# Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester Installation, Operation and Maintenance







Figure 1. Semtronics Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester (EN752) and Dual Foot Plate

# **Description**

The Semtronics Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester is designed to test personal grounding devices, wrist strap and ESD footwear, to satisfy the requirements and the recommendations of the ESD Association.

Per ANSI/ESD- S1.1 Section 6.1.3 Frequency of Functional Testing "The wrist strap system should be tested daily to ensure proper electrical value."

Per ESD Handbook ESD TR20.20 Section 5.3.2.4.2 Additional User Wrist Strap Testing "Proper testing of the wrist strap includes the resistance of the groundable point on the end of the cord, the cord itself, the resistor, the cordto cuff snap connector, the resistance of the interface of the cuff, the cuff/wrist interface, and the resistance of the person between the wrist and the hand that contacts the test electrode."

Per ESD Handbook ESD TR20.20 Section 5.3.2.2.2 Wrist Strap Ground Cord "At first glance, the ground cord appears to be a relatively simple assembly. However, the design requirements are considerable, given the wide range of user applications and the durability requirements of constant tugging, flexing, and dragging over the edge of workstation tops and equipment chassis."

"Compliance verification should be performed prior to each use (daily, shift change, etc.). The accumulation of insulative materials may increase the foot grounder system resistance. If foot grounders are worn outside the ESD protected area testing for functionality before reentry to the ESD protected area should be considered." (ESD SP9.2 APPENDIX B - Foot Grounder Usage Guidance)

"A log should be maintained which verifies that personnel have tested their personal grounding devices. (Wrist Straps and ESD Footwear)" (ANSI/ESD S20.20 Section 6.2.2.2 Personnel Grounding Guidance)

The Semtronics Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester is available in three models:

Model	Voltage	Power Adapter
62101	120 VAC	USA
62102	220 VAC	Europe
62104	220 VAC	UK / Asia

# **Packaging**

- 1 Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester
- **Dual Foot Plate**
- Power Adapter
- Stereo Plug to Stereo Plug Cord
- Banana Plug to Ring Terminal Cord
- 1 Certificate of Calibration

#### Installation

The resistance limits for footwear and wrist strap tests are controlled by the DIP switches located on the left-side of the tester (see Figure 2). See the following tables for the DIP switch settings and their corresponding test values.

#### **FOOTWEAR RESISTANCE**

DIP switches 1 and 2 control the "HIGH" test limit.

Switch 1	Switch 2	HIGH Limit Resistance
ON	ON	10 Megohms (1 X 10E7)
OFF	OFF	35 Megohms (3.5 X 10E7)*
ON	OFF	100 Megohms (1 X 10E8)
OFF	ON	1 Gigohm

DIP switches 3 and 4 control the "LOW" test limit.

Switch 3	Switch 4	LOW Limit Resistance
ON	OFF	100 Kilohms (1 X 10E5)
OFF	ON	1 Megohm (1 X 10E6)*

**Default Setting** 

NOTE: At 1 Gigohm high limit resistance, a dirty foot plate could result in a false pass. Be sure to keep the foot plate clean when using this setting.

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#### WRIST STRAP RESISTANCE

DIP switches 5 and 6 control the "HIGH" test limit.

Switch 5	Switch 6	HIGH Limit Resistance
OFF	OFF	Wrist Strap Test Disabled
ON	OFF	35 Megohms (3.5 X 10E7)*
ON	ON	10 Megohms (1 X 10E7)**

- Default Europe Setting
- \*\* Default USA Setting

DIP switch 5 must be ON (default setting) for the wrist strap test to be active. If the wrist strap test is disabled by DIP switch 5 being OFF, the 3 LEDs for this test will remain OFF at all times.

The "LOW" limit for the wrist strap test is set to 1 Megohms and cannot be changed by the user.

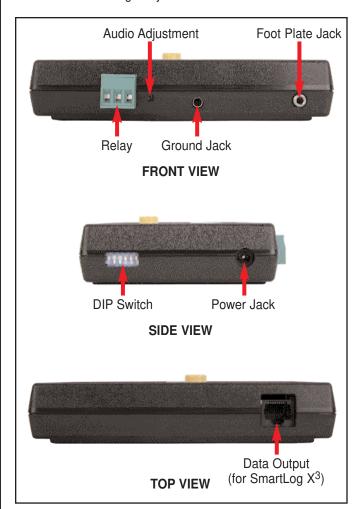


Figure 2. Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester side views

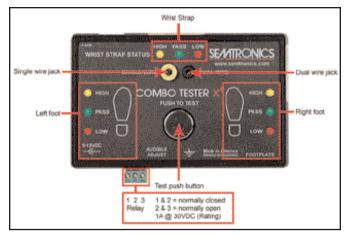


Figure 3. Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester features and components

#### INSTALLING THE TESTER AND FOOT PLATE

Mount the tester at the desired location using the four mounting holes in the corners of the yellow mounting plate.

Set the foot plate below the tester.

Insert one end of the Stereo Plug to Stereo Plug cord into the stereo jack located at the bottom of the tester (see Figure 2). Insert the other end of the cord into the stereo jack at the back of the foot plate.

Insert the banana plug end of the Banana Plug to Ring Terminal cord into the ground jack located at the bottom of the tester (see Figure 2). Connect the ring terminal end of the cord to earth ground. This connection will remove any static charge from the user before the test. NOTE: Failure to correctly ground the tester may result in damage not covered under warranty.

Insert the power supply plug into the power jack located on the left-side of the tester (see Figure 2). Plug the power supply into an appropriate power outlet.

#### **RELAY TERMINAL**

A relay with both "normally open" and "normally closed" contacts is included for your convenience. Going from left to right, the terminal block on the bottom of the tester has terminals for "normally closed," "common," and "normally open" (see Figure 3). The relay can be used for opening an electric lock to an ESD sensitive area. The maximum contact rating is: 1A@30VDC.

# Operation

Upon power up, the alarm will sound and all of the LEDs for the activated tests will be illuminated. The tester is now ready for use.

Pushing the touch plate on the front panel starts the test. During the test all LEDs will turn off to indicate that a test is in progress. The touch plate must remain depressed until the test results are displayed. Depending on the

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configuration of the tester, the test could require up to three (3) seconds.

The resistance is checked from the touch plate to the corresponding foot plate for each foot and from the touch plate to the wrist strap connector jacks through the operator. A wrist strap must be plugged into the appropriate jack before the touch plate is depressed if the wrist strap option is activated.

The Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester can test both single and dual wrist straps. Single-wire wrist straps are to be plugged into the banana jack labeled "SINGLE-WIRE" located on the front panel of the tester (see Figure 3). Dual-wire wrist straps are to be plugged into the phono jack labeled "DUAL-WIRE" located on the front panel of the tester (see Figure 3). The tester automatically determines what type of wrist strap is being tested.

The LED(s) will turn off while the test is in progress. The test results for each foot and wrist strap will then be displayed for approximately three (3) seconds. If all tests result in a "PASS" condition, the internal relay will activate.

If any of the test results fail "HIGH" or "LOW," an audible alarm will sound. The LED(s) indicating the failed test will be displayed for approximately three (3) seconds, and the internal relay will not activate.

# **Specifications**

#### Rated tester voltage:

12 VDC, 600 mA, (2.5 mm connector - center positive)

## Relay contact rating:

1 A @ 30 VDC max

#### Temperature range:

41°F - 104°F (5°C - 40°C)

## Operating conditions:

Indoor use only at altitudes less than 6500 ft. (2 km). Maximum relative humidity of 80% up to 88°F (31°C) decreasing linearly to 50% @ 104°F (40°C).

## Pollution degree:

2 per IEC 644

## Calibration

The Semtronics Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester is calibrated to standards traceable to NIST. Frequency of recalibratrion should be based on the critical nature of those ESD sensitive items handled and the risk of failure for the ESD protective equipment and materials. In general, we recommend that calibration be performed annually.

The accuracy of the Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester is specified as:

• ±5% for 1 Megohm and lower resistance ranges

• ±10% for 1 Megohm and higher resistance ranges

A periodic check (once every 6 to 12 months) using a precision resistance box should be performed to verify proper operation.

The Semtronics 62080 Limit Comparator is available for the convenient periodic testing of the Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester (see Figure 4).

The Semtronics Limit Comparator allows the customer to perform NIST traceable calibration on a number of Semtronics Testers including the 62101, 62102, and 62104. The Limit Comparator can be used on the shop floor within a few minutes virtually eliminating downtime, verifying that



Figure 4. Semtronics 62080 Limit Comparator

the Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester is operating within tolerances.

# **USING THE 62080 LIMIT COMPARATOR Wrist Strap Operation Test**

- I. Insert the Limit Comparator's test plug into the "DUAL-WIRE" phono jack located on the face of the Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Tester.
- II. Select "1M LOW" with the Limit Comparator's rotary switch.
- III. Press and hold the touch plate of the tester until the test is completed. The tester should indiciate a wrist strap FAIL LOW condition.
- IV. Select "1M PASS" on the Limit Comparator and repeat the test. The tester should indiciate a wrist strap PASS condition.
- V. Select either the "10M PASS" or "35M PASS" setting, whichever one is appropriate, on the Limit Comparator and repeat the test. The tester should indiciate a wrist strap PASS condition.
- VI. Select either the "10M HIGH" or "35M HIGH" setting, whichever one is appropriate, on the Limit Comparator and repeat the test. The tester should indiciate a wrist

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## **Footwear Operation Test**

- I. Insert the Limit Comparator's test plug into the phono jack located on the Dual Foot Plate.
- II. Select the appropriate FAIL LOW setting on the Limit Comparator.
- III. Press and hold the touch plate of the tester until the test is completed. The tester should indiciate a FAIL LOW condition for both feet.
- IV. Select the appropriate PASS LOW setting on the Limit Comparator and repeat the test. The tester should indiciate a PASS condition for both feet.
- V. Select the appropriate PASS HIGH setting on the Limit Comparator and repeat the test. The tester should indiciate a PASS condition for both feet.
- VI. Select the appropriate FAIL HIGH setting on the Limit Comparator and repeat the test. The tester should indiciate a FAIL HIGH condition for both feet.

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## **Limited Warranty**

Semtronics expressly warrants that for a period of one (1) year from the date of purchase, Semtronics Dual Independent Footwear and Wrist Strap Testers will be free of defects in material (parts) and workmanship (labor). Within the warranty period, a unit will be tested, repaired, or replaced at our option, free of charge. Call Customer Service at 909-627-8178 (Chino, CA) or 508-485-7390 (Marlboro, MA) for Return Material Authorization (RMA) and proper shipping instructions and address. Include a copy of your original packing slip, invoice, or other proof of date of purchase. Any unit under warranty should be shipped prepaid to the Semtronics factory.

Warranty replacements will take approximately two weeks. If your unit is out of warranty, Semtronics will quote repair charges necessary to bring your unit up to factory standards. Call Customer Service at 909-627-8178 for proper shipping instructions and address. Ship your unit freight prepaid.

## **Warranty Exclusions**

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