



Calibration Laboratory Assessment Service

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Clients Served: All interested parties

Field of Calibration: Electrical (dc and lf)

SCC Accreditation: Accredited Laboratory No. 224
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This scope of capabilities is published by the CLAS program of the National Research Council of Canada (NRC) in close co-operation with the PALCAN program of the Standards Council of Canada (SCC), Canada's accreditation body for calibration and testing laboratories. The SCC accredits the capabilities of the named laboratory for performing the listed calibrations at the given level of uncertainty with traceability to the national measurement standards of Canada. The total uncertainty of the following capabilities, in each case, has a confidence level of at least 95% and includes the NRC (or other recognized national laboratory) uncertainty, and uncertainties associated with the measurements made by the accredited laboratory. The uncertainty quoted does not include the possible effects on the customer's device of transportation, long term stability or intended use. See Supplementary Notes. For clients requiring a confidence level of 99%, the laboratory is able to adjust the uncertainty accordingly.

Type I Capabilities			
Measured Quantity & Range or Instrument	Frequency	Best Measurement Capability expressed as an Uncertainty (\pm) (see Supplementary Notes)	Remarks
FREQUENCY Specific values 100 kHz 1 MHz 5 MHz 10 MHz		} 0.22 parts in 10^9	By phase comparison. See Type II capabilities below for frequency. Measure and source capabilities. For suitably stable sources with amplitudes between 0.1 V to 5 V rms.

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Type I Capabilities			
Measured Quantity & Range or Instrument	Frequency	Best Measurement Capability expressed as an Uncertainty (\pm) (see Supplementary Notes)	Remarks
RESISTANCE Specific values 1 Ω 10 Ω 100 Ω 1 k Ω 10 k Ω 100 k Ω 1 M Ω		1.5 ppm 2.1 ppm 1.8 ppm 1.8 ppm 1.2 ppm 1.8 ppm 5.5 ppm	See Note 1
VOLTAGE, DC Specific values 1 V 1.018 V 10 V		1 ppm 1 ppm 0.5 ppm	} See Note 2 } See Note 3

Type II Capabilities			
Measured Quantity & Range or Instrument	Frequency	Best Measurement Capability expressed as an Uncertainty (\pm) (see Supplementary Notes)	Remarks
PHASE $\pm 180^\circ$	5 Hz to 10 Hz 10 Hz to 50 kHz	0.200° 0.05°	Best measurement capability applies only to sinusoidal signals.
$\pm 180^\circ$	10 Hz to 30 kHz	0.1° to 10°	Generate using Multiproduct Calibrator.

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Type II Capabilities			
Measured Quantity & Range or Instrument	Frequency	Best Measurement Capability expressed as an Uncertainty (\pm) (see Supplementary Notes)	Remarks
FREQUENCY Specific values 100 kHz 1 MHz 5 MHz 10 MHz 0.1 mHz. To 2.1 GHz. 1uHz to 2.7 GHz		} 1 part in 10^9 1 part in 10^9 1 part in 10^9	For calibration of frequency counters. For the calibration of frequency generating devices using counters phase locked to frequency standard. For the calibration of frequency measuring devices using counters phase locked to frequency standard.
RISE TIME >150 ps >200 ps >150 ps		9 ps 14 ps 9 ps to 1ns	Measured rise time with digital sampling oscilloscope using external trigger. Suitable for the calibration of pulse generators. Measured rise time with digital sampling oscilloscope using external splitter and delay line to provide trigger. Suitable for the calibration of pulse generators. Generate with pulse repetition frequencies of 1kHz, 10kHz, 100 kHz and 1 MHz. Suitable for the calibration of oscilloscope calibrators.

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Measured Quantity & Range or Instrument	Frequency	Best Measurement Capability expressed as an Uncertainty (\pm) (see Supplementary Notes)	Remarks
CURRENT, DC 10 μ A to 2.2 A 2 A to 11 A 10 nA to 1 A		0.1% to 80 ppm 340 ppm 15 ppm to 100 ppm	} See Note 4 See Note 5
CURRENT, AC/DC TRANSFER 3 mA to 2 A 5 mA to 20 A 20 mA and 200 mA 2 A and 10 A	10 Hz to 30 kHz 40 Hz to 10 kHz 10 Hz to 10 kHz 10 Hz to 10 kHz	60 ppm to 200 ppm 100 ppm to 150 ppm 60 ppm to 300 ppm 100 ppm to 150 ppm	For the calibration of current sources using an AC/DC transfer standard, and for characterizing AC current sources.
CURRENT, AC 10 μ A to 11 A 10 μ A to 1 A	10 Hz to 10 kHz 10 Hz to 10 kHz	160 ppm to 1% 300 ppm to 0.3%	See Note 4 See Note 5
VOLTAGE, AC 0.3 mV to 22 V 22 V to 220 V 220 V to 1100 V 220 V to 750 V 1 mV to 10 mV 10 mV to 100 V 100 V to 700 V 0.3 mV to 70 V 70 V to 220 V 200 V to 1000 V	10 Hz to 1 MHz 10 Hz to 1 MHz 40 Hz to 30 kHz 30 kHz to 100 kHz 10 Hz to 300 kHz 10 Hz to 1 MHz 10 Hz to 100 kHz 10 Hz to 1 MHz 10 Hz to 500 kHz 10 Hz to 100 kHz	80 ppm to 0.28% 80 ppm to 1.3% 80 ppm to 360 ppm 360 ppm to 0.13% 0.02% to 4% 90 ppm to 1.5% 420 ppm to 0.3% 24 ppm to 1.2% 31 ppm to 500 ppm 38 ppm to 500 ppm	See Note 8 See Notes 8 and 9 See Note 8 See Note 8 } See Note 10 } See Note 11

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Measured Quantity & Range or Instrument	Frequency	Best Measurement Capability expressed as an Uncertainty (\pm) (see Supplementary Notes)	Remarks
<p>VOLTAGE, DC</p> <p>Specific Values 100 mV 1 V 10 V 100 V 1000 V</p> <p>Other Values 1 mV to 22 V 22 V to 1.1 kV 10 mV to 10 V 10 V to 1000 V</p>		4 ppm 1 ppm 0.5 ppm 0.7 ppm 1 ppm 0.05% to 3 ppm 3 ppm to 9 ppm 100 ppm to 4 ppm 4 ppm to 15 ppm	For the calibration of high accuracy digital meters, multi-function calibrators, and similar devices using a combination of multi-function calibrators, voltage reference standards, and voltage ratio standards See Note 8 See Note 9
<p>VOLTAGE, AC/DC TRANSFER</p> <p>2 mV 10 mV to 0.2 V 0.6 V to 20 V 60 V 100 V to 1000 V</p>	10 Hz to 1 MHz 10 Hz to 300 kHz 10 Hz to 100 kHz	600 ppm to 2200 ppm 26 ppm to 800 ppm 7 ppm to 150 ppm 15 ppm to 150 ppm 16 ppm to 150 ppm	For the calibration of voltage sources using an AC/DC transfer standard. See Annex A for details.
<p>RESISTANCE</p> <p>1 Ω to 100 MΩ 10 Ω to 1 GΩ</p>		6 ppm to 90 ppm 8 ppm to 0.5%	See Note 6 See Note 7

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Type II Capabilities			
Measured Quantity & Range or Instrument	Frequency	Best Measurement Capability expressed as an Uncertainty (\pm) (see Supplementary Notes)	Remarks
CAPACITANCE			
5 pF to 300 μ F	50 Hz to 10 kHz	0.05% to 5%	Measure using an LCR meter. Suitable for the calibration of capacitors and the capacitance function of multiproduct calibrators (such as the Fluke 5500 series of calibrators).
200 μ F to 110 mF		0.05%	Measure using a constant current source and a DMM. Suitable for the calibration of the capacitance function of multiproduct calibrators (such as the Fluke 5500 series of calibrators).
0.19 nF to 1 μ F 1 μ F to 110 μ F 110 μ F to 110 mF	10 Hz to 10 kHz 10 Hz to 80 Hz DC to 50 Hz	1.4% to 5.8% 0.34% to 1.4% 0.55% to 1.2%	Source synthesized capacitance using a multiproduct calibrator.
Specific Values			
10 nF	1 kHz	0.01%	Calibration of 10 nF, 0.1 μ F and 1.0 μ F capacitors by substitution method using LCR meter. Suitable for the calibration of LCR meters.
0.1 μ F	1 kHz	0.01%	
1.0 μ F	1 kHz	0.01%	

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ELECTRICAL CALIBRATION OF TEMPERATURE INDICATORS AND SIMULATORS -250 °C to 2316 °C		0.05 °C to 0.6 °C	Source for types B, C, E, J, K, L, N, R, S, T and U thermocouples using multifunction calibrators. Suitable for the calibration of temperature indicators, process calibrators and multi-product calibrators (such as the Fluke 5500 series) by electrical simulation of temperature. The best measurement capability does not include the uncertainty of the device under test or the thermocouple error. ITS-90 or IPTS-68 temperature scales available.

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- 1 For the calibration of high accuracy multi-function calibrators, digital multimeters, and standard resistors. Standard resistors are calibrated in air at a nominal temperature of 23 °C and must have a relatively low temperature coefficient to achieve this uncertainty. Calibration in oil at a nominal temperature of 25 °C is also available.
- 2 For the calibration of high accuracy voltage standards including solid-state devices.
- 3 For the calibration of high accuracy solid-state voltage standards, multi-function calibrators, and digital multimeters.
- 4 For the calibration of current measuring devices.
- 5 For the calibration of current generating devices and equipment.
- 6 For the calibration of resistance measuring devices over a wide range of resistance using fixed resistors in 1.0 and 1.9 decades.
- 7 For the calibration of resistors and resistance devices over a wide range of resistance and conditions.
- 8 For the calibration of voltage measuring devices using multi-function calibrators.
- 9 For maximum of 2.2×10^7 VHz.
- 10 For the calibration of voltage sources using high accuracy digital multimeters.
- 11 For the calibration of voltage sources using an AC measurement standard.

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- A. Calibration capabilities are traceable to the national measurement standards of Canada held or accepted by the National Research Council (NRC) or, with the agreement of NRC, to the national measurement standards of other countries and are thus traceable to the internationally accepted representation of the appropriate SI (Système International) unit.
- B. Laboratories are certified by the NRC's Calibration Laboratory Assessment Service (CLAS) for one or more of the following capabilities:
- Type I: A capability of which the primary purpose is the calibration of measurement standards for other calibration laboratories. A laboratory with this type of capability has the appropriate reference standards, working standards, check standards, and calibration systems to be able to assess dynamically and to quantify its measurement uncertainty, and is able to monitor its measurement processes continually. The environmental conditions that affect the laboratory's measurements are closely monitored and controlled. A laboratory with this type of capability usually reports a measurement value accompanied by a comprehensive statement of uncertainty. A laboratory with this type of capability is often referred to as a standards or standards calibration laboratory.
- Type II: A capability of which the main purpose is the calibration and adjustment of test, measurement and diagnostic equipment for use in product testing, manufacturing, servicing, etc. A laboratory with this type of capability has the appropriate working standards and calibration systems to be able to calibrate to a manufacturer's specification and tolerance or calibrate to a written standard, using appropriate test uncertainty ratios (TUR). A laboratory with this type of capability usually reports a measurement value and indicates if the test equipment complies with a specification, tolerance or a written standard. It will, usually, base its capabilities on the specifications and tolerances of the working standards being used. It also has, normally, the means to check its working standards between calibrations and has available the appropriate environment(s). A laboratory with this type of capability is often referred to as a test equipment calibration laboratory.
- Type III: A calibration capability, within a laboratory, mobile or fixed, with the appropriate reference or working standards, of which the main purpose is to provide a reference. A laboratory with this type of capability usually has minimal means to monitor its calibration system. It relies mainly on the values assigned by higher echelon laboratories to its standards and uses these values with few other considerations to assign values or verify the compliance of equipment being calibrated to their specifications and tolerances or to written standards. This could be an on-site service subject to a wide range of environmental factors.
- C. The best measurement capability includes the uncertainty associated with the calibration of the accredited laboratory's reference or transfer standard by NRC, or by a laboratory acceptable to CLAS, uncertainties caused by the transportation of the calibrated reference standard from NRC (or other laboratories) to the accredited laboratory, uncertainties of the calibration process in the accredited laboratory, and uncertainties due to the behaviour of a typical measurement device during its calibration. These uncertainties include components which could have been evaluated by statistical methods on a series of repeated measurements and which can be characterised by experimental standard deviations. The other components, which can also be characterised by standard deviations, are evaluated from assumed probability distributions based on experience or other information. These have been combined to form an expanded uncertainty $U = ku_c$ with U determined from a combined standard uncertainty u_c and a coverage factor $k = 2$. Since it can be assumed that the probability distribution characterised by the reported result and u_c is approximately normal, the value of a calibrated device can be asserted to lie in the interval represented by the expanded uncertainty U with a level of confidence of approximately 95 percent. The uncertainties quoted do not include the possible effects on the calibrated device of transportation, long term stability or intended use. For clients requiring a confidence level of 99%, the laboratory is able to adjust the uncertainty accordingly.
- D. The uncertainty of a specific calibration by an accredited laboratory can be greater than the best measurement capability because it will include uncertainties due to the actual condition and behaviour of the customer's device during its calibration.
- E. As a rule, the smaller the uncertainty sought the greater the cost. Users should not demand uncertainties inappropriate to the device being calibrated or its intended use.
- F. SCC accreditation and CLAS certification is the formal recognition of specific calibration capabilities. Neither the NRC nor the SCC guarantee the accuracy of individual calibrations by recognised laboratories.

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Annex A														
Uncertainty (\pm ppm) of AC/DC Transfer of Voltage														
Voltage		Frequency												
Range	Input	10 Hz	20 Hz	40 Hz	100 Hz	1 kHz	10 kHz	20 kHz	50 kHz	100 kHz	300 kHz	500 kHz	800 kHz	1 MHz
22 mV	0.002	940	740	600	740	600	730	740	600	860	1200	1900	2100	2200
	0.006	350	220	200	200	200	200	200	280	500	720	910	650	740
	0.010	280	150	100	150	160	150	150	200	300	400	590	600	600
	0.020	200	120	100	100	100	100	100	100	150	300	500	600	800
220 mV	0.020	180	120	120	110	110	110	110	150	300	500	600	800	800
	0.060	200	62	60	42	44	43	45	80	120	260	340	400	410
	0.100	120	50	35	35	35	30	30	60	120	180	250	325	325
	0.200	100	60	39	26	26	26	26	40	80	130	200	280	280
700 mV	0.200	100	60	40	30	30	30	30	45	100	130	220	270	270
	0.600	150	40	28	20	20	20	20	35	55	100	110	110	110
2.2 V	0.600	150	40	28	20	20	20	20	35	55	100	110	110	110
	1.000	150	40	28	10	11	11	10	35	45	100	110	110	110
	2.000	150	40	20	7	7	7	7	35	45	100	110	110	110
7 V	2.000	150	40	25	15	13	13	14	37	45	100	110	110	110
	6.000	150	40	20	8	8	8	8	35	45	100	110	110	110
22 V	6.000	150	40	25	10	13	12	14	40	45	100	110	110	110
	10.000	150	40	25	13	13	13	13	35	45	100	110	110	130
	20.000	150	40	20	13	13	13	13	35	45	100	110	110	110
70 V	20.000	150	40	25	20	20	20	20	40	52	100			
	60.000	150	40	20	15	15	15	15	40	55	100			
220 V	60.000	150	40	25	22	20	22	23	41	55	100			
	100.000	150	40	27	17	17	17	17	40	55				
	200.000	150	40	26	16	16	16	16	45	65				
1000 V	200.000	150	50	33	20	20	25	30	50	65				
	600.000	150	50	30	26	26	26	26	45	65				
	1000.000	150	50	26	20	20	26	26	45	65				