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# VARIABLE RESISTANCE REFERENCE PAR-809C

**User Manual** 





PROSTAT <sup>®</sup> P/	AR-809C VARIA	<b>BLE RESISTANCE</b>	REFERENCE
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#### I. Introduction

- A. The Prostat PAR-809C Variable Resistance Reference is a precision wide range resistance instrument used to measure the resistance range performance of wrist strap testers, footwear testers and other resistance indicating meters, fixtures and instruments.
  - 1. The device under test's resistance performance range is indicated by the device's Pass/Fail lights when the PAR-809C is positioned to a selected resistance.
  - 2. Every PAR-809C is individually inspected and measured for precise resistance of each reference position before leaving the factory and recorded.



- B. The PAR-809C is intended as a resistance reference for DC circuits of 100 volts or less.
  - 1. The factory resistance references are documented at 10 and 100 volts DC.
  - 2. Inspection and re-certification of resistance reference values should be conducted annually.

## II. Cautions & Warnings

- A. Do not use the PAR-809C on circuits exceeding 100 volts DC.
- B. As with any electrical device, use proper electrical precautions to avoid personnel shock.
- C. Only qualified instrument repair personnel should open or repair the PAR-809C.
- D. Do not store or use in damp environments.
- E. PAR-809C Equipment and Accessories
  - 1. One PAR-809C Variable Resistance Reference Instrument
  - 2. One 9 volt DC battery used to power position indication lights.
  - 3. Two (2) 24 30 inch test leads equipped with male banana plugs.

#### III. Inspection & Preparation for use

- A. Install provided 9 volt battery by sliding battery compartment open and firmly snapping battery terminals to the appropriate connectors. Battery can only be connected in one way. Re-close the battery compartment.
- B. Turn ON the **ON/OFF** slide switch located at the side of the unit: vary the rotating position knob to insure all indicating lights are functional.



- 1. Slide **ON/OFF** switch to OFF position until unit is intended for use.
- 2. NOTE that the battery provides power to indicating lights only.
  - a. The battery does not affect the function of the instrument as a resistance reference.
  - b. The position lights are provided as a convenience for the operation of the unit during use.

### **IV.** Applications

- A. The PAR-809C is a precision resistance reference constructed using 1 percent tolerance resistors to assure accuracy. It is designed to functionally test the resistance range and performance of a variety of equipment during routine audits, including: in-plant wrist strap checker **PASS/FAIL** range, footwear checker **PASS/FAIL** range, and other resistance indicating devices.
- B. Used in conjunction with the Prostat PRS-812 or PRS-801 Resistance Meters, the PAR-809C functionally tests performance of the Prostat PWA-805 Wrist Strap Auditor. Calibration of resistance meters is easily confirmed using the PAR-809C.
- C. Proper use of the PAR-809C insures accurate, functional performance confirmation of critical ESD control tools.

## V. General Operations

- A. Confirming Wrist Strap Tester Resistance Performance Range
  - 1. Plug the two supplied test leads into the PAR-809C receptacles.
  - 2. Plug one PAR-809C test lead into the wrist strap tester's Wrist strap Ground Cord receptacle.
  - 3. Rotate the PAR-809C's Position Selector knob to Position 1, the lowest resistance reference.
  - 4. Turn ON the PAR-809c'S position indicating lights by sliding the **ON/OFF** switch located on the side of the instrument to the ON position.
  - 5. Insure the wrist strap device under test is ON and functional.
  - 6. Using the second PAR-809C test lead with metal alligator clip installed, press the Push to Test button or plate on the wrist strap tester.
    - a. The wrist strap tester **PASS** or **REJECT/FAIL** indication should actuate upon contact with the PAR-809C test lead alligator clip to the wrist strap tester's push to test button or plate.
    - b. Note the reference resistance value and the response of the wrist strap device under test.
  - 7. Vary the PAR-809C reference resistance by rotating the Position Selector Knob on the face of the PAR-809C to the next position and repeat step 6.





- 8. The resistance range positions where the device under test indicates **PASS** are those resistance values accepted by the wrist strap tester.
  - a. Resistance positions below the **PASS** range should all be rejected by the device under test as too low.
  - b. Resistance positions above the **PASS** range should all be rejected by the device under test as too high.





- B. Confirming Foot Wear Tester Resistance Performance Range
  - 1. Plug the two supplied test leads into the PAR-809C receptacles.
  - 2. Attach an alligator clip to one PAR-809C test lead. Attach the alligator clip to the Foot Wear test plate.

- 3. Rotate the PAR-809C's Position Selector knob to Position 1, the lowest resistance reference.
- 4. Turn ON the PAR-809C'S position indicating lights by sliding the **ON/OFF** switch located on the side of the instrument to the ON position.
- 5. Insure the Foot Wear device under test is ON and functional.
- 6. Using the second PAR-809C test lead with a metal alligator clip installed, press the push to **Test Button** or plate on the Footwear tester.
  - a. The Foot Wear **PASS** or **REJECT/FAIL** indication should actuate upon contact with the PAR-809C test lead alligator clip to the Foot Wear tester's push to test button or plate.
  - b. Note the reference resistance value and the response of the Foot Wear device under test.
- 7. Vary the PAR-809C reference resistance by rotating the Position Selector Knob on the face of the PAR-809C to the next position and repeat step 6.





- 8. The resistance range positions where the device under test indicates **PASS** are those resistance values accepted by the Foot Wear tester.
  - a. Resistance positions below the **PASS** range should all be rejected by the device under test as too low.
  - b. Resistance positions above the **PASS** range should all be rejected by the device under test as too high.
- C. Confirming Resistance Measurement Performance of analog Megohmmeters (Prostat PRS-800, 3-M-701 or similar)
  - 1. Check the BATTERY function of the meter; replace batteries if indication is **LOW**.
  - 2. Turn the meter to its **OFF** position.
  - 3. Install the meter test leads in the meter lead receptacles.



- 4. Plug the two meter test lead banana plugs into the PAR-809C receptacles.
- 5. Rotate the PAR-809C's Position Selector knob to Position 1, the lowest resistance reference.
- 6. Turn ON the PAR-809C's position indicating lights by sliding the **ON/OFF** switch located on the side of the instrument to the ON position.
- 7. Turn the Meter switch to the continuity position, push the test button on the meter and record the measurement.
- 8. Vary the PAR-809C reference resistance by rotating the **Position Selector Knob** on the face of the PAR-809C to the next position; record measurement as in step 7.
- 9. Select the 10 V position on the Megohmmeters, push the **Test Button** on the Megohmmeter and record measurement.
- 10. Vary the PAR-809C reference resistance by rotating the position Selector Knob on the face of the PAR-809C to successive positions, and record measurements as in step 9.
- 11. The indicated resistance of the Megohmmeter should be within 10 percent of the factory resistance indicated on the PAR-809C Calibration sheet for each position tested.
- D. Confirming Functional Performance of the PWA-805 Wrist Strap Auditor

**NOTE** The PRS-812 or PRS-801 is used for this functional test procedure.

- 1. Check the **BATTERY** function of the Resistance Meter; replace batteries if indication is **LOW**.
- 2. Turn the Resistance Meter to its **OFF** position
- 3. Install the meter test leads into the proper receptacles.
- 4. Plug the tow test lead banana plugs into the PWA-805 Meter receptacles
- 5. Plug the two supplies test leads into the PAR-809C receptacles
- 6. Attach an alligator clip (not provided) to one PAR-809C test lead. Attach the alligator clip to the Right hand cuff cylinder of the PWA-805 Wrist Strap Auditor.
- 7. Install the second PAR-809C test lead banana plug in the PWA-805 Cord receptacle
- 8. Position the PWA-805 three way rocker switch to its middle position, marked "Cord & Cuff".
- 9. Rotate the PAR-809C's position Selector knob to Position 1, the lowest resistance reference
- 10. Turn ON the PAR-809C position indicating lights by sliding the **ON/OFF** switch located on the side of the instrument to the ON position.
- 11. Turn the resistance meter on in the **AUTO** mode. Push the Test button on the meter and record the measurement.

12. Vary the PAR-809C reference resistance by rotating the Position Selector Knob on the face of the PAR-809C to successive positions and record measurements as in step 11.



13. The indicated resistance of the resistance meter should be within 10 percent of the factory resistance documented.

#### SUMMARY COMMENT

The PAR-809C is a wired test fixture and switch assembly. There are no resistors or electronic devices employed in this fixture.

# VI. Maintenance

- A. Replace 9 volt battery at least once each year. Remove battery when device is in extended storage, i.e. six months or greater
- B. Periodically confirm resistance values of each resistance position at 10 volts using precision wide range ohmmeter. Contact Prostat Corporation for calibration Service if necessary.
- C. Resistance measurement confirmation should be conducted once each year using a precision wide range ohmmeter traceable to NIST.
- D. Wipe foreign materials from case, receptacles and controls using a soft dry cloth.

# PAR-809C Variable Resistance Reference Specifications

# **Resistance Reference & Position:** Resistance in Ohms

Position #1: 1.2x10 <sup>4</sup> Position #2: 1.0x10 <sup>5</sup> Position #3: 7.6x10 <sup>5</sup> Position #4: 8.45x10 <sup>5</sup>	Position #5: 1.5x10 <sup>6</sup> Position #6: 9.5x10 <sup>6</sup> Position #7: 1.05x10 <sup>7</sup> Position #8: 3.3x10 <sup>7</sup>	Position #9: 3.7x10 <sup>7</sup> Position #10: 9.5x10 <sup>7</sup> Position #11: 1.05x10 <sup>8</sup> Position #12: 1.0x10 <sup>9</sup>	
Case Size (L x W x H):	4.0" x 3.0" x 2.0" (11.4 cm x 9.5 cm x 5.1 cm)		
Controls:	12 Position Rotary Range selector knob selects reference resistance – Knob Height 1.0"		
	ON/OFF Slide Switch controls 12 LED position indicator lights		
Connections:	2 Banana receptacles at end of case (Used to connect device under test in series with selected resistance)		
Indication:	12 LED Range & Position indicator lights		
Accessories:	2 each 24" (min) output cables with standard male banana plugs at each end.		
Power:	One 9 Volts battery (included) for indicator light operation only. Battery does not influence performance of the resistor references.		
Weight:	10.2 oz		
Accuracy:	±2% Tolerance		





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