



Instruction Manual

**Model 9120, 9121 & 9122
SINGLE OUTPUT PROGRAMMABLE DC POWER SUPPLY**

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General Information

Single output programmable DC power supplies.

Output voltage is: 0 to 30.0 V for Model 9120
 0 to 20.0 V for Model 9121
 0 to 60.0 V for Model 9122

Output current is: 0 to 3.00 A for Model 9120
 0 to 5.00 A for Model 9121
 0 to 2.50 A for Model 9122

The power supply can be locally or remote controlled.

Interfaces: RS232 (Standard)

The commands available in remote interface mode are

- SCPI (*Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments*) commands (SCPI 99 standard)

Features

- **Constant Voltage / Constant Current modes of operation**

This power supply can operate in either constant voltage or constant current modes. The passing from one mode of operation to another is automatic.

The active mode of operation is indicated using two indicators:

CV – constant voltage mode of operation

CC – constant current mode of operation

- **Overvoltage protection**

Overvoltage protection circuit can be locally or remote activated.

When it is active, **ovp** indicator is displayed.

- **Output on / off**

When output off, output voltage is 0 V.

This permits a zero output voltage without switching off the power supply.

- **100 operating states storage**

States are identified by location number and name.

Stored parameters are: voltage limit, voltage step, overvoltage protection level, state of overvoltage protection circuit, current limit, current step, voltage trigger value, current trigger value, trigger delay value, trigger source, stored state name, state of display, output state.

After power on, state 0, named *power_up* will become the current operating state.

- **error messages**

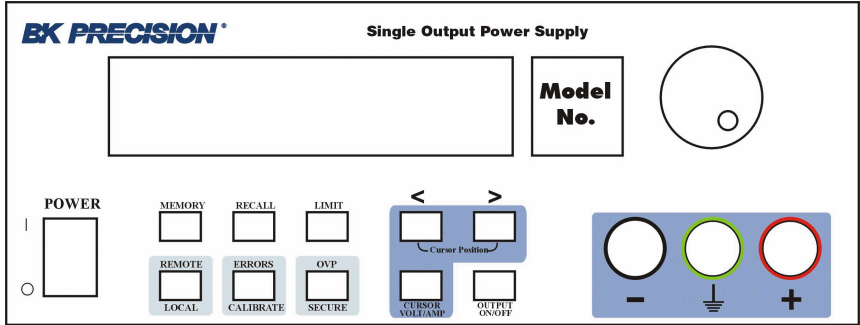
Errors are stored in a 20 locations FIFO (first in first out) queue.

They can be read in local mode (error number returned) or in remote operation mode (error number and definition returned).

Every error is announced by a beep and the **err** indicator.

Local mode operation

Front panel keys description



Memory key

Note: Memory location 00 is the “Power-up” state. When the unit is powered up, the power supply will set itself to the settings stored in location 00.

Note: If you press the Recall button while turning the power on, the power supply will power up using memory location 01 parameters.

This button is used to store power supply’s current operating state in non-volatile memory. Using this function all operating parameters are saved so they can be recalled. You can store 100 different operating states in the non-volatile memory.

Stored parameters are: voltage limit, voltage step, overvoltage protection level, state of overvoltage protection circuit, current limit, current step, voltage trigger value, current trigger value, trigger delay value, trigger source, stored state name, state of display, output state.

By pressing **Memory** key, you enter in Memory menu.

By turning the knob following options will be displayed:

Store State
Name State
Exit

Options are selected by pressing **Memory** key when the desired option is displayed.

Memory menu overview

Store State

Store State option will store the current operating state without setting a name for this state. The state will be identified using location number in non-volatile memory and the default name.

By pressing **Memory** key, state number and state name are displayed in ascending order by turning the knob.

In this menu, **Exit** option is available, too. In this case, you leave the store operation mode, without changing anything. **No Change** message will be displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **Memory** menu).

The states are scrolled using the knob.

A location is selected by pressing **Memory** key. If the location you choose is already written, it is overwritten (without any warning) with the current state parameters, but the name (the set one or the default one remains unchanged). **Done** message will be displayed.

Name State

Name State option allows you to set a name for the current state (you can also change a name set before).

The state name can have up to 10 characters. The default name is 10 blank characters.

By pressing **Memory** key, state number of non-volatile memory locations is displayed in ascending order by turning the knob.

In this menu **Exit** option is available, too. In this case, you leave the store operation mode, without changing anything. **No Change** message will be displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **Memory** menu).

The states are scrolled using the knob.

By pressing **Memory** key again, state name can be set.

Important note!

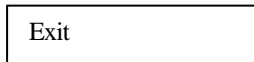
A state name must be set here, or the state will not be saved.

When setting the name, selected digit has the cursor underneath it. Characters of the name are selected by rotating the knob. When desired ASCII character is displayed, you can pass to another digit selection using > < cursor position keys. When the name is set, you press **Memory** again and the current state is stored in the selected location of the non-volatile memory. **Done** message will be displayed.

Important note!

Store State option will store the parameters of current operation state and will not set a name for the stored state.

NameState option will set a name for the the state to be saved.



Exit option allows you to leave the store operation mode, without changing anything. **No Change** message will be displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **Memory** menu).

Important note!

If you enter in the **Memory** menu and no action takes place for approx. 20 seconds, the power supply leaves the **Memory** menu. **No Change** message is displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **Memory** menu).

Storing states in front panel mode

To store an operating state in front panel mode you must follow the steps described below:

1. Set the power supply in the desired operating state

Stored parameters are: voltage limit, voltage step, overvoltage protection level, state of overvoltage protection circuit, current limit, current step, voltage trigger value, current trigger value, trigger delay value, trigger source, stored state name, state of display, output state.

Voltage step, current step, voltage trigger value, current trigger value, trigger delay value, trigger source and state of display parameters can be set only over the remote interface, using SCPI commands (for more details, see *SCPI Commands* section)

The rest of the parameters can be set both from the front panel or over the remote interface.

2. Enter the Memory menu

By pressing **Memory** key, you enter **Memory** menu.
By turning the knob, following options are displayed:

Store State
Name State
Exit

Options are selected by pressing **Memory** key again.

3. Select *StoreState* option

When **Store State** or **Name State** options are selected, state number and state name (if available) of non-volatile memory locations are displayed in ascending order, by turning the knob.

If **Store State** option is selected, the stored operating state has the default name, if none set before.

Store State option will store the parameters of current operation state and will not set a name for the stored state.

The saving action is realized by pressing **Memory** key. After that, **Done** message will be displayed.

and the power supply returns to normal mode.

4. Select *Name State* option

In order to select this option, **Memory** key must be pressed again. **NameState** option will set a name for the state to be saved.

The saving action is realized by pressing **Memory** key. After that, **Done** message will be displayed.

Done

Important note!

The power supply allows 100 states to be stored. When shipped, the power supply has *power_up* state stored and all the other locations are empty.

The stored states are kept in a non-volatile memory, so they won't be lost when the power supply is turned off.

A state location can be overwritten without any notification from the power supply.

Recall key

This key is used to recall an operating state from the storage locations in non-volatile memory. You can recall any operating state from 100 different operating states stored in the non-volatile memory. The recalled state becomes the current operating state.

By pressing **Recall** key, you enter in Recall menu.
By turning the knob, following options will be displayed:

00: power_up

01:

02: Test_mode

etc. (all 100 operating states are displayed)

Exit

Reset

Options are selected by pressing **Recall** key when the desired option is displayed.

Recalling action is terminated by pressing **Recall** key. After that, **Done** message will be displayed.

Recall menu overview

01: State 1

When a state option is selected, the stored state recalled becomes the current operating state of the power supply.

Recalled parameters are: voltage limit, voltage step, overvoltage protection level, state of overvoltage protection circuit, current limit, current step, voltage trigger value, current trigger value, trigger delay value, trigger source, stored state name, state of display, output state.

Exit

Exit option allows you to leave the **Recall** menu, without changing anything. **No Change** message will be displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **Recall** menu).

Reset

Reset option allows you to reset the power supply without switching off (for more details see **Reset Values** section).

00: power_up

After power up, the power supply recalls state 0.

When delivered, *power_up* state has the following parameters:

$$U_{lim} = 1 \text{ V}$$

I_{lim} = maximum available current value (see **Programming ranges** table, in the **Technical Specifications** section)

OVP trip level = maximum programmable value (see **Programming ranges** table, in the **Technical Specifications** section)

Output state on

The rest of the parameters have the default value after reset. (see **Reset values** table, in the **Technical Specifications** section)

For this operating state, **Name State** option is not available (so the state name cannot be changed), but **Store State** option is available (so the user can save the desired state for power up).

Important note!

If you enter **Recall** menu and no action takes place for approx. 20 seconds, the power supply leaves the **Recall** menu. **No Change** message is displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **Recall** menu).

Recalling states in front panel mode

To recall an operating state in front panel mode, you must follow the steps described below:

1. Enter the Recall menu

By pressing **Recall** key, you enter the **Recall** menu.
By turning the knob, following options are displayed:

01: State 1

02: Test_mode

etc. (all 100 operating states are displayed)

Exit

Reset

2. Select the operating state

By using < > keys and turning the knob all operating states stored in non-volatile memory are displayed. An operating state is selected by pressing **Recall** key when desired state is displayed.

3. Recall the operating state

When **Recall** key is pressed, the selected operating state becomes the current operating state of the power supply, after **Done** message is displayed.

Limit key

The power supply works in 2 modes:

- *Limit* mode
- *Normal* mode

In *limit* mode limit values of voltage and current are displayed. These are the programmed values (from the front panel or over the remote interface).

Limit key is used to get the power supply to *limit* mode. In this mode, **lmt** indicator and limit values for voltage and current will be displayed.

In *limit* mode, limit values can be adjusted by turning the knob. To adjust values in *limit* mode, > < keys must be used to select the digit you want to adjust. The selected digit has the cursor underneath it. To increase / decrease value of digit, knob must be turned.

After setting the limit values, by pressing **Limit** key, the power supply returns to *normal* mode. It also returns to *normal* mode after several seconds (display time-out) with no action.

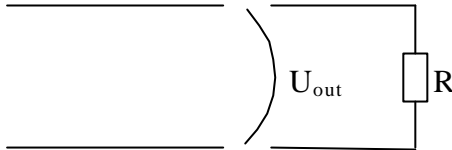
In *normal* mode, voltage and current values measured at the output terminals of the power supply are displayed.

When you turn on the power supply, the cursor is placed underneath the voltage value (units digit). To pass from voltage value to current value **Volt/Amp** key must be used. This key toggles between voltage value and current value.

Modes of operation

Depending on the application, the power supply can be used as a constant current source or as a constant voltage source.

In order to understand constant current and constant voltage operation, a numeric example will be used.



Let's consider a resistor connected to the output terminals of the power supply (R resistor).

Limit (programmed) values are:

$$U_{lim} = 5V$$

$$I_{lim} = 2A$$

U_{out} and I_{out} are the voltage and current values measured at the output terminals of the power supply.

Depending on the resistor value, the power supply will pass from one mode of operation to another

R ($\tilde{\Omega}$)	U_{out} (V)	I_{out} (A)	Mode of operation
10	5	0.5	CV
5	5	1	CV
1	2	2	CC

In constant voltage mode, programmed voltage value is equal with the voltage value measured at the output terminals of the power supply. ($U_{out} = U_{lim}$).

Using Ohm's law, depending on the resistor's value, output current value can be calculated and it is smaller than current limit value (see first and second rows of the table).

The power supply will remain in CV operation as long as the limit current value is greater than output current value.

When the resistor's value decreases so the output current value becomes equal to the current limit value, power supply will go to constant current operation (see third row of the table).

If the resistor value is $R = 1 \text{ } \Omega$, for $U_{out} = 5\text{V}$, using Ohm's law the output current is 5A. But this value is greater than current limit value, so the power supply limits the output current to the limit programmed value. That is why in the third row of the table $I_{out} = 2 \text{ A}$. In this case, U_{out} is changed, too. Using Ohm's law again, the output voltage is calculated using output current value and the resistor value, so it is 2 V.

So the power supply will go to constant current operation when the output current value becomes equal or greater than the limit value.

When the output current value becomes smaller than the limit value (by changing resistor's value), the power supply will go back to constant voltage operation.

In conclusion:

CV: $U_{out} = U_{lim}$ **and** $I_{out} < I_{lim}$

CC: $U_{out} < U_{lim}$ **and** $I_{out} = I_{lim}$

The following section will explain how to get the power supply in constant current operation mode and in constant voltage operation mode.

Constant current operation

In constant current operation, current values in *limit* mode and *normal* mode are the same, but voltage values are not.

To set the power supply in constant current operation, you must follow the steps described below:

1. Select the limit values for voltage and current parameters (U_{lim} and I_{lim}), depending on the application

2. Calculate resistor's value R_{load} .

Using Ohm's law, calculate the resistor's value that allows the power supply to go in constant current mode of operation.

3. Turn on the power supply and set *limit* mode operation

Press **Limit** key to set *limit* mode.

Now the power supply displays limit values for voltage and current. **lmt** indicator is displayed, too. (it will be displayed until you go to *normal* mode).

4. Set voltage and current limit values

Limit values must be chosen so the following conditions are respected:

$$U_{lim} > I_{lim} \cdot R_{load} \quad ,so \quad U_{lim} < U_{out}$$
$$I_{lim} < I_{out}$$

Voltage and current limit values are set using:

Volt / Amp key to select current value,

> < keys to select the digit to adjust (selected digit has cursor underneath it)

knob to set the digit to desired value

5. Set *normal* mode operation

You can set *normal* mode operation by pressing **Limit** key or let the display time-out (after several seconds with no action, power supply returns to *normal* mode operation).

6. Disable the output of the power supply

By pressing **On / Off** key, the output of the power supply can be disabled.

7. Connect R_{load} resistor to the output terminals

R_{load} resistor is connected between (-) and (+) terminals of the power supply.

8. Enable the output of the power supply

By pressing **On / Off** key, you enable the output.

Power supply goes to *normal* mode operation and **CC** indicator will be displayed. In this case constant current operation is active.

If **CV** indicator will be displayed, you must set a higher value for voltage limit.

Important note!

By turning the knob, voltage and current limit values can be adjusted.

The adjustment of the voltage limit value can be seen only in *limit* mode.

The adjustment of the current limit value can be seen in both *limit* mode and *normal* mode.

Important note!

Constant current operation can be used depending on the application.

It is very useful to protect the circuitry connected to the power supply from accidentally increases of current value.

Constant voltage operation

In constant voltage operation, voltage values in *limit* mode and *normal* mode are the same, but current values are not

To set the power supply in constant voltage operation, you must follow the steps described below:

1. Select the limit values for voltage and current parameters (U_{lim} and I_{lim}), depending on the application

2. Calculate resistor's value R_{load} .

Using Ohm's law, calculate the resistor's value that allows the power supply to go in constant current mode of operation.

3. Turn on the power supply and set *limit* mode operation

Press **Limit** key to set *limit* mode.

Now the power supply displays limit values for voltage and current. **lmt** indicator is displayed, too. (it will be displayed until you go to *normal* mode).

4. Set voltage and current limit values

Limit values must be chosen so the following conditions are respected:

$$U_{lim} < I_{lim} \cdot R_{load} \quad ,so \quad U_{lim} < U_{out}$$
$$I_{lim} < I_{out}$$

Voltage and current limit values are set using:

Volt / Amp key to select current value,

> < keys to select the digit to adjust (selected digit has cursor underneath it)
knob to set the digit to desired value

5. Set *normal* mode operation

You can set *normal* mode operation by pressing **Limit** key or let the display time-out (after several seconds with no action, power supply returns to *normal* mode operation).

6. Disable the output of the power supply

By pressing **On / Off** key, the output of the power supply can be disabled.

7. Connect R_{load} resistor to the output terminals

R_{load} resistor is connected between (-) and (+) terminals of the power supply.

8. Enable the output of the power supply

By pressing **On / Off** key, you enable the output.

Power supply goes to *normal* mode operation and **CV** indicator will be displayed. In this case constant voltage operation is active.

If **CC** indicator will be displayed, you must set a higher value for current limit.

Important note!

By turning the knob, voltage and current limit values can be adjusted.

The adjustment of the current limit value can be seen only in *limit* mode.

The adjustment of the voltage limit value can be seen in both *limit* mode and *normal* mode.

On / Off key

On / Off key is used to enable / disable the output of the power supply from the front panel. By pressing **On / Off** key, you alternate these two states: output on / output off.

When the output is off, power supply displays:

Output off

The indicators according to power supply's state will also be displayed (e.g.: ovp, err indicators).

When output off, output voltage is 0 V. So this command permits a zero output voltage without switching off the power supply.

When output off, knob is disabled, to prevent the unwanted changes in voltage and current values. The keys from the front panel are not disabled. You can also go to *limit* mode and set limit values for voltage and current. In this case both **lmt** and **off** indicators will be displayed.

When output off, by pressing **On / Off** key, the output is enabled. The power supply will go to *normal* mode of operation (voltage and current measured values are displayed) or to *limit* mode of operation (voltage and current limit values are displayed), depending on the state the power supply was before disabling the output.

The output state of the power supply is one of the parameters stored in non-volatile memory for each state .

Remote / Local key

This key has a double function, depending on the state of the power supply (*remote* mode or *local* mode).

Local Mode function

While in *local* mode of operation, **Remote / Local** key has a double function, depending on the state of the power supply.

If the power supply is in *calibrating* mode, **Remote / Local** key is used to leave the *calibrating* mode and return to normal mode of operation (for more details, see **Calibration Overview** section)

When in *local* mode of operation, by pressing **Remote / Local** key, RS 232 interface parameters are displayed:

Available settings for RS232 interface:

- ◆ Baud rate: 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600 (**factory setting: 9600**)
- ◆ Parity and data bits: None – 8 data bits (**factory setting**)
Odd – 7 data bits
Even – 7 data bits
- ◆ Number of start bits: 1 bit (cannot be changed)
- ◆ Number of stop bits: 1 bits (cannot be changed)

Set RS – 232 remote interface parameters

1. Select RS – 232 interface

Press **Remote / Local** key. Following message will be displayed:

RS - 232

Press **Remote / Local** key again. Baud rate settings will be displayed.

2. Select baud rate

By turning the knob, you will view available baud rate.

When desired baud rate is displayed, press **Remote / Local** key. Parity settings will be displayed.

Select parity

By turning the knob, you will view available parities.

When desired parity is displayed, press **Remote / Local** key.

These settings are saved in non-volatile memory, so they don't change when you turn off the power supply.

If you didn't change anything of the previous set parameters, the power supply will display **No Change** message.

If you did change a single parameter from the previous set parameters, **Saved** message will be displayed.

After one of these messages is displayed for several seconds, you return to the previous state.

Important note!

If you enter in the **Remote / Local** submenu and no action takes place for approx. 20 seconds, the power supply will leave this submenu. **No Change** message is displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering this submenu).

Important note!

While in *local* mode, if by pressing **Remote / Local** key

I / O Error

message will be displayed, it means that the RS-232 remote interface parameters cannot be read from the non-volatile memory. The power supply must be turned off and then turned on.

If this message is displayed again while pressing **Remote / Local** key in *local* mode, the power supply must be delivered to **B&K Precision** for service.

Remote interface function

When in *remote interface* mode of operation, **rmt** indicator will be displayed.

In this case, all front panel keys are disabled, except **Remote / Local** key, which is active. This allows you to put the power supply in *local* mode of operation, so all front panel keys become active.

Errors / Calibrate key

This key has a double function: errors related in *normal* mode (see this section) and calibration related in *calibration* mode (see calibration section).

There are 2 types of errors: user defined errors and errors defined by SCPI 1999 standard.

Every time an error is generated, a beep will be generated by the power supply and **err** indicator will be displayed.

Generated errors are saved in an error queue, in FIFO (first in – first out) order. If more than 20 errors are generated, the last error is overwritten with –350 error (queue overflow error) and no more errors are saved.

While in remote mode (**rmt** indicator is displayed), errors are erased from the queue as you read them.

By pressing **Errors / Calibrate** key, you enter **Errors / Calibrate** menu. By turning the knob, following options are displayed:

Errors

Cal String

Exit

Options are selected by pressing **Errors / Calibrate** key when the desired option is displayed.

Errors

Errors option allows you to view the generated errors.

If you press **Errors / Calibrate** key again, by turning the knob you can see all generated errors. Error's code will be displayed. When all errors were viewed, if continue to turn the knob, they will be displayed again.

After you viewed all errors, you press **Errors / Calibrate** key again. The power supply will erase all the errors from the error queue and **Errors Erased** message will be displayed.

After several seconds the power supply will go back to *normal* mode. The **err** indicator will not be displayed anymore.

If there are no errors in the queue and you select **Errors** option in order to view the errors, the power supply will display:

No Errors

And then it will return to *normal* mode.

There are 3 ways of erasing the error queue:

- ◆ By turning off and then turning on the power supply
- ◆ By pressing **Errors / Calibrate** key after errors are displayed, in *local* mode
- ◆ By reading errors, in *remote* operation.

Important note!

If you let the display time out, the power supply will go back to *normal* mode, without erasing the error queue.

Cal String

The power supply allows you to store a calibration message. It may contain last calibration date, the date when the next calibration must be done or the name and the phone number of the person to contact for a new calibration.

This message can have up to 40 characters. It can be set only remote interface and it is saved in non-volatile memory.

When delivered, the power supply has the following calibration string set: "CALIBRATION DATE: MMM/DD/YYYY" (for example: CALIBRATION DATE: Feb/11/2005)

Cal String option allows you to view the calibration string.

If you press **Errors / Calibrate** key when **Cal String** option is displayed, the calibration message will be displayed. To scroll through the calibration message, you must press < key. To increase the scrolling speed, you must press > key. To decrease scrolling speed, you must press < key.

Exit

Exit option allows you to leave this menu, without changing anything. **Exiting** message will be displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering this menu).

Important note!

If you enter in the **Errors / Calibrate** menu and no action takes place for approx. 20 seconds, the power supply leaves this menu. **Exiting** message is displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **Errors / Calibrate** menu).

Calibration overview

Calibration is a procedure that ensures that the power supply will work properly, with parameters specified within *Technical Specification* section.

Before initiating the calibration procedure, the following conditions must be assured:

- disconnect any loads connected to the power supply and turn it on
- let the power supply turned on for 1 hour, with no loads connected before you start the calibration procedure
- calibration ambient temperature must be 25 °C
- ambient relative humidity must be less than 80%.

Recommended calibration interval is 1 year.

Important note!

In order to perform the calibration procedure, a digital multimeter is needed. It must have the following characteristics:

Voltage resolution: 0.1 mV

Current resolution: 0.01 mA

Accuracy: 0.01 %

Calibration security code

To prevent accidental or unauthorized calibration procedures, the power supply has a calibration security code. This security code is optional, so you may have it or not. The power supply will work properly in both cases.

Security code may contain numbers (0..9), small letters (a..z) and spaces (" ").

Any of these characters may be used as the first character in security code.

Security code may contain up to 11 characters. But it is not necessary for you to use all 11 characters for the security code.

The security code is saved in non-volatile memory and it doesn't change when you turn on or turn off the power supply.

When delivered, power supply has the following security code: **0000**

In order to initiate the calibration procedure, first you must unsecure the power supply (if a security code is set).

Unsecure procedure for calibration

To unsecure the power supply, the next steps must be followed:

1. Turn on the power supply in *calibrating* mode

To enter *calibrating* mode, you must turn on the power supply while pressing **Errors / Calibrate** key. You release the key after the long beep. After that, the power supply will display:

Calibrating Mode
Secured

if the power supply is secured (if the power supply has a security code set). If this message is displayed, go to step 2.

or :

Calibrating Mode
Unsecured

if the power supply is not secured (if the power supply has been turned off after the unsecure procedure).

If the power supply is already unsecured, you can proceed with calibration (see **Calibration procedure** section)

2. Enter security code

Press **OVP / Secure** key. The power supply will display:

Security code:

Here you must enter the security code, using > < keys and knob. The selected digit has the cursor underneath it. If you set the digit to the desired value, you must press > key and go to the next digit, if you want.

After you entered the security code, press **OVP / Secure** key and if the security code is correct, the power supply will display:

Calibrating Mode
Unsecured

From this moment you can proceed with calibration (see **Calibration procedure** section) or you can go back to *normal* mode operation. From now on, the power supply remains unsecured until you set a new secure code.

If the security code you entered is not correct, power supply will display:

Security code:
invalid

for 1 second. 703 error (*Invalid secure code*) and a short beep will be generated. You can see the error in *normal* mode operation (by pressing **Local** key).

After that power supply will display again:

Security code:

and you must enter security code again, using < > keys and knob. If you don't remember the correct security code, you may follow the hardware unsecure procedure (see **Hardware unsecure procedure**).

Important Note!

While in *calibrating* mode, before you unsecure the power supply, only **Local**, < > and **Secure** keys are active (all the rest are locked). The knob is also active. **Local** key can be used at any moment of unsecure procedure to leave *calibrating* mode and go back to *normal* mode operation. **Secure** key is used in unsecure procedure of the power supply (allows you to enter and validate the secure code).

While in *calibrating* mode, after you unsecure the power supply, only **Local**, **Secure**, < > and **Calibrate** keys are active. The knob is also active.

Local key is used to leave *calibrating* mode and go back to *normal* mode operation.

Secure key is used to set a new security code (you may introduce a new security code and secure again the power supply).

Calibrate key is used to proceed with calibration.

Attention!

Local key is active all the time while in *calibrating* mode and by pressing it the power supply returns to *normal* mode. Leaving the unsecure procedure does not

change anything concerning the secure state of the power supply (secured or unsecured).

After you changed the security code or unsecured the power supply, you can go back to *normal* mode by pressing **Local** key. (You can come back to *calibrating* mode only by turning off the power supply and starting it in *calibrating* mode).

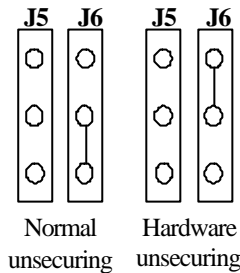
But once you started the calibration procedure, it is recommended to finish it and to go back to *normal* mode by turning off and on the power supply.

Hardware unsecure procedure for calibration

This procedure may be used to unsecure the power supply if you forgot the security code.

To unsecure the power supply without using the security code, follow the next steps:

1. Turn off the power supply. Disconnect the power cord and all loads connected to the power supply.
2. Remove power supply's cover. Set **J6** jumper for hardware unsecuring mode.



3. Connect the power cord to the power supply. Turn on the power supply in *calibrating* mode.
4. Unsecure the power supply.

To unsecure the power supply you must press **Secure** key. Power supply will display:

Calibrating Mode
Secured

Press again **Secure** key the power supply will display:

Security code:

Here any security code may be introduced, since it is not verified by the power supply.

Press again **Secure** key and you will unsecure the power supply. It will display:

Calibrating Mode
Unsecured

The power supply remains unsecured until you enter a new security code.

Important note!

Even if you are in *calibrating* mode, you cannot set a security code as long as the **J6** jumper is in hardware unsecuring position.

5. Set **J6** jumper for normal unsecuring mode.

Important note!

If you turn on the power supply in either *normal* mode or *calibrating* mode and **J6** jumper is in hardware unsecuring position, error 701 (*Calibration security disabled by jumper*) will be generated.

6. Turn off the power supply and reassemble it.

Calibration procedure

Before initiating the calibration procedure, the following conditions must be assured:

- disconnect any loads connected to the power supply and turn it on
- let the power supply turned on for 1 hour, with no loads connected before you start the calibration procedure
- calibration ambient temperature must be 25 °C
- ambient relative humidity must be less than 80%.

On calibration procedure there are three parameters that must be calibrated: voltage, OVP and current.

You can leave the calibration procedure at any time by turning off the power supply or by pressing **Local** key.

But once you started the calibration procedure, it is recommended to finish it and to go back to *normal* mode by turning off and then turning on the power supply.

In order to be sure that the power supply will work properly in *normal* mode after you leave the calibration procedure, you must turn off the power supply.

Recommended calibration interval is 1 year.

Before calibrating the power supply you must unsecure it, if secured (see **Calibration Overview** section).

After you unsecured the power supply and you pressed **Calibrate** key, you go to **Calibrate** menu. By turning the knob next options are available:

1. Volt Zero Scale
2. Volt Full Gain
3. OVP
4. Curr Zero Scale
5. Curr Full Gain

Options are selected by pressing **Calibrate** key.

Important note!

In order to perform a correct calibration the calibration procedures from the **Calibrate** menu must be followed in the order they are displayed by the power supply.

Voltage Calibration Procedure

After you unsecured the power supply and you pressed **Calibrate** key, you entered *calibrate* mode.

Volt Zero Scale Calibration

1. Select *Volt Zero Scale* calibration procedure

In order to start voltage calibration procedure, you must select **Volt Zero Scale** option.

The power supply will display:

Calibrating Mode
Volt Zero Scale

You select this option by pressing **Calibrate** key.
The power supply will display:

Volt Zero Scale
DAC:1999

2. Initiate DAC calibration procedure

Connect a digital voltmeter to the output terminals of the power supply. After that, you must adjust DAC value displayed by the power supply until the voltmeter indicates the closest possible to 0.000 V value.

For this, you use > < keys and the knob.

It is not necessary to disconnect the digital voltmeter, since you will need it later on calibration procedure!

3. Initiate ADC calibration procedure

Press **Calibrate** key. This will initiate ADC calibration procedure. The power supply will display:

Volt Zero Scale
ADC Calibrating

After ADC calibration, power supply will return to **Calibrate** menu **Volt Full Gain** calibration procedure.

Volt Full Gain Calibration

1. Select *Volt Full Gain* calibration procedure

In order to finish voltage calibration procedure, you must select **Volt Full Gain** option.

The power supply will display:

Calibrating Mode Volt Full Gain

You select this option by pressing **Calibrate** key.

The power supply will display:

Volt Full Gain DAC:31470

2. Initiate DAC calibration procedure

Connect a digital voltmeter to the output terminals of the power supply. After that, you must adjust DAC value displayed by the power supply until the voltmeter indicates the correct voltage value, depending on the model of the power supply (see the table bellow).

Power supply model	Voltage value for Volt Full Gain calibration
9120	16.3840 V
9121	16.3840 V
9122	32.7680 V

For this, you use > < keys and the knob

3. Initiate ADC calibration procedure

Press **Calibrate** key. This will initiate ADC calibration procedure. The power supply will display:

Volt Full Gain ADC Calibrating

After ADC calibration, power supply will return to **Calibrate** menu, **OVP** calibration procedure.

OVP Calibration

While performing this calibration procedure, the power supply must have no loads connected to the output terminals.

1. Select *OVP* calibration procedure

In order to initiate OVP calibration procedure, you must select **OVP** option. The power supply will display:

Calibrating Mode
OVP

You select this option by pressing **Calibrate** key. The power supply will display:

Calibrating OVP
Please wait...

Important note!

This calibration procedure will take several minutes.

After OVP calibration, power supply will return to **Calibrate** menu, **Current** calibration procedure.

Current Calibration Procedure

Current calibration procedure must be performed after **Voltage** calibration procedure.

Current Zero Scale Calibration

While performing this calibration procedure, the power supply must have no loads connected to the output terminals.

1. Select *Curr Zero Scale* calibration procedure

In order to start current calibration procedure, you must select **Curr Zero Scale** option.

The power supply will display:

Calibrating Mode
Curr Zero Scale

2. Initiate DAC calibration procedure

You select this option by pressing **Calibrate** key. So **Current Zero Scale** calibration procedure will be initiated.

The power supply will display:

Curr Zero Scale
ADC:Calibrating

After a while, the power supply will display:

Curr Zero Scale
DAC:Calibrating

Important note!

This calibration procedure will take several minutes.

After **Current Zero Scale** calibration procedure, power supply will return to **Calibrate** menu, **Curr Full Gain** calibration procedure.

Curr Full Gain Calibration

1. Select *Curr Full Gain* calibration procedure

In order to finish current calibration procedure, you must select **Curr Full Gain** option.

The power supply will display:

Calibrating Mode Curr Full Gain

You select this option by pressing **Calibrate** key.

The power supply will display:

Curr Full Gain Connect Ammeter

2. Initiate DAC calibration procedure

In order to initiate Curr Full Gain calibration procedure, you must connect a digital ammeter to the output terminals of the power supply.

If don't connect a digital ammeter within 30 seconds, the power supply will display:

Calibrating Mode CC Not Set

and it will return to Calibrate menu.

After you connected the digital ammeter, you must adjust DAC value displayed by the power supply until the ammeter indicates indicates the correct current value, depending on the model of the power supply (see the table bellow).

Power supply model	Current value for Curr Full Gain calibration
9120	2.62144 A
9121	2.62144 A
9122	1.31072 A

For this, you use > < keys and the knob

3. Initiate ADC calibration procedure

Press **Calibrate** key. This will initiate ADC calibration procedure. The power supply will display:

Curr Full Gain
ADC Calibrating

After ADC calibration, power supply will return to **Calibrate** menu.

In this moment, the calibration procedure is finished. By presing **Local** key, the power supply will return to *local* mode.

Important note!

In order to be sure that the power supply will work properly in *normal* mode after you leave the calibration procedure, you must turn off the power supply.

OVP / Secure key

This key has a double function: OVP settings in *normal* mode operation and secure key in *calibration* mode operation (for the latter see **Calibration** section).

In this section OVP functions will be described.

OVP circuit prevents the output voltage from rising above a programmed voltage value. So the load connected to the output terminals is protected to overvoltage situations.

Overvoltage protection circuit is activated when output voltage value becomes equal or greater than the programmed trip level for overvoltage protection circuit.

OVP menu overview

By pressing **OVP / Secure** key, you enter OVP menu. Here, programmed OVP trip level will be displayed.

When you turn on the power supply, OVP trip level is OVP trip level value saved at *power_up* state (state 0). This value can be changed by the user (and saved in *power_up* state if wanted).

Here you can set desired OVP trip level, by using > < keys to select the digit you want to adjust (selected digit has the cursor underneath) and knob to set the digit to desired value.

The programming range for OVP trip level depends on the model of the power supply (see the table bellow):

Power supply model	OVP min value	OVP max value
9120	1 V	33 V
9121	1 V	22 V
9122	1 V	63 V

The OVP trip level you set is programmed by pressing **OVP / Secure** key.

After that, you enter the OVP menu.

By turning the knob, following options are displayed:

OVP On

OVP Clear

OVP Off

Options are selected by pressing **OVP / Secure** key when the desired option is displayed.

OVP On

OVP On option enables overvoltage protection circuit. OVP trip level is the level value you programmed on **Level** option (after you first pressed **OVP / Secure** key).

If you want to keep the previously programmed trip level, you simply press **OVP / Secure** key, without changing anything.

If you enable the overvoltage protection circuit, when you return to *normal* mode, **ovp** indicator will be displayed.

OVP Off

OVP Off option makes OVP trip level equal to maximum available OVP value, no matter what value is set in OVP menu (but the value from OVP menu does not change).

For maximum available OVP value see the table above.

If you select **OVP Off** option, when you return to *normal* mode, **ovp** indicator will not be displayed anymore.

Important note!

When **OVP On** option is selected, OVP trip level is equal to the programmed level, shown in OVP menu.

When **OVP Off** option is selected, OVP trip level is equal to the maximum available value for this parameter, depending on the model of the power supply (see the table above). In this case, the programmed OVP trip level, shown in OVP menu does not change!

OVP Clear

OVP Clear option is used to clear to OVP condition (for more details about how you get back to *normal* mode after OVP level was tripped, see next section).

After you select the desired option, a message will be displayed.

If you didn't change anything of the previous set parameters, the power supply will display **No Change** message.

If you did change a single parameter from the previous set parameters **Done** message will be displayed.

After one of these messages is displayed for several seconds, you return to *normal* mode.

Important note!

If you enter in the **OVP** menu and no action takes place for approx. 20 seconds, the power supply will leave the **OVP** menu. **No Change** message is displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **OVP** menu).

If the output voltage value becomes equal or greater than OVP programmed level and the overvoltage protection circuit is enabled, the power supply will display:

Over Voltage
Output Off

And the output voltage value will be 0 V (output is disabled).

There are three ways of clearing the OVP condition:

- By increasing OVP trip level and clearing the OVP condition
- By decreasing the output voltage and clearing the OVP condition
- By disabling OVP circuit and by clearing the OVP condition

Important note!

When you turn on the power supply, the overvoltage protection circuit is enabled and the OVP trip level is equal to the one saved in *power_up* state (factory setting: maximum available value).

Programming overvoltage protection circuit in front panel mode

If you want to program an OVP trip level and to enable the overvoltage protection circuit using front panel keys, follow the next steps:

1. Turn on the power supply

When you turn on the power supply, the overvoltage protection circuit is enabled and OVP trip level is set to maximum available value for OVP parameter, depending on the model of the power supply (see table in the previous section).

2. Enter the OVP menu and set OVP trip level

By pressing **OVP / Secure** key, you enter the OVP menu. The power supply will display the programmed OVP trip level.

For changing this value, you can use > < to select the digit you want to adjust (selected digit has the cursor underneath) and then turn the knob to set the desired value.

After you set the desired value for OVP trip level, you press **OVP / Secure** key.

Important note!

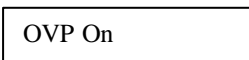
You cannot set an OVP trip level lower than 1 Volt.

The maximum OVP trip level value depends on the model of the power supply (see table in the previous section)

3. Enable the OVP circuit

After you set the desired OVP trip level and you pressed **OVP / Secure** key, **OVP On, OVP Off and OVP Clear** options are available.

To enable the OVP circuit, you select **OVP On** option by turning the knob



4. Exit the OVP submenu

To exit the OVP submenu and to validate all the settings you have done, then you press **OVP / Secure** key.

After that, **Changed** message will be displayed and the power supply return to previous state (the state before you entered the OVP submenu), in *normal* mode operation.

ovp indicator will be displayed. If you didn't change anything, the power supply will display **No Change** message.

Clearing the overvoltage condition

There are three ways of clearing the OVP condition:

- By increasing OVP trip level and clearing the OVP condition
- By decreasing the output voltage and clearing the OVP condition
- By disabling OVP circuit and by clearing the OVP condition

Attention!

The latter solution disables the OVP circuit, but the first and the second don't!

In this section we will describe the steps you must follow to clear the OVP condition in all three cases.

If the output voltage value becomes equal or greater than OVP programmed level and the overvoltage protection circuit is enabled, the power supply will display:

Over Voltage Output Off

And the output voltage value will be 0 V (output is disabled).

Clearing OVP condition

Clearing the OVP condition by increasing OVP trip level

1. Enter the OVP menu

By pressing **OVP / Secure** key, you enter the OVP menu.

2. Adjust OVP trip level

When you enter OVP menu, OVP trip level is displayed.

Here, you set OVP trip level to a level higher than the programmed voltage value (U_{lim}).

3. Clear OVP condition

After you set the OVP trip level, you press **OVP / Secure** key.

Here, **OVP On**, **OVP Off**, **OVP Clear** options are available. Select **OVP Clear** option by turning the knob.

OVP Clear

After that, press **OVP / Secure** key. The power supply will display:

Clear OVP:Done

and after several seconds it will return to *normal* mode. **ovp** indicator will be displayed (the OVP circuit is still enabled).

Important note!

If you enter in the **OVP** menu and no action takes place for approx. 20 seconds, the power supply will leave the **OVP** menu. **No Change** message is displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **OVP** menu).

Clearing the OVP condition by decreasing the output voltage

1. Decrease the output voltage level bellow OVP trip level

Press **Limit** key and enter *limit* mode. Limit values of voltage and current will be displayed. **ovp** and **lmt** indicators will also be displayed.

Adjust for output voltage limit to a lower value than the OVP trip level.

Press **Limit** key to exit *limit* mode.

2. Enter OVP menu and clear OVP condition

Here you check that the OVP trip level is greater than the output voltage limit you set. If it isn't, go to step 1.
Don't adjust OVP trip level!

Clear OVP condition by turning the knob and selecting **OVP Clear** option:

OVP Clear

After that, press **OVP / Secure** key. The power supply will display:

Clear OVP:Done

and after several seconds it will return to *normal* mode. **ovp** indicator will be displayed (the OVP circuit is still enabled).

Important note!

If you enter in the **OVP** menu and no action takes place for approx. 20 seconds, the power supply will leave the **OVP** menu. **No Change** message is displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **OVP** menu).

Clearing the OVP condition by disabling OVP circuit

1. Disable OVP circuit

By pressing **OVP / Secure** key, you enter OVP menu.

Here you disable OVP circuit by turning the knob and selecting **OVP Off** option.

OVP Off

It doesn't matter if you change or not OVP trip level as long as you disable the OVP circuit. But you must be careful to set it to the right value before you enable OVP circuit next time.

After you selected **OVP Off** option and you pressed **OVP / Secure** key, the power supply will display

Over Voltage
Output Off

because you didn't clear the OVP condition yet

2. Enter OVP menu and clear OVP condition

You enter OVP menu again by pressing **OVP / Secure** key. Now you clear OVP condition by turning the knob and selecting **OVP Clear** option:

OVP Clear

After that, press **OVP / Secure** key. The power supply will display:

Clear OVP:Done

and after several seconds it will return to *normal* mode. **ovp** indicator will be displayed (the OVP circuit is still enabled).

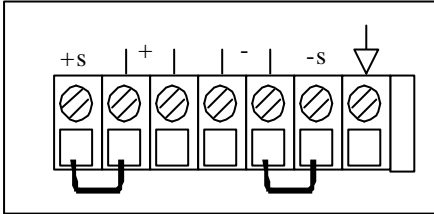
Important note!

If you enter in the **OVP** menu and no action takes place for approx. 23 seconds, the power supply will leave the **OVP** menu. **No Change** message is displayed and the power supply returns to the previous state (the state before entering **OVP** menu).

Rear panel description

On the rear panel of the power supply there are:

- RS-232 interface connector
- AC inlet
- Power-line fuse-holder assembly
- Rear output terminals.



The sensing terminals (+s and -s) are connected to the output terminals of the power supply by jumpers.

For the power supply to work properly, the jumpers must be kept in that position.

Remote interface

RS – 232 interface is used for remote communication.

For this, you must connect your power supply to a computer terminal (see Technical Specification section, Interface Cable paragraph).

For remote control of the power supply, SCPI (*Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments*) commands are used.

In this section SCPI commands will be described to you.

Here are some conventions used in SCPI standard:

- ◆ A command consists of a command keyword (command name) and a parameter (it may be optional or not)
- ◆ Lower case and upper case letters are considered equivalent
- ◆ Letter case is used to differentiate between the accepted short form (the uppercase characters) and the long form (the whole keyword)
- ◆ Square brackets ([]) are used to enclose:
 - ◆ a keyword that is optional when programming the command
 - ◆ one or more parameters that are optional when controlling the instruments.

If no parameter is specified, default parameter is considered.

The braces are not sent with the command string.

- ◆ Braces or curly brackets ({ }) are used to enclose one or more parameters that may be included zero or more times.
The braces are not sent with the command string.
- ◆ The angle brackets (<>) are used to enclose the type name.
A value of the specified type must be added to the command.
The angle brackets are not sent with the command string.
- ◆ The vertical bar (|) can be read as “or” and it is used to separate alternative parameter options.
Only one parameter can be sent with the command.
- ◆ The query form of a command is generated by appending a question mark to the last keyword. Not all commands have a query form and some commands exist only in query form.

SCPI Command Terminators

A command string sent to the power supply must terminate with a *new line* character (ASCII decimal code of 10) or a *carriage return* character (ASCII decimal code of 13)

Important note!

The power supply will go to remote mode of operation (it can accept commands over RS232 interface) if *SYSTem:REMOte* command is sent.

If other remote interface commands are sent before sending *SYSTem:REMOte* command, the power supply will respond with **Power supply in local mode** message.

SCPI commands

DISPLAY Subsystem

:DISPlay
[:WINDow][:STATe] {OFF|ON}
[:WINDow][:STATe]?
[:WINDow]:TEXT[:Data] <quoted string>
[:WINDow]:TEXT[:DATA]?
[:WINDow]:TEXT:CLEar

MEASure Subsystem

:MEASure
:CURRent[:DC]?
[:VOLTage][:DC]?

OUTPut Subsystem

:OUTPut
[:STATe] {OFF|ON}
[:STATe]?

SOURCE Subsystem

[:SOURce]
:CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMediate][:AMPLitude] {<current>|MIN|MAX|UP|DOWN}
:CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMediate][:AMPLitude]? [MIN|MAX]
:CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:STEP[:INCrement] {<numeric value>|DEFault}
:CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:STEP[:INCrement]? [DEFault]
:CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude] {<current>|MIN|MAX}
:CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude]? [MIN|MAX]

:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate][:AMPLitude] {<current>|MIN|MAX|UP|DOWN}
:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate][:AMPLitude]? [MIN|MAX]
:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:STEP[:INCrement] {<numeric value>|DEFault}
:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:STEP[:INCrement]? [DEFault]
:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude] {<voltage>|MIN|MAX}
:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude]? [MIN|MAX]

:VOLTage:PROTection[:LEVel] {<voltage>|MIN|MAX}
:VOLTage:PROTection:STATe {0|1|OFF|ON}
:VOLTage:PROTection:STATe?
:VOLTage:PROTection:TRIPped?
:VOLTage:PROTection:CLEar

SYSTEM Subsystem

:SYStem
:BEEPer[:IMMediate]
:ERRor?

:VERSion?

TRIGger Subsystem

INITiate[:IMMediate]

TRIGger[:SEquence]:DELay {<seconds>/MIN|MAX}

TRIGger[:SEquence]:DELay? [MIN|MAX]

TRIGger[:SEquence]:SOURce {BUS|IMM}

TRIGger[:SEquence]:SOURce?

*TRG

Non-SCPI commands

SET {<voltage>|DEF|MIN|MAX}[,<current>|DEF|MIN|MAX]

SET?

CALibration:MESSAGE <quoted string>

CALibration:MESSAGE?

SYSTem:REMOte

IEEE 488.2 commands

*CLS

*ESE <enable value>

*ESE?

*ESR?

*IDN?

*OPC

*OPC?

*RST

*SAV {0 | 1 | 2 | ... | 99}

*RCL {0 | 1 | 2 | ... | 99}

*SRE <enable value>

*SRE?

*STB?

*TRG

SCPI commands overview

System – Related Commands

DISPlay Subsystem

This subsystem controls the presentation of textual information and measurement data.

:DISPlay[:WINDow][:STATe] {0|1|OFF|ON}

This command turns power supply's display off and on. When the display is off, only annunciators are displayed.

You can replace **off|on** parameters with **0|1** numeric values.

:DISPlay[:WINDow][:STATe]?

This command queries front panel display status. It returns only numeric values: **0 (off)** or **1 (on)**.

:DISPlay[:WINDow]:TEXT[:Data] <quoted string>

This command displays a message on the front panel. The power supply will display up to 16 characters and all the rest will be truncated. The string will be sent between simple or double quotes.

:DISPlay[:WINDow]:TEXT[:DATA]?

This command queries the last sent message. It returns a quoted string.

DISPlay[:WINDow]:TEXT:CLEAr

This command clears the message displayed on the front panel. Power supply will return to the previous state.

OUTPut Subsystem

This subsystem controls the output of the power supply.

:OUTPut[:STATe] {0|1|OFF|ON}

This command enables and disables the output of the power supply. You can replace **off** | **on** parameters with **0** | **1** numeric values.

When output is enabled, the power supply will display voltage and current value measured on the output terminals of the power supply.

When output is disabled, the power supply will display **Output Off** message and the annunciators according to power supply's state.

When output is disabled, output voltage is 0 V and the current is 0.002 A.

After power on reset, output will be disabled.

OUTPut[:STATe]?

This command queries the output state of the power supply. It returns only numeric values: **0** (for **off** state) or **1** (for **on** state)

SYSTem Subsystem

This subsystem contains functions that are not directly related to power supply performance.

:SYSTem:BEEPer[:IMMediate]

This command determines the power supply to generate a beeper right after she received this command.

:SYSTem:ERRor?

This command queries the power supply's error queue. Errors are retrieved in a first-in-first-out order, so the first generated error is the first read error. When all the errors were read, **err** annunciator will not be displayed anymore and error queue is empty.

The error queue can store up to 20 errors. If more errors will be generated, on the last position will be written – 350 error (queue overflow) and no more errors will be stored until the queue is cleared.

:SYSTem :VERS ion?

This command queries the SCPI version number for which the instrument complies. The response is a string in the form *YYYY.V*, where *YYYY* represents the year version and *V* represents the approved revision number for that year (for example, 1990.0).

Output Setting Commands

SOURce Subsystem

According to SCPI standard, **SOURCE** node is optional, so the devices which are primarily sources accept shorter commands.

This subsystem contains commands that program power supply parameters or commands that query programmed power supply parameters (for example: programmed values for current and voltage, programmed values for step current and step voltage, lowest or highest value possible to program for current and voltage)

:CURRENT[:LEVEL][:IMMEDIATE][:AMPLITUDE] {<current>|MIN|MAX|UP|DOWN}

This command allows you to set the current value to the output of the power supply.

Instead of a numeric value, you can use “MINimum” or “MAXimum”, “Up” or “DOWN” parameters.

MIN allows you to set the lowest current value, which is 0 A.

MAX allows you to set the highest possible current value for model you have.

With UP or DOWN parameters, this command allows you to increase / decrease the output value of the current with a preset value (the step you set with **:CURRENT:STEP {<numeric value>|DEFAULT}** command, or the default step of the power supply). When you exceed the minimum or the maximum possible value by increasing / decreasing the output value, error – 222 (Data out of range) error will be generated.

:CURRENT[:LEVEL][:IMMEDIATE][:AMPLITUDE]? [MIN|MAX]

This command queries the programmed current level. When using MIN or MAX parameters, the power supply returns the lowest and the highest value that are possible to program for current.

:CURRENT[:LEVEL][:IMMEDIATE]:STEP[:INCREMENT]{<numeric value>|DEFAULT}

This command allows you to set the current step for CURR UP or CURR DOWN command. The minimum value for step is 1 mA.

:CURRENT[:LEVEL][:IMMEDIATE]:STEP[:INCREMENT]? [DEFAULT]

This command queries the programmed step value (if no parameter specified), or the default step value (if DEFAULT parameter is specified within the command). The returned value is specified in Amps.

Example: Here is an example of how you program current step value and how you increase / decrease current output value using step.

CURR:STEP 0.2 ;program current step value
CURR UP ;increase output current

CURR:STEP 0.5 ;program current step value
CURR DOWN ;decrease output current

Note: If no step value was programmed before CURR UP or CURR DOWN commands, default step value (0.001 A) will be used.

CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMEDIATE]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude] {<current>|MIN|MAX}

This command allows you to program the current trigger value, which is transferred to the output terminals when a trigger signal occurs.

By programming this value, you don't change the current programmed value.

Instead of a numeric value, you can use "MINimum" or "MAXimum" parameters.

MIN allows you to set the lowest current value, which is 0 V.

MAX allows you to set the highest possible current value for model you have.

:CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMEDIATE]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude]? [MIN|MAX]

This command queries the programmed current trigger level. When using MIN or MAX parameters, the power supply returns the lowest or the highest value allowed for current trigger parameter.

:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMEDIATE][:AMPLitude] {<voltage>|MIN|MAX|UP|DOWN}

This command allows you to set the voltage value to the output of the power supply.

Instead of a numeric value, you can use "MINimum" or "MAXimum", "Up" or "DOWN" parameters.

MIN allows you to set the lowest voltage value, which is 0 V.

MAX allows you to set the highest possible current value for model you have.

With UP or DOWN parameters, this command allows you to increase / decrease the output value of the voltage with a preset value (the step you set with **:VOLTage:STEP {<numeric value>|DEFAULT}** command, or the default step of the power supply). When you exceed the minimum or the maximum possible value by increasing / decreasing the output value, error – 222 (Data out of range) error will be generated.

:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMEDIATE][:AMPLitude]? [MIN|MAX]

This command queries the programmed voltage level. When using MIN or MAX parameters, the power supply returns the lowest or the highest value that is possible to program for voltage parameter.

:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMEDIATE]:STEP[:INCRement] {<numeric value>|DEFAULT}

This command allows you to set the voltage step for VOLT UP or VOLT DOWN command. The minimum value for step is 10 mV.

:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:STEP[:INCRe ment]? [DEFault]

This command queries the programmed step value (if no parameter specified), or the default step value (if DEFault parameter is specified within the command) for voltage. The returned value is specified in Volt.

Example: Here is an example of how you program voltage step value and how you increase / decrease voltage output value using step.

```
VOLT:STEP 0.2           ;program voltage step value
VOLT UP                 ;increase output voltage
```

```
VOLT:STEP 0.5           ;program voltage step value
VOLT DOWN               ;decrease output voltage
```

Note: If no step value was programmed before VOLT UP or VOLT DOWN commands, default step value (0.011 V) will be used.

:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude] <current>[MIN|MAX]

This command allows you to program the voltage trigger value, which is transferred to the output terminals when a trigger signal occurs.

By programming this value, you don't change the voltage programmed value.

Instead of a numeric value, you can use "MINimum" or "MAXimum" parameters.

MIN allows you to set the lowest voltage value, which is 0 V.

MAX allows you to set the highest possible voltage value for model you have.

:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude]? [MIN|MAX]

This command queries the programmed voltage trigger level. When using MIN or MAX parameters, the power supply returns the lowest or the highest value allowed for voltage trigger parameter.

:VOLTage:PROTection[:LEVel] {<voltage>[MIN|MAX]}

This command allows you to set the voltage level at which the the overvoltage protection circuit will be activated. If the output voltage will get equal or greater than the programmed OVP level, then the power supply will have output voltage value 0 V (output is disabled).

:VOLTage:PROTection:STATe {0|1|OFF|ON}

This command allows you to disable / enable the overvoltage protection circuit. After power on reset, the overvoltage protection circuit is enabled and the programmed OVP value is 33 Volt.

:VOLTage:PROTection:STATe?

This command queries the overvoltage protection circuit state. The returned parameter is always a numeric parameter: **0** (for **OFF** state) or **1** (for **ON** state).

:VOLTage:PROTection:TRIPped?

This command queries if the protection circuit is tripped or not. The returned parameter is always a numeric parameter: **0** for OVP circuit not tripped or **1** for OVP circuit tripped.

:VOLTage:PROTection:CLEar

This command allows you to clear the overvoltage protection circuit. This command does not affect the programmed voltage trip level.

After this command the power supply returns to the previous state (output voltage will have the same value as before OVP was enabled). In this case, before you clear the protection circuit, you must lower the output voltage below OVP trip level or increase the OVP trip level above the output voltage value.

Here are some examples of how you work with overvoltage protection circuit using remote interface commands:

Example 1: Here is an example of how you program the overvoltage protection circuit using remote interface commands:

```
VOLT:PROT 5      ;set OVP trip level at 5V  
VOLT:PROT?      ;responds with programmed OVP trip level (5V)
```

```
VOLT:PROT:STAT ON    ;enable OVP circuit  
VOLT:PROT:STAT?     ;responds with OVP circuit state (1 or 0n)
```

```
VOLT:PROT:TRIP?     ;responds if OVP circuit is enabled  
                    ;(0 if output voltage lower than OVP trip  
                    ;level and 1 otherwise)
```

Attention: OVP circuit is enabled if output voltage becomes equal or greater than the programmed trip level for OVP circuit.

It is not necessary to check every setting with the interrogative command! Here is an example of how you use this commands.

Example 2: Here is an example of how you clear the overvoltage condition by increasing OVP trip level, using remote interface commands:

Let's say that the output voltage is lower than 5V. No load connected.

```
VOLT:PROT 5           ;program OVP trip level  
VOLT:PROT:STAT ON    ;enable OVP circuit
```

If OVP circuit is already enabled, you don't have to enable it again!

```
VOLT 6                ;OVP circuit enabled
```

*When output voltage becomes equal or greater than OVP trip level (here is 5V), OVP circuit is enabled. Output is disabled and **Over Voltage** message will be displayed.*

```
VOLT:PROT 5.5        ;increase OVP trip level
```

*Still output is disabled and **Over Voltage** message is displayed (because you didn't clear OVP condition yet)*

```
VOLT:PROT:CLEAR      ;clear OVP condition
```

*Power supply returns to previous state before enabling OVP circuit. It will display 6V and 0A. Since you didn't disable OVP circuit, **ovp** annunciator will be displayed.*

Example 3: Here is an example of how you clear the overvoltage condition by decreasing output voltage level, using remote interface commands:

Let's say that the output voltage is lower than 10V. No load connected.

```
VOLT:PROT 10          ;program OVP trip level  
VOLT:PROT:STAT ON    ;enable OVP circuit
```

If OVP circuit is already enabled, you don't have to enable it again!

```
VOLT 10               ;OVP circuit enabled
```

*When output voltage becomes equal or greater than OVP trip level (here is 10V), OVP circuit is enabled. Output is disabled and **Over Voltage** message will be displayed.*

```
VOLT 5.5              ;decrease output voltage level
```

VOLT? ;returns programmed output voltage (5.5V)

*Still output is disabled and **Over Voltage** message is displayed (because you didn't clear OVP condition yet)*

VOLT:PROT:CLEAR ;clear OVP condition

*Power supply returns to previous state before enabling OVP circuit. It will display 5.5V and 0A. Since you didn't disable OVP circuit, **ovp** annunciator will be displayed.*

Example 3: Here is an example of how you clear the overvoltage condition by disabling OVP circuit, using remote interface commands:

Let's say that the output voltage is lower than 7V. No load connected.

VOLT:PROT 8 ;program OVP trip level
VOLT:PROT:STAT ON ;enable OVP circuit

If OVP circuit is already enabled, you don't have to enable it again!

VOLT 15 ;OVP circuit enabled

*When output voltage becomes equal or greater than OVP trip level (here is 8V), OVP circuit is enabled. Output is disabled and **Over Voltage** message will be displayed.*

VOLT:PROT:STAT OFF ;Disable OVP circuit

Attention: *if you have anything connected to the output terminals of the power supply, it is strongly recommended that you disconnect it before disabling OVP circuit (because you don't change output level and this it may harm your connected circuitry)*

VOLT:PROT:STAT? ;returns OVP circuit state (0 – off state)

*Still output is disabled and **Over Voltage** message is displayed (because you didn't clear OVP condition yet)*

VOLT:PROT:CLEAR ;clear OVP condition

*Power supply returns to previous state before enabling OVP circuit. It will display 15V and 0A. Since you disabled OVP circuit, **ovp** annunciator will not be displayed anymore, until you enable OVP circuit again.*

MEASure Subsystem

This subsystem contains commands that allow you to measure the current and voltage to the output terminals of the power supply.

:MEASure:CURRent[:DC]?

This command queries the current measured to the output terminals of the power supply.

:MEASure[:VOLTage][:DC]?

This command queries the voltage measured to the output terminals of the power supply.

Important note!

VOLT? Command returns previously programmed voltage level.

MEAS[:VOLT][:DC]? Command returns voltage measured to the output terminals of the power supply.

CURR? Command returns previously programmed current value.

MEAS:CURR[:DC]? Command returns the measured current to the output terminals of the power supply.

TRIGger Subsystem

The power supply has a trigger subsystem, so voltage and current values can be changed when receiving a trigger signal.

Depending on the trigger source selected, this change takes place immediately (when receiving the trigger signal), or after a time period equal with the delay you set (a time period from the moment the power supply receives the trigger signal)

To activate the trigger subsystem you must follow the steps described bellow:

- 1. Specify the source of the trigger signal. The power supply accepts a bus trigger or an immediate trigger coming from the remote interface.**

Bus trigger source

*TRG command is considered the trigger signal.

The current and voltage trigger values become the output programmed values after a time period from the moment the power supply received the trigger signal.

The trigger subsystem must be initiated before sending the trigger signal (for initiation you mus use the *INITIATE* command). Otherwise, -211 error is generated (trigger ignored)

Immediate trigger source

INITIATE[:IMMEDIATE] command is considered the trigger signal.

The current and voltage trigger values become the output programmed values immediately after receiving *INITIATE* command.

In this situation, *TRG command is ignored (the power supply doesn't do anything and it doesn't generate any errors).

After an interface reset or after power on reset, bus trigger source is selected.

- 2. Program the *volt:trig* and *curr:trig* values.**

When receiving the trigger signal, the power supply transfers these values to *volt* and *current* programmed values immediatly (if *imm* trigger source is selected) or after a period of time equal to the trigger delay programmed value (if *bus* trigger source is selected)

At power on reset or **RST* command, voltage and current trigger values are the programmed values (values displayed in *limit* mode) until you explicitly program them with the desired values.

So before programming voltage and current values,
:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude]? and
:CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude]?
commands return the programmed values for voltage and current.

Trigger programmed values are available until a new programming command for a certain parameter, no matter how many times you use the trigger subsystem.

If voltage and current trigger values are programmed, they do not change when you change the output voltage and current values.

3. Program the trigger delay value.

Set the time delay between the trigger signal recognition and the changes the power supply must execute according to the settings of the trigger subsystem.

This value is not considered if *IMMEDIATE* trigger source is selected.

The programmed value is available until a new programming command for delay parameter, no matter how many times you use the trigger subsystem.

At power on reset or **RST* command the trigger delay value is 0.

Important note!

These steps may be executed in any order you want, but before initiating the trigger subsystem.

4. Initiate the trigger subsystem.

Trigger subsystem is initiated using *INITiate[:IMMediate]* command.

If *IMM* trigger source is selected, voltage and current trigger values become the output values immediately.

If *BUS* trigger source is selected, voltage and trigger values become the output values after a delay period from the moment the power supply received the trigger signal (**TRG* command). It is important to initiate the trigger subsystem

before sending the trigger signal. Otherwise, *Trigger ignored* error (err -211) is generated.

Here are described the commands used to set trigger subsystem's parameters:

:CURRENT[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude] <current>|MIN|MAX}

This command allows you to program the current trigger value, which is transferred to the output terminals when a trigger signal occurs.

By programming this value, you don't change the current programmed value.

Instead of a numeric value, you can use "MINimum" or "MAXimum" parameters.

MIN allows you to set the lowest current value, which is 0 V.

MAX allows you to set the highest possible current value for model you have.

:CURRENT[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude]? [MIN|MAX]

This command queries the programmed current trigger level. When using MIN or MAX parameters, the power supply returns the lowest or the highest value allowed for current trigger parameter.

:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude]{<current>|MIN|MAX}

This command allows you to program the voltage trigger value, which is transferred to the output terminals when a trigger signal occurs.

By programming this value, you don't change the voltage programmed value.

Instead of a numeric value, you can use "MINimum" or "MAXimum" parameters.

MIN allows you to set the lowest voltage value, which is 0 V.

MAX allows you to set the highest possible voltage value for model you have.

:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:TRIGgered[:AMPLitude]? [MIN|MAX]

This command queries the programmed voltage trigger level. When using MIN or MAX parameters, the power supply returns the lowest or the highest value allowed for voltage trigger parameter.

:INITiate[:IMMediate]

This command initiates the trigger subsystem.

If immediate trigger source is selected, trigger programmed values become the output values immediately.

If bus trigger source is selected, trigger programmed values become the output values after the trigger delay period from the moment the power supply received the trigger signal

:TRIGger:DElay {<seconds> | MIN | MAX}

This command allows you to set the trigger delay value in seconds.

This is the time delay between the receive of the trigger signal and the corresponding action (trigger values become the output values).

Instead of a numeric value, you can use “MINimum” or “MAXimum”, “Up” or “DOWN” parameters.

MIN parameter allows you to set the trigger delay to 0 seconds.

MAX parameter allows you to set the trigger delay to 36,000 seconds (equivalent to 10 hours).

At power on reset or after *RST command this value is set to 0 seconds.

:TRIGger:DELay? [MIN | MAX]

This command queries the trigger delay programmed value. When using MIN or MAX parameters, the power supply returns the lowest and the highest value that are possible to program for trigger delay.

:TRIGger:SOURce {BUS | IMMEDIATE}

This command allows you to select the trigger source from which the power supply accepts the trigger signal.

The power supply accepts an immediate trigger or a bus trigger.

After power on reset or *RST command bus trigger source is selected.

;TRIGger:SOURce?

This command queries the selected trigger source. Power supply returns BUS or IMM message, depending on the selected trigger source.

***TRG**

This command generates the trigger signal for the trigger subsystem, if BUS trigger source is selected.

Important note!

If bus trigger source is selected and trigger delay parameter value is greater than zero, the power supply will not accept other interface command until delay value is passed and trigger values become the output programmed values.

While in remote mode, the only active key is **Remote/Local** key. If pressing this key while delay trigger is passing, the power supply will transfer trigger values to the output programmed values immediately, no matter what trigger delay value is programmed. The power supply will go to local mode.

Trigger subsystem parameters (voltage trigger value, current trigger value, trigger delay value, trigger source) are saved, too, when saving the current state.

Non-SCPI commands

SET {<voltage>|DEF|MIN|MAX}[,<current>|DEF|MIN|MAX]

This is a non-SCPI command.

This command allows you to program output voltage and current values in the same time, using one command only.

Using this command, you can program output voltage or output voltage and current values. So if you specify one parameter only, it is considered as voltage programming value.

Instead of using numeric parameters for current and voltage values, you can use DEFault, MINimum or MAXimum parameters. For more details about these parameters, you can refer to **Technical Specifications** section, programming ranges tables.

SET?

This command queries voltage and current programmed values. The power supply returns both values in a single string (voltage value first):

+1.000000E+01,+5.000000E+00

CALibration:MESSAGE <quoted string>

This command allows you to store some informations about the power supply (e.g.: power supply's serial number, last calibration date, service information etc)

Calibration message may contain up to 40 characters and it is stored in non-volatile memory.

CALibration:MESSAGE?

This command queries calibration message.

You can write this message only over the remote interface, but you can view it using **Errors / Calibrate** key when in *local* mode. For more informations you can refer to **Local Mode Operation, Errors / Calibrate** key section.

SYSTem:REMOte

This command is used to place the power supply in remote mode (the power supply receives commands over RS232 interface).

If commands are sent over the RS232 interface without placing the power supply in remote mode, **Power supply in local mode** message is sent.

IEEE 488.2 commands

The 488.2 specifications include some instrument commands and a status information scheme.

For more information about SCPI Status Registers, see *Status Reporting Overview* section.

***CLS (Clear Status)**

This command clears Status Byte Register and all the Event Registers summarized in Status Byte, such as Questionable Status Event Register and Standard Event Register.

***ESE <enable value> (Standard Event Status Enable)**

This command allows you to set Standard Event Enable Register with a decimal value between 0 and 255.

If a bit of this register is set, the corresponding bit of Standard Event Register is reported to Status Byte Register.

***ESE?**

This command queries the Standard Event Enable Register value.

The power supply returns a decimal value between 0 and 255, which is the binary weighted sum of all bits of the register.

***ESR? (Event Status Register)**

This command queries the Standard Event Register value.

The power supply returns a decimal value between 0 and 255, which is the binary weighted sum of all bits of the register.

After sending this value, Standard Event Register is cleared.

***IDN? (Identification)**

This command queries the identification string of the power supply.

The identification string has four fields: the first field is manufacturer's name, the second field is model number (depending on the model number of the power supply), the third field is serial number (always 0), the fourth field is firmware revision level (first number indicates firmware revision number for main processor and the second number indicates firmware revision number for communication processor).

For 9121 model, the power supply returns a string with the following format:

S.C. CODEC S.R.L. ROMANIA, 9121 , 0, 1.0_1.0

***OPC (Operation Complete)**

This command sets bit 0 (Operation Complete bit) from the Standard Event Register when the power supply completes all operations, including *OPC command.

***OPC?**

The power supply returns an ASCII “1” after all operations, including this command are executed.

***RST**

This command allows you to reset the power supply.

The power supply reset can be achieved by sending this command or by selecting **RESET** option from the **Recall** menu (**Recall** key).

The power supply reset values for different parameters are listed in **Technical Specifications** section.

***SAV {0 | 1 | 2 | ... | 99}**

This command saves the current state of the power supply in the specified location.

Stored parameters are: voltage limit, step voltage, overvoltage protection level, current limit, step current, voltage trigger value, current trigger value, trigger delay value, trigger source, stored state name, state of overvoltage protection circuit, state of display, output state.

The saved states are kept in a non-volatile memory, so they won't be lost when turning off the power supply.

A state location can be overwritten without any notification from the power supply.

***RCL {0 | 1 | 2 | ... | 99}**

This command recalls the specified state so this state becomes the current operating state.

When delivered from the factory, the memory locations are empty.

***SRE <enable value> (Service Request Enable)**

This command allows you to set Status Byte Enable Register with a decimal value between 0 and 255.

***SRE?**

This command queries the Status Byte Enable Register. The power supply returns a decimal value, which is the binary weighted sum of all bits of the register.

***STB? (Status Byte)**

This command queries Status Byte register. The power supply returns a decimal value between 0 and 255.

***TRG**

This command is the trigger signal when bus trigger source is selected.

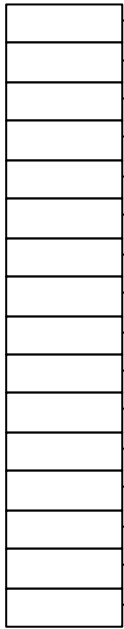
The SCPI Status Registers

Status reporting scheme is described in this section.

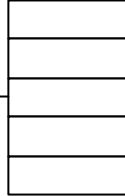
Questionable Status

Event Register Enable Register

Voltage
Current
Not Used
Not Used
Not Used
Not Used
Not Used
Not Used
Overvolt
Not Used
Not Used
Not Used
Not Used
Not Used
Not Used
Not Used



Output Buffer

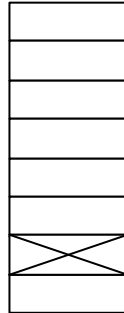


Status Byte

Summary Reg

Not Used
Not Used
Not Used
QUES
MAV
ESB
RQS
Not Used

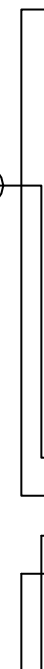
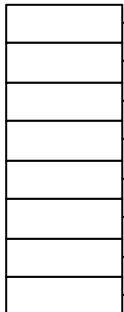
Enable Reg



Standard Event

Event Register Enable Register

OPC
Not Used
QYE
DDE
EXE
CME
Not Used
PON



Event Register is a read only register. Bits in an event register are set depending on the state of the power supply.

An event register is cleared after its value was queried or by sending *CLS command.

A *RST command does not clear event registers.

When an event register is queried, the power supply returns a decimal value, which is the binary – weighted sum of all bits of the register.

An **Enable Register** defines which bits from the corresponding event register are logically Ored to form the corresponding bit in the Status Byte.

An enable register is readable and writable.

An enable register is not cleared after querying it, or by *CLS command.

Questionable Status Register

The Questionable Status Register contains bits which give an indication of the quality of different parameters. A set bit indicates that the associated parameter is of questionable quality.

Bit 0 -Voltage

- is set when the voltage becomes unregulated.

- indicates that the power supply is / was in constant current mode

Bit 1 -Current

- is set when the current becomes unregulated.

- indicates that the power supply is / was in constant voltage mode

Bits 2..8 -Not used

- always set to 0

Bit 9 -Overvoltage

- is set when over voltage protection circuit has tripped

Bits 10..15 -Not used

- always set to 0

Questionable Status Event Register is cleared by:

- *CLS command
- querying event register, using *STATUS:QUESTIONABLE?* Command

Questionable Status Enable Register is cleared by:

- *STATUS:QUESTIONABLE:ENABLE 0* command

Standard Event Register

Standard Event Register reports different instrument events, such as: query errors, device dependent error, execution errors, command errors, power on event. A set bit indicates that an event of the specified type occurred.

Bit 0 - OPC (Operation Complete)

- indicates that all previous commands have been executed and the device is ready to accept new commands
- this bit is set only after an **OPC* command

Bit 1 - Not used

- always set to 0

Bit 2 - QYE (Query Error)

Bit 3 - DDE (Device Dependent Error)

- indicates that a device dependent (user defined) error has occurred, such as self test errors, or calibration errors

Bit 4 - EXE (Execution Error)

- indicates that an execution error occurred

Bit 5 - CME (Command Error)

- indicates that a command error occurred

Bit 6 - Not used

- always set to 0

Bit 7 - PON (Power On)

- indicates that the power supply was turned off and on since the last time Standard Event Register was cleared or read.

Standard Event Register is cleared by:

- **CLS* command
- querying event register, using **ESR?* Command

Standard Event Enable Register is cleared by:

- **ESE 0* command

Status Byte Register

Status Byte Register reports conditions from the defined status registers, depending on the bits from the enable registers. So clearing an event register will clear the corresponding bits from the Status Byte Register.

Bits 0..2 - Not used

- always set to 0

Bit 3 - QUES

- indicates that one or more bits are set in questionable status register (and the corresponding bits in the enable register are set, too)

Bit 4 - MAV (message available)

- indicates that there is data in the output buffer

Bit 5 - ESB

- indicates that one or more bits are set in standard event register (and the corresponding bits in the enable register are set, too)

Bit 6 - RQS

- all the bits from the Status Byte register which have the corresponding bit from the Status Byte Enable Register set, are logically Ored. The result is kept in RQS bit.

Bit 7 - Not used

- always set to 0.

Status Byte Register is cleared by:

- *CLS command
- querying Standard Event Register, using *ESR? Command will clear bit 5 in Status Byte Register

Status Byte Enable Register is cleared by:

- *SRE 0 command

Error Messages

There are 2 kinds of errors that will be generated by the power supply:

- ◆ **standard errors** (errors defined by SCPI standard, in [-299,-100] interval)
- ◆ **device specific errors** (user defined errors, in [-399,-300] or [1,32767] interval)

Following types of errors may occur:

- ◆ Command errors (defined by SCPI standard)
- ◆ Execution errors (defined by SCPI standard)
- ◆ Device-specific errors (defined by SCPI standard)
- ◆ Self test errors (device specific errors, user defined)
- ◆ Calibration errors (device specific errors, user defined)

Command errors

Error - 101: Invalid character

An invalid character was received in the command string, within the parameter

Error - 102: Syntax error

The command string is not in syntactically correct (*, : in the wrong place)

Error - 103: Invalid separator

Wrong separator between commands in the same command string.

Error - 108: Parameter not allowed

More parameters than expected were received for the header

Error - 109: Missing parameter

Fewer parameters than required were received for the header

Error - 113: Undefined header

The received header was not defined for this device

Error - 114: Header suffix out of range

The value for the numeric suffix attached to the program mnemonic is not correct. The device recognizes only the default header suffix (which is 1).

Error - 121: Invalid character in number

An invalid character was received within the numeric parameter (or within the suffix).

Error -123: Exponent too large

The numeric parameter received has an exponent larger than 32,000.

Error -124: Too many digits

The decimal numeric parameter has a mantissa which contains more than 255 digits, excluding leading zeros

Error - 128: Numeric data not allowed

A legal numeric data element was received, but is not the right data element for the header

Error -131: Invalid suffix

The received suffix for the numeric parameter is not specified for this device.

Error - 138: Suffix not allowed

This numeric parameter does not accept a suffix.

Error - 141: Invalid character data

The character data element contains an invalid character.

Error - 151: Invalid string data

A string data element was expected, but it was invalid for some reason (it didn't start/stop with simple/double quotes).

Error - 158: String data not allowed

A legal string data element was received, but it is not the right data element for the header.

Execution Errors

Error – 211: Trigger ignored

*TRG command was received, but it was ignored because trigger subsystem was not initiated (using *INITiate* command).

Error - 222: Data out of range

The numeric parameter value is out of range.

Error - 223: Too much data

A legal string program data element contains more data than the device could handle due to memory or due to device specific requirements.

Error - 224: Illegal parameter data value

A legal type of parameter was received, but it is not the expected parameter for the header.

Device specific errors

Error - 350: Queue overflow

Queue error is full, more than 20 errors occurred. No more errors will be saved until error queue will be erased.

Error - 361: Parity error in program message

Parity bit not correct when data received over the RS232 interface

Error – 362: Framing error in program message

Stop bit not detected when data received over the RS232 interface (stop bit detected as clear)

Error – 363: Input buffer overrun

Hardware input buffer of the serial port overflows with data because of the improper reading of the buffer.

Error – 365: Time-out error

The communication session was interrupted before it was finished (no terminator was sent).

Self test errors

Self test errors are user defined. They are generated after power up. Here are self test errors generated by the power supply:

Error 601: Front panel does not respond

Error 602: CV not high

Error 603: CV not low

Error 604: CC not high

Error 605: CC not low

Error 606: OVP not high

Error 607: OVP not low

Error 608: Fan test failed

Error 609: Unable to sense line frequency

If one of the errors above is generated, the power supply must be turned off and then turned on. If one of these errors is generated again, the power supply must be delivered to **B&K Precision** for service.

Error 611: EEPROM absent

Error 612: ADC offset register V checksum failed

Error 613: ADC offset register I checksum failed

Error 614: DAC offset register V checksum failed

Error 615: DAC offset register I checksum failed

Error 616: ADC full gain register V checksum failed

Error 617: ADC full gain register I checksum failed

Error 618: DAC offset register OVP checksum failed

Error 619: DAC V step register checksum failed

Error 620: DAC I step register checksum failed

Error 621: DAC OVP step register checksum failed

If one of the errors above is generated, the calibration procedure must be done. If one of these errors is generated again, the power supply must be delivered to **B&K Precision** for service.

Error 630: Data in location 1 checksum failed

If this error is generated, a new saving for the *power_up* state must be done. If the error persists, the power supply must be delivered to **B&K Precision** for service.

Error 641: Filter register error

Error 642: ADC not locked

Error 643: ADC not ready

Error 644: ADC out of range

Error 651: DAC out of range

Error 661: I/O processor does not respond

Error 662: I/O processor failed self test

Error 663: I/O processor communication error

If one of the errors above is generated, the power supply must be turned off and then turned on. If one of these errors is generated again, the power supply must be delivered to **B&K Precision** for service.

Calibration errors

Here are calibration error messages generated by the power supply:

Error 637: Secure code checksum failed

If this error is generated, the power supply must be unsecured using hardware unsecure procedure. After that, the power supply must be secured. For more information, see **Calibration Overview** section.

If the error persists, the power supply must be delivered to **B&K Precision** for service.

Error 701: Calibration security disabled by jumper

The power supply was turned on and J6 jumper is set for *calibrating* mode operation.

Error 703: Invalid secure code

The introduced secure code is not correct. (it does not match with the code introduced when the power supply was secured)

Error 706: Secure code memory bad

If this error is generated, the power supply must be turned off and then turned on. If the error persists, the power supply must be delivered to **B&K Precision** for service.

Error 711: DAC offset register V start value out of range

Error 712: DAC offset register V out of range

Error 713: DAC V calibration failed

Error 714: DAC offset register V memory bad

Error 715: ADC offset register V out of range

Error 716: ADC offset register V memory bad

Error 721: DAC V step register start value out of range

Error 722: DAC V step register out of range

Error 723: DAC V step calibration failed

Error 724: DAC V step register memory bad

Error 725: ADC full gain register V out of range

Error 726: ADC full gain register V memory bad

Error 731: DAC offset register OVP start value out of range

Error 732: DAC offset register OVP out of range

Error 733: DAC offset register OVP memory bad

Error 734: DAC OVP step register start value out of range

Error 735: DAC OVP step register out of range

Error 736: DAC OVP step register memory bad

Error 741: I_{mon} register out of range

Error 742: ADC offset register I out of range

Error 743: ADC offset register I memory bad

Error 744: DAC offset register I start value out of range

Error 745: DAC offset register I out of range

Error 746: DAC offset register I memory bad

Error 751: DAC I step register start value out of range

Error 752: DAC I step register out of range

Error 753: DAC I step calibration failed

Error 754: DAC I step register memory bad

Error 755: ADC full gain register I out of range

Error 756: ADC full gain register I memory bad

If one of the errors above is generated, the calibration procedure must be done. If one of these errors is generated again, the power supply must be delivered to **B&K Precision** for service.

Important note!

Following messages may be displayed:

OVP fault

CC fault

CV fault

In this case, the power supply must be turned off and then turned on. If the messages persist, the power supply must be delivered to **B&K Precision** for service.

Technical specifications

Table 1: Technical specifications for Model 9120

Parameter		Model 9120
Output Ratings (at 0° - 40° C)		0 to + 30 V / 0 to 3 A
Programming Accuracy ^[1] 12 months (at 25° C±5° C) ± (% of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.05%+10 mV
	Current	< 0.2%+10 mA
Readback/Meter Accuracy ^[1] 12 months(over RS 232 or front panel with respect to actual output at 25° C ± 5° C) ± (%of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.05%+5 mV
	Current	< 0.15%+5 mA
Ripple and Noise (with output leads shielded, or with either output terminal grounded, 20Hz to 20MHz)	<i>Normal</i> mode voltage	< 0.5 mV _{rms} and 5 mV _{p-p}
	<i>Normal</i> mode current	< 4 mA _{rms}
	<i>Common</i> mode current	< 1.5 µA _{rms}
Load Regulation(utilizing Remote Senseing), ± (% of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.01 % + 3 mV
	Current	< 0.01 % + 250 µA
Line Regulation, ±(% of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.01 % + 3 mV
	Current	< 0.01 % + 250 µA
Programming Resolution	Voltage	< 1 mV
	Current	< 0.1 mA
Readback Resolution	Voltage	0.25 mV
	Current	0.04 mA
Front Panel Resolution	Voltage	10 mV
	Current	1 mA

Table 2: Technical specifications for Model 9121

Parameter		Model 9121
Output Ratings (at 0° - 40° C)		0 to + 20 V / 0 to 5 A
Programming Accuracy [1] 12 months (at 25° C±5° C) ± (% of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.05%+10 mV
	Current	< 0.2%+10 mA
Readback/Meter Accuracy [1] 12 months(over RS 232 or front panel with respect to actual output at 25° C ± 5° C) ± (%of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.05%+ 5mV
	Current	< 0.15%+5 mA
Ripple and Noise (with output leads shielded, or with either output terminal grounded, 20Hz to 20MHz)	<i>Normal mode</i> voltage	< 0.5 mV _{rms} and 5 mV _{p-p}
	<i>Normal mode</i> current	< 4 mA _{rms}
	<i>Common mode</i> current	< 1.5 μA _{rms}
Load Regulation(utilizing Remote Sensing), ± (% of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.01 % + 3 mV
	Current	< 0.01 % + 250 μA
Line Regulation, ±(% of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.01 % + 3 mV
	Current	< 0.01 % + 250 μA
Programming Resolution	Voltage	< 1 mV
	Current	< 0.1 mA
Readback Resolution	Voltage	0.25 mV
	Current	0.04 mA
Front Panel Resolution	Voltage	10 mV
	Current	1 mA

Table 3: Technical specifications for Model 9122

Parameter		Model 9122
Output Ratings (at 0° - 40° C)		0 to + 60 V / 0 to 2.5 A
Programming Accuracy [1] 12 months (at 25° C±5° C) ± (% of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.05%+10 mV
	Current	< 0.2%+10 mA
Readback/Meter Accuracy [1] 12 months(over RS 232 or front panel with respect to actual output at 25° C ± 5° C) ± (%of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.05%+5 mV
	Current	< 0.15%+5 mA
Ripple and Noise (with output leads shielded, or with either output terminal grounded, 20Hz to 20MHz)	<i>Normal</i> mode voltage	< 1 mV _{rms} and 8 mV _{p-p}
	<i>Normal</i> mode current	< 4 mA _{rms}
	<i>Common</i> mode current	< 1.5 μA _{rms}
Load Regulation(utilizing Remote Sensing), ± (% of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.01 % + 3 mV
	Current	< 0.01 % + 250 μA
Line Regulation, ±(% of output + offset)	Voltage	< 0.01 % + 3 mV
	Current	< 0.01 % + 250 μA
Programming Resolution	Voltage	< 2 mV
	Current	< 0.05 mA
Readback Resolution	Voltage	< 0.5 mV
	Current	< 0.02 mA
Front Panel Resolution	Voltage	10 mV
	Current	1 mA

[1] Accuracy specifications are after an 1-hour warm-up with no load and calibration at 25°C

Transient Response Time

Less than 50µsec for output to recover to within 15mV following a change in output from full load to half load or vice versa.

Setting time

Less than 90msec for the output voltage to change from 1% to 99% or vice versa following the receipt of VOLTAGE or SET command via RS-232 interface

OVP Accuracy, ± (% of output + offset)

< 50mV

Activation time: Average time for output to start to drop after OVP condition occurs.

≤ 1.2 msec

Supplemental Characteristics

Remote sensing capability

Voltage drop	Up to 1V per each lead
Load regulation	Add 5mV to spec for each 1-volt change in the + outputs lead due to load current change.
Load voltage	Subtract voltage drop in load leads from specified output voltage rating.

Temperature coefficient, \pm (% of output+offset)

Maximum change in output/readback per	$^{\circ}\text{C}$ after a 30-minute warm-up:
Voltage	$\leq 0.02\%+2\text{mV}$
Current	$\leq 0.1\%+1\text{mA}$

Output voltage overshoot

During turn-on or turn-off of AC power, output plus overshoot will not exceed 1V if the output control is set to less than 1V. If the output control is set to 1V higher, there is no overshoot.

Programming language

SCPI (Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments)

State storage memory:

100 user configurable states

Recommended calibration interval:

1 year

Output terminal isolation (maximum, from chassis ground):

± 60 Vdc when connecting shorting conductors without insulation between the (+) output and the (+) sense terminals and between the (-) output and the (-) sense terminals.

± 240 Vdc when connecting insulated shorting conductors between the (+) output and the (+) sense terminals and between the (-) output and the (-) sense terminals.

AC Input Ratings (selectable via the line voltage receptacle switch):

115 Vac \pm 10 % for 47 to 63 Hz

230 Vac \pm 10 % for 47 to 63 Hz

Line voltage selection:

The line fuse is located in the space just below the input receptacle. To change line voltage values first remove fuse holder and then remove tan colored fuse bracket. The line voltage value is determined by value shown through the window of the fuse holder. Please ensure correct insertion and fuse rating.

Fuse ratings:

Model 9120: 3.15A/250V for 115Vac, 2A/250V for 230V

Model 9121: 3.15A/250V for 115Vac, 2A/250V for 230V

Model 9122: 5A/250V for 115Vac, 3.15A/250V for 230V

All fuses are type T (temporized) for high power up currents.

Cooling:

Fan cooled

Operating temperature:

32° to +104° F (0° to 40° C), \leq 75% R.H. for full rated output.

Storage temperature:

-4° to +158° F (- 20° to + 70° C), \leq 85%R.H. for storage environment.

Environmental conditions:

Designed for indoor use.

Net weight:

12.5 (5.6 kg)

Dimensions (H x W x D):

3.15 x 8.27 x 15" (8 x 21 x 38 cm)

Important note!

The technical specification are warranted for 32° to 104° F (0° to 40° C) with a resistive load. Supplemental characteristics are not warranted. They are determined either by testing or design.

Programming Ranges

The power supply parameters are programmed using command of SOURce subsystem. Here are programming ranges, programming values for MINimum, MAXimum, DEFault parameters and reset state:

Table 4: Programming ranges for voltage parameter

Voltage parameters	Model 9120	Model 9121	Model 9122
Programming range	0 to 30.5 V	0 to 20.5 V	0 to 60.5 V
MINimum	0 V	0 V	0 V
MAXimum	30.5 V	20.5 V	60.5 V
DEFault	0 V	0 V	0 V
Reset	0 V	0 V	0 V

Table 5: Programming ranges for current parameter

Current parameters	Model 9120	Model 9121	Model 9122
Programming range	0 to 3.05 A	0 to 5.05 A	0 to 2.55 A
MINimum	0 A	0 A	0 A
MAXimum	3.05 A	5.05 A	2.55 A
DEFault	0 A	0 A	0 A
Reset	3.00 A	5.00 V	2.5 V

Table 6: Programming ranges for OVP parameter

OVP parameter	Model 9120	Model 9121	Model 9122
Programming range	1 to 33 V	1 to 22 V	1 to 63 V
MINimum	1V	1V	1V
MAXimum	33 V	22 V	63 V
Reset	33 V	22 V	63 V

Important note!

Reset value for a parameter is the value after a *RST command or after recalling *Reset* state.

Reset values

Here are the power supply parameter values after a *RST command or after recalling *Reset* state.

Table 7: Reset values for power supply parameters

Power supply parameters	Model 9120	Model 9121	Model 9122
Voltage	0 V	0V	0V
Voltage step	0.01 V	0.01 V	0.01 V
Voltage trigger	0 V	0 V	0 V
OVP circuit state	ON	ON	ON
OVP trip level	33 V	22 V	63 V
Current	3.00 A	5.00 A	2.50 A
Current step	0.001 A	0.001 A	0.001 A
Current trigger	3.00 A	5.00 A	2.50 A
Display state	ON	ON	ON
Output state	OFF	OFF	OFF
Trigger delay	0 s	0 s	0 s
Trigger source	BUS	BUS	BUS



Limited One-Year Warranty

B&K Precision Corp. warrants to the original purchaser that its product and the component parts thereof, will be free from defects in workmanship and materials for a period of one year from the date of purchase.

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Date Purchased: _____

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Service Information

Warranty Service: Please return the product in the original packaging with proof of purchase to the below address. Clearly state in writing the performance problem and return any leads, connectors and accessories that you are using with the device.

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Return all merchandise to B&K Precision Corp. with pre-paid shipping. The flat-rate repair charge includes return shipping to locations in North America. For overnight shipments and non-North America shipping fees contact B&K Precision Corp..

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