

U1210 Series

Handheld Clamp Meters

Introduction

Measurements of electrical distribution cables can be challenging and risky. For cables up to two inches in diameter, the Keysight Technologies, Inc. U1210 Series handheld clamp meters enable high-current measurements without breaking the circuit. Unlike most clamp meters, they also include Digital Multimeters (DMM) capabilities—resistance, capacitance, frequency, and temperature—to simplify troubleshooting during installation and maintenance. Best of all, they provide an extra layer of protection with CAT IV 600V and CAT III 1000 V safety ratings.

Notice: The U1212A and U1213A will be discontinued on June 1, 2025.



Features

- Large clamp opening of 52 mm or 2"
- High measurement capability of up to 1000 A for AC, DC or AC+DC
- CAT III 1000 V/CAT IV 600 V safety rating
- Includes full-featured DMM with resistance, capacitance, frequency, and temperature functions
- High-resolution measurements – measure current as low as 0.01 A
- Peak hold
- Dual ranging mode – manual and auto
- Large dual display
- Min/max recording capability.



Did you know?

Ensure that the clamp meter measures only one conductor at a time. Measuring multiple conductors may cause inaccuracy in measurement reading due to vector sum of the currents flowing in the conductors.



Figure 1. U1210 Series handheld clamp meter

Key Measurements

Measure current easily and accurately

Keysight U1210 Series handheld clamp meters come with a clamp opening of 52 mm/2 inches and a high current measurement capability of up to 1000 A (AC, DC, AC+ DC). With the large jaw size, these handhelds simplify current measurements for thick cables. Clamp-on with the U1210 Series and get convenience, versatility, and the ability to handle big currents—safely.



Figure 2. Large jaw clamp opening of 52mm / 2 inches

Full-featured digital multimeter functions

The U1210 Series handheld clamp meters provide basic functions of a multimeter with wide measurement ranges to cater to a broad range of applications (ACA, DCV, ACV, OHM, audible continuity, diode, and frequency tests). These meters also provide auto-ranging capability, built-in peak hold for in-rush current measurement, temperature and capacitance measurement capability, large backlight display, and one-hand operation.

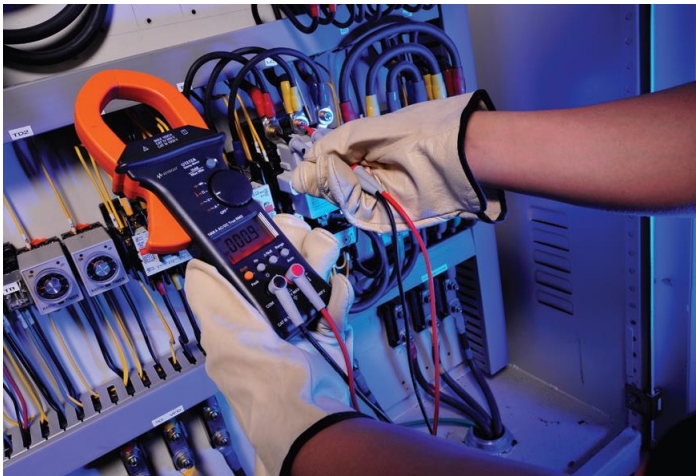


Figure 3. Full-featured digital multimeter functions

Take a Closer Look



Figure 4. Front view of U1213A handheld clamp meter

General Specifications

Title	Specification
Dimension	U1212A and U1213A: 106 mm (W) X 260 mm (L) X 43 mm (H)
Net Weight	U1212A and U1213A: 525 grams with batteries included
Display	4 digits with a maximum reading of 4,100 counts. The 12 Segments analog bar graph and full annunciator. Automatic polarity indication.
Battery	Standard 9 V Battery - Alkaline
Low battery indicator	Battery voltage drops below 6.0 V
Power consumption	U1212A and U1213A: 220 mVA maximum
Battery life	60 hours (typical)
Connectivity	Wireless <i>Bluetooth</i> compatible
Maximum jaw opening	~2 inches
Temperature coefficient	0.12 x (specified accuracy)/°C (from 0 to 18 °C or 28 to 50 °C)
NMRR (Normal Mode Rejection Ratio)	This Series has an NMRR specification of > 60 dB at 50 Hz and 60 Hz, which means a good ability to reject the effect of AC noise in DC measurement
CMRR (Common Mode Rejection Ratio)	U1213A has CMRR specifications of > 60 dB at DC to 60 Hz in the ACV function; and > 120 dB at DC, 50 Hz, and 60 Hz in the DCV function.
Operating temperature	–10 to 50 °C, 0 to 80 % R.H.
Storage temperature	–20 to 60 °C, 0 to 80 % R.H.
Relative Humidity (R.H.)	Maximum 80 % R.H. for temperature up to 31 °C decreasing linearly to 50 % R.H. at 50 °C
Temperature coefficient	0.1 × (specified accuracy) / °C (from 0 °C to 18 °C or 28 °C to 50 °C)
Safety & EMC compliance	Refer to Declaration of Conformity for the latest revisions of regulatory compliance at www.keysight.com/go/conformity Note: If used in close proximity to an RF transmitter or when subjected to continuously present electromagnetic phenomena, some recoverable degradation of performance may occur.
Measurement category	CAT III 1000 V/ CAT IV 600 V

Electrical Specifications for U1212A

Accuracy is given as $\pm$ (% of reading + number of least significant digits) at $23\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, with relative humidity less than 80 % R.H.

ACV/ ACA specifications are ac coupled, true R.M.S., and are valid from 5 % of range to 100 % of range. The crest factor may be up to 3.0 at full-scale except the 1000 V and 1000 A ranges, which are 1.5 at full scale. For non-sinusoidal waveforms, add (2 % reading + 2 % full scale) typical, for crest factors up to 3.

DC voltage

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Overload protection
400 V	0.1 V	0.5 % + 3	1000 V R.M.S
1000 V	1 V	0.5 % + 3	
Input impedance: 10 MΩ (nominal)			

AC voltage

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Overload protection
		45~400 Hz	
400 V	0.1 V	1 % + 5	1000 V R.M.S
1000 V	1 V	1 % + 5	
Input impedance: 10 MΩ (nominal) in parallel with < 100 pF			

Voltage (1 ms peak hold)

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Overload protection
400 V	0.1 V	1 % + 43	1000 V R.M.S
1000 V	1 V	1 % + 43	
Specified accuracy for changes > 1 ms in duration			

Diode check/audible continuity test

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Test current	Open voltage
Diode	0.001 V	0.5 % + 2	Approximately 0.8 mA	< +3.1 V
- Overload protection: 1000 V R.M.S. for circuits < 0.3 A of short circuit current - The built-in buzzer sounds when reading is below 50 mV approximately and single tone for normal forward-biased diode or semiconductor junction as $0.3\text{ V} \leq \text{Reading} \leq 0.8\text{ V}$				

Resistance

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Test current
400 Ω	0.1 Ω	0.5 % + 3	0.8 mA
4 k Ω	0.001 k Ω	0.5 % + 3	80 μ A

Notes:

1. Overload protection: 1000 V R.M.S. for circuits < 0.3 A of short circuit current
2. Maximum open voltage: < +3.1 V
3. Instant continuity: Built-in buzzer sounds when resistance is less than 10.0 Ω
4. The accuracy of 400 Ω and 4 k Ω is specified after Relative function, which is used to substrate the test lead resistance and the thermal effect

Capacitance

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Overload protection
400 μ F	0.1 μ F	2 % + 4	1000 V R.M.S. for circuits < 0.3 A of short circuit current
4000 μ F	1 μ F	3 % + 4	

The accuracy is based on film capacitor or better and use Relative mode to zero residual value

DC Current

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Maximum overload
40 A	0.01 A	1.5 % + 15	1000 A R.M.S.
400 A	0.1 A	1.5 % + 3	
1000 A	1 A	2.0 % + 5	

Use Relative mode to zero residual offset

AC Current

Range	Resolution	Accuracy *N1				Maximum overload
		45~65 Hz	65~200 Hz	200~300 Hz	300~400 Hz	
40 A	0.01 A	2.0 % + 10	3.0 % + 10	3.5 % + 10	6.5 % + 10	1000 A R.M.S.
400 A	0.1 A	2.0 % + 5	3.0 % + 5	3.5 % + 5	6.5 % + 5	
1000 A	1 A	2.5 % + 5	3.0 % + 5	3.5 % + 5	6.5 % + 5	

N1: The maximum verification of current and frequency product is less than 400,000 A x Hz

Current (1 ms peak hold)

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Maximum overload
40 A	0.01 A	2.0 % + 70	1000 A R.M.S.
400 A	0.1 A	2.0 % + 43	
1000 A	1 A	2.0 % + 43	
Specified accuracy for changes > 1 ms in duration			

Temperature test

Thermal type	Range	Resolution	Accuracy
K	-200 ~ -40 °C	0.1 °C	1 % + 3 °C
	-40 ~ 1372 °C	0.1 °C	1 % + 1 °C
	-328 ~ -40 °F	0.1 °F	1 % + 6 °F
	-40 ~ 2502 °F	0.1 °F	1 % + 2 °F
Notes: 1. The accuracy does not include the tolerance of the thermocouple probe, and the meter must be operational for at least one hour 2. Do not allow the temperature sensor to contact a surface that is energized above 33 V R.M.S. or 70 V DC. Such voltages will pose a shock hazard. 3. The temperature calculation is according to the standard of EN/IEC-60548-1 and NIST175			

Frequency (AC coupling)

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Minimum frequency
99.99 Hz	0.01 Hz	0.2 % + 3	10 Hz
999.9 Hz	0.1 Hz		
9.999 kHz	0.001 kHz		
99.99 kHz	0.01 kHz		
999.9 kHz	0.1 kHz		
Overload protection: 1000 V			

Sensitivity

Frequency sensitivity		
Range	Minimum sensitivity (R.M.S.)	
Maximum input for specified accuracy of AC	40 Hz~2 kHz	10~40 Hz or 2~100 kHz
400 V	6 V	6 V
1000 V	20 V	30 V (< 10 kHz)
40 A	3 A (< 1 kHz)	3 A (< 1 kHz)
400 A	20 A (< 1 kHz)	20 A (< 1 kHz)
1000 A	50 A (1 kHz)	50 A (< 1 kHz)

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AC voltage, AC current, AC+DC voltage, AC+DC current specifications are ac coupled, true R.M.S. and are valid from 5 % of range to 100 % of range. The crest factor may be up to 3.0 at full-scale except the 1000 V and 1000 A ranges, which are 1.5 at full scale. For non-sinusoidal waveforms, add (2 % reading + 2 % full scale) typical, for crest factors up to 3.

DC voltage

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Overload protection
4 V	0.001 V	0.2 % + 5	1000 A R.M.S.
40 V	0.01 V		
400 V	0.1 V		
1000 V	1 V	0.5 % + 3	
Input impedance: 10 MΩ (nominal)			

AC Voltage

Range	Resolution	Accuracy		Overload protection
		45~400 Hz	400 Hz~2 kHz	
4 V	0.001 V	1.0 % + 5	2.0 % + 5	1000 V R.M.S
40 V	0.01 V			
400 V	0.1 V			
1000 V	1 V			
Input impedance: 10 MΩ (nominal) in parallel with < 100 pF				

AC+DC voltage

Range	Resolution	Accuracy		Overload protection
		45~400 Hz	400 Hz~2 kHz	
4 V	0.001 V	1.5 % + 9	2.5 % + 9	1000 V R.M.S
40 V	0.01 V			
400 V	0.1 V			
1000 V	1 V			
Input impedance: 10 MΩ (nominal) in parallel with < 100 pF				

Voltage (1 ms peak hold)

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Overload protection
4 V	0.001 V	1.0 % + 43	1000 V R.M.S
40 V	0.01 V		
400 V	0.1 V		
1000 V	1 V		
Specified accuracy for changes > 1 ms in duration			

Diode check/audible continuity test

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Resistance

Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Test current
400 Ω	0.1 Ω	0.3 % + 3	0.8 mA
4 k Ω	0.001 k Ω		80 μA
40 k Ω	0.01 k Ω		8 μA
400 k Ω	0.1 k Ω		727 nA
4 M Ω	0.001 M Ω	0.6 % + 3	112 nA
40 M Ω	0.01 M Ω	2.0 % + 5	112 nA
Notes: 1. Overload protection: 1000 V R.M.S. for circuits < 0.3 A of short circuit current 2. Maximum open voltage: < +3.1 V 3. Instant continuity: Built-in buzzer sounds when resistance is less than 10.0 Ω 4. The accuracy of 400 Ω and 4 k Ω is specified after Relative function, which is used to substrate the test lead resistance and the thermal effect			

Capacitance

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AC Current

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1000 A	1 A	2.0 % + 5	3.0 % + 5	3.5 % + 5	6.5 % + 5	
N1: The maximum verification of current and frequency product is less than 400,000 A x Hz						

AC+DC current

Range	Resolution	Accuracy *N1				Maximum overload
		45 ~ 65 Hz	65 ~ 200 Hz	200 ~ 300 Hz	300 ~ 400 Hz	
40 A	0.01 A	3.5 % + 25	4.5 % + 25	5.0 % + 25	8.0 % + 25	1000 A R.M.S.
400 A	0.1 A	3.5 % + 9	4.5 % + 9	5.0 % + 9	8.0 % + 9	
1000 A	1 A	4.5 % + 9	5.0 % + 9	5.5 % + 9	8.5 % + 9	
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999.9 kHz	0.1 kHz		
Overload protection: 1000 V; < 20,000,000 V x Hz			

Sensitivity

Frequency sensitivity		
Range	Minimum sensitivity (R.M.S.)	
Maximum input for specified accuracy of AC	45 Hz~2 kHz	10 Hz~200 kHz
4 V	0.3 V	0.6 V
40 V	2 V	3 V
400 V	20 V	30 V (< 100 kHz)
1000 V	50 V	50 V (< 10 kHz)
40 A	3 A (< 1 kHz)	3 A (< 1 kHz)
400 A	20 A (< 1 kHz)	20 A (< 1 kHz)
1000 A	50 A (< 1 kHz)	50 A (< 1 kHz)

Duty cycle

Mode	Range	Accuracy of full scale
AC coupling	0.1 %~99.9 %	0.3 % per kHz + 0.3 %
Notes:		
1. The accuracy for the duty cycle is based on a 4 V square wave input to the DC 4 V range and maximum frequency up to 2 kHz. The duty cycle range can be measured within 5 %~95 % as the signal frequency > 20 Hz.		

Order Information

Optional accessories		
U1168A		Standard test lead kit
U1162A		Alligator clips
U1175A		Soft carrying case
U1186A		K-type thermocouple and adapter

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