDE frequency responses respectively to make effective use of the Frequency Selector button.

#### 2.4 Peak Current Measurement

- (1) Set the Range switch to the desired position. (Current to measure should not exceed the selected measuring range.)
- (2) Select "WIDE" or "50/60Hz" within the **FILTER** button.
- (3) With the transformer jaws clamped onto the conductor under test, press the **PEAK HOLD** button to set the interment to the peak measurement mode. ("P" is shown on the display.)
- (4) The display read  $1/\sqrt{2}$  of the peak current value. Therefore an rms reading is shown when current of a sinusoidal waveform is measured.
- (5) After peak measurement, press the **PEAK HOLD** button to return to the normal measurement mode.

##### 2.5 AC Current Measurement

- (1) Set the Range switch to the desired position. Current to measure should be within the selected measuring range.

#### NOTE

When leakage current is measured in the peak measurement mode, the reading may change if the transformer jaws are opened and closed. Please read the display with the conductor under test clamped, otherwise, after fixing the display by using the data hold function, please remove the instrument from the conductor to be measured, and read the display. To measure the peak current again, please release the data hold, and return the instrument to the normal measurement mode once with the **PEAK HOLD** button, then set it in the peak measurement mode.

#### 3. Other Functions

##### 3.1 Auto-Power-Off Function

This is a function to prevent the instrument from being left powered on and conserve battery power. The instrument automatically turns off about 10 minutes after the last switch or button operation. To return to the normal mode, turn the Range switch to OFF, then to the desired position.

##### Disabling Auto-Power-Off Function:

To disable the auto-power-off function, power on the instrument with the Data Hold button pressed. About 3 seconds after powering on the instrument, "P.OFF" is shown on the display. To enable the auto-power-off function, turn on the instrument without pressing the Data Hold button.

#### NOTE

The auto-power-off function is disabled in the peak measurement mode.

##### 3.2 Data Hold Function

This is a function to freeze the reading on the display. When the **DATA HOLD** button is pressed once, the current reading is held even though current under test varies. "H" mark is shown on the upper right corner of the display.

To exit the data hold mode, press the **DATA HOLD** button again.

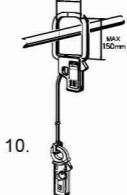
#### NOTE

When the auto-power-off function works while the instrument is in the data hold mode, data hold is cancelled.

##### 3.3 Optional Accessories

Clamp Adapter Model 99025 (For AC current measurement only)

Clamp Adapter Model 99025 is designed to increase the measuring capability of a clamp meter. With the use of the Clamp Adapter, you can not only extend current range over 3000A, but also clamp on a large bus-bar or conductor.



- (1) Set the Range switch to the "~400A" position.

- (2) As shown in the figure right, clamp Model CL340 onto the pickup coil of Model 99025.

- (3) Clamp Model 99025 onto the bus-bar or conductor under test.

- (4) Take the reading on Model CL340 and multiply it by 10.

#### NOTE

The clamp adapter is not applicable to leakage current measurement.

For detailed specification, refer to the Clamp Adapter User's Manual.

#### 4. Battery Replacement

### WARNING

To avoid electric shock hazard, never try to replace batteries during measurement.

### CAUTION

- Do not mix new and old batteries.
- Make sure to install battery in correct polarity as indicated in battery compartment.

If the battery voltage becomes too low for the instrument to operate normally, "BATT" is shown on the display. Then, replace the battery. Note that when the battery is completely exhausted, the display blinks without "BATT" shown.

- (1) Set the Range switch to the "OFF" position.
- (2) Press in the hole on the battery compartment cover with the tip of a pointed object, then slide open the cover.
- (3) Replace the battery observing correct polarity. Use two new R03 (UM-4) 1.5V batteries.
- (4) Slide the battery compartment cover back in place.

#### NOTE

For use for a long period of time, use alkaline batteries.



#### 5. Specifications

##### ■ Instrument Specifications

Measuring Ranges and Accuracy (at 23 ±5°C, relative humidity up to 85%)

AC Current ~

Conversion method : AC coupled, true rms responding, calibrated to the rms

Ranges	Measuring range	Frequency response	Accuracy (frequency range)





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