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**Operating & Instruction Manual** 





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#### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Read and understand these instructions prior to use. These operating instructions are not a substitute for proper training in the use of this equipment. High voltage systems present serious hazards, including the risk of death or serious injury due to arcing, thermal burns and electrocution. HD Electric Company products are intended solely for use by professionals with knowledge, training and experience in the use of the equipment and its accessories in and around high voltage systems.

All applicable federal, state, company and OSHA work practices must be followed. If you are unfamiliar with the work practices required, **DO NOT PROCEED.** Call HD Electric Company if you have any questions regarding this equipment.

# THIS IMPORTANT LABEL IS AFFIXED TO THE PRODUCT. READ AND UNDERSTAND BEFORE PROCEEDING.

All tools require the use of accessory hot sticks, which may or may not be supplied with the tool. The minimum hot stick length required for safe use depends upon the particular operation; consult federal, state, company and OSHA specifications for the proper hot stick length for the intended operation.

The users of this tool should always be equipped with personal protective equipment including high voltage gloves, flame retardant clothing, eye and face protection. Some applications may require additional protective equipment.

Accessory probes are available for all tools. Always use the proper probe(s) for your application.

Failure to follow these and other warnings and safety precautions may result in severe injury or death.

### USE HOT STICK

Press ON switch.
Press ON again to select
Overhead OH, Underground
UD, Test Point TP, Peak Hold
H. Dots in lower right corner
of display indicate active wireless
communication. See instruction
manual.

NOTICE: Use correct overhead and underground probes. Use only with high voltage insulating hot sticks with length appropriate for voltage. For use by trained high voltage professionals only and only on 50/60Hz AC voltage.

CAUTION: The housing is not an insulator and must not bridge energized conductors or an energized conductor to ground. Do not use on voltages higher than 138kV line-to-line. Test on known AC voltage source before and after each use.

WARNING: All OSHA and company work practices must be followed. Always wear approved insulated gloves, eye and face protection and FR clothing. Do not touch meter housing during measurement. Read and understand instructions. Failure to follow these instructions or other misuse or misapplication can lead to severe injury and death.

Part No. DDVIP-138 Serial No.

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#### **OPERATIONAL IMPAIRMENT**

If the DDVIP-138 is used in a manner not described in this instruction manual, the protection and effective operation of this equipment may be impaired.

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The HD Electric Dual Display Voltage Indicating Phaser includes a pair of single stick line-to-ground voltage indicators that communicate with each other wirelessly. Both units are constructed with high strength molded housings, epoxy encapsulated high voltage resistors and a digital LED display.



Never allow another high voltage or grounded conductor to contact the instrument during use. Keep the DDVIP-138 housing free and clear of all structures at all times. Bridging the DDVIP-138 probe or housing from line-to-ground or line-to-line may cause a fault and arc.



Hot Stick Connection: Shotgun or Universal Spline

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS MODEL NUMBER: DDVIP-138

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

- Conditions Indoor and outdoor use
- Altitude Up to 6,566 ft. (2000M)
- Operating Temperature -20°F to +120°F (-29°C to +49°C)
- Humidity 95% to 49°C (non-condensing)
- Pollution Degree PD4
- Measurement Category IV Classification Rating (CAT IV) Product is intended for use with test and measuring circuits connected to the circuits/wiring outside of a building installation, including transmission lines.
- Overvoltage Category IV
- Enclosure Material Supertough Nylon UL 94-HB
- · Printed Circuit Boards FR-4 UL94V-0
- IEC Protection Rating IP64

#### **DIMENSIONS:**

- Length 14 in. (36cm), Width 4.6 in. (12cm), Height 4.1 in. (10cm)
- Weight (w/o probes): 1.6 lbs. (0.7kg) each unit
- Battery Life 8 hours continuous use under normal operating conditions
- Battery 9V alkaline 1604A, IEC 6LR61 or 9V lithium, ANSI-1604LC
- · Digital Meter Reads in kilovolts
- Voltage Range 100V-80kV each unit line-to-ground and
  - 100V-138kV line-to-line
- Frequency 50/60Hz
- · Auto-Ranging No range selector switch
- · Accuracy Within 15% of reading, dependent upon geometry
- Meter Resolution: 0.10 0.90 range with 10 Volt resolution
   1.0 9.9 range with 100 Volt resolution
   10 80 range with 1,000 Volt resolution

#### OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The DDVIP-138 Dual Display Voltage Indicating Phaser measures 50Hz and 60Hz AC RMS voltage from 100V to 80kV line-to-ground and 100V to 138kV line-to-line. The frequency is determined automatically.

Press the ON button on both units to turn them on. The initial zero kV indication will be replaced shortly with the display of hollow zeros as a battery saving measure.

Pressing the ON button again will cycle through the available measurement modes: overhead direct contact (OH), underground direct contact (UD), capacitive test point (TP) and peak hold (H). Selecting Underground mode when working with pad mounted equipment allows the tool to adjust the displayed voltage for optimal accuracy.

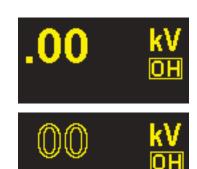
A low battery indication in the lower right corner of the screen indicates that the battery will need to be replaced soon. If the battery dies completely, the display will shut off. The battery compartments are on the bottom of each unit. HD Electric recommends using 9V lithium batteries but alkaline batteries may also be used.

Both displays will turn off after five minutes of a zero display.

### BATTERY REPLACEMENT INSTRUCTIONS

To replace the battery, open and remove the compartment on the bottom of the housings. Remove and dispose of the old battery, replacing each with a fresh, new 9-volt lithium or alkaline battery.

Note battery polarity on the battery compartment. This compartment cannot be reinserted if the battery polarity is reversed.





#### **Pre-Use Inspection**

**WARNING:** Before using the instrument be sure to test and inspect the equipment to ensure that it is functioning properly and is in safe, working condition. Failure to do so may cause serious injury or death and may result in erroneous test measurements.

Before making any high voltage measurements, test and inspect the tool as follows:

- 1) Make certain the instrument is clean and dry.
- 2) Be sure that you are using hot sticks of the appropriate length, and examine each hot stick to ensure that it is clean, dry and waxed to a clear shiny surface.
- 3) Attach the appropriate probes for overhead or underground applications (see page 12) and ensure that the probes are properly installed and tightened (do not overtighten).
- Confirm that the tool is configured for the correct application (normal reading, Peak Hold, Test Point).
- 5) Test each indicator with an indicator tester such as the HD Electric PT-DDVIP Proof Tester® Voltage Indicator Tester (see page 13).

#### Voltage and Phasing Measurements - Line-to-Ground

Press the ON button to select the appropriate overhead (OH) or underground (UD) mode. Maintain contact with the probe tip only long enough to read the display. Line-to-ground voltage measurement will be shown on the display. The letters "L-G" will indicate that the tool is displaying a line-to-ground voltage. Always keep the tool housing free and clear of energized phases and conductors.

#### **Voltage and Phasing Measurements – Line-to-Line**

We recommend that two person crews perform all line-to-line voltage measurements and phasing operations. The letters "L-L" will indicate that the meter is displaying a line-to-line voltage. Since the operation is occurring near two energized conductors, the use of two person crews allows each person to operate one stick and maintain high safety standards.

In order to make line-to-line measurements, each DDVIP-138 must contact an energized line. Be sure that only those probes intended for the particular application are used (see page 12). Always keep the housing free and clear of energized phases and conductors. For phasing applications, the tools will be placed on opposite sides of an open point, typically a switch. The phasing operation will indicate if two sides of a line are in-phase before closing a switch. If the two phases are out of phase, the tool will indicate "OUT" below the voltage reading.

To check all phases, proceed as follows:

- 1) Check voltage on each phase from line-to-ground to verify all phases are live and at the same voltage.
- 2) Place one of the probes on a conductor on one side of the switch.
- 3) Place the other probe on one of the three phases on the other side of the switch.
- 4) If the conductors are out-of-phase, the tool will read line-to-line voltage. If they are in-phase, the tool will read near zero but may read up to 15% of the line-to-line voltage.
- 5) Continue this procedure with all three phases on both sides of the switch.

If an intermediate reading is found, the phasing cannot be determined by this method and the switch should not be closed until other means are used for phasing.







When the tools are first applied to voltage, they both indicate line-to-ground voltage. This is indicated in the displays by L-G.



Once one tool is applied to line to ground voltage, it begins to wirelessly search for a second meter. Any DDVIP-138 may connect with any other DDVIP-138 applied to voltage in the area. When two meters have established wireless communication, moving dots will appear in the bottom right corner of each display.

After a few seconds, both tools will show line-to-line voltage, indicated in the displays by L-L.



kV OH

If they are out of phase, both tools will display the word L-L OUT beneath the voltage reading.

If the two tools are in phase, the line-to-line voltage will be near zero and both tools will show L-L IN underneath the voltage reading.





#### **Overhead Mode Setting**

This is the default mode for voltage measurements and appears when the meter is first turned on. OH mode should be used for all overhead voltage measurements or any other application where the meter is not close to any grounded surfaces.

#### **Underground Mode Setting**

Underground mode should be selected when the meter is used in or on any pad mounted transformers or switchgear or anywhere the DDVIP-138 will be used in close proximity to grounded surfaces such as equipment enclosures. Selecting UD mode improves meter accuracy in these environments.



To activate Test Point mode simply push the ON button again. Test Point mode is indicated by TP

.00 kV

in the display. To turn Test Point mode off, simply push the ON button again to continue cycling through functional modes. When using a DDVIP-138 to phase between test points, the important measurement is whether high voltage is present or not. The proper procedure for phasing between elbow test points is as follows:

- Both elbows must be energized. Follow the proper safety practices for removing the
  test point protective caps and exposing the live test points. Treat all exposed electrodes
  as energized high voltage. Measure from both elbow test points to ground. These
  measurements should show that both elbows are energized and, if both elbows are of
  the same type and manufacture, should measure the same approximate line voltage.
- 2) Measure from one elbow test point to the other. This reading will show either a high voltage reading indicating the elbows are out-of-phase or a zero or low voltage reading indicating the elbows are connected to the same phase. The in-phase voltage measurement can be between zero and 15% of the nominal line-to-ground voltage. If both elbows are of different type and manufacture, then the reading may be higher.

#### **Peak Hold**

Press the ON button to activate this feature and once again to clear the reading. The H in the display confirms Peak Hold. The display will hold the highest reading while Peak Hold is activated. **NOTE:** The tools will not shut off while a peak reading is displayed.



#### **Accuracy Guidelines**

Best overall accuracy is with a single energized conductor (Fig. 1), midspan with no nearby grounds.

Expected accuracy is +/- 3%.

In a typical overhead three phase system with horizontal spacing, the best accuracy is on the two outside conductors (Fig. 2).

Expected measurement accuracy on the two outside conductors is +/- 5%

On the center conductor, expected accuracy is +/- 10%.

In more complex situations with transmission or other higher voltage overbuild, accessory hardware such as fuses or disconnects or for measurements made on points such as terminations or endpoints, best accuracy is with the DDVIP-138 as far away as possible from other live conductors or grounds, away from points or corners and facing the ground (Fig. 3 & 4).

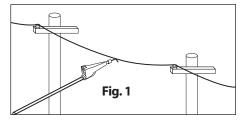
Expected overall accuracy is +/- 25%.

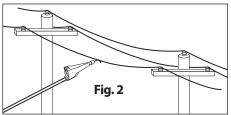
For measurements made on grounded conductors, keep the DDVIP-138 as far away as possible from energized conductors and face the DDVIP-138 towards ground (Fig. 5).

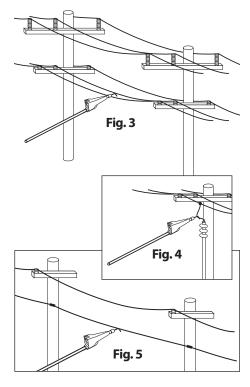
Readings on grounded conductors with nearby energized conductors may indicate 0.1 to 0.2kV or more.

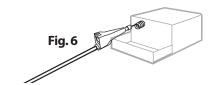
For best accuracy with readings on pad mount equipment, livefront (shown) or deadfront, keep the DDVIP-138 housing clear of adjacent grounds (Fig. 6).

Expected overall accuracy is +/- 10%.









#### PROBES AND ACCESSORIES

WARNING: ALWAYS use probes appropriate to your application. NEVER use overhead probes in underground applications. Failure to use the correct probe can result in arcing or electrical contact and may cause serious injury or death. If you are not trained in the particular operation or are not sure about the appropriate probe for your application **DO NOT PROCEED**.

#### **Overhead Probes**

A. 025-OLPS-5 brass hook probe

**B.** 025-OLPS-6 brass pigtail probe

#### C. Hot Stick

A range of hot sticks are available in lengths starting at 4'. Contact HD Electric for more details.

#### **D. Insulated Underground Probe**

GCP-1 for general underground use on grounded terminals, exposed high voltage terminals or elbow test points.

#### **Underground Dead Front Bushing Probes**

**E.** ASP-15/25 for use in 15kV and 25kV loadbreak bushings

F. ASP-35U for use in 35kV loadbreak bushings

#### **G.Underground Elbow Probe**

EA-15/25 for insertion in loadbreak elbows. **NOTE:** The elbow must be firmly supported when using this probe.



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#### PROBES AND ACCESSORIES continued

#### PT-DDVIP Tester for DDVIP-138

The PT-DDVIP Proof Tester® Voltage Indicating Phaser Tester is for use only on the DDVIP-138. This tester generates high voltage AC for testing the DDVIP-138.

To use, apply the metal plate on the bottom of the Proof Tester to the metal probe on the end of the DDVIP-138 housing. Press and hold the TEST button on the Proof Tester. A properly operating DDVIP-138 will display voltage of approximately 1-3kV. If the Proof Tester LED does not light, replace the Proof Tester battery with a 9V lithium or alkaline type battery. Perform the same steps on both DDVIP-138 tools.



CAUTION: This device generates high voltage AC. There is no danger of electric shock when this Tester is used as directed. Discontinue use and return to HD Electric Company for service if the housing is cracked or broken, or if the battery cover is lost.

WARNING: Do not use this tester except as directed. Do not use to test equipment other than the DDVIP-138. Do not apply to energized circuits or equipment. Do not operate this tester without the battery cover and do not open the housing. Refer all servicing to the factory. Failure to follow these instructions may lead to electric shock, severe injury or death.

#### Proof Tester® for HD Electric DDVIP his tester tests DDVIP Voltage Indicators/Wireless Phasers. To use, apply the tip of the DDVIP to the metal end plate on the Tester. Press and hold the Test button on the Tester. A properly operating DDVIP will indicate a voltage of about 1-3kV. If the DDVIP does not indicate, return to factory for service. See instructions. If the Tester LED does not light, eplace the Tester battery with a 9V alkaline or lithium type CAUTION: This device generates 340VAC for testing the DDVIP voltage indicator. There is no danger of electric shock when this tester is used as directed. Discontinue use and eturn to HD Electric Company for service if the housing is cracked or broken or if the battery cover is lost. VARNING: Do not use this tester except as directed. Do not use to test equipment other than the DDVIP. Do not apply to energized circuits or equipment. Do not operate this Tester without the battery cover and do not open the housing. Refer all servicing to the factory. Failure to follow these instructions may lead to electric shock, severe injury or death. $\epsilon$ HD Electric Company ww.HDElectricCompany.com PT-DDVIP 7/18

#### CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Periodic regular maintenance is required to keep the voltage indicating phasers in proper operating condition. Digital models will require periodic battery replacement. Keep the voltage indicating phasers clean and dry and always store it in its case. The sticks should be kept clean and free of dirt, contamination and marking. Although we do not specify a calibration cycle, we recommend you test and measure your instrument annually. The Maintenance Log provided can be used to record these events. Contact HD Electric Company for details.

#### CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

To clean the DDVIP-138 wipe with a damp cloth with water. Do not use harsh chemicals or solvents.

#### **REPAIRS**

All repairs and calibration are performed at HD Electric Company. If any damage is found please contact HD Electric Company at 847-473-4980 to arrange for service.

MANUFACTURING LOCATION - HD Electric Company • Waukegan, IL. 60085, USA

#### **MAINTENANCE LOG**

DATE	CALIBRATED BY

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NOTICE: READ THIS LIMITATION OF WARRANTY AND LIABILITY BEFORE BUYING OR USING THE PRODUCTS CONTAINED HEREIN.

It is impossible to eliminate all risks associated with the use of the Products. Risks of serious injury or death, including risks associated with electrocution, arcing and thermal burns, are inherent in work in and around energized electrical systems. Such risks arise from the wide variety of electrical systems and equipment to which Products may be applied, the manner of use or application, weather and environmental conditions or other unknown factors, all of which are beyond the control of HD Electric Company.

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