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1. Introduction

The Extech EX310 is a compact, manual-ranging digital multimeter designed for a variety of electrical measurements. It features an extra-large 2000-count LCD and a built-in Non-Contact AC Voltage Detector (NCV) for enhanced safety. This device is capable of measuring AC/DC Voltage, AC/DC Current, Resistance, Diode, and Continuity, and includes a battery test function for 1.5V and 9V batteries. Its robust design, including a protective rubber holster and tilt stand, makes it suitable for field use.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

Always adhere to safety precautions when using any electrical testing equipment. Failure to do so may result in injury or damage to the meter or equipment under test.

- The Extech EX310 is UL listed with a CAT III 600 Volt safety rating.
- Do not apply more than the rated voltage, as marked on the meter, between terminals or between any terminal and ground.
- Always inspect test leads for damage before use. Replace if insulation is compromised.
- Exercise extreme caution when working with live circuits.
- Use the Non-Contact Voltage (NCV) detector as a preliminary check for live AC voltage, but always verify with direct contact measurements when possible.
- Ensure the function switch is set to the correct range before making measurements.

3. PRODUCT FEATURES

- 9-Function Manual-Ranging DMM: Measures AC/DC voltage, AC/DC current (up to 10 A), resistance, diode, continuity, plus 1.5 V/9 V battery tests.
- Non-Contact Voltage (NCV) Detector: Built-in NCV with red LED and audible beeper alerts to the presence of live AC (100-600 VAC) without probes.
- Extra-Large 2000-Count Display: Clear, easy-to-read 1-inch digits on a high-count LCD ensure

readability.

- Rugged, Portable Design: Compact meter (5.7 × 2.9 × 1.6 in, 9 oz) with protective rubber holster, tilt stand, and low-battery indicator.
- Reliable Safety & Accuracy: 0.5% basic accuracy. Designed to UL/CAT II-1000 V & CAT III-600 V safety standards.

4. PACKAGE CONTENTS

The Extech EX310 package includes the following items:

- Extech EX310 Mini Digital Multimeter
- Test Leads
- 9 Volt Battery
- Tilt Stand

5. PRODUCT OVERVIEW (CONTROLS AND DISPLAY)

Familiarize yourself with the components of your EX310 multimeter:

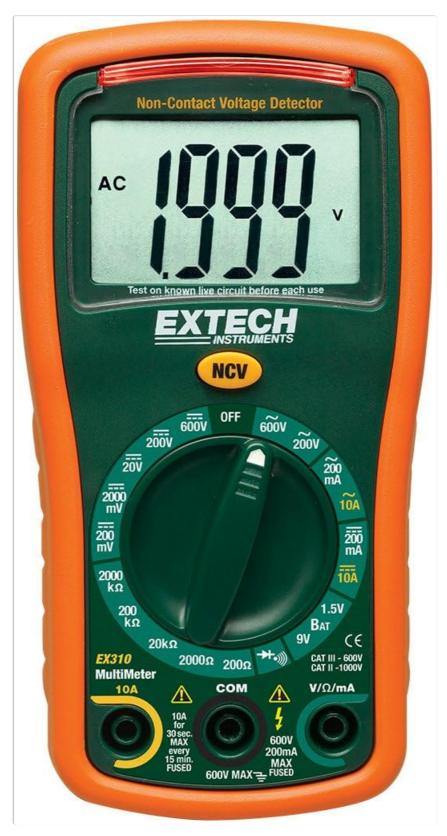


Image: Front view of the Extech EX310 Mini Digital Multimeter, showing the large LCD display, function dial, NCV button, and input jacks.



Image: Close-up of the Extech EX310's function dial, illustrating the various measurement ranges and functions such as voltage, current, resistance, diode, continuity, and battery test.

- LCD Display: Shows measurement readings, units, and function indicators.
- Function Switch: Rotary dial to select the desired measurement function and range.
- NCV Button: Activates the Non-Contact Voltage detection feature.
- Input Jacks: Terminals for connecting test leads (COM, $V\Omega mA$, 10A).

6. SETUP

6.1. Battery Installation

- 1. Ensure the multimeter is turned OFF.
- 2. Locate the battery compartment cover on the rear of the meter.
- 3. Unscrew the retaining screw(s) and remove the cover.

- 4. Insert a new 9V battery, observing correct polarity.
- 5. Replace the cover and secure with the screw(s).

A low battery indicator will appear on the display when the battery needs replacement.

6.2. Connecting Test Leads

Connect the test leads to the appropriate input jacks:

- Insert the black test lead into the COM (common) jack.
- For most measurements (Voltage, Resistance, Diode, Continuity, mA Current), insert the red test lead into the VΩmA jack.
- For high current measurements (up to 10A), insert the red test lead into the 10A jack.

7. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Before making any measurement, ensure the test leads are correctly connected and the function switch is set to the desired range.

7.1. AC/DC Voltage Measurement

- 1. Set the function switch to the desired ACV (~) or DCV (---) range (e.g., 200V, 600V).
- 2. Connect the red test lead to the $V\Omega mA$ jack and the black test lead to the COM jack.
- 3. Touch the test probes to the circuit points where voltage is to be measured.
- 4. Read the voltage value on the LCD.

7.2. AC/DC Current Measurement

Caution: Never attempt to measure current on a circuit with voltage present across the current terminals. This can blow the fuse or damage the meter.

- 1. Turn off power to the circuit.
- 2. Set the function switch to the desired ACA (~) or DCA (---) range (e.g., 200mA, 10A).
- 3. Connect the red test lead to the appropriate current jack ($V\Omega mA$ for mA, 10A for 10A) and the black test lead to the COM jack.
- 4. Open the circuit where current is to be measured and connect the meter in series.
- 5. Apply power to the circuit and read the current value on the LCD.

7.3. Resistance Measurement

- 1. Ensure the circuit or component is de-energized.
- 2. Set the function switch to the desired Resistance (Ω) range (e.g., 200Ω , $20k\Omega$).
- 3. Connect the red test lead to the $V\Omega mA$ jack and the black test lead to the COM jack.
- 4. Touch the test probes across the component or circuit to be measured.
- 5. Read the resistance value on the LCD.



Image: The Extech EX310 Multimeter displaying a reading while test leads are connected to a circuit board, demonstrating a typical measurement scenario.

7.4. Diode Test

- 1. Ensure the component is de-energized.
- 2. Set the function switch to the Diode $(\rightarrow |)$ position.
- 3. Connect the red test lead to the $V\Omega mA$ jack and the black test lead to the COM jack.
- 4. Touch the red probe to the anode and the black probe to the cathode of the diode.
- 5. Read the forward voltage drop on the LCD. Reverse the probes to check for an open circuit (OL).

7.5. Continuity Test

- 1. Ensure the circuit or component is de-energized.
- 2. Set the function switch to the Continuity (\rightarrow))) position.
- 3. Connect the red test lead to the $V\Omega mA$ jack and the black test lead to the COM jack.
- 4. Touch the test probes across the circuit or component.
- 5. An audible tone will sound if continuity exists (resistance below approximately 30Ω).

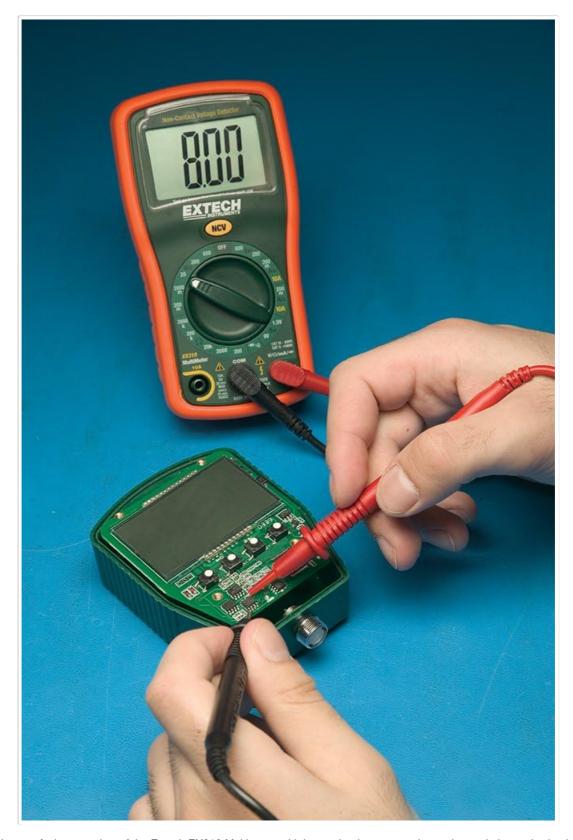


Image: A close-up view of the Extech EX310 Multimeter with its test leads connected to an internal electronic circuit, demonstrating precise measurement capabilities.

7.6. Non-Contact Voltage (NCV) Detection

- 1. Set the function switch to any position.
- 2. Press and hold the NCV button.
- 3. Move the top of the meter (where the NCV sensor is located) close to the suspected AC voltage source (e.g., wire, outlet).
- 4. A red LED will illuminate and an audible beeper will sound, increasing in intensity as the meter gets closer to the live AC voltage.



Image: A hand holding the Extech EX310 Multimeter near an electrical wall outlet, demonstrating the use of the Non-Contact Voltage (NCV) detection feature to identify live circuits.

7.7. Battery Test (1.5V/9V)

- 1. Set the function switch to the 1.5V BAT or 9V BAT position.
- 2. Connect the red test lead to the $V\Omega mA$ jack and the black test lead to the COM jack.
- 3. Touch the red probe to the positive terminal and the black probe to the negative terminal of the battery.
- 4. Read the battery voltage on the LCD.

8. MAINTENANCE

8.1. Battery Replacement

Refer to Section 6.1 for detailed instructions on replacing the 9V battery when the low battery indicator appears.

8.2. Fuse Replacement

If the current measurement functions cease to operate, the internal fuse(s) may need replacement. The fuses are typically located beneath the battery compartment. Refer to the full product manual for specific fuse ratings and replacement procedures. Always replace with fuses of the identical type and rating.

8.3. Cleaning

Periodically wipe the case with a damp cloth and mild detergent. Do not use abrasives or solvents. Ensure

9. TROUBLESHOOTING

- No Display: Check the 9V battery. Ensure it is correctly installed and has sufficient charge.
- **Incorrect Readings:** Verify that the function switch is set to the correct measurement type and range. Ensure test leads are properly connected and making good contact with the circuit.
- Current Measurement Not Working: Check the internal fuse(s). Refer to the Maintenance section for fuse replacement.
- NCV Not Detecting: Ensure the NCV button is pressed and held. Confirm the presence of AC voltage (100-600 VAC) in the area being tested.

10. SPECIFICATIONS



Image: Diagram illustrating the physical dimensions of the Extech EX310 Multimeter, showing a length of 6.0 inches (15 cm).

Specification	Value
Brand	Extech
Model Number	EX310
Measurement Type	Multimeter
Style	Manual Ranging
Basic Accuracy	+/-0.5%
Display	2000-Count LCD
Safety Rating	UL listed CAT III - 600V, CAT II - 1000V
Power Source	9V Battery
Item Dimensions (L x W x H)	5.7 x 1.6 x 2.9 inches (14.5 x 4.1 x 7.4 cm)
Item Weight	0.704 ounces (0.02 Kilograms)

Specification	Value
Included Components	Test leads, 9 Volt battery, tilt stand

11. WARRANTY INFORMATION

The Extech EX310 Mini Digital Multimeter is covered by a **1-year parts and labor warranty** from the date of purchase. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims. This warranty covers manufacturing defects and workmanship under normal use.

12. Customer Support

For technical assistance, troubleshooting beyond this manual, or warranty service, please contact Extech customer support. Refer to the official Extech website or product packaging for the most current contact information.

Related Documents - EX310



Extech ET40 Heavy Duty Continuity Tester User Manual

User manual for the Extech ET40 Heavy Duty Continuity Tester. Learn how to safely and effectively test continuity of non-energized components, fuses, switches, relays, wiring, and circuit boards.



Extech DM100 Pocket Multimeter User's Guide

User's guide for the Extech DM100 4000 Count Autoranging Pocket Multimeter, covering safety, specifications, operation, features, and maintenance.



Extech EX650 Series User Guide: 600A True RMS Digital Clamp Meters

Comprehensive user guide for the Extech EX650 Series of 600A True RMS digital clamp meters, covering models EX650 and EX655. Learn about operation, features, safety, and specifications for accurate AC/DC voltage, current, resistance, and more measurements.



Extech ET20 Dual Indicator Voltage Detector User Manual

User manual for the Extech ET20 Dual Indicator Voltage Detector, a 2-Way AC/DC Voltage Tester (100-250V). Provides operation, warranty, and service information.



Extech DV30 AC Voltage Detector User Manual

User manual for the Extech DV30 AC Voltage Detector, detailing safety precautions, operation, specifications, battery replacement, disposal, warranty, and contact information.



Extech EX810 1000 Amp Klemmeter met IR Thermometer Gebruikershandleiding

Gedetailleerde gebruikershandleiding voor de Extech EX810 1000 Amp klemmeter met ingebouwde IR thermometer. Bevat instructies, veiligheidsrichtlijnen en technische specificaties voor nauwkeurige metingen van spanning, stroom, weerstand, capaciteit, frequentie en temperatuur.