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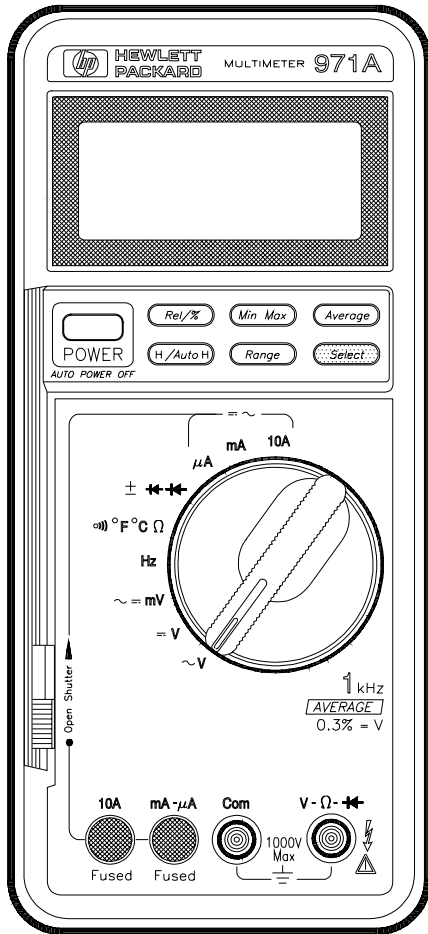
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# HP 971A Multimeter User's Guide

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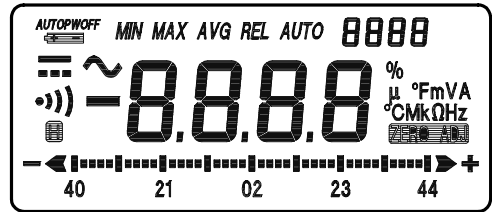


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# HP 971A Multimeter

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## Safety Summary

The CAUTIONS and WARNINGS which appear on the following pages must be followed to ensure operator safety and to retain the operating condition of the Multimeter.

1. Do not use this product beyond its specifications or for uses not intended for this product as identified by the product functions, ranges, and hazards as indicted below.
2. To minimize possible electric shock hazard condition, connect only two leads at any one time to any of the multimeter terminals.
3. To prevent possible electric shock hazard condition when using the current function, do not leave one probe connected to the circuit under test and the other probe disconnected, exposed, and readily accessible (touchable).

### Safety Symbols



Indicates the operator must refer to an explanation in this manual.



Indicates terminals at which dangerous voltages may exist.

#### WARNING



**TO AVOID ELECTRICAL SHOCK** or damage to the multimeter, do not apply more than  $\pm 1000$  Vdc or 1000 Vrms between any terminal and earth ground. Use caution when working with voltages above 60 Vdc or 42 Vpeak. Ensure test leads are in good condition.

#### WARNING



**POSSIBLE ELECTRICAL SHOCK.** Do not make measurements if the case is damaged or the rear cover is removed. Remove all electrical inputs before removing the rear cover.

#### WARNING



**POSSIBLE ELECTRICAL SHOCK or FIRE HAZARD.** Do not expose this multimeter to rain or moisture. Do not operate the multimeter in the presence of flammable gases or fumes.

**WARNING**

**POSSIBLE ELECTRICAL SHOCK.** Calibration and performance tests are to be performed by qualified personnel only. Do not attempt calibration or test procedures unless qualified to do so.

**CAUTION**

To avoid damage to the multimeter for inputs above 250 Vdc or Vac, disconnect the test leads before changing functions. Do not exceed the maximum input limits.







### Maximum Overvoltage Limitations (AC and DC Voltage Functions)

1000V

MAX indicates the maximum voltage between input terminals and earth is  $\pm 1000$  V (dc or ac rms).



Do not use the multimeter on any ACV circuit where the maximum impulse overvoltage may be more than 4000Vpk or any DCV circuit where the maximum impulse overvoltage may be more than 2500Vpk between the COM and VOLT terminals. Excessive impulse overvoltage can damage the multimeter voltage functions. Do not measure branch circuits (CAT 11) over 600V to earth or service panel circuits (CAT III) over 300V to earth.

| Function  | Maximum Operating Input                                   |
|---|---|
|   10 A          | $\pm 10$ A (dc or ac rms) / 600 V                         |
|   mA or $\mu$ A | $\pm 500$ mA (dc or ac rms) / 250 V                       |
| Diode Test, Resistance<br>Continuity, Temperature   | 660 Vrms (sinewave)                                       |
| Frequency   | 660 Vrms (5 Hz to 10 kHz)<br>100 Vrms (10 kHz to 100 kHz) |
|   V             | $\pm 1000$ Vdc or Vrms (sinewave)                         |

### Probes and Test Leads

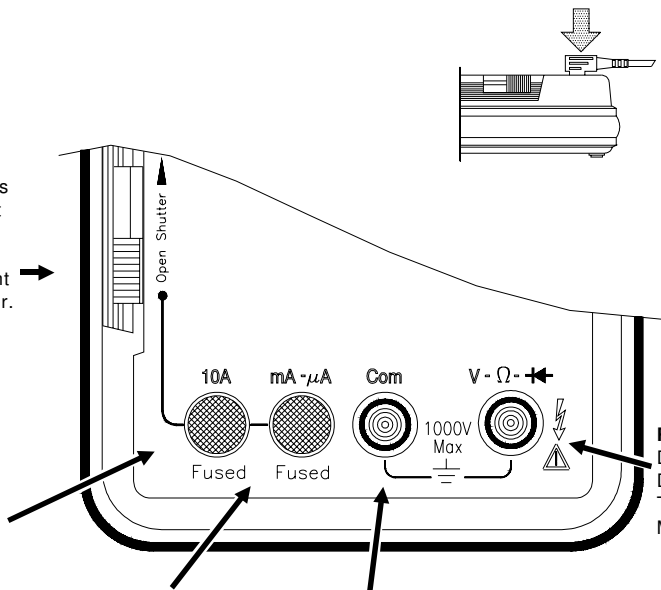
1. Always inspect probes before use. Do not use test leads whose insulation has cuts, cracks, or other damage that may result in reduced electric shock protection.
2. Keep insulation surface clean between the probe tip connector and the finger guards.
3. If probes other than the ones specified are to be used with the multimeter, be sure the probes and their leads are rated for the voltage and current to which they will be subjected. Do not exceed the voltage ratings for the multimeter.
4. Probes supplied with this multimeter are rated for use up to 1000Vrms or Vdc.

# Operation

## Terminals, Shutter, & Test Leads

### SAFETY SHUTTER

Slide up to **open** shutters for current measurement inputs. Must have the function switch in one of the Current Measurement positions to open shutter. **Close** shutter to change function switch to any other measurement function.



### RED LEAD

Current Measurements  
(0 A to 10 A)

### RED LEAD

Current Measurements  
(0 to 400 mA)

### BLACK LEAD

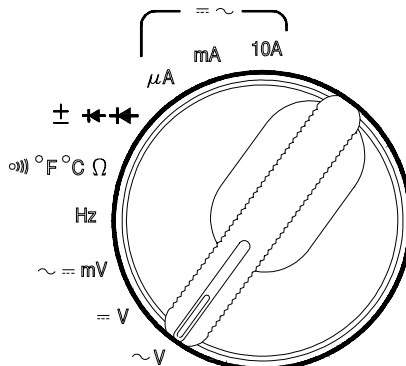
COMMON  
ALL Measurements

### RED LEAD

DC & AC Voltage,  
Diode, Resistance, Frequency,  
Temperature, and Continuity  
Measurements



## 2 Function Switch




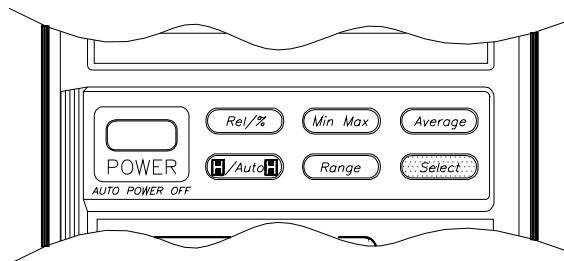
| Switch Position | Display                         |                                 |  |   |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---|
| 10A             | DC Current<br>(10 mA to 10 A)   | AC Current<br>(10 mA to 10 A)   |  |   |
| mA              | DC Current<br>(10 μA to 0.4 A)  | AC Current<br>(10 μA to 0.4 A)  |  |   |
| μA              | DC Current<br>(0.1 μA to 4 mA)  | AC Current<br>(0.1 μA to 4 mA)  |  |   |
| ±               | Diode Test<br>(0 to 2 V)        | Auto Diode Test<br>(0 to ± 2 V) |  |   |
| Ω               | Resistance<br>(0.1 Ω to 40 MΩ)  | Continuity<br>(alarm at < 20 Ω) | Temperature in °F<br>(-112° F to 302° F) | Temperature in °C<br>(-80° C to 150° C) |
| Hz              | Frequency<br>(5 Hz to 99.9 kHz) |                                 |  |   |
| mV              | DC volts<br>(100 μV to 400 mV)  | AC volts<br>(100 μV to 400 mV)  |  |   |
| = V             | DC Volts<br>(1 mV to 1000 V)    |                                 |  |   |
| ~ V             | AC volts<br>(1 mV to 1000 V)    |                                 |  |   |

## Function Keys




### Power



Automatic power off/power save after 30 minutes. Alarm sounds 30 seconds before power off. **Power off** if input < 80 V or < 400 mA. **Power save** if input > 80 V or > 400 mA, last measurement displayed, power consumption is reduced. Press any key or change any function to cancel. Defeat by holding the  key for 2 seconds while applying power.











### Relative/Percent

| Press   | Action  | Main Display   | Secondary Display |
|---|---|--|-------------------|
|  | Makes the last displayed measurement the reference  | Each measured value relative to the reference value (difference) | Range             |
|  | Calculates the percentage change from the reference | Each measured value as a percent change of the reference value   | Range             |
|  | Cancels the Relative/% function                     | Measured value   | Range             |

Perform a **zero adjust** on the 400  $\Omega$  range and displayed value is less than 99 by shorting the test leads and pressing this key. Cycle power to erase the stored zero adjustment.

### Minimum/Maximum <sup>1</sup>



| Press   | Action   | Main Display        | Secondary Display <sup>2</sup> |
|---|--|---------------------|--------------------------------|
|    | Begin recording of minimum and maximum values              | Each measured value | Elapsed time                   |
|    | Display recorded maximum                                   | Maximum measurement | Time of maximum                |
|    | Display recorded minimum                                   | Minimum measurement | Time of Minimum                |
|    | Display last recorded measurement                          | Latest measurement  | Elapsed time                   |
|    | Pause recording of minimum and maximum values <sup>3</sup> | Holds display       | Total elapsed time             |
|    | Resume recording of minimum and maximum values             | Each measured value | Elapsed time                   |
|   | Press and hold 1 second to cancel                          | —                   | —                              |

<sup>1</sup> Automatic power off and auto ranging are disabled when Min/Max is selected. Bargraph will indicate and hold maximum values.




<sup>2</sup> Time is recorded and displayed in minutes up to the maximum recording time of 1999 minutes. Recording will stop at the maximum time.

<sup>3</sup> The H annunciator is displayed when Min/Max recording is paused.

### Average





| Press   | Action   | Main Display                             | Secondary Display |
|---|--|--|-------------------|
|  | Makes the displayed measurement the average of the last eight measurements | Average value of last eight measurements | Range             |
|  | Disables the averaging of measurements                                     | Each measurement                         | Range             |

**Hold/Auto-Hold**

| <b>Press</b>  | <b>Action</b>                              | <b>Main Display</b>                 | <b>Secondary Display</b> |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Holds the measurement value in the display | Measurement value when hold pressed | Range                    |
|  | Enters Auto-Hold function <sup>1</sup>     | Input value                         | Range                    |
|  | Cancels Hold function                      | Measurement value                   | Range                    |

<sup>1</sup> Auto-Hold Operation. When measurement becomes stable, multimeter will beep and save the stable reading. Removing probe from measuring circuit will display and hold the last stable reading.

**Range**

| <b>Press</b>  | <b>Action</b>   | <b>Main Display</b> | <b>Secondary Display</b> |
|---|---|---------------------|--------------------------|
|    | Changes from auto-ranging to manual ranging                 | Measurement value   | Range                    |
|    | Change manual range UP once with each keypress <sup>1</sup> | Measurement value   | Range                    |
|   | Returns to auto-ranging when key is held for 1 second       | Measurement value   | Range                    |

<sup>1</sup> When upper range is reached, the sequence begins again at the lowest range.

**Select**

Press this key to use the functions indicated in blue on the multimeter. See table on page 1-8.  
Hold this key to test display when turning meter on.

## Function Keys and Function Switch Matrix

| Function   | Relative       | %<br>(Percent) | Min/Max <sup>5</sup> | Average | Data Hold <sup>4</sup> | Auto-Hold | Range          |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------------|---------|------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| $\mu\text{A}$ , mA                                   | •              | •              | •                    | •       | •                      | •         | •              |
| 10A  | •              | •              | •                    | •       | •                      | •         |                |
|  | •              | •              |                      |         | •                      | •         |                |
| $\pm$  |                |                |                      |         | •                      |           |                |
| $\Omega$   | • <sup>1</sup> | •              | •                    | •       | •                      | •         | •              |
|  |                |                |                      |         | •                      |           |                |
| $^{\circ}\text{F}$ , $^{\circ}\text{C}$ <sup>2</sup> | •              |                | •                    |         | •                      |           |                |
| Hz <sup>2</sup>                                      |                |                |                      |         | •                      |           | • <sup>3</sup> |
| mV   | •              | •              | •                    | •       | •                      |           | •              |
| mV   | •              | •              | •                    | •       | •                      |           | •              |
| V  | •              | •              | •                    | •       | •                      | •         | •              |
| V  | •              | •              | •                    | •       | •                      | •         | •              |

<sup>1</sup> Invokes zero adjust when display is less than 9.9  $\Omega$ .

<sup>2</sup> Bargraph not available.

<sup>3</sup> Changes input attenuator, frequency is always auto range.

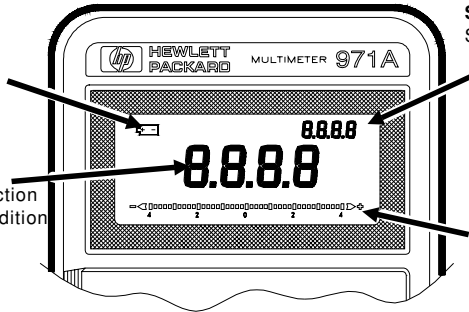
<sup>4</sup> Bargraph updates with input value.

<sup>5</sup> Secondary display shows elapsed time (in minutes).

## Display

**Low Battery indicator**  
Replace batteries when on.

**Main Display**  
(Annunciators shown inside front cover)  
Number of digits is set by range and function  
Displays O.L to indicate an overload condition  
Entire display flashes if:  
Input overvoltage or  
During Amps fuse check



**Secondary Display**  
Shows:  
Range (most functions)  
Elapsed time (Min/Max)

**Bargraph**  
Active for all functions except:  
Temperature and Frequency

## Audio

|  |  |
|--|--|
|  | <p><b>Power on</b><br/>First beep at power on.<br/>Second beep when beginning to make measurements.</p>  |
|  | <p>Single beep<br/>Indicates any valid function key press.<br/>Indicates a new High or Low value recorded when in Min/Max function.</p>  |
|  | <p>Steady repeating beep<br/>Indicates when measurement is steady when using Auto-Hold function.</p>   |
|  | <p>Rapid repeating beeps<br/>Indicates wrong input terminals used for function selected.<br/>Indicates an overload condition at the measurement terminals.</p>                             |
|  | <p>Continuous tone<br/>Indicates a resistance of &lt; 20 Ω when using the Continuity function.</p>   |
|  | <p><b>Auto Power Off/ Auto Power Save</b><br/>Pairs of beeps for 30 seconds.<br/>Long beep just before power off.<br/>Cancel by changing function switch position or pressing any key.</p> |

## Calibration and Adjustment

### Required Test Equipment

The source used for the calibration should have an output accuracy as good or better than that listed in the specifications.

### Calibration Procedure

Environmental range for calibration:  $23^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$ , < 80% RH

Calibration interval: 1 Year

- 1 Disconnect all inputs from the multimeter and open the case as shown on page 6-5.
- 2 Install new batteries (described below) and close the cover. Turn the multimeter on and allow a 30 minute warm-up. Open the case.
- 3 Set the multimeter function and range and the source output to the values specified at each step in the calibration table on page 6-2.
- 4 When appropriate, make the adjustments indicated in the calibration table to bring the multimeter display within the limits.

#### CAUTION



Dangerous voltages are present during the calibration procedure. Calibration should only be performed by qualified service technicians. Use a non-conductive adjustment tool.

## Maintenance

Operator protection from electric shock hazard is provided by a double insulated enclosure. Refer to pages 1-4 and 1-5 for maximum voltage specifications. When servicing, use only specified replacement parts.

### Battery Replacement

Replace the battery when the symbol appears in the display or before calibration. Replace both batteries at the same time. Use high-quality type AA alkaline (IEC LR6) batteries. Remove the batteries if the multimeter is to be stored for extended periods of time. Refer to the disassembly drawing on page 6-5.

### Fuse Replacement

Fuse locations are shown in the diagram on page 6-5. Fuses are listed in the replaceable part list on page 6-4. See fuse check procedure in Troubleshooting table below.



#### CAUTION

For continued protection use only the specified manufacturer part number or HP part number fuse for replacement purposes.



## Troubleshooting

| Problem   | Possible Cause  | Suggested Action  |
|---|---|---|
| Unit won't turn on                                | Dead Batteries  | Replace batteries   |
| Unit won't turn off                               | Input limit exceeded                                  | Remove test leads and press any key to reset.   |
| Display flashes<br>and<br>Rapid beeps             | Input limit exceeded                                  | Remove test leads and press any key to reset.   |
|   | Test leads in wrong terminal for measurement function | Change test leads or function switch position   |
| Battery Annunciator on                            | Low battery voltage                                   | Replace batteries   |
| Unable to measure current<br>10 A or mA - $\mu$ A | Open input protection fuse                            | <b>Check fuse.</b> Connect test lead between V input terminal and 10A or 10 mA $\mu$ A terminal. Select 10A or 10mA range, unit will rapidly beep if fuse is OK. Replace fuse if no beep. |

## Cleaning

Wipe instrument with a soft rag dampened with soap and water. Do not immerse in water. Do not use any chemical cleaner or solvents.

## Replaceable Parts/Accessories

Refer to the table on page 6-4.

## Specifications

Calibration period: one year minimum. Specifications apply at 23° C ± 5° C, < 80% RH  
Accuracy = ± (% of reading + number of digits).  
Temperature Coefficient = Accuracy X 0.1/° C (-10° C to 18° C; 28° C to 55° C)

### General

Do not expose product to moisture or rain. Do not use product in flammable atmosphere.

Operating Temperature: -10° to 50°C.

Humidity: 0°C to 40°C / 80% RH max, 40°C to 50°C / 70% RH max (no condensation).

Storage Temperature: -25° to 60°C / 70% RH max (no condensation).

Display reading rate: Approximately 2.3 times/second (Frequency 1/second)

Bargraph reading rate: Approximately 23 times/second

Battery life: Approximately 1000 hours

### DC Voltage

| Range  | Resolution | Accuracy     | Input Resistance |
|--------|------------|--------------|------------------|
| 400 mV | 100 µV     | ± (0.3% + 1) | 10 MΩ            |
| 4.0 V  | 1 mV       |              | 11 MΩ (nominal)  |
| 40 V   | 10 mV      |              | 10 MΩ (nominal)  |
| 400 V  | 100 mV     |              |                  |
| 1000 V | 1 V        |              |                  |

Normal Mode Rejection Ratio (NMR): > 60 dB @ 50 or 60 Hz

Effective Common Mode Rejection Ratio (CMR) 1 k Ω imbalance: > 120 dB @ 50 or 60 Hz

## Specifications

### AC Voltage (Average responding, calibrated to display rms)

| Range  | Resolution | Accuracy        |                 | Input Impedance (nominal) |
|--------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
|        |            | 40 Hz to 500 Hz | 500 Hz to 1 kHz |                           |
| 400 mV | 0.1 mV     | ± (1% + 2)      | ± (1.5% + 4)    | 10 MΩ < 50 pF             |
| 4 V    | 1 mV       |                 |                 | 11 MΩ < 50 pF             |
| 40 V   | 10 mV      |                 |                 | 10 MΩ < 50 pF             |
| 400 V  | 100 mV     |                 |                 |                           |
| 1000 V | 1 V        |                 | Not Specified   |                           |

Common Mode Rejection Ratio (CMR) 1 kΩ imbalance: > 60 dB @ DC to 60 Hz  
 Response time: 2 seconds maximum

### DC Current

| Range   | Resolution | Accuracy     | Input Resistance | Maximum Input   |
|---------|------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 400 μA  | 100 nA     | ± (0.5% + 2) | < 550 Ω          | ± 0.5 A (fused) |
| 4000 μA | 1 μA       | ± (1% + 2)   |                  |                 |
| 40 mA   | 10 μA      |              | < 8 Ω            |                 |
| 400 mA  | 100 μA     | ± (1.2% + 2) | < 0.05 Ω         | ± 15 A (fused)  |
| 10 A    | 10 mA      |              |                  |                 |

**AC Current (Average responding, 40 Hz to 500 Hz, calibrated to display rms)**

| Range        | Resolution  | Accuracy          | Input Resistance | Maximum Input    |
|--------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 400 $\mu$ A  | 100 nA      | $\pm (1.5\% + 5)$ | < 550 $\Omega$   | 0.5 Arms (fused) |
| 4000 $\mu$ A | 1 $\mu$ A   |                   | < 8 $\Omega$     |                  |
| 40 mA        | 10 $\mu$ A  |                   |                  |                  |
| 400 mA       | 100 $\mu$ A |                   | < 0.05 $\Omega$  | 15 Arms (fused)  |
| 10 A         | 10 mA       |                   |                  |                  |

**Resistance**

| Range          | Resolution     | Accuracy                       | Test Current  | Maximum Open Circuit Voltage |
|----------------|----------------|--------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| 400 $\Omega$   | 100 m $\Omega$ | $\pm (0.5\% + 1)$ <sup>1</sup> | < 0.8 mA      | < 3.2 V                      |
| 4.0 k $\Omega$ | 1 $\Omega$     | $\pm (0.5\% + 1)$              | < 80 $\mu$ A  | < 1.1 V                      |
| 40 k $\Omega$  | 10 $\Omega$    |                                | < 10 $\mu$ A  |                              |
| 400 k $\Omega$ | 100 $\Omega$   |                                | < 1.1 $\mu$ A |                              |
| 4.0 M $\Omega$ | 1 k $\Omega$   |                                | < 110 nA      |                              |
| 40 M $\Omega$  | 10 k $\Omega$  | $\pm (1.0\% + 1)$              |               |                              |

<sup>1</sup> After zero adjust of input leads. Zero adjust range up to 9.9  $\Omega$ .  
Response time: 400  $\Omega$  to 400 k $\Omega$  — 2 seconds, 10 M $\Omega$  to 40 M $\Omega$  — 10 seconds.

**Continuity**

Measurement Current: 0.8 mA maximum  
Displayed resistance: 0  $\Omega$  to 400  $\Omega$   
Alarm: Tone when input < 20  $\Omega$

Open circuit voltage: < 3.2 V<sub>peak</sub>  
Input protection: 660 V<sub>rms</sub> (sinewave)  
Resolution: 100 m  $\Omega$

## Specifications

### Diode

Measurement current: +0.5 mA nominal @ 0.6 V    Open circuit voltage: < 3.2 V<sub>peak</sub>  
Displayed Voltage: 0 V to 2.000 V    Input protection: 660 V<sub>rms</sub> (sinewave)  
Accuracy: ± (1% + 2)    Resolution: 1 mV

### Temperature (5 k Ω @ 25° C Thermistor probe)

|                       | ° C          | ° F           |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Measurement Range     | -80° to 150° | -112° to 302° |
| Resolution            | 0.1°         | 0.2°          |
| Accuracy <sup>1</sup> | ± 0.5°       | ± 1.0°        |

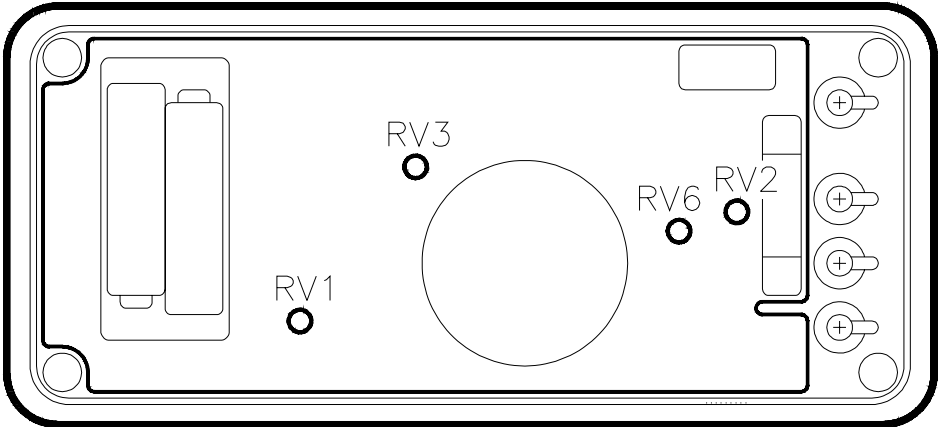
<sup>1</sup> Accuracy does not include 5 kΩ Thermistor error

### Frequency (AC Coupled)

| Frequency Range     | Resolution | Accuracy      | Maximum Input        |
|---------------------|------------|---------------|----------------------|
| 5 Hz to 9999 Hz     | 1 Hz       | ± (0.02% + 1) | 660 V <sub>rms</sub> |
| 9.0 kHz to 99.9 kHz | 10 Hz      |               | 100 V <sub>rms</sub> |

| Input Attenuator | Input Voltage                |                   | Input Impedance |
|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
|                  | 5 Hz to 10 kHz               | 10 kHz to 100 kHz |                 |
| 4                | 100 mV to 4 V rms            | 800 mV to 4 V rms | 2.3 MΩ < 50 pF  |
| 40               | 4 V to 40 V rms              | 4 V to 40 V rms   | 1.3 MΩ < 50 pF  |
| 400              | 40 V to 400 V <sub>rms</sub> | 40 V to 100 V rms | 1.2 MΩ < 50 pF  |

# Adjustments



## Calibration Table



### CAUTION

Dangerous voltages are present during the calibration procedure. Calibration should only be performed by qualified service technicians using a non-conductive tool.

| Step | Function | Range  | Input Signal      | Adjustment (limits) | Tolerance (counts) |
|------|----------|--------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1    | DC mV    | 400 mV | Short             | —                   | ±1                 |
| 2    |          |        | 380.0 mV          | RV1 (±1)            | ±12                |
| 3    |          |        | -380.0 mV         | —                   | ±12                |
| 4    | DC V     | 4 V    | 3.800 V           | RV2 (±1)            | ±12                |
| 5    |          | 40 V   | 38.00 V           | —                   | ±12                |
| 6    |          | 400 V  | 380.0 V           | —                   | ±12                |
| 7    |          | 1000 V | 1000 V            | —                   | ±4                 |
| 8    | AC V     | 400 V  | 380.0 V @ 100 Hz  | RV3 (±1)            | ±40                |
| 9    |          |        | 380.0 V @ 1 kHz   | —                   | ±61                |
| 10   | AC mV    | 400 mV | 380.0 mV @ 100 Hz | —                   | ±40                |
| 11   |          |        | 380.0 mV @ 1 kHz  | —                   | ±61                |
| 12   | AC V     | 4 V    | 3.800 V @ 100 Hz  | —                   | ±40                |
| 13   |          |        | 3.800 V @ 1 kHz   | —                   | ±61                |
| 14   |          | 40 V   | 38.00 V @ 100 Hz  | —                   | ±40                |
| 15   |          |        | 38.00 V @ 1 kHz   | —                   | ±61                |
| 16   |          | 1000 V | 1000 V @ 100 Hz   | —                   | ±12                |
| 17   |          | DC μA  | 400 μA            | 380.0 μA            | —                  |
| 18   | 4000 μA  |        | 3800 μA           | —                   | ±40                |
| 19   | DC mA    | 40 mA  | 38.00 mA          | —                   | ±40                |
| 20   |          | 400 mA | 380.0 mA          | —                   | ±47                |

| Step | Function      | Range              | Input Signal                 | Adjustment (limits)        | Tolerance (counts) |
|------|---------------|--------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| 21   | 10 A          | 10 A               | 10.00 A                      | RV6 ( $\pm 2$ )            | $\pm 14$           |
| 22   | $\mu\text{A}$ | 400 $\mu\text{A}$  | 380.0 $\mu\text{A}$ @ 100 Hz | —                          | $\pm 62$           |
| 23   |               | 4000 $\mu\text{A}$ | 3800 $\mu\text{A}$ @ 100 Hz  | —                          | $\pm 62$           |
| 24   | mA            | 40 mA              | 38.00 mA @ 100 Hz            | —                          | $\pm 62$           |
| 25   |               | 400 mA             | 380.0 mA @ 100 Hz            | —                          | $\pm 62$           |
| 26   | 10 A          | 10 A               | 10.00 A @ 100 Hz             | —                          | $\pm 20$           |
| 27   | $\Omega$      | 400 $\Omega$       | Short                        | zero adjust <sup>1</sup>   | $\pm 1$            |
| 28   |               |                    | 380.0 $\Omega$               | —                          | $\pm 20$           |
| 29   |               | 4 k $\Omega$       | 3.800 k $\Omega$             | —                          | $\pm 20$           |
| 30   |               | 40 k $\Omega$      | 38.00 k $\Omega$             | —                          | $\pm 20$           |
| 31   |               | 400 k $\Omega$     | 380.0 k $\Omega$             | —                          | $\pm 20$           |
| 32   |               | 4 M $\Omega$       | 3.800 M $\Omega$             | —                          | $\pm 20$           |
| 33   |               | 40 M $\Omega$      | 38.00 M $\Omega$             | —                          | $\pm 40$           |
| 34   |               |                    | 400 $\Omega$                 | 0 $\Omega$ to 100 $\Omega$ | —                  |
| 35   |               | 2 V                | 1.000 V                      | —                          | $\pm 12$           |
| 36   | Hz            | 4                  | 9000 Hz @ 1 Vrms             | —                          | $\pm 2$            |

<sup>1</sup> Perform zero adjustment using key.



## Replaceable Parts/Accessories

Refer to the disassembly diagram on page 6-5.

| Call out | Description  | HP Part Number |
|----------|--|----------------|
| F1       | Fuse, 500 mA, 250 V fast blow Littlefuse 216-500<br><b>DO NOT SUBSTITUTE</b>                               | 2110-0940      |
| F2       | Fuse, 15 A, 600 V fast blow Littlefuse KLK15<br><b>DO NOT SUBSTITUTE</b>                                   | 2110-0941      |
| MP1      | Top case assembly  | 00971-64401    |
| MP2      | Dust/moisture seal   | 00971-64403    |
| MP3      | Bottom case assembly (includes stand)  | 00971-64402    |
|          | Rubber Boot  | 00971-86001    |
|          | Replacement Test Leads, 2 pair   | E2305A         |
|          | Temperature probe,<br>5 K $\Omega$ @ 25° C Thermistor  | E2308A         |
|          | Surface temperature sensor,<br>Thermistor $\pm 0.1^{\circ}\text{C}$<br>12" lead, requires dual banana plug | 40653B         |
|          | Soft Case<br>(fits meter with rubber boot)   | E2304A         |

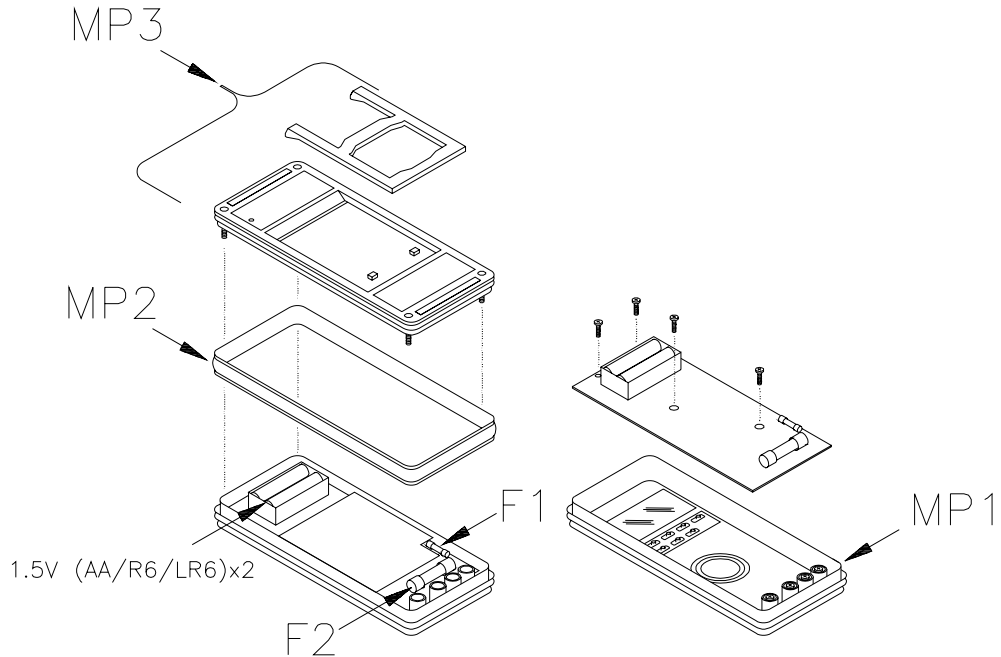
Operator protection from electric shock hazard is provided by a double insulated enclosure. refer to the Safety Summary for maximum voltage specifications. When servicing, use only specified replacement parts.

## Disassembly



### WARNING

Always disconnect the test leads before opening the case.



## DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

according to ISO / IEC Guide 22 and EN 45014

**Manufacturer's Name:** Hewlett-Packard Company, Personal Measurements Operation  
**Manufacturer's Address:** 815 14th Street S.W., Loveland, Colorado 80537 U.S.A.

### declares, that the products

**Product Name:** Handheld Multimeter  
**Model Number:** HP 971A, HP 972A, HP 973A, HP 974A  
**Product Options:** None

### conforms to the following Product Specifications:

**Safety:** IEC 1010-01 (1990) Incl. Amend 1 (1992) / EN61010 (1993)  
CSA G22.2 #1010.1 (1992)  
UL 1244

**EMC:** CISPR 11:1990 / EN55011 (1991): Group 1, Class A  
IEC801-2:1991 / EN50082-1 (1992): 4 kV CD, 8 kV AD  
IEC 801-3:1984 / EN50082-1 (1992): 3 V/m  
IEC 801-4:1988 / EN50082-1 (1992): 0.5 kV Signal Lines

**Supplemental Information:** The product herewith complies with the requirements of the Low Voltage Directive 73 / 23 / EEC and the EMC Directive 89 / 336 / EEC amended by 93 / 68 / EEC (inclusive 93 / 68 / EEC) and carries the CE mark accordingly.

Loveland, Colorado      April 1, 1994



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### **Limited 3 Year Warranty**

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