

How do I set a test sequence for a 230V 4 way surge protected lead, using the Supernova?



Both the Supernova and Europa Plus portable appliance testers come with 17 Factory programmed test sequences. It is not possible to add any extra sequences to this list, therefore in order to add this sequence one of the existing sequences must be sacrificed, ideally one that is not used.

From the Main menu of the tester, scroll to SETUP and press the green button to enter that menu.



From this point scroll to EDIT TEST SETTINGS and again press green to enter the next screen.



At this point the tester displays the listing of all programmed test settings. Bear in mind that the one you choose to alter will be overwritten.

Select one of the sequences from this list, and press Green Button to enter the TEST SETTINGS EDITOR.



This screen shows the sequence of tests to be performed. In the example above it has been decided to alter the 12m 230V lead test.

Firstly ensure the socket is set to 230V, if this is not the case, use the up/down arrows on the directional keypad to highlight SOCKET, pressing the green button will switch between 115V and 230V.

In line with the IEE Code of Practice for In Service Inspection and Testing of Electrical Appliances, a visual test is recommended, again scroll to visual and press the green button to toggle between YES and SKIP.

The next test required to be included will be an Earth Bond, it is recommended the following conditions apply. To enter the Test Settings Editor screen scroll to Earth Bond and press Green.

Once in the test settings editor screen, use the left and right arrows to change fields, and the up and down arrows to change values.

It is recommended that the following settings are set:

Output: 25A

Limit: The absolute minimum for this will be 0.1, in line with the IEE's recommendation that Earth Bond pass limit will be 0.1+R where R is the resistance of the cable, and will differ dependant upon lead length and

cross sectional area. Calculate accordingly or use the Earth Bond Limit

Calculator to define.

Duration: 5s

Number: 4 (This defines how many times the test will be performed, in this

instance we have 4 sockets, so 4 tests will be performed)

Once all these values have been set, press the Far right soft key (5 of these

situated below the screen), corresponding to the OK on screen.

The next step is to perform an Insulation test on the lead, once again scroll to insulation, press Green to enter the Insulation limits screen. And ensure

the tester is set as below.

Output: 250V

Limit: 1.00MD

Duration: 2s

Number: 1

Once complete again press the OK soft key to confirm.

The final test required will be a polarity test, scroll to the Polarity option and

press Green to either activate this test or not. There are no user definable

parameters to this test.

It may be that other tests are active in which case these can simply be

removed from the sequence by scrolling to and entering the parameter

selection screen. At this point scroll right to LIMIT, and use the up down

arrows to select SKIP.

The final requirement is to change the name to something recognisable for this type of test. "4 Way Surge" for example. Scroll to NAME, press Green to edit this field and alter accordingly. Press Green to confirm and press OK soft key to come back to the Test Sequence list.

At this point press green and you will see "Storing System Data" displayed.

The Sequence is now stored and ready to use.

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