



Time Domain Reflectometers TDR2000/3 - TDR 2000/3P - CFL535G TDR2010 - TDR2050

User Guide

For all units released after 2014. If your instrument differs significantly from this guide then please use the guide supplied with your instrument or call technical services for advice.



Safety warnings must be observed during use

NOTE - THE INSTRUMENT MUST ONLY BE USED BY SUITABLY TRAINED AND COMPETENT PERSONS

Users of this equipment and/or their employers are reminded that National Health and Safety Legislation requires them to carry out valid risk assessments of all works so as to identify potential sources of danger and risk.

Please refer to the full list of safety warnings for further information. This was supplied in the box your instrument arrived in or can also be found on the support CD and is downloadable from the Megger website.

CAT II

Measurement category II: Equipment connected between the electrical outlets connected between the distribution and the user's equipment.

Measurement category III: Equipment panel and the electrical outlets.

Measurement category IV: Equipment connected between the origin of the low-voltage mains supply and the distribution panel.

Measurement equipment may be safely connected to circuits at the marked rating or lower.

Battery information

This instrument runs on a Lithium Ion battery which should be maintained to maximise health, reliability and longevity. There are a few simple things that you can do to help maintain your battery health and power potential.

- 1. Allow your battery to charge fully before using the instrument. Fully charging the battery before use will ensure it can perform at peak performance and make maintaining performance easier.
- 2. Keep your battery charged up whenever possible while in use. A Li-lon battery prefers frequent top-ups and should never be left in a flat state for extended periods as this can cause permanent damage.
- 3. Maintain a charge during storage. If your battery is to be stored for extended periods maintain a charge of 40%, allowing for some discharge and maintaining the protection circuit.
- 4. Store your battery in a cool, dry place. Li-ion batteries can get stressed when exposed to heat which can reduce its life. Do not store above 30°C (86°F) for extended periods.

WEEE Directive

The crossed out wheeled bin symbol placed on Megger products is a reminder not to dispose of the product at the end of its life with general waste.

Megger is registered in the UK as a Producer of Electrical and Electronic Equipment. The Registration No is WEE/HE0146QT. For further information about disposal of the product consult your local Megger company or distributor or visit your local Megger website.

Battery disposal

The crossed out wheeled bin symbol placed on the batteries is a reminder not to dispose of them with general waste at the end of their life.

This product contains the following batteries Li-ion rechargeable battery.

They are located under the battery cover at the rear of the instrument.

They can be safely removed by following the instructions in the battery replacement section of this guide.

Spent Li-ion batteries packs are classified as Industrial Batteries. For disposal in the UK contact Megger Ltd.

For disposal of batteries in other parts of the EU contact your local Megger branch or distributor.

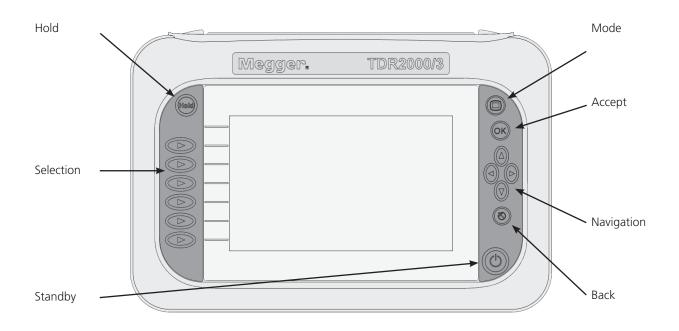
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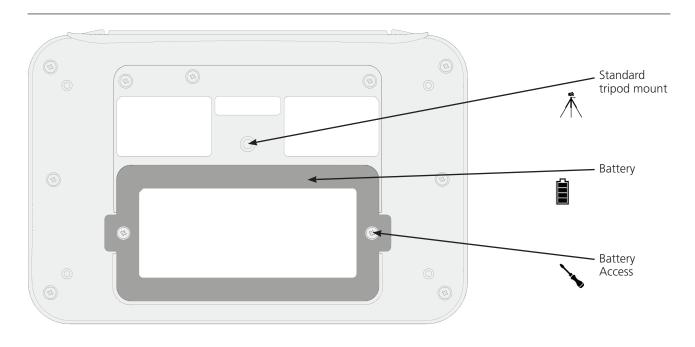
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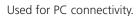


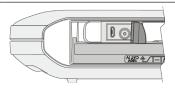




Connectivity



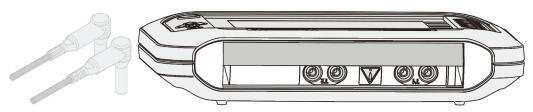




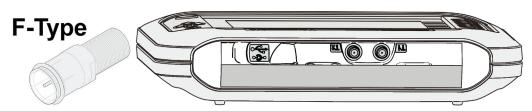
Lift cover for access – avoid stressing.



Power lead dependant on region.



The main connectivity is made via standard 4 mm test leads plugged into the dual channel ports.



Using the supplied adapter, connectivity can also be made to the dual F-type ports. Other standard push-on adapters also fit. Not available on TDR2050.



Accessories



6231-652 Single miniature clip lead set 4mm



6231-654 Dual miniature clip lead set 4mm



1002-015 Single Fused test leads



1002-136 Dual Fused test leads



6231-655 Bed of Nails Test Leads (1 Pair)



6231-653 Bed of Nails Test Leads (2 Pairs)



1003-352 Mains Charger

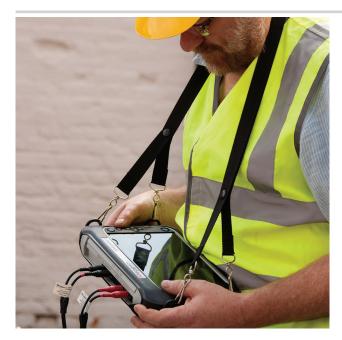


1002-552 Replacement Battery



1003-218 Terminal adaptor kit

There are various mounting and carrying options for the TDR2000 series to ensure the user can position their instrument securely and efficiently.











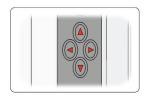
Mode

The TDR2000 series can be set up to work for several different applications. This will allow the user to specify how the instrument receives, processes and displays test readings. The testing options for each mode are shown on the line adjacent to the icon for the specific mode.

Selecting Mode









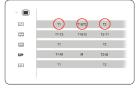
Change mode

Press to select

Use cursor keys

Choosing a mode







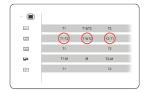


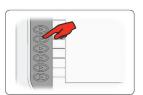
Single Channel mode

Choose T1 or T2

Press key indicated to change









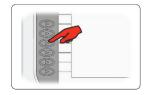
Dual Channel mode

Choose T1-T2, T2-T1, T1&T2 Press key indicated to change





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Choose T1 or T2

Press key indicated to change

Crosstalk









Load saved trace

Choose T1-M, T2-M, M

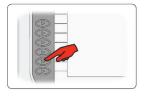
Press key indicated to change







Choose T1 or T2



Press key indicated to change





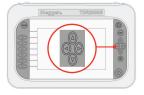


General

General functions are available from the main screen and be accessed using the left and right navigation keys and appropriate selection buttons.

The instrument is also able to save and preview traces, enabling the user to maintain a database of information for downloading to a PC to create reports or to use in other custom applications.









Navigation

Use cursor keys

Use soft keys to select









Range

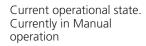
10 m min to 20 km max in 11 steps (30 - 60,000 ft)

The currently selected range is shown at top right of the screen

Operational state

The current operational state is shown at the top left of the screen and identifies the current operational setting for the chosen screen. Icons displayed are specific to the function.







Current operational state. Currently in Setup operation



Change current state using the appropriate button





Setup

The user has the ability to change various settings for the live trace ranging from the velocity factor to the gain applied to the trace. These settings can be accessed via the setup icon.

Accessing Setup









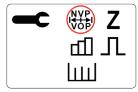
Press to select

Automatic mode

Manual mode

Adjusting the Setup Options





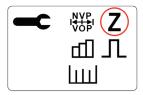




Velocity Factor

Use the up and down cursors to set the Velocity Factor to match the cable under test.







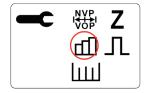


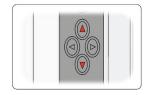
Impedance

Use the up and down cursors to adjust the impedance for the cable under test.

*Only available in manual operation (see page 13).







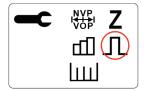


Gain

Use the up and down cursors to alter the gain to adjust visible disturbances on trace.

*Only available in manual operation (see page 13).







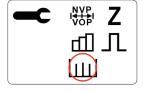


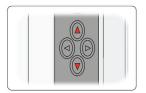
Pulse width

Use the up and down cursors to change the instrument pulse width.

*Only available in manual operation (see page 13).









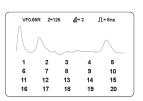
Cable Range

Use the up and down cursors to change the length of the cable under test.

Saving Current Trace









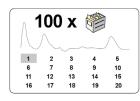
Save

Preview

Selected trace displayed



Manage Memory



Use cursor keys



Selecting the tick saves the results to the selected memory location and the bin deletes the result from the selected memory location





Trace tagging

Trace Tagging is only available on the TDR2010 and TDR2050 models. Trace Tagging allows the user to add a name to all saved traces. This could be the circuit ID, building name or any other identifying text the user wishes to save with the trace. A text string of up to 32 alphanumeric characters can be stored against each trace and this can consist of upper case letters including accents.



This function is activated when choosing a memory location to save a trace to



Use the navigation buttons to select a letter and the soft keys to action



Press the hand icon to add the currently selected character



You can also press the OK button to accept the selection



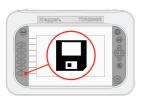
Press the shift icon to change Press the backspace icon to the keyboard to the extended delete the last character characters





Once all characters have been chosen, press the save icon to complete the save process





You can edit a current trace tag either when you save a trace, or when you are choosing a trace for a memory mode function.

Once you enter edit mode, simply use the technique for new trace tags in the previous section.

When you have finished editing, press the save icon to complete the edit and save your changes.



Trace functions (TDR2050 only)

TDR2050 has a suite of trace tools which provide additional test capabilities. These can be found in the Trace Tools menu item.



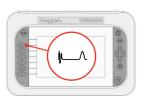


Press to access Trace Tools

Choose required function

Standard trace function

The standard trace function allows the instrument to be set up to work as a standard pulse TDR. This function should be chosen to turn off other trace functions.







Standard trace function

Change settings as required

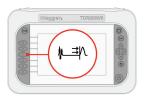
Press to choose another trace function

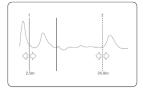


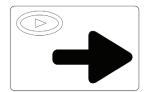
AutoFind

AutoFind allows the automatic detection of disturbances along the result trace, making it easier to target disturbances amongst a noisy trace.

On TDR2000/3 and TDR2010 this function is avaliable from the main screen.



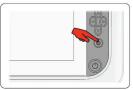




Press to choose AutoFind

Cursor snaps to disturbance

Press for next disturbance







To cancel the next disturbance feature, press the show back button to return to the main screen

The Trace Tools icon will then

Press choose another trace function

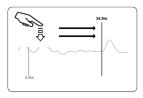


FindEnd

The FindEnd function allows the automatic detection of the end of the cable. On busy or noisy cables this may need to be repeated.



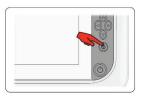
Press to choose FindEnd



Automatically positions a cursor at the detected end of the current cable



Press to repeat detect end.



To cancel the repeat detect end feature, press the back button to return to the main screen



The Trace Tools icon will then show



Press choose another trace function



Distance dependent gain - DDG

DDG counteracts the effects of signal loss on a cable by gradually increasing the gain along the trace result. DDG is suitable for longer length cables and is available on ranges of 1000m and above.







Adjust DDG.
Single press increments by 0.1 dB

Press and hold increments by 0.5 DB



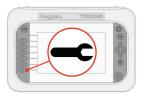
Press choose another trace function

Step TDR feature

The injected signal is started and then maintained at the same level giving a constant signal. The receiver is also constantly set to receive any reflections. This function is ideal for near-end testing as it is more sensitive than a Pulse TDR due to the constant signal. The Step TDR function is only suitable for shorter length cables and is available on ranges up to and including 500m.



Step TDR function activation



Change settings as for pulse TDR



Press choose another trace function

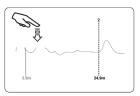


Zoom

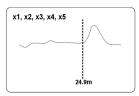
The zoom capabilities are limited by the range chosen and only zoom modes suitable for the chosen ranges are displayed.







Press to select

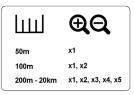


Zooms at cursor position





Minimum range



Range/Capability







Advanced

The TDR2000 series have two methods of operation. Both options allow the user to set operational parameters. In Manual operation the user has full control over the settings in use for the cable under test. In Automatic operation the TDR sets the appropriate impedance to the cable and suggests gain and pulse width settings. Expert Function allows auto detection of faults on the live traces.

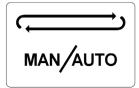
Manual and Automatic operation







Press to swap modes

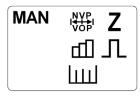


Changes with each press





Manual



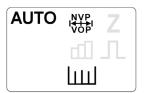
Adjustable in this mode



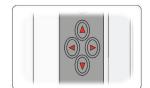




Automatic



Adjustable in this mode





NOTE: Auto in DDG only performs AutoZ; not 'auto settings'

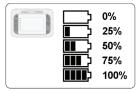


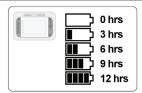
Battery

The TDR2000 series have built in intelligent charge management technology so that the maximum charge rate is maintained, meaning a longer battery life is possible.

Battery information







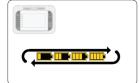


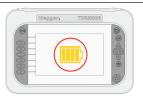
Battery state

Capacity

Typical life remaining





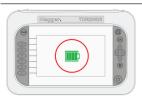




Warnings

Charging

Charging paused



Charged



Results

The cursor lines on the TDR2000 series allow the user to identify disturbances at strategic points to determine distances and positions of potential faults on the trace.

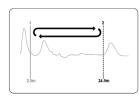
Cursors and measurements







Press to select



Swap between cursors





Cursor movement C1-C2 Trace 1 (Single Trace Mode) C3-C4 Trace 2 (Dual Trace Mode)



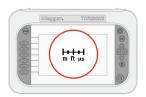
Use cursor keys



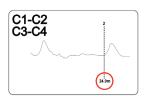
Cursor position on trace



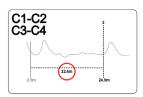




Distance measurement



Distance to cursor



Delta measurement

H I I μs

C1-C2

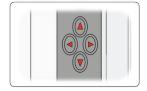
C3-C4

Tools

When in the Setup screen, access can be made to a selection of user tools. Within the tools function the user can change basic settings and locate current instrument setup information.

Adjustable setting include Volume, Standby, Units of measure, NVP formats, Colour scheme, Brightness and Language.







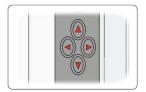


Preferences

Use cursor keys

Up/Down to select Left/Right to change









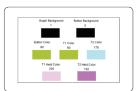
Help

Use cursor keys

Function information









Custom

Press to select

Left/Right to select Up/Down to change

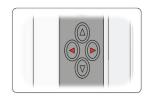
Colour schemes



Press the preferences icon to access the system preferences screen



There are a number of colour schemes available as standard, plus additional custom schemes where you can set your own



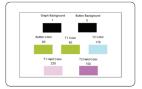
Use the left and right navigation buttons to change the current scheme



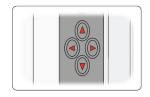




You can use the current scheme as a basis for a custom scheme by pressing the custom scheme pallet icon



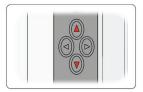
From here you can change any of seven elements that make up all screens



Use the left and right navigation buttons to choose an element



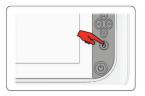




Use the up and down navigation buttons to change the colour for the chosen element



Once finished setting your colours, press either the custom 1 or custom 2 icons to save that scheme. The scheme currently stored in that custom slot will be overwritten.



After saving your custom scheme, press the back button to return to the main screen

Glossary

Appendix A

Function



■ Mode



Single channel mode



Dual channel mode



Intermittent mode







Load saved trace



Cursor controls



⊕Q Zoom function



Help



Preferences



Settings



Auto/Manual choice



Press for next fault



Delete



Accept



Preview

Trace 2



Trace 1

T2

M Memory Ζ

Impedance



Gain



Pulse Width



Range



Edit Trace Tag



Select current character



Shift character set



Backspace delete



Complete and save

Trace Functions



Trace Functions



IFindEnd

Standard Trace

MVV

DDG

AutoFind function

Step Trace

Preferences



(Speaker





Velocity format





Brightness

1 - 10



Power down timer

Unit of measurement

Meters

Nanoseconds

Feet

1, 5, 10 min, Never



ft/µs

m/µs

Language

English



Colour scheme

Default/Outdoor

Scheme 1 - 6

Custom 1 - 2

Dutch Swedish

Spanish

Italian

German

French



TroubleShooting

Appendix b	Appendix B				
Fault	Problem				
Solution					
nstrument won't turn on	Battery not charged up				
Plug in charger and charge for 6 hours.					
Instrument won't charge	Battery not functioning (Flashing charge icon)				
Contact your local Megger dealer for a replacement	nt battery.				
Instrument won't charge	Charger not functioning (LED)				
Contact your local Megger dealer for a replacement	nt charger.				
Instrument keeps turning itself off	Battery not sufficiently charged				
Plug in charger and charge for 6 hours					
Instrument keeps turning itself off	Standby set too low				
Access user settings and change standby time.					
Display not visible	Colour settings incorrect				
Access user settings and change colours.					
Display not visible	Instrument in power save mode				
Press standby button to return to display.					
Distance to fault is inaccurate	Incorrectly set Velocity Factor				
Check VF value for the cable under test and chang	ge settings.				
Can't set Velocity Factor	Cable Velocity Factor unknown				
Test a known length of cable to determine Velocity	/ Factor.				
VF, Impedance, Gain, Pulse inaccessible	Instrument set to Automatic				
Press the escape button and then change to manu	al.				







TroubleShooting

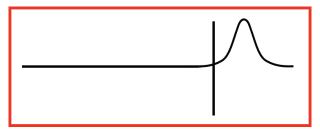
Appendix B				
Fault	Problem			
Solution	·			
Instrument keeps ticking on single input	Incorrect connection to cable under test			
End of cable not determined so unable to reach ma	ax range.			
Buttons not responding	Keypad error			
Contact Megger for repair.	·			
Can't see end of cable on trace	Wrong range chosen			
From main screen press up navigation button to ex	tend range.			
Can't see fault I know is there	Gain set too low			
In manual mode select and change gain with navig	pation buttons.			
The trace is very noisy	Gain set too high			
In manual mode select and change gain with navig	pation buttons.			
No trace even though leads connected	Leads plugged in to wrong channel			
Connect test leads to correct channel.				
Instrument not uploading/downloading	USB cable damaged or wrong type			
Use only genuine Megger cable and check before o	connecting.			
Instrument won't download data	No saved results on TDR			
Take readings and save results before download.	i			
TraceXpert won't load up	Incorrect or unstable installation			
Obtain correct user rites if required and re-install Tr	aceXpert.			
TraceXpert won't install on PC	Incompatible operating system			
TraceXpert is compatible with Windows XP, Vista, 7	7 and 8.			

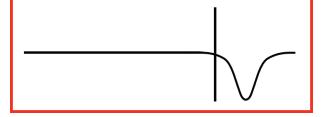




Common fault traces

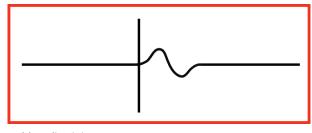
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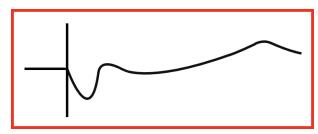




Open conductor

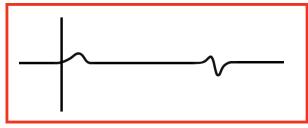






Cable splice/joint

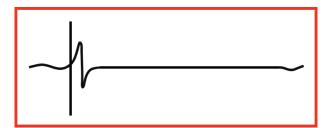
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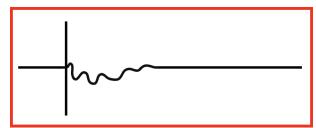




Bridge tap

Spilt/resplit





Wet splice

Water ingress



Specifications

Except where otherwise stated, this specification applies at an ambient temperature of 20°C

General

Range Up to 20000m with a minimum resolution of 0.1m

Accuracy $\pm 1\%$ of range ± 1 pixel at 0.67VF

Note- The measurement accuracy is for the indicated cursor position only and is conditional on the velocity factor being

correct

Resolution 1% of range

Input ProtectionThis instrument complies with IEC61010-1 to protect the user in the event of connection to

live systems. TDR2050 is rated at 600 V CAT IV whilst all other models are rated at

150 V CAT IV. TDR2050 is specifically designed to allow use on energised systems up to the

rated voltage

All other models are designed for use on de-energised systems and Megger fused leads

must be used on power cables.

Output pulseUp to 20 volts peak to peak into open circuit. Pulse widths determined by

range, cable and model used.

Gain Set for each range with user selectable steps (in Manual operating mode)

Velocity Factor Variable from 0.2 to 0.99 in steps of 0.01

TX Null Automatic mode

Trace Tagging 32 alphanumeric characters chosen from upper case letters including accents

Colour schemes Selectable

TDR2000/3 x2

TDR2010, TDR2050 x8

Custom TDR2000/3 x1 TDR2010, TDR2050 x2

Step TDR Eliminates the Dead Zone effect.

DDG Available in ranges 1000 m and above

Adjust DDG.

Single press increments by 0.1 dB Press and hold increments by 0.5 DB

Cable Impedance 25, 50, 75, 100, 125, 140 ohm + AUTO (model dependent) **Power Down** User programmable auto power off timer 1, 5, 10 minutes or off

Batteries Li-lon rechargeable battery with 12 hours typical life

Safety IEC61010-1 compliant for live systems. TDR2050 600 V CATIV

All other models 150 V CAT IV or 300 V CAT III. EN60950-1, EN61010-1, UN38.3 and EN62133

EMC Complies with Electromagnetic Compatibility Specifications BS EN 61326-1,

B min. for all immunity tests

Mechanical The instrument is designed for use indoors or outdoors and is rated to IP54

Case Dimensions 290 mm (11.4 inches) x 190 mm (7.5 inches) x 55 mm (2.2 inches)

Instrument weight 1.7 kg (3.8lbs)

Case material ABS

Display 800 x 480 pixel WVGA colour graphics LCD, viewable in external environments,

user selectable colour schemes

Connectors Four 4mm-safety terminals and two F connectors.

Other standard push on adapters will fit. F connectors not available on TDR2050

Test leads

TDR2000/3, TDR2010 2 m 2 x 4 mm shrouded connector to miniature crocodile clips

TDR2000/3P, TDR2050 2 x 1.5 m fused leads **CFL535G** 2 x Bed-of-Nails lead set



Environmental

Operational Temperature -15°C to +50°C (5°F to 122°F) **Storage Temperature** -20°C to 70°C (-4°F to 158°F)

Charging Temperature 0°C to 40°C

Repair and warranty

If the protection of an instrument has been impaired it should not be used, but sent for repair by suitably trained and qualified personnel. The protection is likely to be impaired if, for example, the instrument shows visible damage, fails to perform the intended measurements, has been subjected to prolonged storage under unfavourable conditions, or has been exposed to severe transport stresses.

New instruments are covered by a two year warranty from the date of purchase by the user, the second year being conditional on the free registration of the product on www.megger.com. You will need to log in, or first register and then login to register your product. The second year warranty covers faults, but not recalibration of the instrument which is only warranted for one year. Any unauthorised prior repair or adjustment will automatically invalidate the warranty.

These products contain no user repairable parts and if defective should be returned to your supplier in original packaging or packed so that it is protected from damage during transit. Damage in transit is not covered by this warranty and replacement/ repair is chargeable.

Megger warrants this instrument to be free from defects in materials and workmanship, where the equipment is used for its proper purpose. The warranty is limited to making good this instrument (which shall be returned intact, carriage paid, and on examination shall disclose to their satisfaction to have been defective as claimed). Any unauthorised prior repair or adjustment will invalidate the warranty. Misuse of the instrument, from connection to excessive voltages, fitting incorrect fuses, or by other misuse is excluded from the warranty. The instrument calibration is warranted for one year.

This Warranty does not affect your statutory rights under any applicable law in force, or your contractual rights arising from a sale and purchase contract for the product. You may assert your rights at your sole discretion

Calibration, service and spare parts

For service requirements for Megger Instruments contact Megger or your local distributor or authorised repair centre.

Megger operates fully traceable calibration and repair facilities, ensuring your instrument continues to provide the high standard of performance and workmanship you expect. These facilities are complemented by a worldwide network of approved repair and calibration companies to offer excellent in-service care for your Megger products.

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