

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR:

# DIGITAL BATTERY/ALTERNATOR TESTER 12V MODEL NOS: **BT101 & BT102**

Thank you for purchasing a Sealey product. Manufactured to a high standard this product will, if used according to these instructions and properly maintained, give you years of trouble free performance.



IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY. NOTE THE SAFE OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS, WARNINGS & CAUTIONS. USE THE PRODUCT CORRECTLY AND WITH CARE FOR THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH IT IS INTENDED. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY CAUSE DAMAGE AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY AND WILL INVALIDATE THE WARRANTY. PLEASE KEEP INSTRUCTIONS SAFE FOR FUTURE USE.

# 1. SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS



DANGER! BE AWARE, LEAD-ACID BATTERIES GENERATE EXPLOSIVE GASES DURING NORMAL BATTERY OPERATION. FOR THIS REASON, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO READ AND FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY, EACH TIME YOU USE THE BATTERY TESTER. Follow these instructions and those published by the battery and vehicle manufacturers, and the maker of any equipment you intend to use in the vicinity of the battery. Remember to review warning marks on all products and on engines.

# 1.1. PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS

- Ensure that there is another person within hearing range and close enough to come to your aid, should a problem arise when working near a lead-acid battery.
- Wear safety eye protection and protective clothing. Avoid touching eyes while working near battery.
- ✓ Have fresh water and soap nearby in case battery acid contacts skin, clothing, or eyes.
- ✓ Wash immediately with soap and water if battery acid contacts skin or clothing. If acid enters eye, flush eye immediately with cool, clean running water for at least 15 minutes and seek immediate medical attention.
- Remove personal metallic items such as rings, bracelets, necklaces and watches. A lead-acid battery can produce a short-circuit current which is high enough to weld such items to the vehicle and cause severe burns.
- ✓ Ensure that hands, clothing (especially belts) are clear of fan blades and other moving or hot parts of engine. Remove ties and contain long hair.
- **X DO NOT** smoke or allow a spark or flame in the vicinity of the battery or engine.

## 1.2. GENERAL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- ✓ Familiarise yourself with the application, limitations and potential hazards of the tester. Also refer to the vehicle manufacturer's hand book. IF IN ANY DOUBT CONSULT A QUALIFIED ELECTRICIAN.
- ✓ Ensure that the tester is in good condition before use. If in any doubt do not use the unit and contact a qualified electrician.
- ✓ Only use recommended attachments and parts. To use unapproved items may be dangerous and will invalidate your warranty.
- Keep tools and other items away from the engine and ensure that you can see the battery and working parts of engine clearly.
- / Determine the system voltage before using the tester.
- If the tester receives a sharp knock or blow the unit must be checked by a qualified service agent before using.
- ✓ If the battery terminals are corroded or dirty, clean them before using the tester.
- ✓ Keep children and unauthorised persons away from the work area.
- x DO NOT disassemble the tester for any reason. The tester must only be checked by qualified service personnel.
- WARNING! To prevent the risk of sparking, short circuit and possible explosion DO NOT drop metal tools in the battery area, or allow them to touch the battery terminals
- X DO NOT cross-connect tester to battery. Ensure positive (RED) clamp is to positive terminal and negative (BLACK) clamp is to negative terminal. If battery symbols cannot be distinguished, remember that the negative terminal is the one directly connected to the vehicle bodywork.
- x DO NOT use the tester outdoors, or in damp, or wet locations and DO NOT use in the vicinity of flammable liquids or gases.
- ✓ Ensure there is effective ventilation to prevent a build-up of explosive gases.
- X DO NOT use the tester for a task for which it is not designed.
- ✓ When not in use, store the tester carefully in a safe, dry, childproof location.

# 2. INTRODUCTION & SPECIFICATION

Compact design digital tester suitable for professional use. Utilises low current draw technology to evaluate condition of SLI, VRLA, AGM and Gel batteries and charging systems (BT102 only). Just key in the battery rating from the top of the battery. Simple, fast and accurate evaluation of battery condition. Results displayed on LED control panel. No internal battery and will test batteries with a residual charge of just 7 Volts. BT102 can also be used to evaluate the condition of the alternator and charging circuitry of the vehicle.

Rated Battery Voltage
Rated Systems SAE, DIN, EN, IEC & CA(MCA)
Test Range
200~1200CCA SAE
130~790CCA IEC
110~670CCA DIN
240~1440 CA(MCA)
Min. Power Requirement
Recommended operating temperature 0°C ~ 50°C
Note: CCA = Cold Cranking Amps
CA(MCA) = Marine Cranking Amps

# 3. OPERATION

WARNING! Ensure that you read, understand and apply the safety and operational instructions before connecting the tester clamps to the battery. Only when you are sure that you understand the procedures is it safe to proceed with the testing process.

UP

**ENTER** 

- 3.1 PREPARATION.
- □ WARNING! Ensure that the vehicle, or battery, is in a well ventilated area before starting to test.
- 3.1.1 Check battery casing for cracks or leakage. If damage is found **DO NOT** test, replace battery.
- 3.1.2 Clean battery terminals
- 3.1.3 If possible, check electrolyte levels and top-up with distilled water as necessary.
- 3.1.4 Unless otherwise specified tests are carried out with all electrical items switched off. Leaving any items on (boot light, interior light, etc.) can result in misdiagnosis.
- 3.1.5 Make sure that the battery terminals are clean.
- 3.2 OPERATION.
- 3.2.1 Connect the red clamp to the positive (+) battery terminal and the black clamp to the negative (-) terminal
- 3.2.2 The LED display will light up and show the battery voltage. Press **ENTER** to move to the next step. On BT102 the display will show **bAtt**, press **ENTER**.

Note: If the battery is below 7V, the tester will not work, recharge battery and try again. If HI / Lo / \_ \_ \_ \_ / are displayed or the screen is blank or flickers refer to the troubleshooting section.





LED DISPLAY - DOWN

- 3.2.3 Press the ▲ (UP) and ▼ (DOWN) buttons to select the battery type, SLI or SEAL (VRLA/GEL/AGM/SLA) and press ENTER.
- 3.2.4 Press the ▲ (UP) and ▼ (DOWN) buttons to select the battery rating, SAE, DIN, IEC, EN or CA (MCA) and press ENTER.
- 325 Press the ▲ (UP) and ▼ (DOWN) buttons to input the battery capacity CCA or CA(MCA).
- SAE: 200~1200CCA, DIN: 110~670CCA, IEC: 130~790CCA, EN: 185~1125CCA or CA(MCA): 240~1440CA(MCA) and press ENTER to start the test.
- 3.2.6 If the display shows CHA\_ (Is the battery charged?), press ENTER and using the ▲ (UP) and ▼ (DOWN) buttons select YES or NO and press ENTER.
- 3.2.7 The tester will display the actual CCA or CA and the LED lights will show one of the five following combinations:

OK

Green LED light

The battery is good & capable of holding a charge.

XXX (CCA or CA value)

RECHARGE

RECHARGE

Green & Yellow LED lights

The battery is good but needs to be charged.

XXXX (CCA or CA value)

Yellow & Red LED lights

Battery is discharged. The battery condition cannot be determined until it is fully charged. Recharge & retest the battery. If reading is the same, the battery should be replaced immediately

XXXX (CCA or CA value)

Red LED light

The battery cannot hold a charge. It should be replaced immediately, or the battery has at least one cell short circuit. Replace immediately.

XXXX (CCA or CA value)

Err on the screen & Second Red light

The clamps are not connected properly. Please check if the clamps are connected properly or the tested battery is bigger than maximum testing CCA capacity.

#### 3.3 Starting System Test (BT102)

- The LED display will light up and show the voltage of the battery. Press ENTER to move to the next step. Press the  $\blacktriangle$  (UP) and  $\blacktriangledown$  (DOWN) buttons to select the system test, SYSt and press ENTER. Press the  $\blacktriangle$  (UP) and  $\blacktriangledown$  (DOWN) buttons to select the battery test, bAtt and press ENTER. 3.3.1
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- 3.3.4 Turn off all vehicle accessories, lights, radio etc.
- 3.3.5 LED display shows CrAn, press ENTER.
- 3.3.6 Start the engine. Record voltage reading after cranking the starter.

If the voltage reading is greater than 7.2V, the green LED will illuminate = Starting system OK.

If the voltage reading is between 5.8 ~ 7.2V, the yellow LED will Illuminate = Starting system weak, check connections, wiring and starter.

If the voltage reading is less than 5.8V, the red LED will illuminate, screen will be blank or show the battery voltage. = Starting system problem, check connections, wiring and starter.

- Charging System Test (BT102) 3.4
- After the starter test press ENTER, the screen will show CHAr, press ENTER to show the live voltage. 341
- 3.4.2 Increase the engine speed to 1200 ~ 1500rpm and read the voltage.

If voltage is between 13.4V and 14.6V, the green LED will illuminate = Charging system OK.

If voltage reading is above 14.6V, the red LED will illuminate = Charging voltage too high, check regulator.

If voltage reading is less than 13.4V, the yellow LED will illuminate = Charging system fault, check connections, wiring, drive belt tension and alternator.

343 Switch on high beam headlights, fan blower to high and rear fog lamp and repeat the above test.

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If voltage reading is less than 13.4V, the yellow LED will illuminate = Charging system fault, check connections, wiring, drive belt tension and alternator.

344 Turn off engine and remove clamps from battery.

# **TROUBLESHOOTING**

- 4.1 If Screen shows HI: Voltage over 15V. BT101/BT102 will not operate in this condition, ensure battery being tested is 12V.
- 4.2 If screen shows Lo: Voltage is under 7V. BT101/BT102 will not operate in this condition, recharge the battery and repeat test, if still reading Lo replace
- 4.3 If the screen is blank: Ensure the clamps are connected correctly, clean battery posts if required. The voltage of the battery is too low to operate the BT101/ BT102, recharge the battery and repeat test, if screen is still blank, replace battery.
- If the screen flickers or shows \_\_\_\_: The voltage is unstable, check all connections and recharge battery if required, retest if display remains as before

# **DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY**

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We, the sole UK importer, declare that the products listed below are in conformity with the following standards and directives.

**Digital Battery/Alternator Tester** Model Nos: BT101 & BT102

2004/108/EC EMC Directive 93/68/EEC CE Marking Directive 2002/95/EC RoHS Directive 2002/96/FC WFFF Directive



The construction files for these products is held by the Manufacturer and may be inspected, by a national authority, upon request to Jack Sealey Ltd.

Signed by Tim Thompson

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**Battery Type Glossary:** 

Standard SLI: Starting - Lighting - Ignition.

Gel Battery

Absorbent Glass Mat.

Sealed Lead Acid.

Valve-Regulated Lead Acid.

AGM:

**VRLA** 

SLA:

Gel:

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