

KWS-X1

Generic KWS-X1 USB-C Voltmeter Ammeter Tester Instruction Manual

1. INTRODUCTION

The Generic KWS-X1 is a versatile USB-C Voltmeter Ammeter Tester designed for monitoring and testing various parameters of USB-C power delivery systems. This device supports high-current detection up to 12A and voltage measurements from 4V to 30V, making it suitable for fast-charge verification, cable quality assessment, and general mobile device diagnostics. It features an IPS display for real-time data and a durable aluminum shell.

2. KEY FEATURES

- **High-Current Measurement Range:** Supports precise voltage detection from 4-30V and current measurement up to 12A.
- **Fast-Charge Protocol Compatibility:** Works with PD 2.0-3.1 AVS EPR, QC 2.0-4.0+, MTK, and other quick-charge standards.
- **240W Cable Performance Testing:** Accurately evaluates cable transmission speed, voltage, current, and quality.
- **Durable Metal Shell & IPS Display:** Features a CNC-machined aluminum enclosure and a high-definition IPS screen for real-time data.
- **Compact Multi-Mode Functionality:** Lightweight design with 3 switchable display modes, offline save, gravity-rotation screen, and protocol combination testing.

3. SETUP AND CONNECTION

To begin using your KWS-X1 tester, connect it in-line between your power source (charger, power bank) and the device you wish to test (smartphone, tablet, laptop). The tester has a male USB-C connector on one end and a female USB-C port on the other.

1. Connect the male USB-C connector of the KWS-X1 tester into the USB-C output port of your charger or power source.
2. Connect your device's USB-C charging cable into the female USB-C port on the KWS-X1 tester.
3. Ensure all connections are secure. The tester's IPS display will automatically power on and begin displaying real-time measurement data.

PD3.1 fast charge protocol test

12A high current

4-30V240W

Ripple test

Protocol
detection

Protocol
triggering



Image: The KWS-X1 tester connected to a mobile phone, displaying voltage, current, and power readings.

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The KWS-X1 tester provides various measurement modes and functions accessible via its physical buttons and on-screen interface.

4.1 Main Display Modes

Upon connection, the tester defaults to a main display showing real-time voltage (V), current (A), and power (W). It also displays accumulated charge (mAh), energy (mWh), elapsed time (T), and device temperature (°C).



Image: A close-up of the KWS-X1's IPS display showing detailed real-time charging data including voltage, current, power, and temperature.

Use the physical buttons on the side of the device to cycle through different display modes or access specific functions. The exact button functions may vary slightly depending on the firmware version, but typically include short press for mode switching and long press for menu access or resetting data.

4.2 Fast Charge Protocol Detection

The KWS-X1 can automatically detect and display supported fast charge protocols from the connected power source. This feature helps verify if a charger is delivering the expected fast charge standard.

Protocol Testing - Automatic testing

1. Status indication (Wait for prompt after automatic operation is completed)
2. PD status indicator (including PD2.0-3.1 Fixed AVS EPR)
3. PDO maximum gear and power display
4. Whether PPS is supported, and the maximum adjustable PPS gear power display
5. Voltage supported by fixed gear, and PDO voltage adjustable group number and name
6. QC2.0 Fixed gear support status
7. QC3.0 adjustable maximum trigger voltage, step 200mV
8. PD protocol version maximum indication (special protocol such as millet private time will correspond to the indication of special information)



Protocol Testing -PD single decoy

Note: The gear selected here (+/-) will not be triggered immediately, you need to press the (confirm key) again to confirm the trap, then it will be synchronized to the top + to perform the operation. The display color (red + green) synchronizes the logic above.

1. Display the detailed version of the protocol and the number of gear (usually default to PDO when supporting the AVS EPR extension of the protocol will be specially displayed).
2. Display of current gear.
3. Real-time current.
4. Current direction.
5. The supported gear list part, if more than the maximum number of display will automatically merge the interval to ensure that the display data will not be lost.
6. Selected gear information

9: Protocol test -PD- Single decoy-PPS

This interface is entered after selecting the PPS stall in "Protocol Test - PD-Single Decoy"



Image: The KWS-X1 screen showing the results of an automatic protocol detection test, listing various PD and QC standards with their voltage and current capabilities.

To initiate protocol detection, navigate to the relevant menu option using the device buttons. The tester will then scan and list the supported protocols such as PD (Power Delivery), QC (Quick Charge), and PPS (Programmable Power Supply).

4.3 Cable Performance Testing

This function allows you to assess the quality and performance of USB-C cables, especially those supporting up to 240W. The tester can help identify cables that might be limiting charging speed or data transfer due to high resistance or poor construction.

- Connect the cable to be tested between the KWS-X1 and a power source/load.
- Access the cable test function through the menu.
- The tester will display parameters such as voltage drop, current capacity, and data transmission capabilities.

4.4 Ripple and Curve Measurement

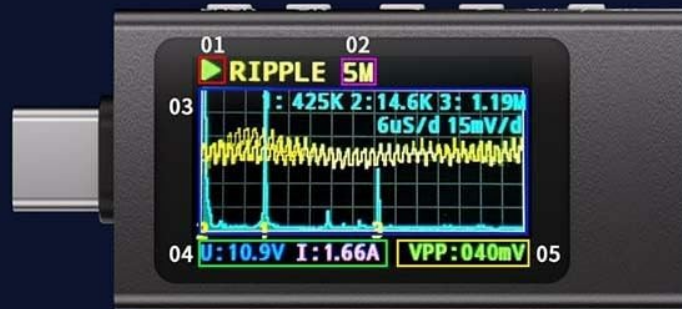
The KWS-X1 can measure voltage ripple and display real-time voltage/current curves, which are useful for

diagnosing power supply stability and identifying fluctuations.

Ripple measurement

1. Status indicator, real-time measurement or pause measurement (show the data at a certain moment (confirm the key to switch status))
2. Sampling speed display (+/- switching speed)
3. Draw the curve area
4. Real-time voltage and current display (support to be paused for a moment display)

The average ripple real-time display within 5.100mS follows the VBUS voltage change measurement in real time



Curve measurement

1. (4 areas within the curve) the unit cell voltage display follows the total voltage adaptive
2. Sampling time display refers to the total time of the table section displayed (+/- switching speed)
3. Current direction indication (follow the current size to try to update the flow rate)
4. Curve real-time drawing
5. Real-time voltage, current and power display



Image: The KWS-X1 screen showing graphical representations of ripple measurement (top) and real-time voltage and current curves (bottom).

- **Ripple Measurement:** Displays the stability of the output voltage. Access this mode to see a graphical representation of voltage fluctuations over time.
- **Curve Measurement:** Provides a real-time graph of voltage and current, allowing users to observe dynamic changes during charging or load variations.

5. MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and accurate performance of your KWS-X1 tester, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the device. Avoid using liquid cleaners or solvents, as they may damage the screen or internal components.
- **Storage:** Store the tester in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.
- **Handling:** While the aluminum shell provides durability, avoid dropping the device or subjecting it to strong impacts.

- **Connector Care:** Keep the USB-C connectors free from dust and debris to ensure reliable connections.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your KWS-X1 tester, refer to the following common troubleshooting steps:

- **No Display/No Power:**
 - Ensure the tester is correctly connected to a working power source.
 - Check if the power source itself is functioning correctly.
 - Try a different USB-C cable.
- **Inaccurate Readings:**
 - Ensure all connections are secure and free of debris.
 - Test with a known good power source and load to verify.
 - Readings can be affected by poor quality cables; try a different cable.
- **Fast Charge Protocol Not Detected:**
 - Verify that both the charger and the device support the fast charge protocol you are expecting.
 - Some protocols require specific cables; ensure you are using a compatible cable.
- **Device Not Charging When Tester is Connected:**
 - Ensure the tester is inserted in the correct orientation (though most USB-C devices are reversible, some testers might have preferred input/output).
 - Check if the power source can deliver enough power for both the tester and the device.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

The following table details the technical specifications of the KWS-X1 USB-C Voltmeter Ammeter Tester:

Parameter	Value
Model	KWS-X1
Measurement Voltage Range	4-30V (Absolute withstand voltage: 0.0-40.0V)
Measurement Current Range	0.0-8.0A (Maximum 12A, Absolute current: 0.0-16.0A)
Measurement Power Range	0.0-280.0W (Maximum 380.0W)
Measurement Accuracy	±(1% + 5)
Temperature Measurement Range	0.0-99.0 °C
PD Protocol Support Version	2.0-3.1 AVS EPR
QC Protocol Support Version	2.0-4.0+
Display	IPS Display
Shell Material	Aluminum

Parameter	Value
Dimensions	54.96 x 24.45 x 11.15 mm (Approx. 1.97 x 1.18 x 0.39 inches)
Weight	Approx. 17g (0.529 ounces)
Gravity Rotation Screen	Supported
Offline Save	Supported

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Information regarding specific warranty terms and customer support for the Generic KWS-X1 USB-C Voltmeter Ammeter Tester is not provided in this manual. Please refer to the retailer or manufacturer's website for details on warranty coverage and how to obtain technical support.

For general inquiries or assistance, you may also contact the seller directly through the platform where the product was purchased.