



## Introduction

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Congratulations on your purchase of Extech's MN35 Manual Ranging Multimeter. This meter measures AC/DC Voltage, DC Current, Resistance, Temperature, Battery Test, Diode Test and Continuity. This meter is shipped fully tested and calibrated and, with proper use, will provide years of reliable service. Please visit our website ([www.extech.com](http://www.extech.com)) to check for the latest version of this User Guide, Product Updates, and Customer Support.

## Safety

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### International Safety Symbols



This symbol, adjacent to another symbol or terminal, indicates the user must refer to the manual for further information.



This symbol, adjacent to a terminal, indicates that, under normal use, hazardous voltages may be present



Double insulation

### Safety Precautions

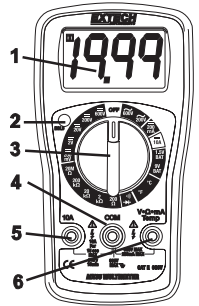
1. Improper use of this meter can cause damage, shock, injury or death. Read and understand this user manual before operating the meter.
2. Make sure any covers or battery doors are properly closed and latched.
3. Always remove the test leads before replacing the battery or fuses.
4. Inspect the condition of the test leads and the meter itself for any damage before operating the meter. Repair any damage before use.
5. Do not exceed the maximum rated input limits.
6. Use great care when making measurements if the voltages are greater than 25VAC rms or 35VDC. These voltages are considered a shock hazard.
7. Always discharge capacitors and remove power from the device under test before performing Diode, Resistance or Continuity tests.
8. Remove the battery from the meter if the meter is to be stored for long periods.
9. To avoid electric shock, do not measure AC current of any kind

| Input Limits                  |                                   |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Function                      | Maximum Input                     |
| VDC, VAC                      | 600V DC/AC                        |
| Resistance, Diode, Continuity | 500V DC/AC                        |
| mA DC                         | 250mA DC                          |
| 10A DC                        | 10A DC (15sec. max every 15 min.) |

## Meter Description

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1. LCD Display
2. Hold button
3. Function switch
4. COM jack
5. 10A jack
6. Positive jack



**Note:** Tilt stand and battery access is on the rear of unit.

## Operating Instructions

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**Note:** If “H” and a blank screen appear when the meter is turned on the HOLD feature is active. Press the HOLD button to exit the HOLD mode.

### AC or DC Voltage Measurements

1. Insert the black test lead banana plug into the negative **COM** jack and the red test lead banana plug into the positive **V** jack.
2. Turn the rotary switch to the highest **VAC** or **VDC** position.
3. Touch the test probes to the circuit under test and read the voltage on the display.
4. Reset the function switch to successively lower positions to obtain a higher resolution reading. If the polarity is reversed (DC voltage only), the display will show (-) minus before the value.

### DC Current Measurements

**CAUTION:** Do not make current measurements on the 10A scale for longer than 15 seconds followed by a 15 minute cool down period. Exceeding 15 seconds may cause damage to the meter and/or the test leads.

1. Insert the black test lead banana plug into the negative **COM** jack.
2. For current measurements up to 200mA DC, set the function switch to the 200mA DC position and insert the red test lead banana plug into the **V/Ω/mA** jack.
3. For current measurements up to 10A DC, set the function switch to the 10A DC range and insert the red test lead banana plug into the **10A** jack.
4. Remove power from the circuit under test, then open up the circuit at the point where you wish to measure current.
5. Touch the black test probe tip to the negative side of the circuit.  
Touch the red test probe tip to the positive side of the circuit.
6. Apply power to the circuit.
7. Read the current in the display.

## Resistance Measurements

1. Insert the black test lead banana plug into the negative **COM** jack and the red test lead banana plug into the positive **V/Ω/mA** jack.
2. Set the function switch to the highest  $\square$  position.
3. Touch the test probe tips across the circuit or part under test. It is best to disconnect one side of the part under test so the rest of the circuit will not interfere with the resistance reading.
4. Read the resistance in the display and then set the function switch to the lowest  $\square$  position that is greater than the actual or any anticipated resistance.

## Temperature Measurements

**WARNING:** To avoid electric shock, disconnect test leads from any source of voltage before making a temperature measurement. Be sure that the thermocouple has been removed before changing to any other measurement function.

1. Insert the type K thermocouple probe into the **V/Ω/mA** and **COM** jacks.
2. Turn the rotary switch to the  $^{\circ}\text{F}$  or  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  position.
3. Read the temperature on the display.

## Continuity Measurements

1. Insert the black test lead banana plug into the negative **COM** jack and the red test lead banana plug into the positive **V/Ω/mA** jack. Observe polarity.
2. Turn the rotary switch to the  $\blacktriangleright \bullet )))$  position.
3. Touch the test probes to the circuit or device under test. If the resistance is less than approximately  $40\Omega$  the buzzer will sound.

## Diode Measurements

1. Insert the black test lead banana plug into the negative **COM** jack and the red test lead banana plug into the positive **V/Ω/mA** jack.
2. Turn the rotary switch to the  $\blacktriangleright \bullet )))$  position.
3. Touch the test probes to the diode under test. Forward voltage will indicate 0.4V to 0.7V. Reverse voltage will indicate "1. ". Shorted devices will indicate near 0mV and an open device will indicate "1. " in both polarities.

## Battery Test

1. Insert the black test lead banana plug into the negative **COM** jack and the red test lead banana plug into the positive **V** jack.
2. Turn the rotary switch to the **1.5V** or **9V BAT** position.
3. Connect the red test lead to the positive side of the 1.5V or 9V battery and the black test lead to the negative side of the 1.5V or 9V battery.
4. Read the voltage in the display.

|               | Good   | Weak          | Bad    |
|---------------|--------|---------------|--------|
| 9V battery:   | >8.2V  | 7.2 to 8.2V   | <7.2V  |
| 1.5V battery: | >1.35V | 1.22 to 1.35V | <1.22V |

## Data Hold

Press the **Hold** button to freeze the reading in the display. "H" will appear in the LCD. Press the key again to release the display.

## ***Maintenance***

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**WARNING:** To avoid electric shock, disconnect the test leads from any source of voltage before removing the battery/fuse cover.

**WARNING:** To avoid electric shock, do not operate your meter until the battery/fuse cover is in place and fastened securely.

This Multimeter is designed to provide years of dependable service, if the following care instructions are performed.

1. Keep the meter dry.
2. Use and store the meter in mild ambient conditions. Temperature extremes can shorten the life of the electronic parts and distort or melt plastic parts.
3. Handle the meter gently. Dropping it can damage the electronic parts or the case.
4. Keep the meter clean. Wipe the case occasionally with a damp cloth. DO NOT use chemicals, cleaning solvents or detergents.
5. Use only fresh batteries of the recommended size and type. Remove old or weak batteries so they do not leak and damage the unit.
6. If the meter is to be stored for a long period of time, the batteries should be removed to prevent damage to the unit.

# Battery Replacement

**WARNING:** To avoid electric shock, disconnect the test leads from any source of voltage before removing the battery/fuse cover.

1. Disconnect the test leads from the meter.
2. Remove the rubber holster (if in place).
3. Remove the two screws securing the rear cover using a Phillips head screwdriver.
4. Lift the cover off and replace the battery observing the correct polarity.
5. Insert the new battery into the battery holder.
6. Replace the rear cover and secure with the screws.



Never dispose of used batteries or rechargeable batteries in household waste. As consumers, users are legally required to take used batteries to appropriate collection sites, the retail store where the batteries were purchased, or wherever batteries are sold.

**Disposal:** Do not dispose of this instrument in household waste. The user is obligated to take end-of-life devices to a designated collection point for the disposal of electrical and electronic equipment.

## Other Battery Safety Reminders

- Never dispose of batteries in a fire. Batteries may explode or leak.
- Never mix battery types. Always install new batteries of the same type.


# Fuse Replacement

**WARNING:** To avoid electric shock, disconnect the test leads from any source of voltage before removing battery/fuse cover.

1. Disconnect the test leads from any circuit being measured.
2. Remove the rubber holster (if in place).
3. Remove the two screws securing the rear cover using a Phillips head screwdriver. Remove the rear cover.
4. Remove the old fuse by gently pulling up on it.
5. Install the new fuse by gently pushing it into the holder.
6. Always use a fuse of the proper size and value; 250mA/250V fast blow.
7. Replace the rear cover and secure with the screws.

## Specifications

| Function                          | Range        | Accuracy   |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--|
| DC Voltage (V DC)                 | 200.0mV      | ±(0.5% reading + 2 digits)   |
|                                   | 2.000V       |  |
|                                   | 20.00V       |  |
|                                   | 200.0V       |  |
|                                   | 600V         | ±(0.8% reading + 2 digits)   |
| AC Voltage (V AC)<br>(40 - 400Hz) | 200.0V       | ±(1.2% reading + 10 digits)  |
|                                   | 600V         |  |
| DC Current (A DC)                 | 200.0mA      | ±(1.5% reading + 2 digits)   |
|                                   | 10.00A       | ±(3.0% reading + 5 digits)   |
| Resistance                        | 200.0Ω       | ±(0.8% reading + 4 digits)   |
|                                   | 2.000kΩ      | ±(0.8% reading + 2 digits)   |
|                                   | 20.00kΩ      |  |
|                                   | 200.0kΩ      |  |
|                                   | 20.00MΩ      | ±(3.0% reading + 3 digits)   |
| Temp °F                           | -4 to 1400°F | -4 to 59°F; ±(2.5% reading + 19 digits)<br>60 to 750°F ±(1.0% reading + 9 digits)<br>751; to 1400°F; ±(2.5% reading + 19 digits)                                   |
| Temp °C                           | -20 to 750°C | -20 to 16°C; ±(2.5% reading + 10 digits)<br>17 to 400°C; ±(1.0% reading + 5 digits),<br>400 to 750°C; ±(2.5% reading + 10 digits)<br>(probe accuracy not included) |

- Accuracy** Stated at 23°C ±5 °C (73°F ±10°F) and less than 70% RH
- Diode Test** Test current of 1mA maximum, open circuit voltage 2.8V DC typical
- Continuity Check** Audible signal will sound if the resistance is less than approximately <math>40\Omega \pm 5\Omega</math>
- Temperature sensor** Requires type K thermocouple
- Input Impedance** 10MΩ (VDC) and 4.5MΩ (VAC)
- Display** 1999 count LCD
- Overrange** "1 or -1" is displayed
- Polarity** Automatic (no indication for positive polarity); Minus (-) sign for negative polarity.
- Measurement Rate** 3 times per second, nominal
- Low Battery** "  " is displayed if battery voltage drops below operating voltage
- Batteries** Requires one 9V battery (NEDA 1604 or equivalent)
- Fuses** mA range; 250mA/250V fast blow  
10A range, no protection
- Operating Temp** 0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)
- Storage Temp** -20°C to 60°C (-4°F to 140°F)

**Relative Humidity** Maximum relative humidity 80% for temperatures up to 31°C decreasing linearly to 50% relative humidity at 40°C.

**Operating Altitude** 2000 meters (7000ft) maximum.




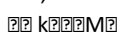

**Weight** 153g (5.4 oz.)

**Size** 138mm x 72mm x 38mm (5.43" x 2.83" x 1.5")

**Safety** For indoor use and in accordance with Overvoltage Category II, Pollution Degree 2. Category II includes local level, appliance, portable equipment, etc., with transient overvoltages less than Overvoltage Category III.

## Symbols

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|  |  |
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|  | AC (voltage)                                 |
|  | DC (direct current or voltage)               |
|  | Continuity and Diode test                    |
| mV, V  | millivolt, volt (voltage)                    |
|  | ohm, kilohm, megohm (resistance)             |
| μA, mA, A  | microamp, milliamp, Amp (current)            |
| °F, °C   | Degrees Fahrenheit, centigrade (temperature) |
|  | Low battery                                  |
| HOLD   | Display hold                                 |

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