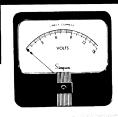
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# VOLT-OHM-MILLIAMMETER MODEL 268

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FIG. 1. SIMPSON VOLT-OHM-MILLIAMMETER MODEL 268

#### SECTION I

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

#### INTRODUCTION

The Simpson Volt-Ohm-Milliammeter Model 268 is a rugged, accurate, compact, easy to operate, instrument which may be used for measuring electrical characteristics of circuits and circuit components. It indicates quantity measurements for DC and AC Voltages, Direct Currents, Resistances, Decibels, and Output Voltages.

The Simpson Model 268 features a large 7-inch meter for optimum readability and resolution. No external power is required for the operation of the instrument; internal batteries are used to furnish the power required for resistance measurements.

The instrument is housed in a sturdy black bakelite case. It is molded with reinforced walls for maximum durability. All of the component parts in the Model 268 are attached to the front panel; the entire instrument slips into and out of the case in one piece.

Conforming to the latest engineering developments, most of the component parts are mounted on a printed circuit board. This simplifies assembly, reduces maintenance, and extends the useful life of the instrument.

The Adjust-A-View handle is attached on each side of the instrument case. The handle may be used to support the instrument in a convenient sloping position for easy viewing on the bench top. Of course, the Model 268 can also be placed in either a vertical or a horizontal position.

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To protect those circuits most apt to be overloaded, the instrument includes a fuse. If the ohmmeter ranges are misused or the milliammeter ranges are overloaded, the fuse will burn out to protect the circuits from damage. The fuse is a pigtail type 3AG rated at 1 ampere, and is soldered in eyelets on the printed circuit inside the case.

#### **ACCESSORIES FURNISHED**

Each Simpson Volt-Ohm-Milliammeter Model 268 is furnished with one pair of four-foot test leads; one black and the other red for easy polarity identification. The wire is very finely stranded and extra-flexible. The insulation is a special high-grade rubber which has far more insulation strength than the highest voltages to which your instrument will ever be subjected.

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#### **ACCESSORIES AVAILABLE**

#### HIGH VOLTAGE MULTIPLIERS

3000 V DC Simpson Part Number	8572
3000 V AC Simpson Part Number	8574
6000 V DC Simpson Part Number	8573
6000 V AC Simpson Part Number	0004

TEST LEADS WITH PRODS

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### MEASUREMENT RANGES

DC VOLTAGE (Sensitivity: 20,000 ohms per volt)

0- 3 volts 0- 300 volts 0-12 volts 0- 600 volts 0-60 volts 0-1200 volts

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#### AC VOLTAGE (Sensitivity: 5,000 ohms per volt)

0- 3 volts 0- 300 volts 0-12 volts 0- 600 volts 0-60 volts 0-1200 volts

#### AF OUTPUT VOLTAGE

(With 0.1 uf internal series capacitor)

0- 3 volts 0- 12 volts 0- 60 volts 0-300 volts

# VOLUME LEVEL IN DECIBELS (With zero DB equal to 1 milliwatt across a 600 ohm line)

- 12 to + 11 DB - 1 to + 22 DB + 13 to + 36 DB + 27 to + 50 DB

#### DC RESISTANCE

R x 1 for 0 to 2000 ohms (12 ohms center)
R x 100 for 0 to 200,000 ohms (1200 ohms center)
R x 10,000 for 0 to 20 megohms (120,000 ohms center)

#### DIRECT CURRENT

0- 60 microamperes (Resistance 4200 ohms)
0- 1.2 milliampere (Resistance 200 ohms)
0- 12 milliamperes (Resistance 22 ohms)
0-120 milliamperes (Resistance 2.4 ohms)
0- 12 amperes (Resistance 0.022 ohms)

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#### **ACCURACY**

DC voltage and current	± 3% of full scale
AC voltage, AF voltage, and Decibels	± 5% of full scale
Resistance	± 3° of arc
OVERALL DIMENSIONS	6" × 71/" × 21/"

6" x /¼" x 3¼"

WEIGHT

3¼ lbs.

#### FREQUENCY RESPONSE (Nominal)

#### AC Voltage Measurements

	Essentially		
Range	Flat ( ± 1%)	± 3%	± 5%
3 V AC	100 kc	1 M cps	
12 V AC	100 kc	500 kc	600 kc
60 V AC	15 kc	40 kc	60 kc
300 V AC	7 kc	10 kc	20 kc

#### Output Voltage Measurements

	Essentially Flat		
Range	<u>(± 1%)</u>	± 3%	± 5%
3 V AC	1 kc - 100 kc	400 cps - 1 M cps	200 cps
12 V AC	150 cps - 100 kc	100 cps - 500 kc	70 cps-600 kc
60 V AC	30 cps – 15 kc	10 cps - 40 kc	10 cps-20 kc

#### CONTROLS AND CONNECTORS

#### **FUNCTION AND RANGE SWITCH**

The control for the function and range switch is located in the lower right corner of the front panel. The function and range in-

#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

dicator is located in the meter dial area, and is driven by a chain linkage from this control. The switch shaft is connected directly to the indicator, and, as such, there is no chance that any difference will ever occur between the indicator reading and the actual function and range for which the instrument is set. The switch may be turned in either direction to obtain any of the eighteen positions desired for a specific application.

#### ZERO OHMS CONTROL

The control located at the lower left on the front panel is the ZERO OHMS control. This is used to obtain a zero indication for the ohmmeter when the test leads are shorted together. During operation, the zero indication is checked each time the ohmmeter is to be used; this counteracts the effect of aging of the internal batteries and permits them to be used for a longer period of time.

#### **CIRCUIT JACKS**

There are six circuit jacks on the Model 268. Three are on the left side of the case, and the other three are on the right side of the case.

The three jacks on the right are legended COMMON -, +, and +12 AMP. The COMMON- jack is used for all ranges and functions. The + jack is used in conjunction with the COMMON- jack for all ranges and functions with the exception of the +12 AMP DC, 1200 V DC, 1200 V AC, and OUTPUT ranges. The +12 AMP jack is used in conjunction with the COMMON- jack for 0-12 AMP DC current measurements.

The three jacks on the left are legended OUTPUT, 1200 V AC, and 1200 V DC.

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The OUTPUT jack connects a 0.1 uf capacitor in series with the AC volt ranges to provide DC isolation as required in some output voltage measurements.

The 1200 V AC, and 1200 V DC jacks are used to extend the 600 V DC, and 600 V AC ranges of the instruments to 1200 V DC, and 1200 V AC.

Whenever polarity is involved, as for DC voltage and current measurements, the black lead is used for negative polarity and the red lead for positive polarity, providing the black lead is the the one which is connected into the COMMON – jack. For AC and OUTPUT voltage measurements, polarity is not identified. For resistance measurements, positive polarity is applied through the red test lead to the resistance being measured, and negative polarity is applied through the black test lead.

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#### CAUTION

When making voltage or current measurements, as a safety precaution, form the habit of turning off all power to the circuit under test and discharging all capacitors. Connect the test leads at the desired points in the circuit. Then turn on the power while taking the readings. Turn off the power and discharge all capacitors before disconnecting test leads from the circuit.

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#### INITIAL ADJUSTMENTS

#### POSITION THE INSTRUMENT

Place the instrument in its operating position. It may be positioned vertically or horizontally, or the Adjust-A-View handle may be used as a support to position the instrument at a convenient angle. The most accurate measurements will always be obtained when the instrument is positioned horizontally, because the meter pivots have the least bearing friction when the meter is in this position.

#### ZERO DEFLECTION

Before making any measurements with the Simpson Volt-Ohm-Milliammeter Model 268, check to see that the pointer indicates zero when the meter is in its operating position. If the pointer is off zero, turn the screw located in the case below the center of the meter scale to correct the pointer position. Use a small screw-driver to turn this screw slowly either clockwise or counterclockwise until the pointer is exactly over the zero mark at the left side of the scale.

#### MEASURING DC VOLTAGES, 0-600 VOLTS

- 1. Connect the black test lead in the COMMON jack, and the red test lead in the + jack.
- 2. Set the range switch for any of the five VDC range positions. These are marked 3 VDC, 12 VDC, 60 VDC, 300 VDC, and 600 VDC. When in doubt as to which range should be used, always use the highest voltage range first as a protection to the instrument. If the voltage is within a lower range, the switch may be set for the lower range to obtain a more accurate reading.

- 3. Connect the black test lead to the negative side of the circuit to be measured, and the red test lead to the positive side of the circuit.
- 4. Turn power on in the circuit to be tested. If the pointer deflects to the left of zero, the actual circuit polarity is the reverse of the anticipated polarity; turn power off in the circuit, reverse the test leads, and turn power on again. This will apply the correct polarity to the meter.
- 5. Read the voltage on the black arc marked DC, which is second from the top of the dial.
  - For the 3 VDC range, use the 0-300 scale and divide by 100.
  - For the 12 VDC, 60 VDC, and 300 VDC ranges, read the corresponding scale directly.
  - For the 600 VDC range, use the 0-60 scale and multiply by 10.
- 6. Turn power off in the circuit which is being measured and discharge all capacitors before disconnecting the test leads.

#### MEASURING DC VOLTAGES, 0-1200 VOLT RANGE ONLY

#### CAUTION

Be extremely careful when working in high voltage circuits. Never touch the meter or the test leads while power is on in the circuit being measured.

- 1. Set the range switch at 1200 VDC (the same switch position as for the 600 VDC range).
- 2. Connect the black test lead in the COMMON jack, and the red test lead in the 1200 VDC jack.

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- 3. Be sure power is off in the circuit to be measured and discharge all capacitors. Then connect the black test lead to the negative side of the circuit and the red test lead to the positive side of the circuit.
- 4. Turn power on for the circuit. Do not touch the meter or the test leads. If the pointer deflects to the left side of zero, the actual circuit polarity is the reverse of the anticipated polarity; turn power off in the circuit, discharge the capacitors, reverse the test leads, and turn power on again. This will apply the correct polarity to the meter.
- 5. Read the voltage, using the 0-12 scale on the black arc which is second from the top on the dial. Multiply the reading by 100.
- 6. Turn power off and discharge all capacitors before removing the test leads.

#### MEASURING AC VOLTAGES, 0-600 VOLTS

#### CAUTION

Be extremely careful when working in high voltage circuits. Never touch the meter or test leads while power is on in the circuit being measured, particularly in power type circuits with voltages greater than 250 volts and current capabilities greater than 25 amperes. Discharge all capacitors before connecting or disconnecting test leads.

The Simpson Volt-Ohm-Milliammeter Model 268 rectifier circuit responds to the average value of the AC voltage being applied. The meter dial, however, is calibrated in terms of the RMS value, which will be correct for all sine wave measurements.

The Model 268 has been especially designed to provide a wide frequency range. The data on page 6 shows the response for the 3, 12, 60, and 300 volt ranges.

- 1. Connect the black test lead in the COMMON jack, and the red test lead in the + jack.
- 2. Set the range switch for any of the five VAC range positions. These are marked 3 VAC, 12 VAC, 60 VAC, 300 VAC, and 600 VAC. When in doubt as to which range should be used, always use the highest voltage range first as a protection to the instrument. If the voltage is within a lower range, the switch may be set for the lower range to obtain a more accurate reading.
- 3. Be sure power is turned off in the circuit to be measured, and connect the test leads across the voltage to be measured.
- 4. Turn power on in the circuit to be tested.

For the 0-3 VAC range, read the value directly on the red arc marked 3 VAC ONLY.

For the 12 VAC, 60 VAC, and 300 VAC ranges, read the red arc marked AC, and use the corresponding black figures immediately above the arc.

For the 600 VAC range, read the red arc marked AC; use the 0-60 black figures and multiply the reading by 10.

5. Turn power off and discharge all capacitors before disconnecting the test leads.

### MEASURING AC VOLTAGES, 0-1200 VOLT RANGE ONLY

1. Set the range switch at 1200 VAC (the same switch position as for the 600 VAC range).

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- 2. Connect the black test lead in the COMMON jack, and the red cest lead in the 1200 VAC jack.
- 3. Be sure power is off in the circuit to be measured and discharge all capacitors. Then connect the test leads across the voltage to be measured.
- 4. Turn power on in the circuit to be measured. Do not touch the meter or the test leads. Read the voltage on the red arc marked AC; use the 0-12 black DC scale and multiply the reading by 100.
- 5. Turn off the power and discharge all capacitors before disconnecting the test leads from the circuit.

#### MEASURING OUTPUT VOLTAGES (see Caution on page 11)

An Output Voltage is the AC component only in a mixture of AC and DC voltage, such as the normal condition in an audio amplifier. The Model 268 has a capacitor connected in series with its OUTPUT jack which blocks the DC component of the current from passing into the measuring circuit, but permits the AC component to pass. The blocking capacitor has some effect on the AC response characteristics at the lower frequencies as shown on page 6.

- 1. Connect the black test lead in the COMMON jack, and the red test lead in the OUTPUT jack.
- 2. Set the range switch for any of the four VAC ranges which is appropriate for the output voltage to be measured. The ranges are 3 VAC, 12 VAC, 60 VAC, and 300 VAC.

#### NOTE

Do not make measurement in circuits where the DC Voltage present exceeds the voltage rating (400 volts DC) of the internal series capacitor.

- 3. Connect the black test lead to the grounded side of the circuit to be measured, and the red test lead to the 'hot' side. If neither side of the circuit is grounded, connect the black test lead to the side which is the closer to ground potential.
- 4. Turn on power in the circuit. Read the output voltage on the AC voltage arcs of the scale.

For the 0-3 VAC range, read the voltage directly on the special arc marked 3 VAC ONLY.

For the 12 VAC, 60 VAC and 300 VAC ranges, use the red arc marked AC and read the corresponding black DC numbers immediately above the arc.

5. Turn power off in the circuit before disconnecting the test leads.

#### MEASURING DECIBELS

For some applications, output voltages or audio frequency voltages are to be measured in terms of decibels. The decibel scale (DB), at the bottom of the dial, is numbered from -12 through 0 to +11. To measure decibels, proceed according to instructions for Output Voltages or for AC Voltages, and read the DB arc. The DB readings will be correct on an absolute scale if 0 DB is 0.001 watt (1 milliwatt) across 600 ohms (0.774 volt), and if the voltage read with the Model 268 was measured across 600 ohms.

To obtain DB values across 600 ohms:

For the 3 VAC range, read the DB arc directly.

For the 12, 60, and 300 volt ranges, add a fixed number as shown at the lower right corner of the dial to the reading on

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the DB arc. The accuracy of the correction factors is a function of the DB reading. In general, the error will not exceed ±1 DB. If better accuracy is required, calculate the DB from the indicated AC voltage.

If the reference level is 0 DB = 0.006 watt (6 milliwatts) in 500 ohms, and the Model 268 readings are made across 500 ohms, subtract 7 DB from the reading to obtain the absolute value of decibels.

#### MEASURING RESISTANCES

When DC resistances are measured in ohms, the batteries inside the case of the Model 268 furnish power for the measuring circuit. Correction for battery deterioration over long periods of time is provided by means of the ZERO OHMS control which is part of the ohmmeter circuit.

Each time the ohmmeter is to be used, set the ZERO OHMS control to provide full scale deflection of the pointer when the test prods are shorted together. Check and adjust as required each time a different range is used. Use the following procedure:

- 1. Set the range switch at the desired resistance range position.
- 2. Connect the black test lead in the COMMON jack, and the read test lead in the + jack.
- 3. Connect the contact ends of the test leads together to provide zero ohms resistance between them.
- 4. Observe the meter indication. It should read 0 at the right end of the OHMS arc, which is at the top of the dial.
- 5. If the pointer does not read zero, rotate the ZERO OHMS knob at the lower left on the front panel until it does. If the pointer

cannot be brought up to the 0 mark, one or more batteries need to be replaced.

- 6. After the pointer is adjusted for zero, separate the contact ends of the test leads and the ohmmeter is ready for use on that range.
- 7. Disconnect power for any resistor or circuit before measuring its resistance with the ohmmeter. Do not apply any power before the measurements are complete and the test leads are disconnected.
- 8. Connect the test leads across the resistance which is to be measured. If there is a "forward" and "backward" resistance, such as in rectifiers and diodes, observe polarity in the lead connections to control each direction of test. The red test lead will provide positive polarity, and the black test lead will provide negative polarity.

#### NOTE

The resistance of rectifiers may measure as different values on different ranges of the Model 268. For example, a crystal diode could measure 80 ohms on Rx1 range, and then measure 300 ohms on the Rx400 range. This is normal, and is a result of the diode characteristic. The difference in readings does not indicate a fault in the ohmmeter.

- 9. Read the indication on the OHMS arc at the top of the dial.

  Note that this arc reads from right to left for increasing values.
- 10. Multiply the reading by the multiplier factor indicated at the switch position; the result is the resistance value in ohms. K on the dial stands for "thousand".

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#### MEASURING DIRECT CURRENTS, 0 TO 60 MICROAMPERES

#### CAUTION

Never connect the test leads directly across any source of voltage when the Model 268 is used as a current measuring instrument. This will damage the instrument. Always connect the meter in series with the circuit being measured.

- 1. Connect the black test lead in the COMMON jack, and the red test lead in the + jack.
- 2. Set the range switch at 60 uAMPS.
- 3. With the circuit power turned off, open the circuit at the point where its current is to be measured. Connect the meter in series with the circuit; connect the red test lead toward the positive side, and the black test lead toward the negative side.
- 4. Turn power on for the circuit. Observe the meter. If the pointer is deflected to the left, the polarity is opposite to that which was anticipated; turn power off and reverse the leads.
- 5. Read the current directly on the black arc marked DC, using the 0-60 scale. The current value is shown in microamperes.
- 6. Turn off power for the circuit. Remove the test leads and restore the circuit continuity.

# MEASURING DIRECT CURRENTS, 60 MICROAMPERES TO 120 MILLIAMPERES

1. Connect the black test lead in the COMMON - jack, and the red test lead in the + jack.

- 2. Set the range switch for the appropriate milliampere range. The switch positions are marked 1.2 MA, 12 MA, and 120 MA.
- 3. With the circuit power turned off, open the circuit at the point where its current is to be measured. Connect the meter in series with the circuit; connect the red test lead toward the positive side, and the black test lead toward the negative side.
- 4. Turn power on for the circuit. Observe the meter. If the pointer is deflected to the left, the polarity is opposite to that which was anticipated; turn power off and reverse the leads.
- 5. Read the current on the black DC arc.

For the 1.2 MA range, use the 0-12 scale and divide by 10.

For the 12 MA range, read the 0-12 scale directly.

For the 120 MA range, use the 0-12 scale and multiply by 10.

All current values are in milliamperes.

6. Turn off power for the circuit. Remove the test leads and restore the circuit continuity.

## MEASURING DIRECT CURRENTS, 120 MILLIAMPERES TO 12 AMPERES

- 1. Connect the black test lead in the COMMON jack, and the red test lead in the +12 AMP jack.
- 2. Set the range switch at 12 MA/12 A.
- 3. With the circuit power turned off, open the circuit at the point where its current is to be measured. Connect the meter in

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series with the circuit, connect the red test lead toward the positive side of the circuit, and the black test lead toward the negative side.

- 4. Turn on power for the circuit. Observe the meter. If the pointer is deflected to the left, the circuit polarity is opposite to that which was anticipated; turn power off and reverse the leads.
- 5. Read the current directly on the black DC arc. Use the 0-12 scale. The current values are in amperes.
- 6. Turn off power for the circuit. Remove the test leads and restore the circuit continuity.

#### SECTION III

#### THEORY OF OPERATION

#### **GENERAL**

The basic meter movement of the Model 268 will be deflected to full scale whenever 50 microamperes of direct current passes through its circuit. When less current passes through its circuit, the amount of its deflection is proportional to the quantity of current. Since the meter movement has a fixed resistance, the amount of voltage drop across it is proportional to the current and to the amount of pointer deflection. For full scale, the voltage drop is 250 millivolts, or 0.25 volt.

#### **VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS - DC CIRCUIT**

Since the basic meter circuit is 5,000 ohms, and the voltage sensitivity is 250 millivolts for a full scale reading, the sensitivity

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in terms of ohms per volt, is 20,000 ohms/volt. For each higher range the Model 268 has precision resistors which are added in series with the basic current meter. To calculate the total instrument resistance, multiply 20,000 ohms (per volt) by the number of volts for full scale deflection. Thus, the total instrument resistance for each DC range is:

RANGE	Total Meter Resistance in Ohms
3	60,000
12	240,000
60	1,200,000
300	6,000,000
600	12,000,000
1200	24,000,000

#### **VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS - AC**

To measure AC voltages, a modified bridge rectifier circuit within the Model 268 develops a DC voltage which is proportional to the average value of the measured voltage, and this is used to pass direct current through the meter movement. Deflection of the pointer is proportional to the DC voltage, which is in turn proportional to the average AC value applied. The meter scale is calibrated in terms of the RMS value, and will be correct assuming that the measured voltage is in the form of a sine wave. The basic sensitivity of the AC circuit is 3 volts, and with an AC circuit resistance of 15,000 ohms. In terms of ohms per volt the basic sensitivity is 5000 ohms/volt. For each higher range the Model 268 has precision resistors which are added in series with the basic AC circuit. To calculate the total instrument

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resistance, multiply 5000 ohms (per volt) by the number of volts for full scale deflection. Thus the total instrument resistance for each AC range is as follows:

	Total Meter Resistance	
RANGE	in Ohms	
3	15,000	
12	60,000	
60	300,000	
300	1,500,000	
600	3,000,000	
1200	6,000,000	

#### **VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS - OUTPUT**

For measurement of Output Voltages, a series capacitor prevents the DC component of voltage from affecting the meter circuit, but permits the AC component to be applied to the normal AC voltage measuring circuit. For very low AC frequencies, the capacitive reactance of the series capacitor may be great enough to reduce the relative amount of voltage which is actually applied to the AC measuring circuit; see frequency response data on page 6.

#### **CURRENT MEASUREMENTS**

When the Model 268 is used to measure direct current, resistance is connected in parallel with the meter movement. The total circuit current divides between the meter and its parallel shunt in inverse proportion to their resistances. Meter resistance remains at 4,200 ohms for all current ranges. The shunt resistance is less for each succeeding higher current range.

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#### RESISTANCE MEASUREMENTS

When the Model 268 is used to measure resistance, dry cell batteries within the instrument furnish a known voltage through the meter circuit and through the measured resistance in series with the meter. With zero resistance in series with the test leads (test leads shorted together), the pointer is deflected to full scale; as resistance is added between the test leads, total current is decreased, and the pointer is deflected to a point less than full scale. The markings on the Model 268 show relative pointer deflection which results from adding the indicated amount of resistance in series between the test leads. For the Rxl and Rx100 ranges, one "D" size dry cell furnishes 1.5 volts DC for measuring resistances. For the Rx10,000 range, four "Z" size dry cells are connected in series with the one "D" size dry cell to furnish 7.5 volts DC for the measuring circuit.

#### NOTE

Do not make resistance measurements with the Model 268 where any voltage is present in any circuit or on any component since this voltage could result in a reading error and/or damage to the meter circuit.

#### **MAINTENANCE**

#### SECTION IV

#### MAINTENANCE

#### **OPENING THE CASE**

The Simpson Volt-Ohm-Milliammeter Model 268 has been designed to provide easy access for all necessary adjustment and replacement of parts. Use a ¼-inch screwdriver to remove the four screws through the bottom of the case. Then remove the front panel assembly from the case. This assembly includes the meter movement, front panel, printed circuit, and batteries, and will come out as a unit.

#### NOTE

The test leads must be removed from their jacks to permit opening the case.

#### **BATTERY REPLACEMENT**

Five dry cell batteries are installed in the Model 268. They are used to supply the voltages for resistance measurements. One is a large size (#2, Size D) flashlight cell, and the other four are smaller (#Z) flashlight cells. When it is no longer possible to bring the pointer to zero for the Rxl and Rx100 ranges (see ZERO OHMS ADJUST in Section II), replace the large cell with a fresh one. When it is no longer possible to bring the pointer to zero on the Rx10,000 range, replace the four smaller cells with fresh ones. This will restore operation of the ohmmeter circuits.

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Whenever dry cells are replaced, be sure to observe polarity for each cell. The cells are held in place with specially designed spring clips which also act as battery contacts. Battery polarity is marked on the printed circuit board and on the battery plate.

#### **FUSE REPLACEMENT**

Remove the front panel from the case and disconnect the burnedout fuse, using a small (60-watt or less) soldering iron. Replace with a 1 amp, 250 volt pigtail fuse, type 3AG or equivalent only. Never use a fuse with a higher current rating.

#### SERVICE NOTE

It is recommended that all service of the printed circuit boards be referred to an Authorized Repair Station or to the Simpson Electric Company factory.

If it is necessary to replace components, do not apply heat directly to the printed circuit board. Cut leads close to the body of the component and solder the replacement to the leads.

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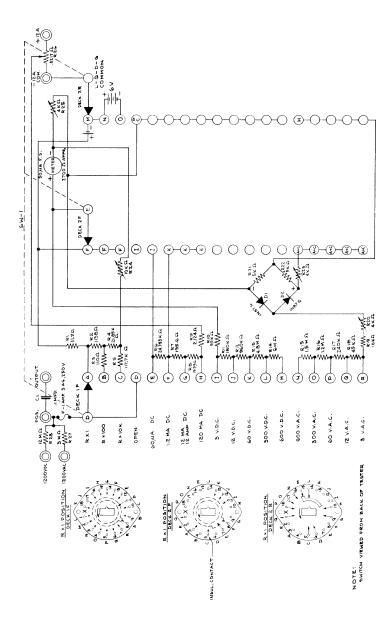
#### **REPAIR STATIONS AND PARTS DEPOTS**

Simpson Official Repair Stations and Parts Depots have been established throughout the United States and Canada. To obtain repair or recalibration for any item of Simpson equipment, contact the Repair Station which has been provided for your area, and arrange with them for the service which you require. A list of these Repair Stations and Parts Depots is included in the rear of this manual

#### PARTS LIST

Reference Symbol	Description	Simpson Part No.
R1	Resistor 11.2 ohms (bobbin)	10-805073
R2	Resistor 1138 ohms	1-117889
R3	Resistor 110 ohms	1-117890
R4	Resistor 21.85 K ohms	1-117891
R5	Resistor 117.7 K ohms	1-117892
R6	Resistor 24.783 K ohms	1-119140
R7	Resistor 195.6 ohms	1-119141
R8	Resistor 19.53 ohms	1-119142
R9	Resistor 2.124 ohms (bobbin)	10-805129
R10	Resistor 55 K ohms	1-119143
R11	Resistor 180 K ohms	1-119144
R12	Resistor 960 K ohms	1-119145
R13	Resistor 4.8 Meg. ohms	1-119146
R14	Resistor 6 Meg. ohms	1-119139
R15	Resistor 1.5 Meg. ohms	1-119138
R16	Resistor 1.2 Meg. ohms	1-119147
R17	Resistor 240 K ohms	1-119148
R18	Resistor 45 K ohms	1-117894
R19	Resistor 10 K ohms	1-119149

Rheostat 4 K ohms	1-115767
Resistor 5 K ohms	1-117902
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Rheostat 4 K ohms	1-115767
Potentiometer 10 K ohms	1-117881
Rheostat 4 K ohms	1-115763
Resistor .0217 ohms shunt assy 12 amp.	0-007140
Resistor 3 Meg. ohms	1-119137
Resistor 12 Meg. ohms	1-119136
Capacitor 0.1 mfd. 400 v.	1-113733
Diode, Germanium	1-115770
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Fuse 1 amp. 250 v. pigtail type	
3Ab or equivalent	1-117702
Test Lead Set (one black lead and	
one red lead)	7500
Molded Bakelite Case	3-330068
Adjust-A-View Handle Assembly	3-310812
Knobs	1-114514
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Metercraft, Inc., 3304 N. 24th St.

States: Arizona

Phone: CRestwood 9-5287

#### CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES

Quality Electric Co., 3700 South Broadway

States: So. California below Fresno and Arizona

Phone: ADams 2-4201

#### CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO

Pacific Electrical Instrument Lab., 111 Main St. States: No. California above Fresno and Nevada

Phone: GArfield 1-7185

#### \*\*CANADA, LONDON, ONTARIO

Bach-Simpson Ltd., 1255 Brydges St., P.O. Box 484

Phone: Gladstone 1-9490

#### COLORADO, DENVER

Meter-Master Instrument Service, 2379 S. Downing St.

States: Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, and New Mexico

Phone: RAce 2-8670

#### CONNECTICUT, NEW HAVEN

Kaufman Instrument Labs., Inc., 810 Dixwell Ave.

States: Connecticut
Phone: SPruce 6-7201

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#### FLORIDA, ORLANDO

Electro Tech Corp., 307 - 27th Street

States: Florida

Phone: GArden 3-5589

#### GEORGIA, ATLANTA

Electro-Tech Equipment, 690 Murphy Ave., S.W.

States: Alabama, Georgia, Carolina and Tennessee

Phone: PLaza 3-4128

#### \*\*ILLINOIS, CHICAGO

Simpson Electric Company, 5200 W. Kinzie St.

Phone: EStebrook 9-1121

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Pacific Indicator Company, 5217 W. Madison St.

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Phone: COlumbus 1-1330

#### \*\*KANSAS, SHAWNEE MISSION

Sturtz Instrument Co., 4705 Mission Road

States: Kansas

Phone: SKyline 1-4711

#### LOUISIANA, NEW ORLEANS

Industrial Instrument Works, 3328 Magazine St.

States: Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana

Phone: TWinbrook 5-5621

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#### PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA

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States: Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey below

Trenton, Delaware

Phone: ORchard 3-5600

#### VIRGINIA, FALLS CHURCH

United Instrument Lab., Inc., 110 Jefferson St. States: Washington, D.C., West Virginia, Virginia

Phone: JEfferson 2-1212

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The Instrument Lab., Inc. 934 Elliott Avenue West

States: Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Montana

Phone: ATwater 3-5850

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