






You have just purchased a **CA 6501** megohmmeter; thank you for your confidence.

For best results from your device:

- **read** this user manual attentively,
- **observe** the precautions for its use.

MEANINGS OF THE SYMBOLS USED

	AC – Alternating current
	Instrument fully protected by double insulation. No connection to the protective earth is necessary.
	Selective sorting of wastes for the recycling of electrical and electronic equipment within the European Union. In conformity with directive WEEE 2002/96/EC: this equipment must not be treated as household waste.
	Danger. See explanations in this manual
	Risk of electric shock

Definitions of the measurement categories:

- Measurement category IV corresponds to measurements made at the source of the low-voltage installation.
- Measurement category III corresponds to measurements made in the installation of the building.
- Measurement category II corresponds to measurements made on circuits directly connected to the low-voltage installation.
- Measurement category I corresponds to measurements made on circuits not directly connected to the network.

PRECAUTIONS FOR USE

If this instrument is damaged or a part is missing, please contact the seller immediately.

This instrument is protected against accidental voltages up to 600V with respect to earth in measurement category II, 300V in category III.

Failure to observe the instructions or the precautions for use may compromise the protection provided by the instrument.

Please refer to this manual for each danger symbol encountered.

To avoid an electric discharge, injury, or damage to this instrument, and make sure that you are using the megohmmeter in a risk-free manner, follow the safety recommendations below:

- This instrument can be used indoors or out (IP52) in environments where the degree of pollution does not exceed 2, at an altitude of less than 2000m, with voltages up to 600V (CAT II) or 300V (CAT III).
- Never use on a network of which the voltage or overvoltage category exceeds the stated values
- Before each use, check the integrity of the housing and of the insulation of the leads and accessories. Replace any damaged cords. Do not use the instrument if it seems damaged.
- Use leads and accessories satisfying safety standards (IEC 61010-031) for voltages and overvoltage categories at least equal to those mentioned.
- The use of suitable personal protective equipment is strongly recommended. Avoid working alone.
- Resistance and insulation measurements must be made only on circuits that are isolated and not live.
- Following an insulation measurement, leave the measurement leads connected for a few seconds before disconnecting in order to discharge the circuit tested.
- Disconnect the cords from the instrument before cleaning, changing the fuse, or opening the housing.

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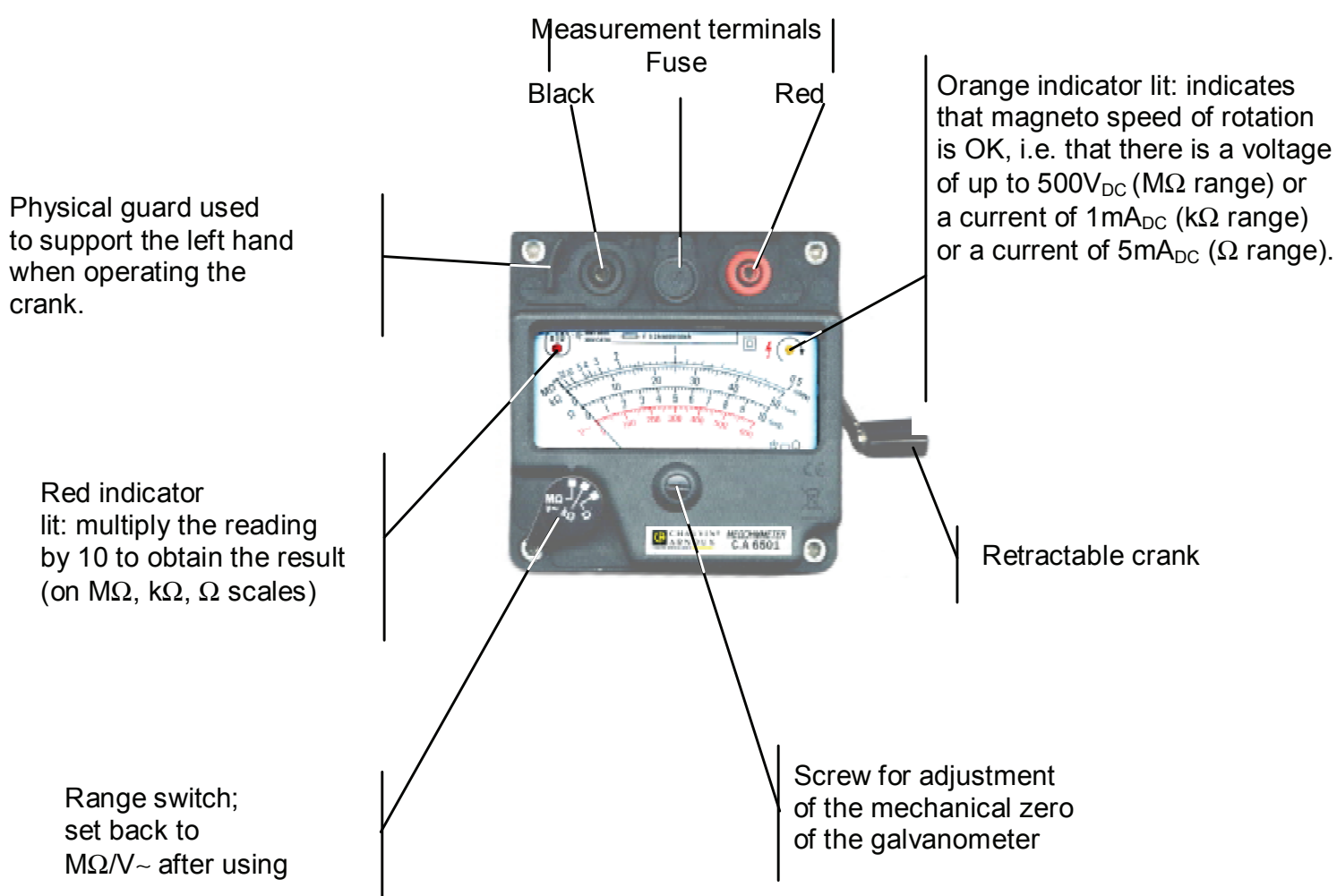
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1 PRESENTATION

The CA 6501 is an electrical measuring instrument intended for the measurement of low resistance values (0 to 100 Ω at 5mA_{DC}), of resistances (0 to 500k Ω at 1mA_{DC}), and for insulation measurements (0.5 to 200M Ω at 500V_{DC}). The ohmmeter function is protected against the accidental presence of a voltage by a high-breaking-capacity fuse. A voltage-present indicator serves to make sure that there is no AC voltage in the circuit to be tested.

This instrument is ready for use at all times because it requires no operating maintenance. A magneto generator provides the various measurement and operating voltages.

2 DESCRIPTION OF THE VARIOUS PARTS, CONTROLS, AND FUNCTIONS



3 USE - CHARACTERISTICS:

3.1 RECOMMENDATIONS

The needle must indicate 0 when at rest in the voltmeter setting; if not, adjust it using the black screw in the centre (see picture above).

Do not connect the instrument to the terminals of a circuit of which the voltage exceeds 600VAC or DC.

Before any resistance measurement, check that the circuit is not live (switch set to voltmeter before connection).

After each insulation resistance measurement, let the circuit discharge (needle on 0V; this takes a few seconds) before disconnecting the instrument.

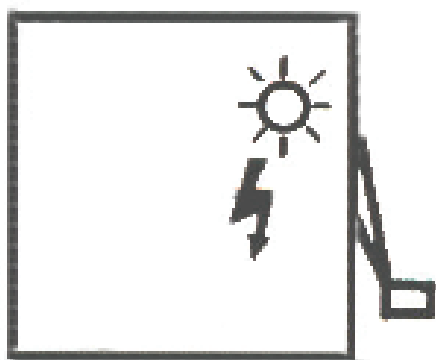


Fig. 1

Measurement input terminals:
These accept safety plugs 4mm in diameter.
Other indicators:

An orange indicator (Fig. 1) on the right side of the instrument indicates that the speed of the magneto is correct. When it is lit, the voltage between the terminals of the instrument is 500V, 650V, or 10VDC (no-load), depending on the setting of the switch.

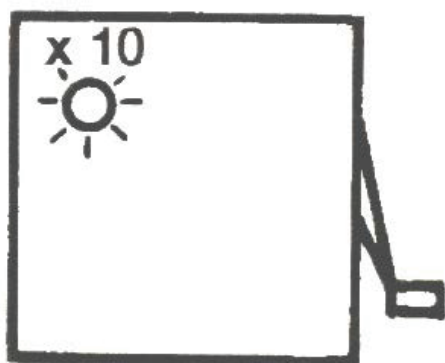
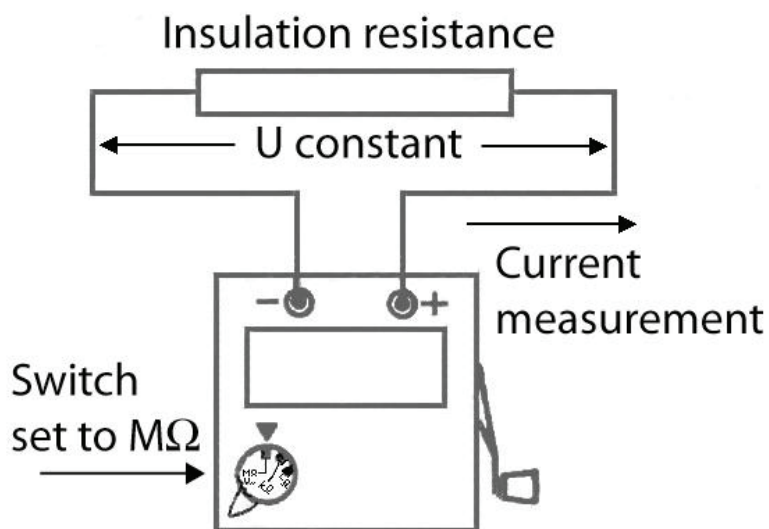


Fig. 2

A red indicator (Fig. 2) on the left side of the instrument indicates the automatic change of range. When it is lit, multiply the reading by 10 to obtain the result.

3.2 OPERATION:

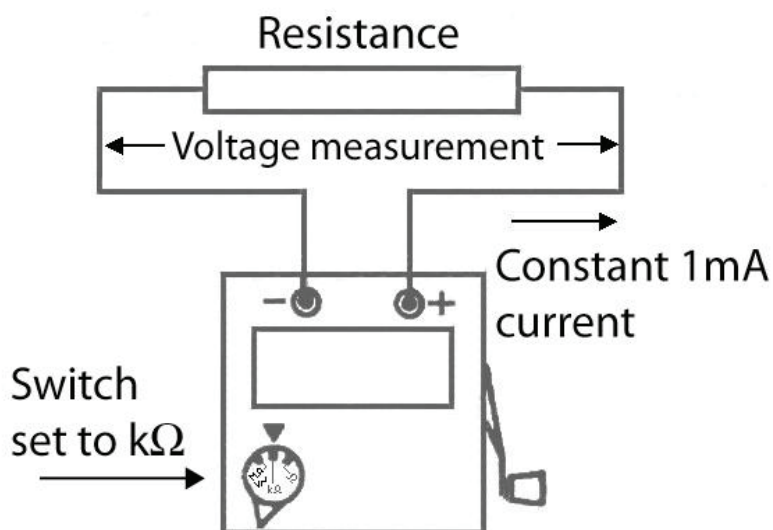
3.2.1 $M\Omega$ measurement at 500VDC:



The measurement is made at a voltage of 500V_{DC} above 0.5MΩ measured.

There is a change of reading coefficient for rising values: 20MΩ (changes to X10 reading), and a change of reading coefficient for falling values: 5.5MΩ (changes to X1 reading).

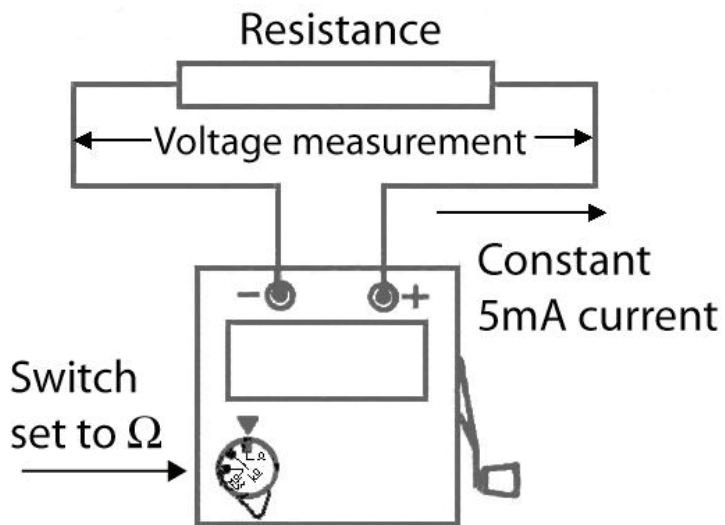
3.2.2 $k\Omega$ measurement at 1mADC:



The measurement is made with a current of 1mADC, from 0 to 500kΩ measured (650V_{DC} max. no-load).

There is a change of reading coefficient for rising values: 50kΩ (changes to X10 reading), and a change of reading coefficient for falling values: 45kΩ (changes to X1 reading).

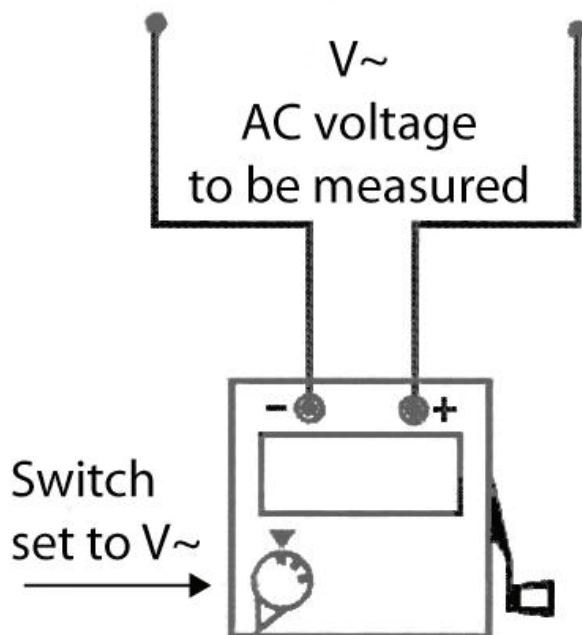
3.2.3 Ω measurement at 5mA_{DC}:



The measurement is made with a current of 5mA_{DC}, from 0 to 100 Ω measured (10V_{DC} max. no-load).

There is a change of reading coefficient for rising values: 10 Ω (changes to X10 reading), and a change of reading coefficient for falling values: 9 Ω (changes to X1 reading).

3.2.4 AC voltage measurement



The AC voltage measurement is from 0 to 600V_{AC} in a single range (input impedance: 100k Ω), switch set to V.

4 GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Dimensions: 120mm x 120mm, height 130mm.

Mass: 1.06kg.

Degree of protection by housing:

IP54 with cover and IP52 without cover as per IEC
60529

Power supply: This instrument is supplied by a magneto generator that provides the various measurement and operating voltages (speed of rotation: approximately 140 rpm).

The voltmeter is supplied by the measurement input and so there is no need to operate the crank.

Characteristics in the reference domain ($23^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$):

Ranges	Characteristics in the reference range
M Ω	$\pm 2.5\%$ of full scale
k Ω	$\pm 2.5\%$ of full scale
Ω	$\pm 2.5\%$ of full scale
Volt~	$\pm 3\%$ of full scale from 45 to 450Hz
M Ω	Measurement voltage: 500V
M Ω	Short-circuit current $\leq 5\text{mA}$
k Ω	Current regulated to 1mA
Ω	Current regulated to 5mA

Variations in the domain of use: quantities of influence.

Ranges	Errors in the range of use (-10 to +45°C) up to 50% RH and to +35°C up to 75% RH)
MΩ	+1.25% / 10°C
kΩ	+1.25% / 10°C
Ω	+1.25% / 10°C
Volt ~	+1.5% / 10°C, from 45Hz to 450Hz
MΩ	± 5%

Overloads - protection:

Ω range: 600VAC/DC max.: protection by fast-blow fuse F 0.2A, 600V, HBC (6.3x32mm) from 100V, below 100V overload limited to 10 seconds.

kΩ range: 600VAC/DC max.

Compliance with international standards:

Electrical safety in accordance with IEC 61010-1.

Electrical safety in accordance with IEC 61010-2-031.

Measurement in accordance with IEC 61557, parts 1 and 4

Rated maximum voltage: 600V

Rated characteristics: measurement category III, 300V, or
measurement category II, 600V with respect
to earth,
degree of pollution 2.

Electromagnetic compatibility:

The instrument complies with EMC requirements as per NF EN 61326-1.

5 WARRANTY

Our warranty applies, except as otherwise expressly stipulated, for twelve months counting from the date of availability of the equipment (extract from our General Terms of Sale, communicated on request).

6 MAINTENANCE

6.1 REPLACING THE FUSE:

For your safety, snap the crank into the recess provided for this purpose; be sure to disconnect the leads from any electrical installation and from the instrument.

Using a flat blade screwdriver, press and turn a quarter turn anti-clockwise to release the fuse. Replace only with a fuse having identical characteristics.

Fuse: F 0.2A/600V/HBC

P/N: P01297095

6.2 STORAGE:

Snap the crank into the recess provided for this purpose; fit the protective cover.

There is nothing that need be removed for prolonged storage.

6.3 CLEANING:

The CA6501 must be disconnected from any electrical installation.

To clean the housing, use a cloth moistened with soapy water. Wipe off with a damp cloth. Then dry rapidly with a dry cloth or forced air.

6.4 METROLOGICAL CHECK

Like all measuring and testing devices, the multimeter must be checked periodically.

This instrument should be checked at least once a year. For checking and calibration, contact one of our accredited metrology laboratories (information and contact details available on request), at our Chauvin Arnoux subsidiary or the branch in your country

6.5 REPAIR:

For all repairs before or after expiry of warranty, please return the device to your distributor.

7 TO ORDER

C.A 6501 Megohmmeter P01132503

Delivered with:

- 1 1.5m black angled / straight cord.
- 1 1.5m red angled / straight cord.
- 1 Black alligator clip.
- 1 Red alligator clip.
- 1 Black probe tip.
- 1 user guide in 5 languages
- 1 carrying bag

SPARES:

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|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| • Fuse, 0.2A, 600V, HBC, 6,3 x 32mm | P01297095 |
| • Carrying bag | P01298006 |