



CABLE AND PIPE LOCATOR SUCCESS AG-317N

**TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION
OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

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Introduction

This operation manual contains a description of the cable and pipe locator Success AG-317N, its working modes and the information necessary for its proper use. The basic set consists of the receiver and a tracing transmitter. The receiver can be used individually or with the transmitter. The receiver works at the network frequencies 50(60) Hz, 100(120) Hz, and with route locating transmitters at frequencies of 512Hz, 1024 Hz, 8192 Hz, 32768 Hz (33 kHz) .

AG-317N is used for:

- Detection of cables and metal pipelines underground up to 10 m;
- Direct digital measurement of the depth up to 10 m;
- Indication of the deviation from the communication axis in the mode "ROUTE";
- Measurement of the current in the cable;
- Survey the ground before the excavation works;
- Distance of tracing from the place of transmitter connection is up to 3 km.

Operation with optional equipment:

- Sensor "NR -117"
- Sensors DKI and DODK.

Searching of cable faults at shorting of its armoring to the ground

- Searching of outer insulation defects of metal pipelines (water, gas) at trenchless laying.
- Inductive clamps CI-105/110
- Identification of the cable, the function "selection the cable from a bunch"
- Non-contact connection to the pipelines or to the cable lines

Intended use

- Power
- Public utilities
- Oil and gas industry
- Geodesy
- Communication
- Construction
- Other industries

Operation conditions

- Ambient temperature, °Cfrom -20C to +60
- Relative humidity, %up to 85 at t=35 °C
- Pressure, kPa,.....84 to 106
- Device protection class..... IP 54

Receiver working principle

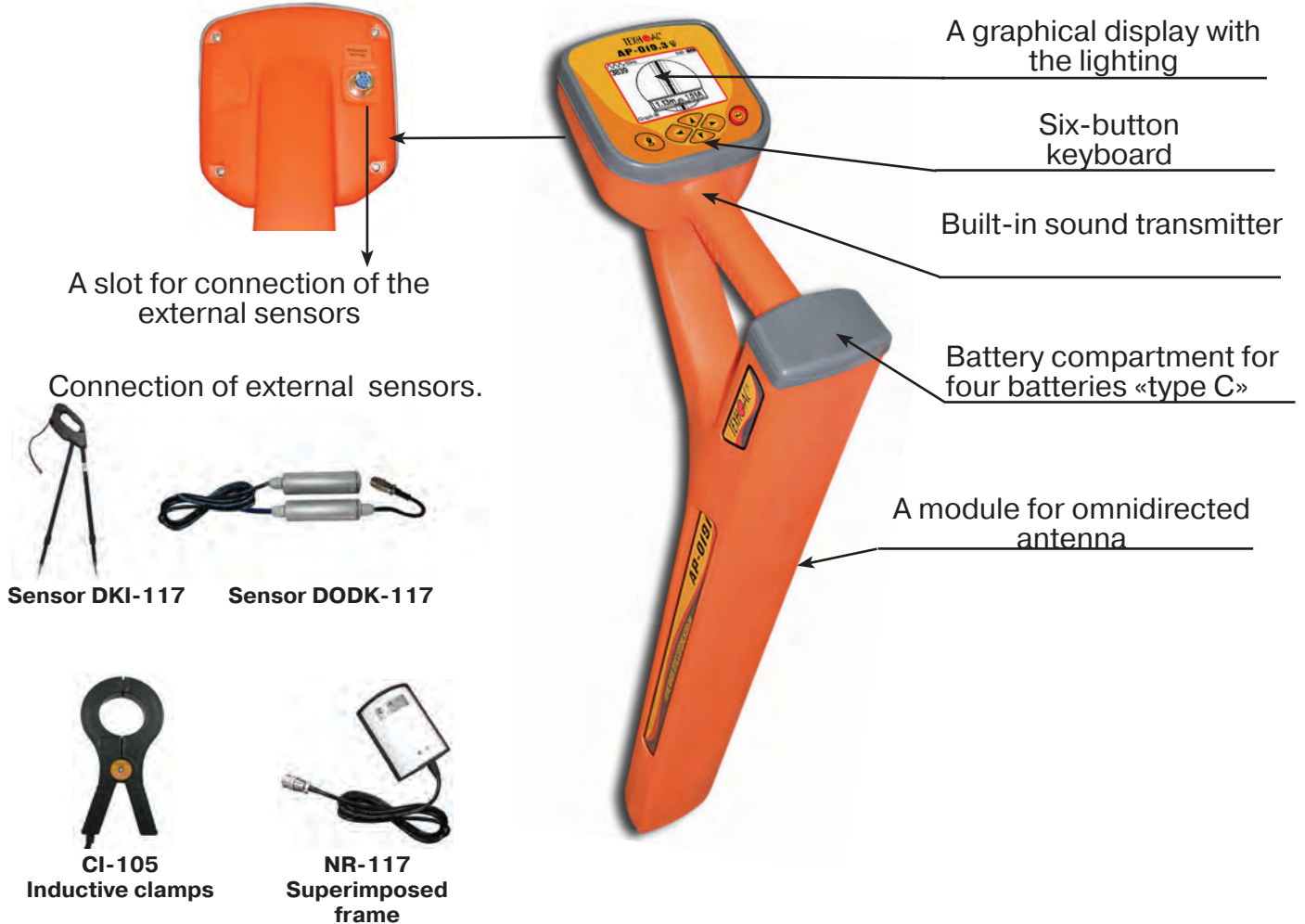
The cable and pipe locator's Success AG-317N working principle is based on the analysis of the electromagnetic field, created by the presence of alternating current flowing through underground services. The electrical signals induced in the receiver sensors are amplified, filtered, processed by the processor and then displayed on the graphical display in the form of the utility's position line, linear scale, digital value of the signal level amplification coefficient, distance to the communication axis, the value of the current flowing through it, the graphic of the signal level change and other parameters.

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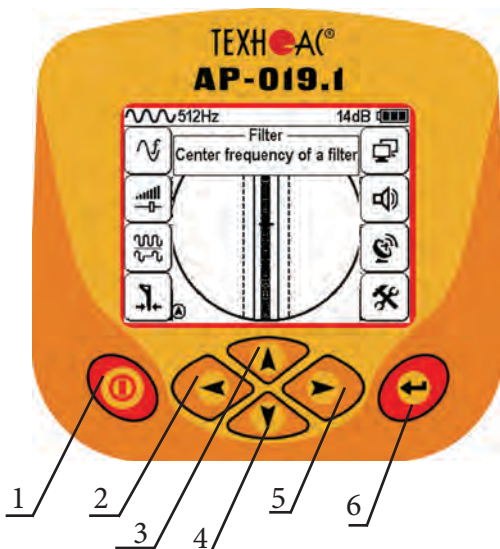
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1. Appearance, AP-019.1 receiver controls

AP-019.1 receiver is made in the solid cast IP54 body to the battery compartment the body provides the protection IP68, the device can be splitted in three components: the face panel with controls and displays, battery compartment and bottom part with the antenna block. There is external sensor connection port on the back side of receiver.



Face panel, controls

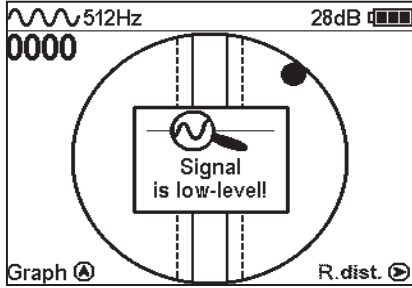


	«Power» button (1) Switching on/off the receiver
	«Enter» button (6) - calls out a menu, - enters into the editing mode of the selected menu option, - exit for the editing mode saving selected parameters.
	Buttons «Up» (3), «Down» (4), «Right» (5), «Left» (2). - selection of the menu option (icon), - selection or changing the parameter inside the menu, - operative change in the parameters

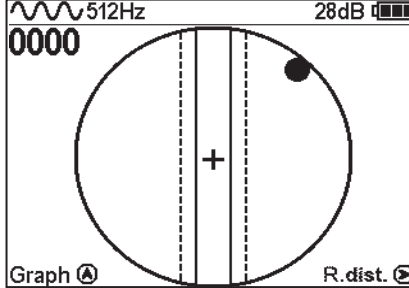
2. OPERATING MODES

2.1 "Route" mode

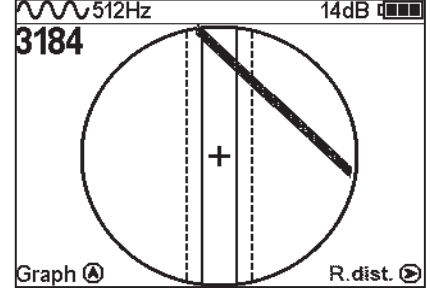
When turning on the receiver for the first time, the device will begin in route mode and the service information will appear. Route mode is the primary screen. Below, the indications are shown, which are dependent on the operator position near the located utility.



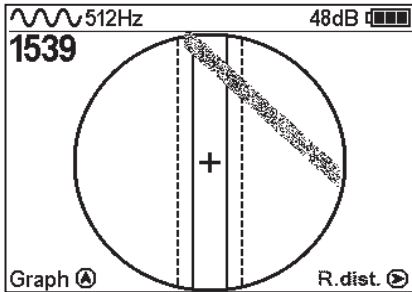
The receiver can't detect the utility.



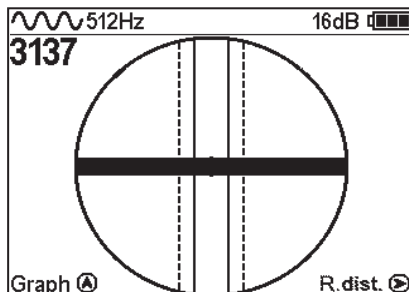
The ball on the screen shows the direction in which utility is located.



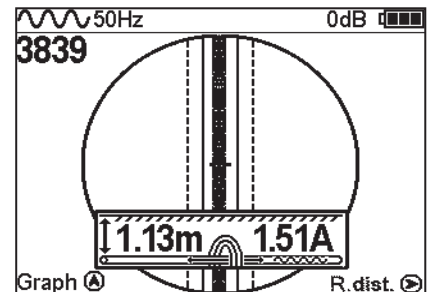
Position of utility axis shows, where the utility is situated.



When approaching the utility, a blurred line indicates its position.

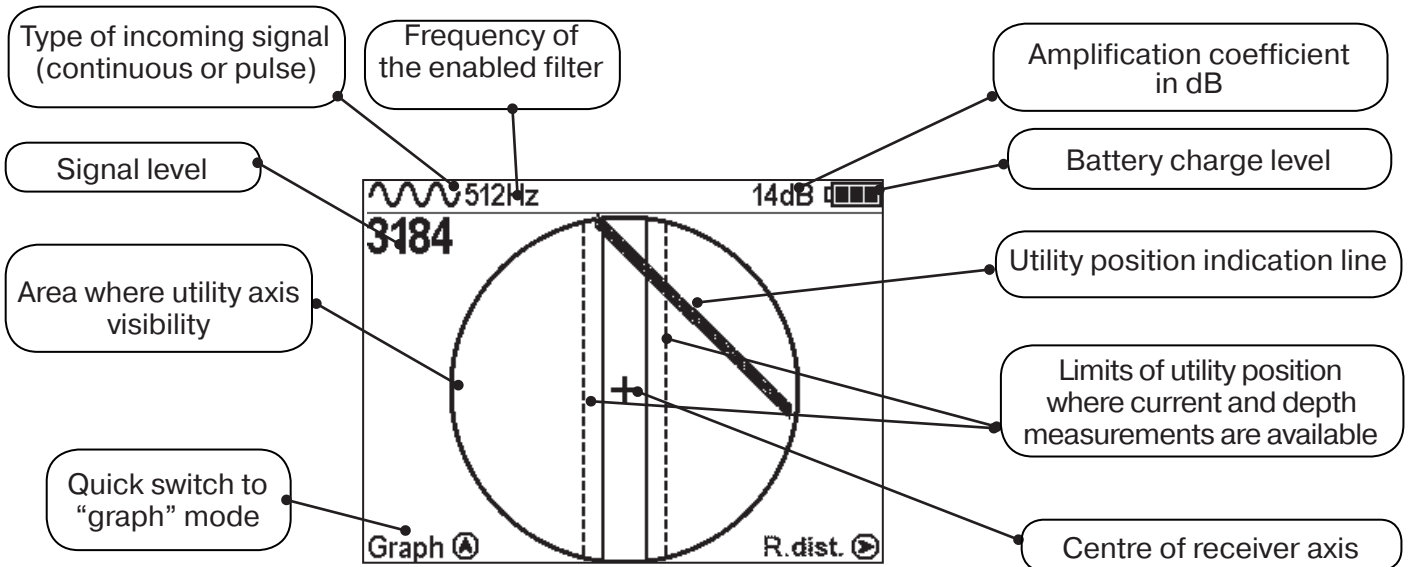


When above the utility, a solid line will appear which is perpendicular to the utility's direction.



Depth and current measurement enable automatically, If the utility indicating line is aligned with the axis of the receiver.

Route Mode Description

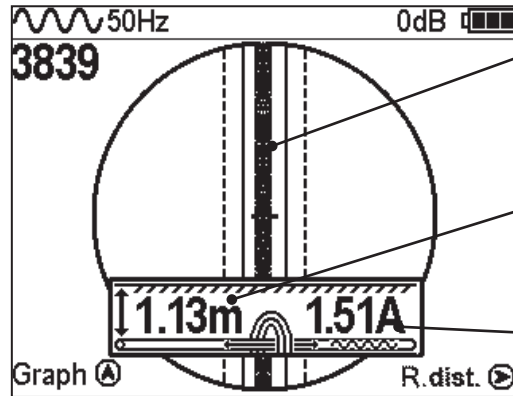


* The four-digit number "signal level" (0000 - 4100) represents the intensity of the electromagnetic field, which is dependent on the filter frequency. The numeric value of the "signal level" becomes greater when an operator approaches the source of electromagnetic signal of the chosen frequency. The signal gains its maximum level when the receiver is placed strictly above the utility. The first number of four-digit figure represents the order of the three-digit figure, generated by other figures: 0 - x1, 1 - x10, 2 - x100, 3 - x1000, 4 - x10000. Dynamic range of changing signal levels is 1,000,000 times (120 dB).

Route Mode and Depth Measurement

When the operator stands strictly above the utility and the line indicating the utility is positioned strictly in the centre field between the two dotted lines, an automatic depth and current measurement is performed.

NOTE: When performing a depth measurement, the receiver antenna should be positioned perpendicularly to the utility.



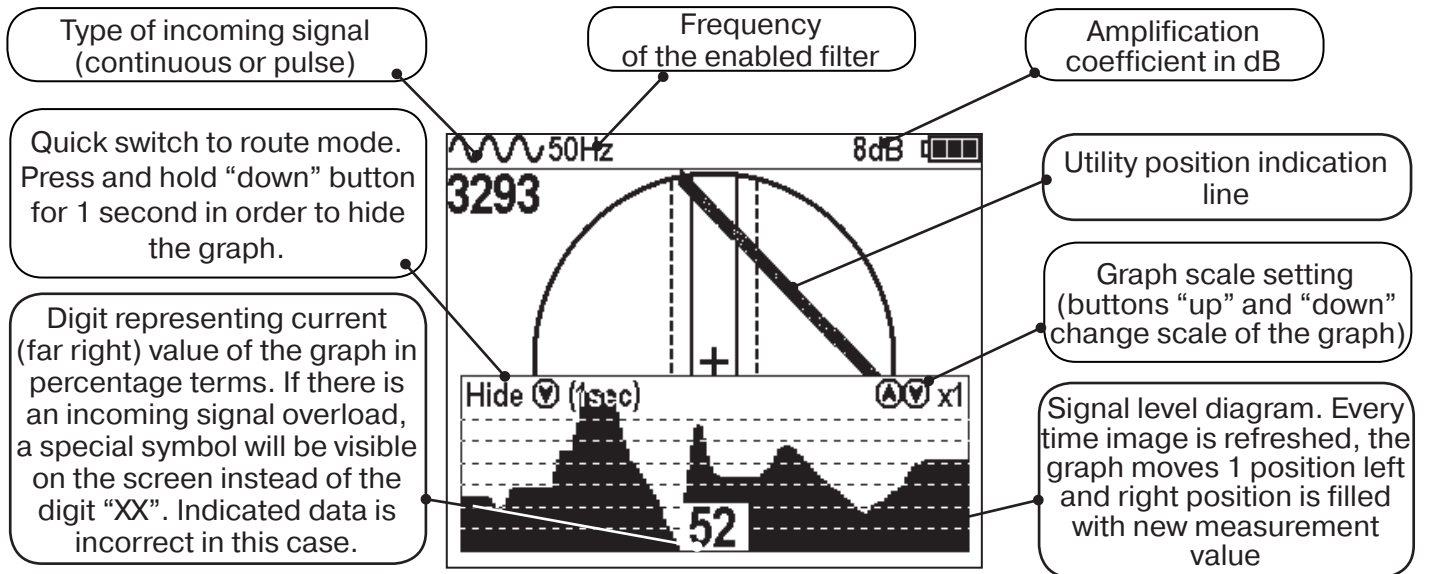
Receiver and utility axis are perfectly aligned

Buried depth of the utility

Current of the utility

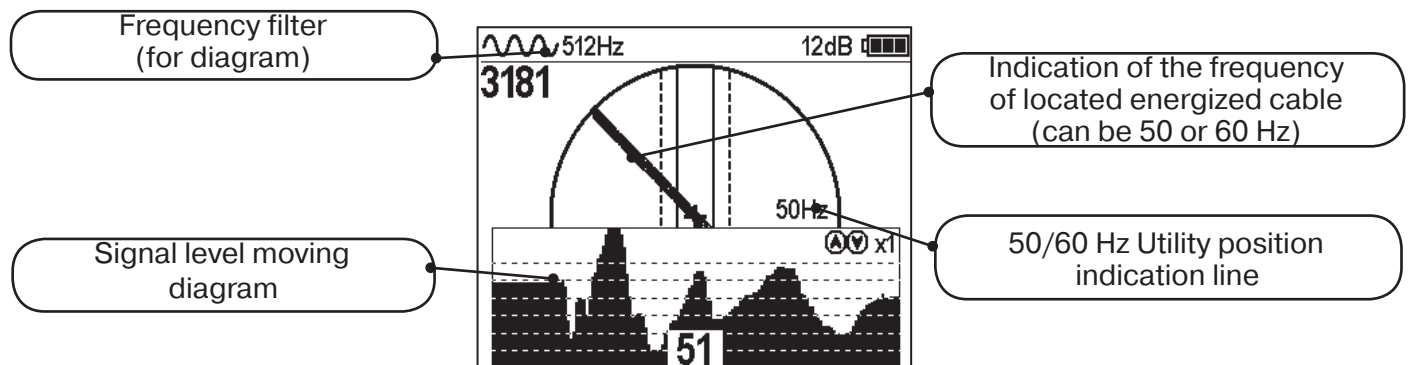
2.2 Graphic Mode

In graphic mode, the receiver screen is split into two segments. The upper segment indicates utility position in 2D, and the lower segment is a moving graph of signal level change in time according to a "maximum" method, where a maximum signal is reached when the receiver is positioned strictly above the utility and signal decreases when the receiver is moved further away from it. In this mode, current and depth measurement function is not available.



2.3 Graphic+ Mode

This mode is different from the ordinary graphic mode. The main difference is that the utility axis indication line represents only 50/60Hz utilities (power cables or utilities with induced signal) which can be accidentally met during the operation on active frequencies.

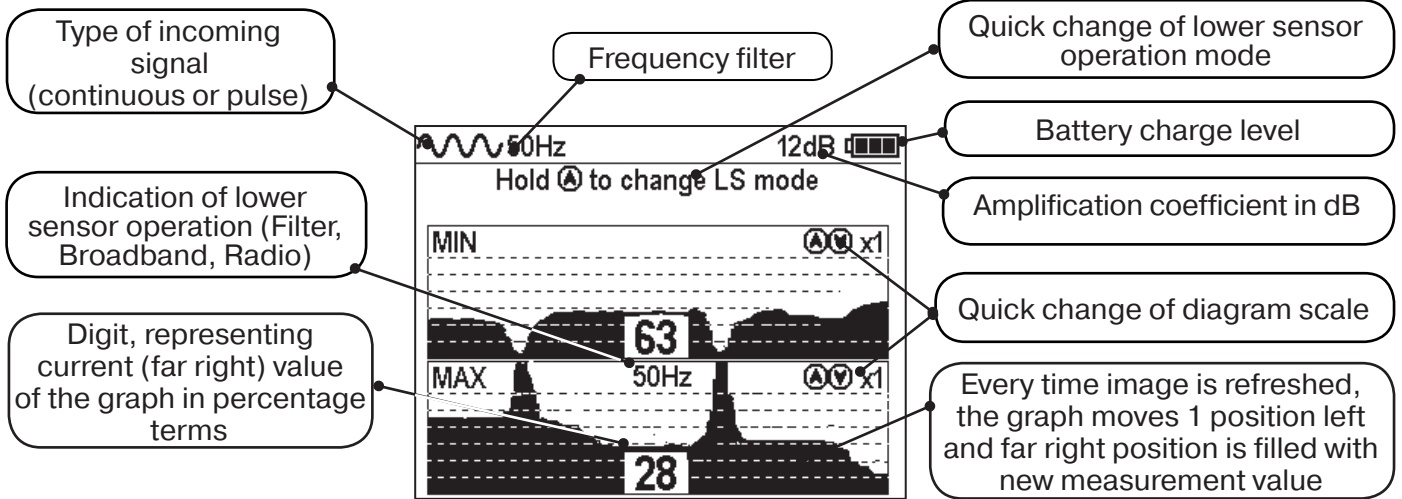


2.4 “Minimum maximum”

In “MIN & MAX” mode, the receiver screen is split into two segments. The upper segment is a moving diagram which represents signal level changes according to the “minimum” method – it means that the signal will be minimal when the receiver is positioned strictly over the utility. If the receiver is moved aside, the signal level will increase.

The lower segment represents the “maximum” method diagram – the signal will be maximal if the receiver is positioned strictly over the utility, and it will decrease if the device is moved further away.

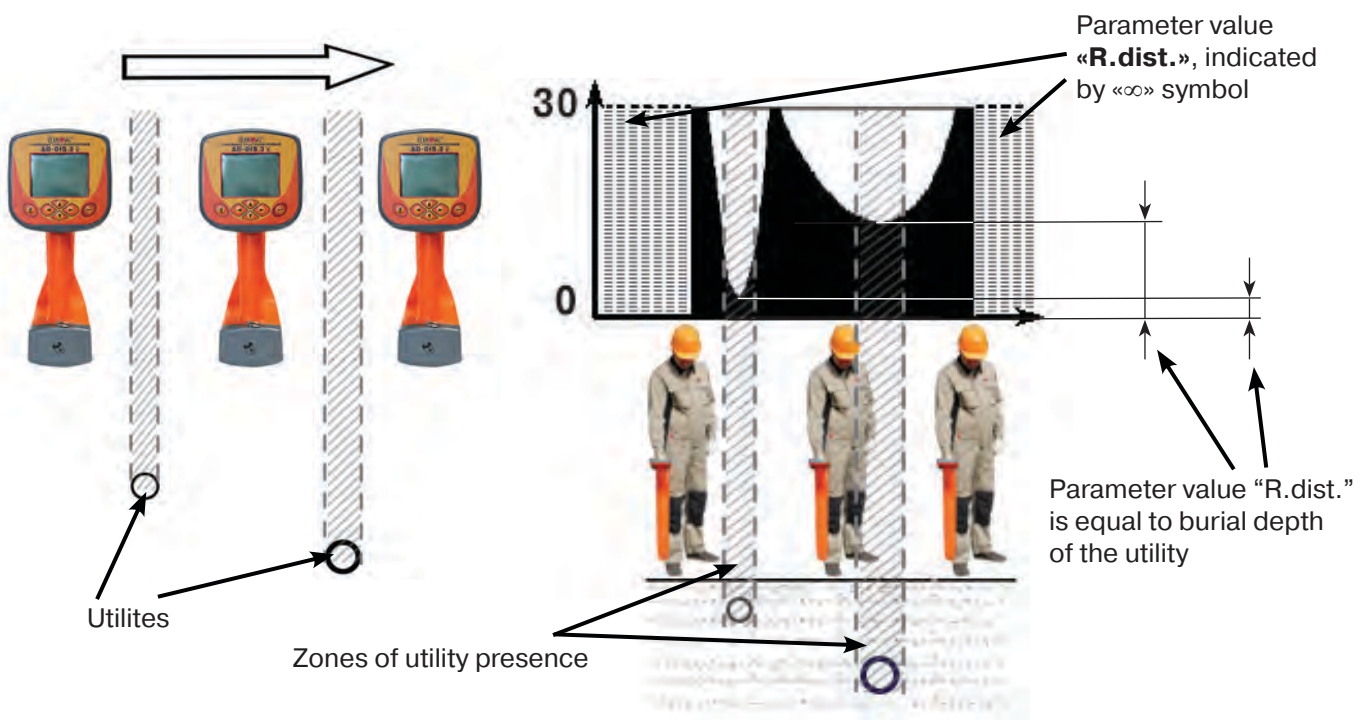
This mode does not allow depth and current measurements.



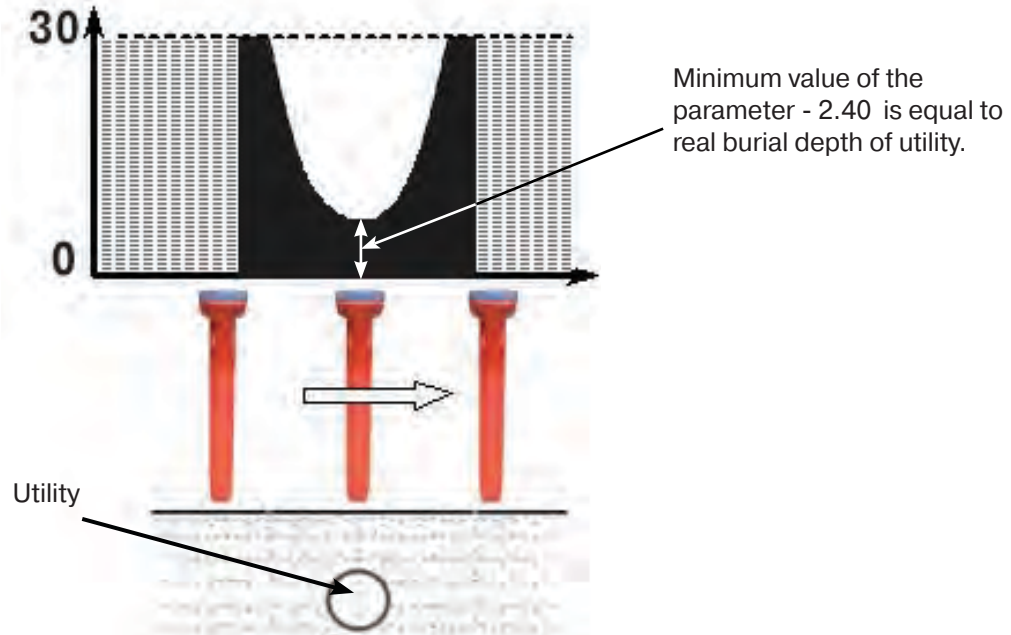
2.5 Modes with Graphic Representation of “Relative distance to the Utility” (R.dist.)

In cases given above, both utilities lay beside each other. However, in this case “MIN & MAX” mode does not allow the user to measure the depth of these cables. For this reason, it is better to use graphic modes with indication of the “relative distance to the utility”.

While approaching the utility, the value of “relative distance to the utility” changes in the way described on pictures, shown below:



This parameter can have values from “0.01” to “30.00”, “>30” and “∞”. Value “∞” are indicated when the receiver is positioned aside from the utility or when the utility is positioned above the receiver (an example being when there are overhead voltage lines around). The parameter “relative distance to the utility” will have its minimum value when the receiver is positioned directly above the utility axis. In this case, this value is equal to the real burial depth of the utility.



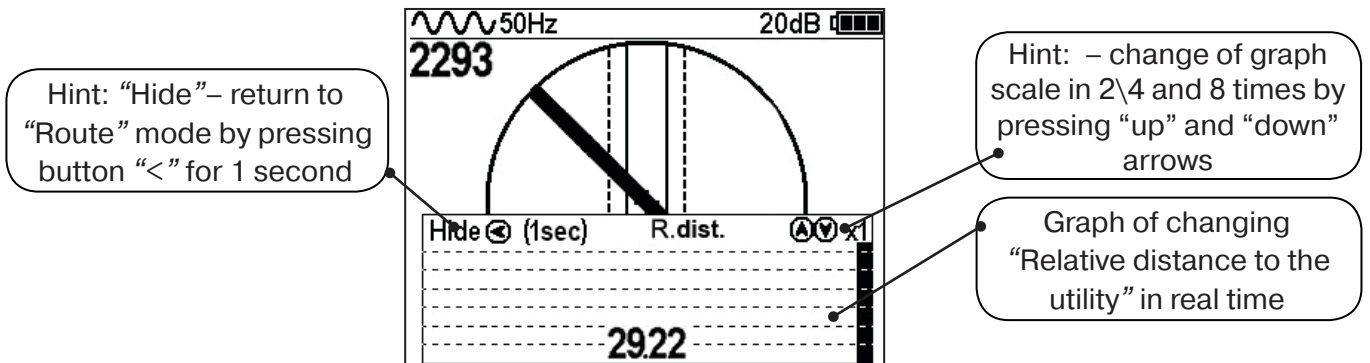
The receiver has two modes with indication of “relative distance to the utility”: “**R.dis. Graph**” is used when the “relative distance to the utility” graph and utility route are indicated simultaneously, whilst the “**MIN&R.Dist mode**” is used when screen of the receiver indicates 2 graphs (minimal signal and “relative distance to the utility”).

2.5.1 “R.dis. Graph” mode

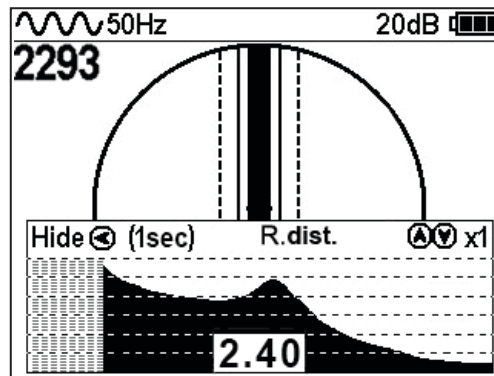
This mode is the same as “Graph” mode. The screen is split in two parts, an upper display and a lower display.

- Upper Part: Route axis indication
- Lower Part: “relative distance to the utility” graph

Indication of “R.dis. Graph”:



When two utilities are buried close to each other while moving the receiver straight across the utility axis in “R dist” mode, an operator will be able to see the indication shown below:



Minimal values of “relative distance to the utility” indicate the presence of the utility with some fault because in the case of multiple utilities laying nearby, minimum signal point may move due to confluence of the signals.

You can enable the “R.dis.Graph” mode from “Route” mode by pressing the “>” button or by switching it in the “Modes” section of the receiver’s main menu.

2.5.2 “MIN & R.Dist” Mode

In this mode the screen is split in two parts. Upper part: Minimal signal graph, lower part: “relative distance to the utility” graph in real time.

Digit indicates the minimum signal level of far right point of the display

Hint – change of graph scale in 2, 4 and 8 times by pressing “up” and “down” arrows

Digit indicates relative distance value of far right part of the display

“R.dist” value indicated by “∞” icon

You can enable “MIN & R.Dist” mode only from “Modes” section of main menu.

2.6 “2 Frequencies” Mode Window

In the “2 frequencies” mode, the cable condition and pipeline protection diagnostic is performed using the external transmitter. When conducting works on cable route location, it is possible to select the communication located as “my own” and perform a route location on it.

Quick reset of readings and “reference” to the utility

Frequency components change of phase difference

Amplification coefficient in dB

Frequency components amplitude modulation (A8/A1)

Battery charge level

The sum of frequency components (A8+A1)

Signal direction (straight / reverse)

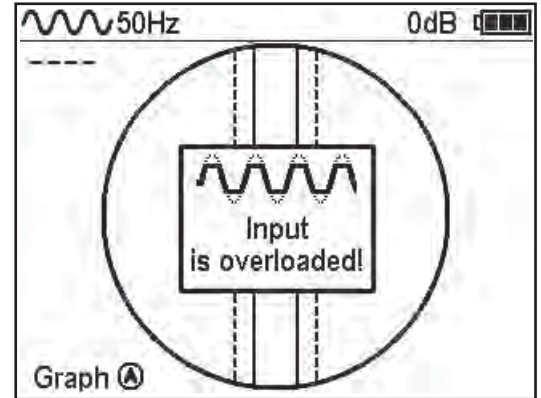
Signal level on 1024 and 8192 Hz

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Modes are split in two sets: basic and extended. In basic set, only 3 modes are available: "Route", "Graph" and "R.dis.graph". All modes are available in extended set: "Route", "Graph", "Graph+", "MIN & MAX", "2 Frequency", "R.dis.graph" and "MIN&R.dist.". You can switch between two sets in menu: Settings -> Modes select.





Dynamic Overload Protection

There is protection in the receiver which prevents the influence of dynamic overload. When the receiver is operated in the area with tense electromagnetic fields, this function automatically reduces the incoming signal and prevents the electronics of the receiver from being damaged and notifies the user with a special message on the screen.



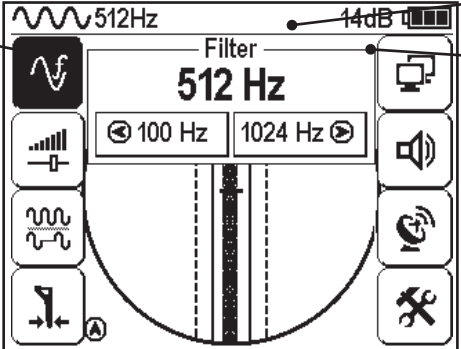
3. Receiver menu description

3.1 Receiver switching on and menu call

<p>To switch on the receiver press the button «Power»</p> 		<p>Press «Enter» button to open the Menu</p> 	
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3.2 The general view of the menu screen


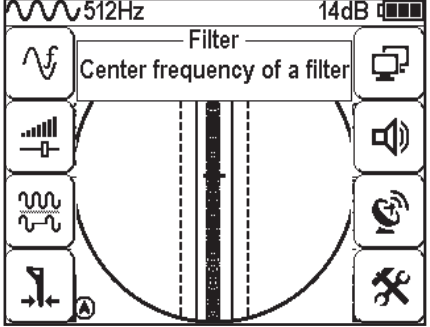

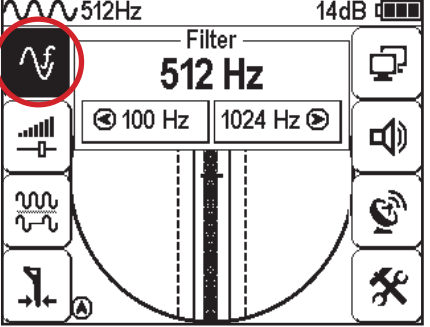

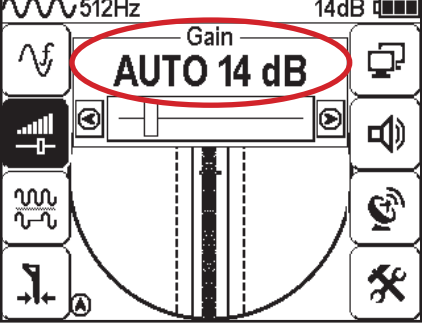


The selected menu option is highlighted with the dotted line, flashes with light/dark



menu option name

brief menu option description


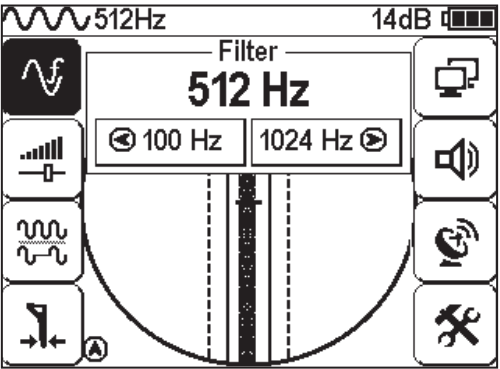

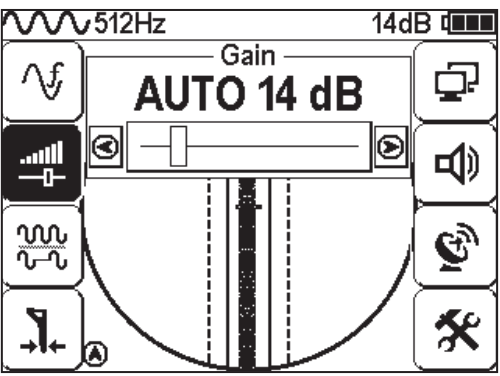

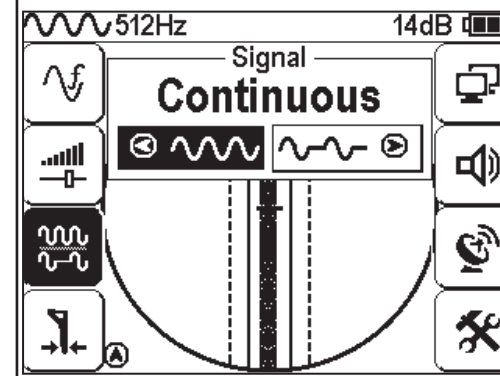

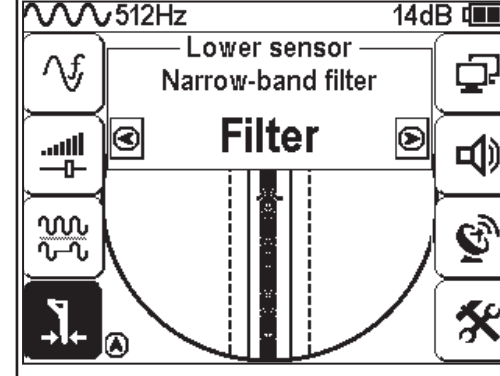
3.3 Menu parameter selection


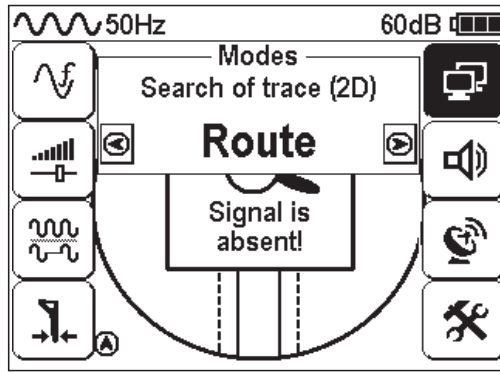

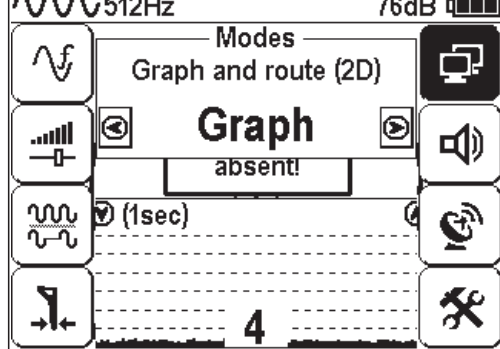

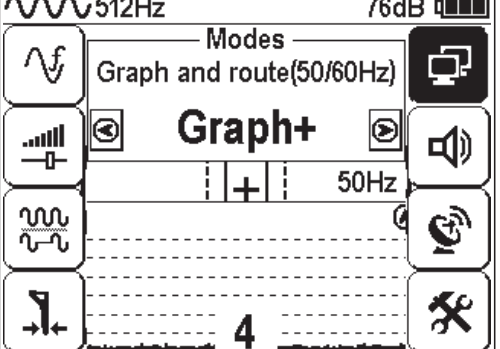
 <p>To open the menu press «Enter».</p>	 <p>The menu will appear on the screen.</p>	 <p>Menu option selection is performed with buttons «Up», «Down», «Right», «Left».</p>	 <p>Active "icon" is flashing and highlighted by dotted line</p>
 <p>to change or view the menu item</p>	 <p>In the upper part of the indicator the parameter editing panel will open.</p>	 <p>The changed value is immediately applied.</p>	 <p>To exit the menu to the general menu or transfer to the set mode with the closing of the menu, you should press the button «Enter». If you wait for several seconds, menu icons will disappear.</p>


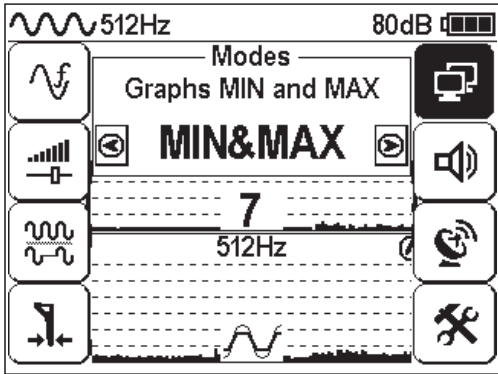

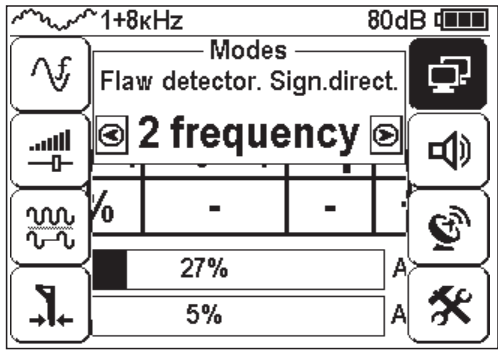

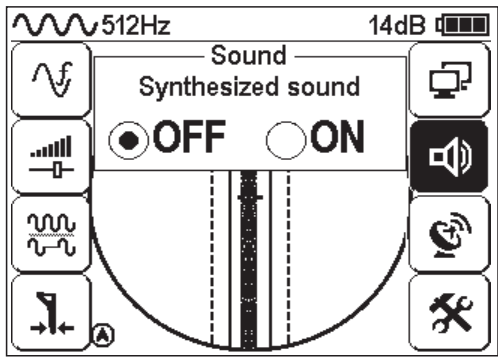

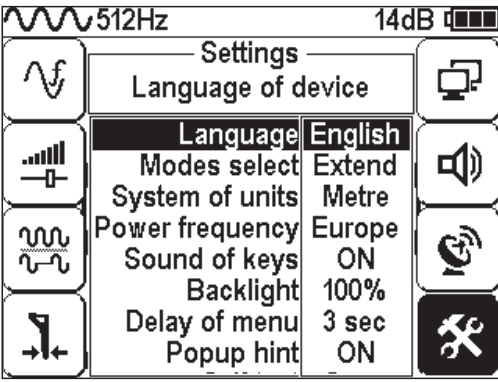
If you don't press any buttons for a period of time, the menu will disappear automatically. The length of this period is set in the corresponding menu option (see Table 1. p.6)


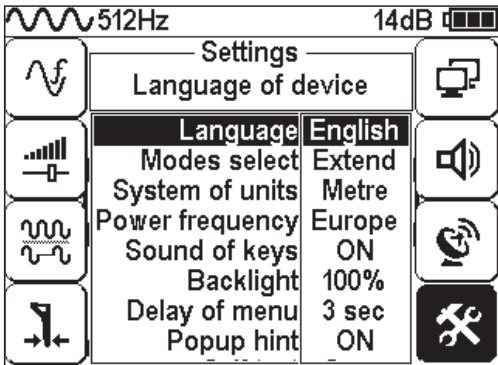
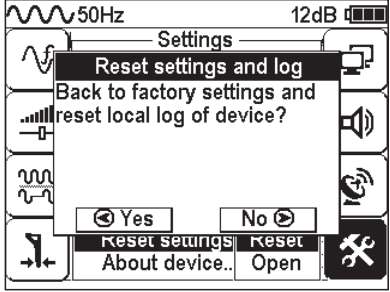
Thirteen items of menu contain parameters of setting, which are opened in the panel located in the upper part of the indicator.

Table 1

№	Item of the menu	Display image	Parameter description
1	Filter 		The working frequency of the receiver It is selected from the set: 50(60) Hz, 100(120) Hz, 512 Hz, 1024 Hz, 8192 Hz, 32768 Hz.
2	Gain 		The amplification coefficient of the scaling amplifier can be changed from 0 dB to 80 dB with 2 dB step. The optimum coefficient of amplification can be selected: - manually, - semiautomatically (by a command), - automatically depending on the regime of the analysis and signal representation.
3	Signal 		The type of signal received can be «Continuous» or «Impulse» .
4	Advanced bottom sensor setting 		This option has several settings affecting the efficiency of bottom sensor. - «Filter» (narrow-band filter) - «WB» (wide band, sensor receives all frequencies below 8kHz). - «Radio» (sensor receives all frequencies over 8kHz). 'Filter' setting is used only in 'Route mode', other settings are used in 'Graphic' mode.

5	<p>Base Mode</p> 		<p>Set of modes:</p> <p>- «Route» (2D display of the location of the route cable;</p>
6	<p>Base Mode</p> 		<p>- «Graph» (visually represents the changes of signal level of surveyed cable);</p>
7	<p>Advanced Mode</p> 		<p>Advanced mode:</p> <p>- «Graph+» (this mode combines two previous modes and allows to locate two cables simultaneously: one on 50Hz, and the other on frequency set by transmitter.z);</p>

8	<p>Advanced Modes</p> 		<p>Advanced mode:</p> <p>- «MIN&MAX» (graph representation of minimum and maximum signals)</p>										
9	<p>Advanced Modes</p> 		<p>Advanced mode:</p> <p>«2 frequency» (simultaneous operation in two frequencies, also know as frend-or-foe mode).</p>										
10	<p>Sound</p> 		<p>Switching on / switching off of sound notifications the created by the built-in speaker.</p>										
11	<p>Settings</p> 		<p>This menu is opened in the main field of an indicator</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="853 1444 1492 1758"> <tr> <td>Language</td> <td><Russian/English></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Locale of the device</td> </tr> <tr> <td>System of units</td> <td><Meter/Foot></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Measurement system: metrical or imperial</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Network frequency</td> <td><Europe/USA></td> </tr> </table> <p>The network frequency for passive search: «Europe» (50 и 100 Hz) / «USA» (60 and 120 Hz).</p>	Language	<Russian/English>	Locale of the device		System of units	<Meter/Foot>	Measurement system: metrical or imperial		Network frequency	<Europe/USA>
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12	Settings 		Sound of keys <ON/OFF>
		Disables keys sound	Delay of menu <1 sec/2 sec/ 3 sec/ 4 sec/5 sec>
			Time-out before closing the menu when no buttons are pressed.
			• Popup hints <ON/OFF>
			Disables pop-ups with useful hints.
			• Reset osettings <Reset>
			Resets the receiver to factory settings 

4. Start of work

If alkaline batteries are used - Before start of work, you should install the batteries into the corresponding compartment of the receiver in the following sequence:



Unsnap Battery compartment. Pull out the ring on the receiver handle.



Install the batteries, observing the polarity



Install four new elements into the battery compartment of the device, minding polarity. Install the battery compartment into the body until it snaps.

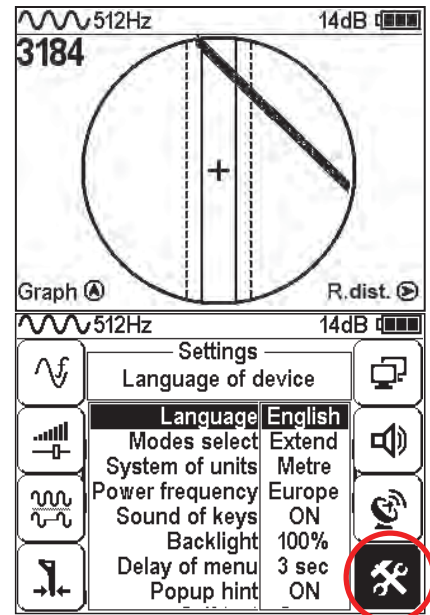
Receiver switching

To switch on the receiver, press the “Power” button 

The indication of the Firmware version, manufacturer logo and device name will appear on the screen.



Then, the receiver will automatically enter into “Route” mode in 5 seconds. When first switching, the factory settings are set by default . The filter frequency is 50 Hz.



Note

A description of factory settings can be found in the “settings” menu. You can go back to factory settings by selecting the “reset settings” option.

With factory settings enabled, you can perform the cable location with network frequency 50 Hz without the transmitter.

External Power

With the help of the mini-USB cable (included), the operator can connect to external power sources with 4-7V voltage. For example, a power bank (supplied separately).

The external power source can be placed under overclothes of the operator. It will allow an extension of the battery life in low temperature conditions. External power can be used with inserted batteries or without them.

NOTE: Power Bank should be placed as far as possible from the antenna block of the receiver in order to evade interference.

Basic Receiver Functions

- Location and tracing of underground utilities with depth measurement in “Route” mode.
- Location and tracing of utilities in “Graph”, “Graph+”, and “MIN & MAX” modes.
- Tracing of non-metal utilities in “Sonde” mode.
- Saving of coordinates and parameters of located points.
- Operation in “2 Frequency” mode (fault location and detection of signal direction).
- Selection of the cable from a bunch with inductive clamp.

5. Search of Utilities in “Route” mode



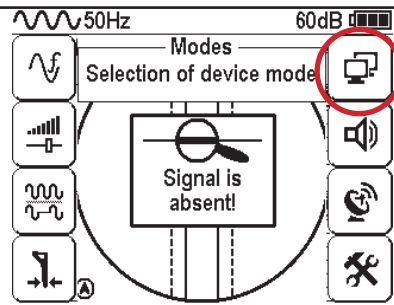

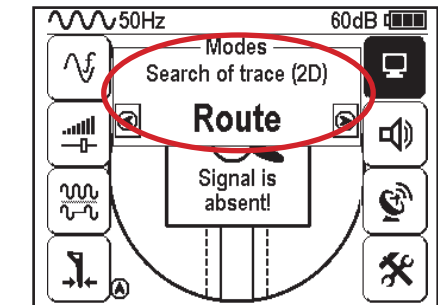




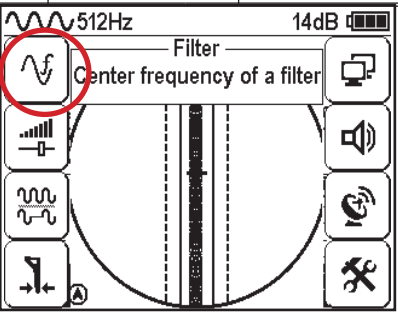

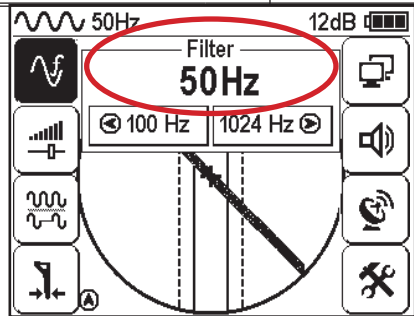


Route mode is the main mode for route location of various utilities (cables & pipelines) at all supported frequencies, both in “passive” cable route location and at the “active” (with the use of the route locating transmitter). In passive mode, the cable location is carried out at frequencies of 50(60) and 100Hz, while cable location in active mode is performed at frequencies of -512, 1024, 8192 and 33Hz.

5.1 Cable Location in Passive Mode

This mode is used to search and locate the route of power cables under voltage with a frequency of 50(60) Hz and other communications with the induced signal in frequency 50(60) Hz. The external transmitter is not used.

Receiver Setting for Operation in “Route” Mode

To enable “Route” mode, please, do the following:

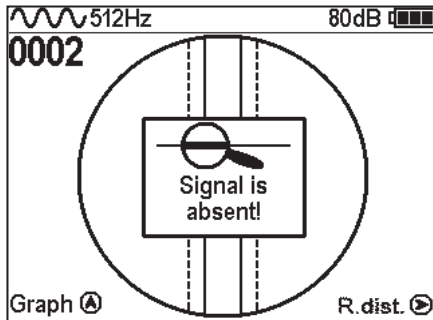
<p>Turn on the receiver</p> 	<p>Press “enter” button in order to open main menu</p> 		<p>Press “enter” to enter the mode change menu</p> 	
<p>Choose “Modes” icon</p> 		<p>Choose “Route”</p> 		
<p>Press “enter” button in order to open main menu</p> 	<p>Then go to “Filter” menu</p> 		<p>Press “enter” to enter the mode change menu</p> 	
<p>Then go to “Filter” menu</p> 		<p>Select 50(60) Hz frequency</p> 		

When filter 50(60)Hz is chosen, the type of incoming signal is automatically set to continuous.

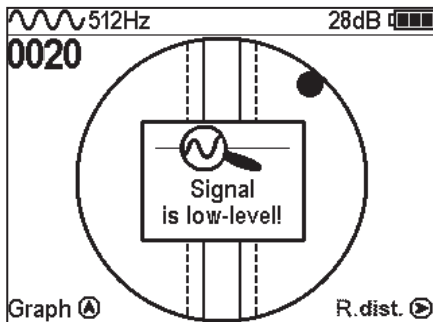
5.2 Search of a Communication and Measurement of its Burial Depth

1. Come to the supposed place of the utility under the voltage or induced voltage in frequency 50(60)Hz.

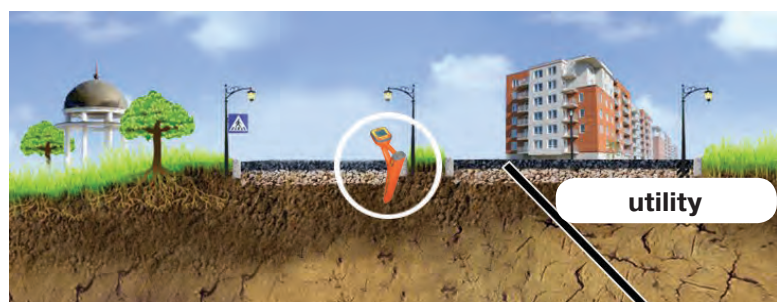
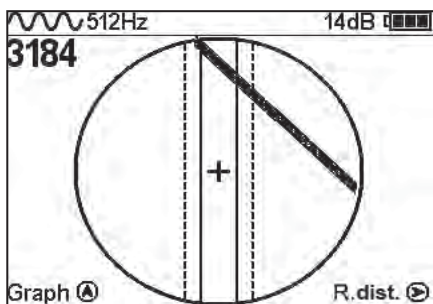
2. If the utility is far from the operator, you will see on the screen:



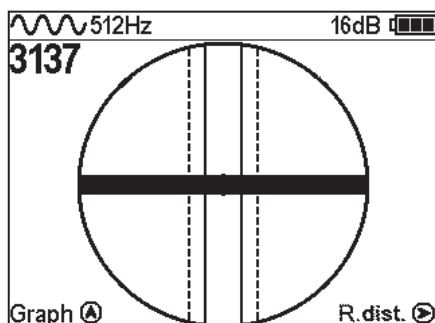
3. When moving towards the supposed place of the utility location, the “ball” will appear on the screen. It shows the presence of a utility and that it is a significant distance from the operator.



4. The “ball” position shows the direction of the utility relative to the operator.



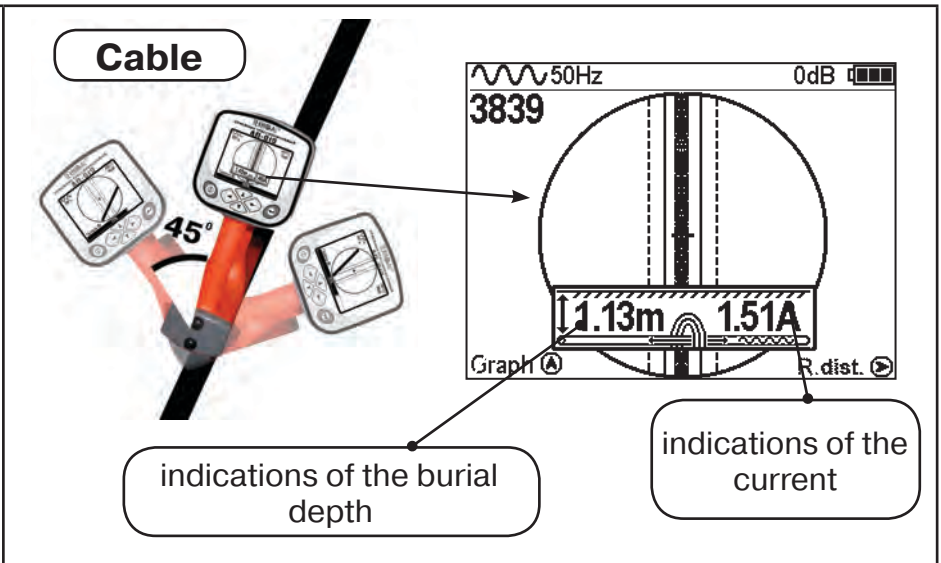
5. When the operator moves closer to the utility, the axis will move to the centre of the circle. This means that the operator is standing directly over the utility



The measurement of the burial depth of utility

7. Further you should rotate the device, until the utility axis is aligned along the receiver axis. In this position, given 'f' (the current in the cable) is sufficient, the window will appear displaying its burial depth and current. Now, the operator stands alongside the utility.

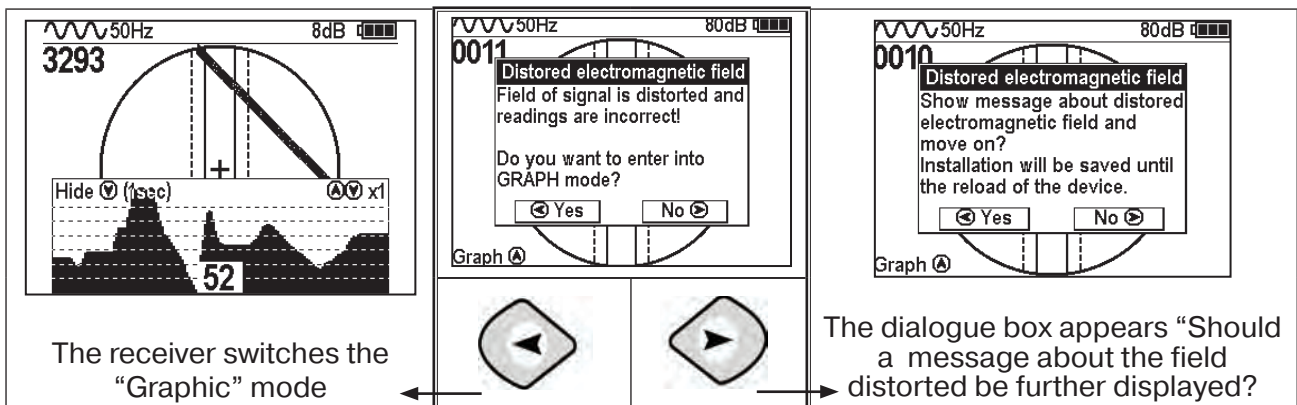
In this position, it is possible to move forward and trace a whole cable).



Note

Power cables most frequently lay at a depth of 60-80 cm, allowing to differ them from pipelines. It is possible that a cable lays in one channel with a pipeline, when the burial depth can significantly exceed 1 metre.

If the communication axis cannot be located exactly in the limited area, and the periodical jumps are happening from one border to the other, it indicates the presence of several cables under voltage with the 50 Hz frequency. You can specify number and position of the cables in "Graphic" mode.



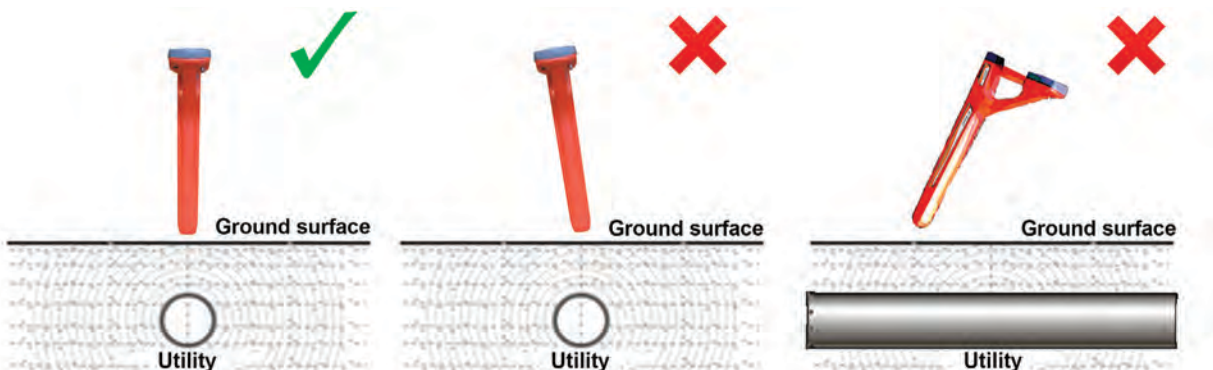
The receiver switches the "Graphic" mode

The dialogue box appears "Should a message about the field distorted be further displayed?"

In a case when the signal is significantly distorted, the receiver automatically shows the corresponding notification, offering the option of switching to "Graph" mode.

Attention:

Before measuring the depth of the utility, make sure that your device is positioned perpendicularly to the utility. Even a slight deviation from vertical position can influence the precision of the depth measurement.



5.3 Cable Route Location in the Active Mode

This mode is used for the location and tracing of electro-conducting underground utilities (power cables, optic fibre cables with metal armouring and pipelines) by using the signal transmitter. Tracing is possible at the following frequencies: **512, 1024, 8192 and 32768 Hz.**

The filter on the receiver is set manually in accordance with the selected transmitter frequency.

When locating the cable route in the conditions of the large number of surrounding utilities, you should set the frequency **to 512 Hz.**

When it is impossible to ground the connection, you should select higher frequencies. To perform the cable location with damage detection, you should select a higher frequency.

Note

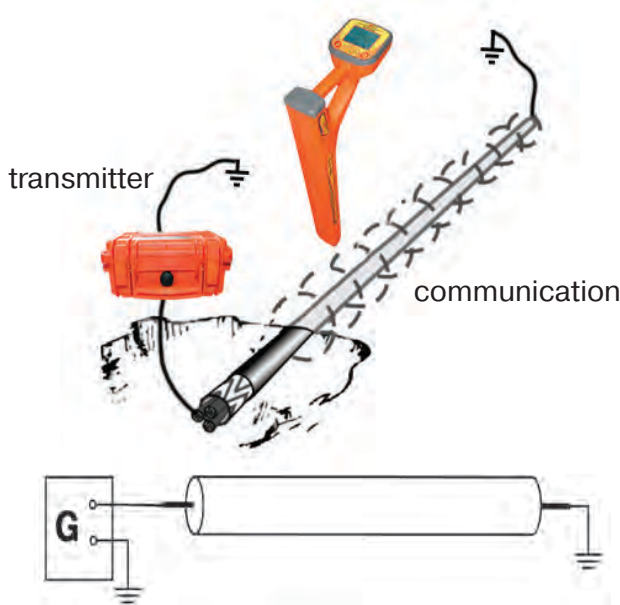
Transmitter Connection

Contact mode

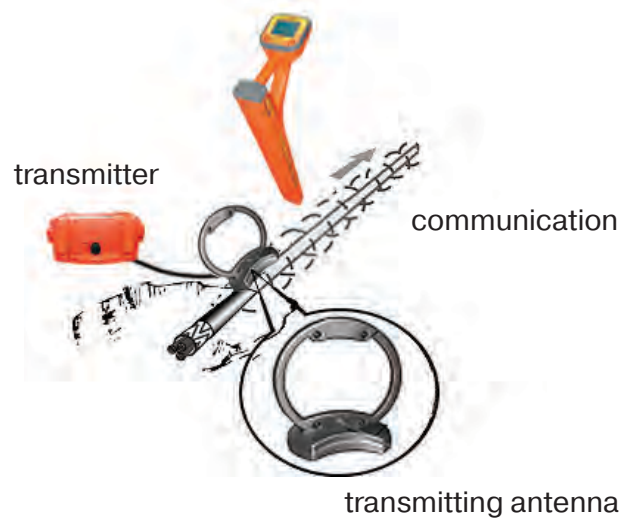
The transmitter output is connected directly to the communication

Contactless method

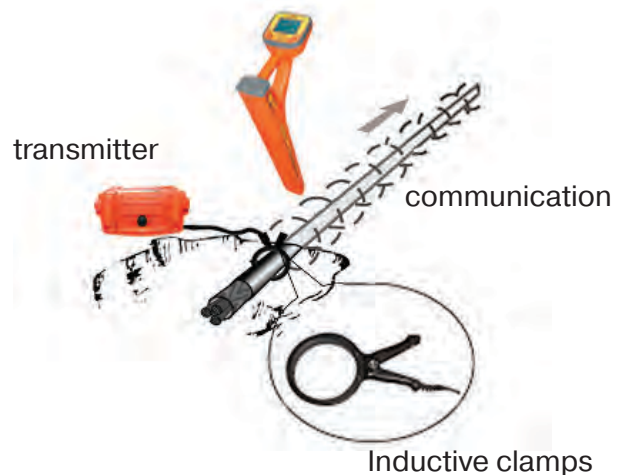
using the transmitting antenna



Contactless method
Connection with internal inductive antenna of the transmitter



Contactless method
using the induction clamps



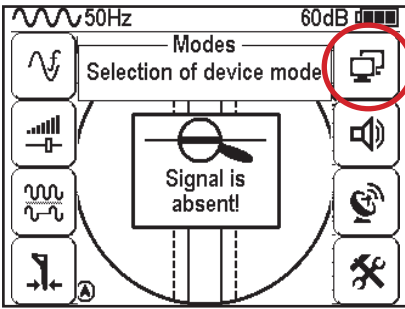


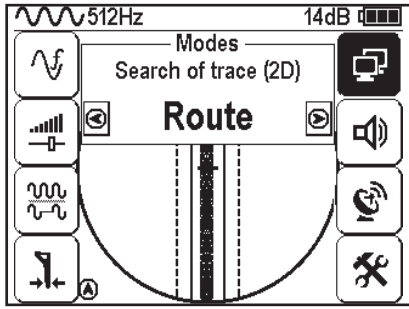


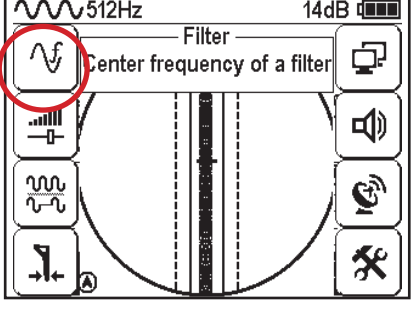


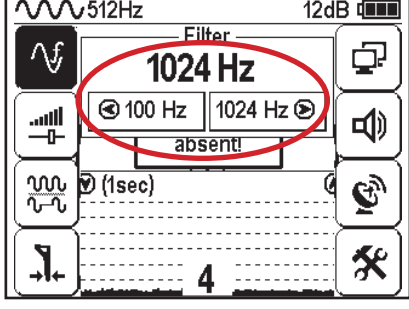




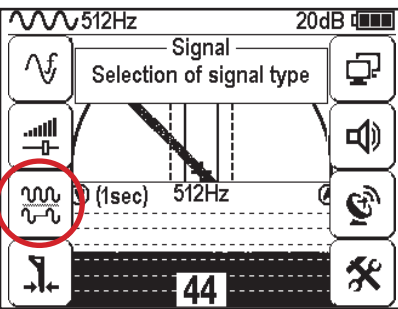


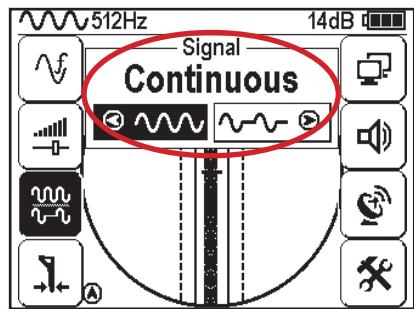


Note

Procedure for search of communication and conduction of cable route location

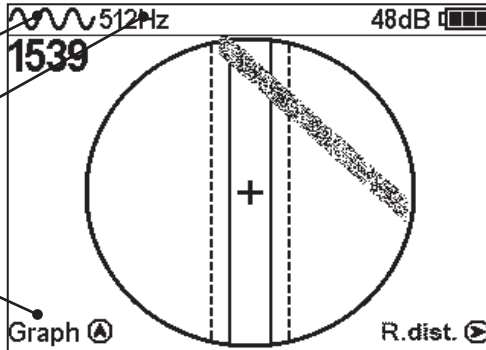

<p>1. Connect the transmitter to the utility by contact or contactless method.</p> <p>Note When possible, the preference should be given to the contact method of connection, which allows the user to perform the cable route location for more distantly.</p>	<p>2. Turn on the transmitter. Set the signal type - impulse "Co"/continuous "Pu" / pulse. The generation frequency on the transmitter - 512, 1024, 8192, 32768 Hz.</p> <p>Impulse mode (Pu) is used to increase the time of work of the transmitter.</p> <p>Continuous signal (Co) makes it possible to conduct simultaneously with the routing and the diagnostic of the faults of the power cable.</p>
<p>3. Start the generation, wait for the transmitter to power up.</p>	<p>4. Proceed with the setting of the receiver</p>

Setting of the receiver for the active search. "Route" mode

<p>Turn on the power</p> 	<p>Press "Enter" button to open the menu</p> 	 <p>Select the icon "Modes" in the menu</p> <p>buttons</p> 	<p>To confirm your selection press "Enter" button.</p> 	 <p>Select the "Route" mode</p> <p>buttons</p> 
<p>Press "Enter" again to return to main menu.</p> 	<p>Select "Filter" in the menu.</p>	 <p>buttons</p> 	<p>To confirm your selection press "Enter" button.</p> 	 <p>Set the filter frequency corresponding to the transmitter frequency, for example 1024 Hz</p> <p>buttons</p> 

 <p>Press "Enter" again to return to main menu</p>	 <p>Select "Signal" in the menu</p> <p>buttons</p> 	 <p>To confirm your selection press "Enter" button</p>	 <p>Select the type of signal</p> <p>buttons</p> 	 <p>Press "Enter" again to return to main menu</p>
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View of the Receiver Screen for Route Location in the Active Mode

<p>The input signal type set in the receiver (continuous)</p>	
<p>The set filter frequency - 512 Hz</p>	
<p>A hint for switching to the "Graphic" mode by the short pressing of the button </p>	

Having set up the receiver, you can start locating communication and determine its burial depth **similarly to p. 5.2.**



When working in the "Route" mode, the following can sometimes occur:



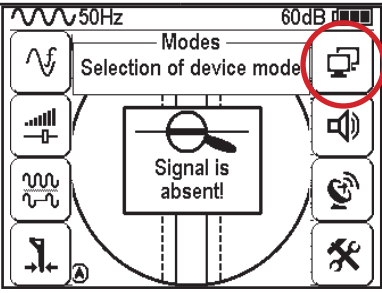

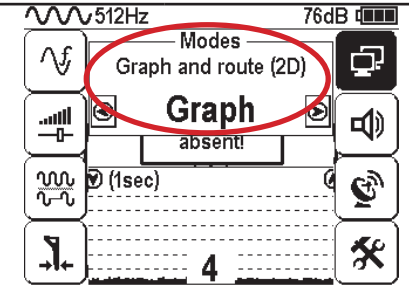





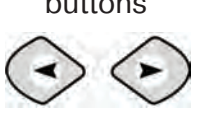
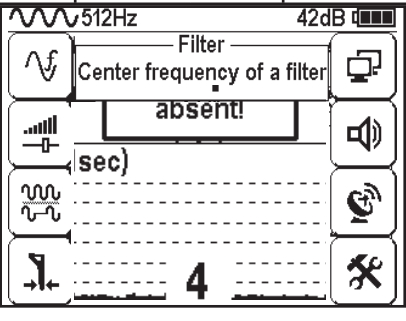
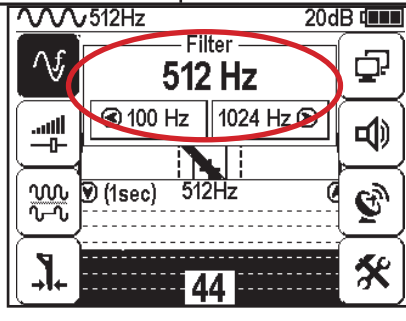
- the positioning of the utility axis into the centre is impossible
- the presence of several near located communications
- low signal in the cable

In these cases, you should switch to the "Graph" mode.

6. Search of Utilities in “Graph” Mode


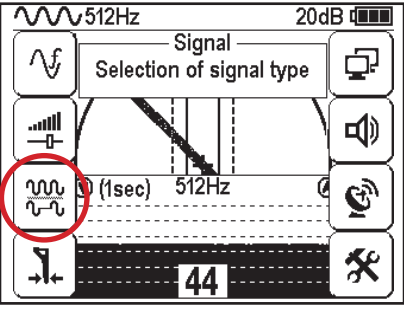

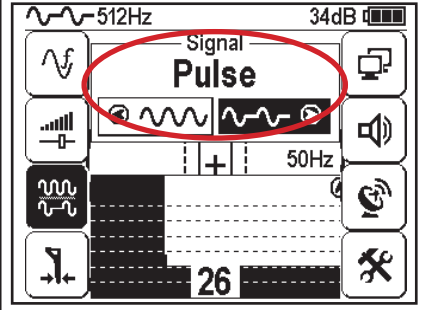



The “Graph” mode is the support mode and is able to locate various utilities (cables and pipelines), both in the passive and active modes with the route locating transmitter. In passive mode, the cable location is carried out at frequencies of **50(60) and 100(120)Hz** and in the active mode - **512, 1024, 8192 and 32768 Hz**. The “**Graph**” mode can be used to determine the number of the near located utilities. The “**Graph**” mode also allows the user to perform the route location in conditions of low signal on the utility, when the route location in the “**Route**” mode is impossible. The measurement of the burial depth and current is not available in this mode. In the “**Graph**” mode, the receiver screen displays the moving diagram of change in the signal level, depending on the time by the “maximum” method - when located over the utility, the signal is maximum, and when deviating from the axis, the signal decreases.

6.1 Setting of the Receiver for Work in the “Graph” Mode

<p>Turn on the power</p> 	<p>Press “Enter” button to open the menu</p> 		<p>To confirm your selection press “Enter” button</p> 		
<p>Select “Modes” in the menu</p>		<p>buttons</p> 	<p>Select the mode “Graph”</p>		<p>buttons</p> 
<p>Press “Enter” again to return to main menu</p> 	<p>Select the “Filter” in the menu</p>	<p>buttons</p> 	<p>To confirm your selection press “Enter” button</p> 	<p>Set the filter frequency in accordance with the transmitter frequency, for example, 1024Hz</p>	<p>buttons</p> 
					


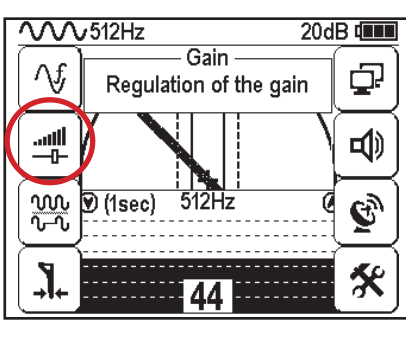

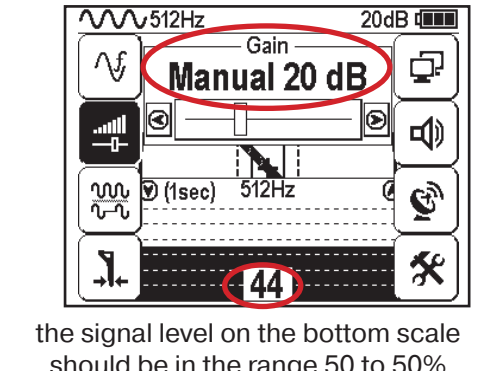



* At the active search, the signal should be transmitted on the route from the transmitter with the same frequency as on the receiver (p. 5.5).

In the **“Graph”** mode the work is performed in the **“Continuous”** or **“Impulse”** signal. The difference at the work with the **“Impulse”** signal is in that the digit in the center of the analogue scale shows not the current value of the signal, but the maximum value (amplitude) of the transmissions of the interruptible signal from the route locating transmitter. The pitch of the tone of the sound synthesized also corresponds to the maximum value of the signal for the period of the impulse transmitted.

 <p>Press “Enter” again to return to main menu.</p>		 <p>To confirm your selection press “Enter” button.</p>		 <p>Press “Enter” again to return to main menu.</p>
	<p>Select “Signal” in the menu.</p>	<p>buttons</p> 	<p>Select the signal type, for example, impulse, and in accordance with the transmitter signal</p>	<p>buttons</p> 


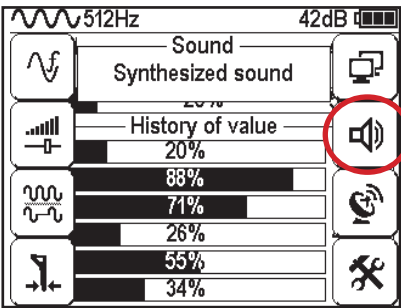


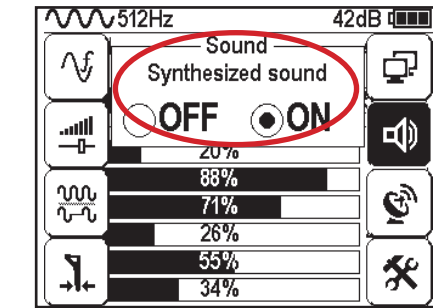


Note When working in the passive mode **50(60) Hz, 100(120) Hz** - you should always select the **continuous type of the signal**.
When working with the transmitter (in the **active mode**) **512, 1024, 8192 Hz, 33 kHz** - the type of the signal on the receiver is **continuous or impulse**, in accordance with the signal set on the transmitter.

During the route location, you can manually set the input signal amplification.


 <p>Press “Enter” button to open the menu</p>		 <p>To confirm your selection press “Enter” button..</p>		 <p>Press “Enter” again to return to main menu.</p>
	<p>Select “Amplification” in the menu.</p>	<p>buttons</p> 	<p>the signal level on the bottom scale should be in the range 50 to 50%</p> <p>Set the amplification coefficient, for example, 20 dB</p>	<p>buttons</p> 


The change of the input signal amplification coefficient should be performed manually by short pressing buttons   or semi-automatically by holding one of them pressed for 1 sec.

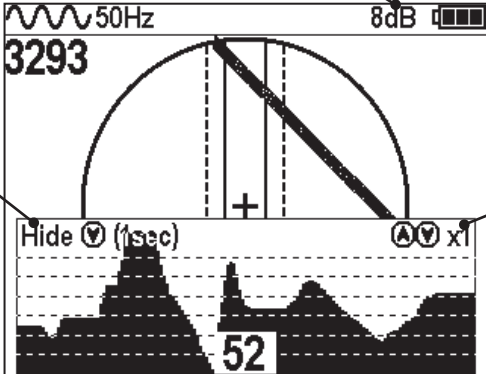
In the “Graphic” mode it is possible to listen synthesized sound through the built-in speaker, The sound tone pitch changes depending on the signal level.



 Press “Enter” button to open the menu	 Select “Sound” in the menu 	 To confirm your selection press “Enter” button.	 Select necessary parameter 	 Press “Enter” again to return to main menu
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6.2. “Hot” Keys for Work in the “Graph” Mode




decrease / increase (2 dB at time) the amplification, shortly press


Turning off the Graphic mode and switching to the Route mode by long pressing button




increase/decrease of the image x1, x2, x4, x8 by the short pressing of the buttons  and  correspondingly

Note If the signal occupies the whole graphic (the black string), it is necessary to perform the following actions:

1. Decrease the graphic scale to the value x1 by pressing button 
2. Decrease the signal amplification coefficient by pressing button  until the appearance of the decrease of the input signal level is less than 80%.
3. In case of low signal, increase the amplification coefficient by pressing the button and the scale by pressing this button 

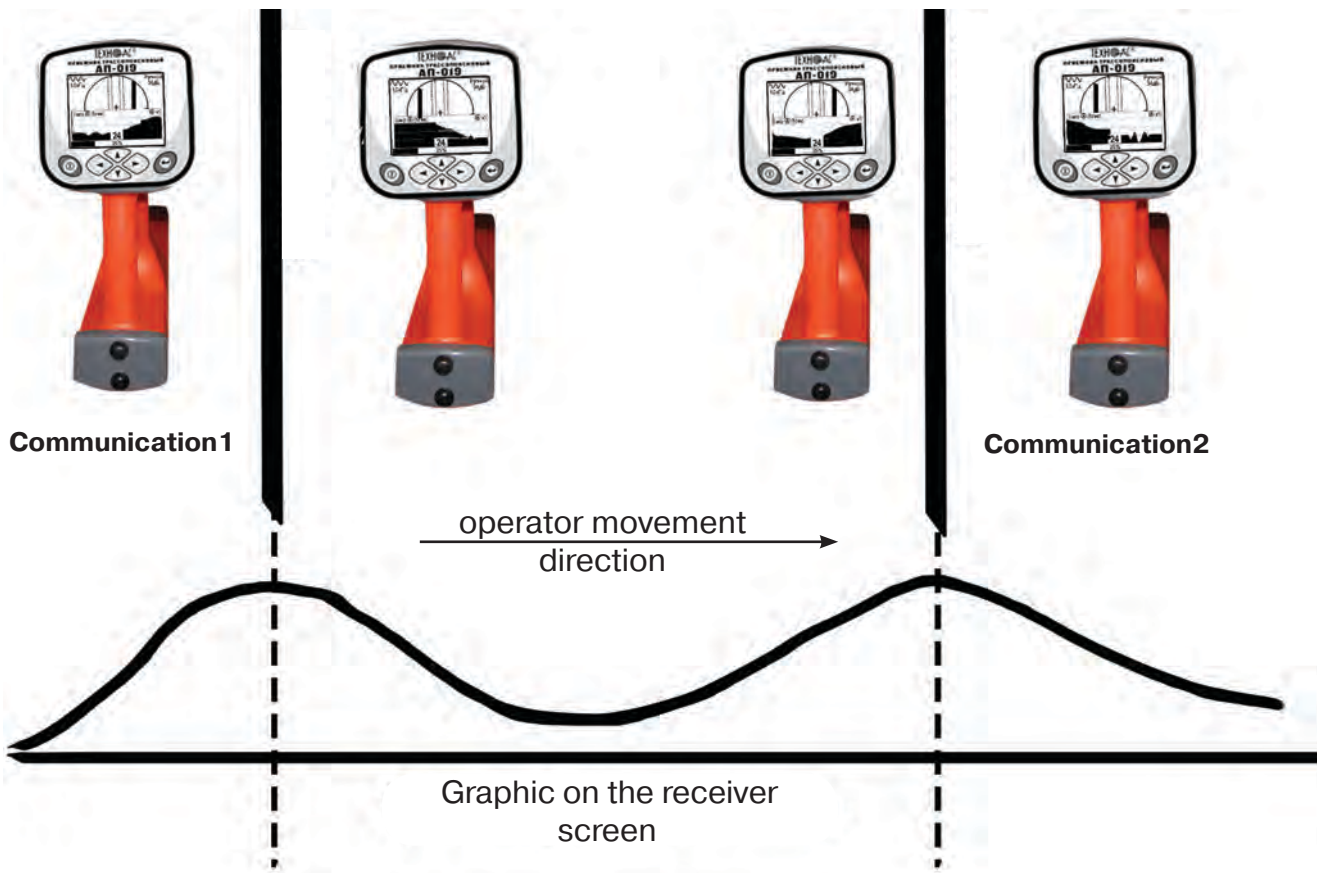
6.3. Search of Utilities in “Graph” Mode

1. Perform the receiver setting - select the Graphic mode
2. Locate the receiver in parallel to the supposed axis of the utility, slowly move in the direction, as shown in the figure below.
3. Slowly move the receiver towards the area where you previously experienced problems locating the utility.

You can see the example of operation on this picture:



In the presence of two utilities, the approximate view of the graphic on the receiver screen is shown in the figure.



4. You should locate the utility by the maximum signal level.

7. Search of Utilities in “Graph+” Mode

The “Graph+” mode is available in the advanced set of modes. “Graph+” is the auxiliary mode. This mode differs from the mode “Graph”, as it shows a “2D” image compatible with the graphic, not the relative position of the route, but automatically demonstrates the presence and provision of the near “power” cable under the voltage with the frequency 50(60) Hz.

7.1 Setting of the Receiver for Work in the “Graph+” Mode

The setting of the receiver and use of the “hot keys” for work in the mode “Graph+” fully matches with the setting of the receiver for the “Graph” mode (see sections 7.1 and 7.2).

7.2 Search of Utilities in the “Graph+” Mode

<p>Note</p> <p>1. 1. Connect the transmitter to the communication by contact or contactless method. When possible, preference should be given to the contact method of connection, which allows the user to conduct the cable route location more distantly.</p>	<p>Note</p> <p>2. Turn on the transmitter . Set the signal type - impulse “Pu”/continuous “Co”. The generation frequency on the transmitter: - 512, 1024, 8192, 32768 Hz. Impulse mode is used to increase the working time of the transmitter. Continuous signal provides the option to perform simultaneously with the routing the diagnostic of the faults of the power cable.</p>
<p>3. Set up the receiver for work in the “Graph+” mode (section 7 1), set the frequency and type of the signal the same as on the transmitter</p>	<p>4. Start the generation, wait for the transmitter to power up.</p>

View of the Receiver Screen for Route Location in the Active Mode

The place of cable location with the transmitting frequency 50(60) Hz

The input signal type set in the receiver (continuous)

The frequency of the filter set (1 kHz) for the graphic

The graph of the change of the input filtered signal (1 kHz)

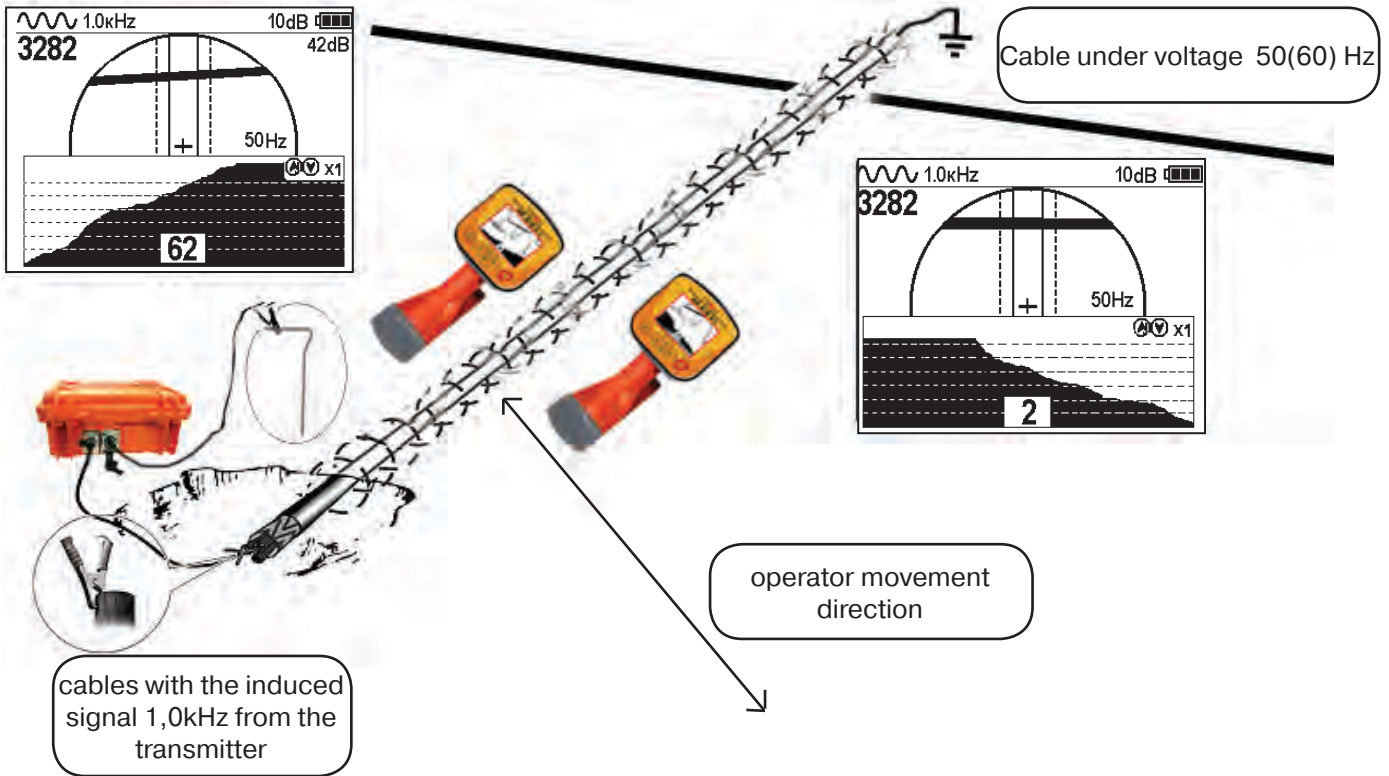
50(60) Hz means it is in “Graph+” mode

Hint of the increase/decrease of the image x1, x2, x4,x8 by the short pressing of the buttons and correspondingly

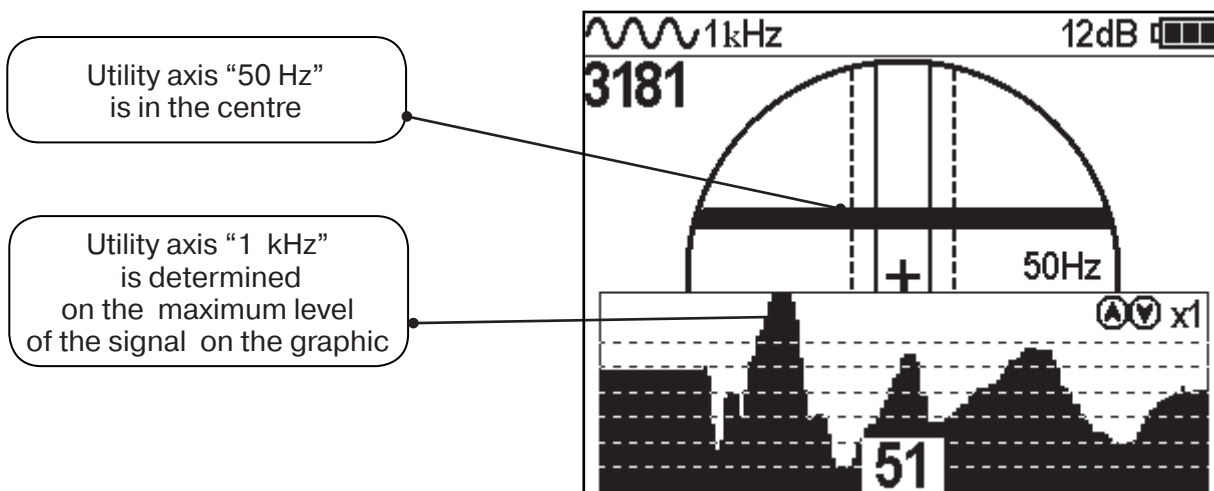
5. Approach the supposed place of cable route, on which the signal from the transmitter was transmitted. Locate the receiver axis in parallel to the utility axis.

The graph showing the change in the signal level will be displayed on the screen in frequency 1 kHz, on the 2D image of the route of the cable located near (if any) will be displayed under the voltage 50(60)Hz.

You should move the receiver as shown on the figure.



The place of the crossing of the cable corresponds to the setting of the pointer "50 Hz" onto the centre of the circle at maximum value of the indication on the "Graph" of the active frequency signal.

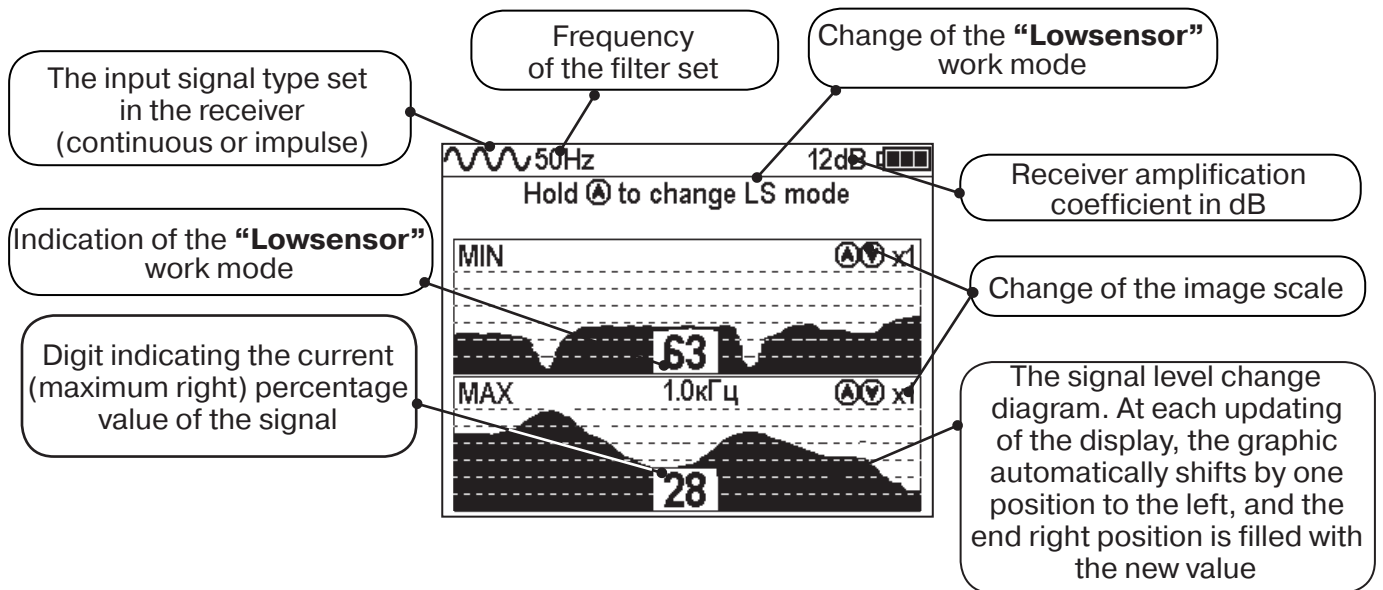


8. Performing a Cable Location in the Mode “MIN & MAX”

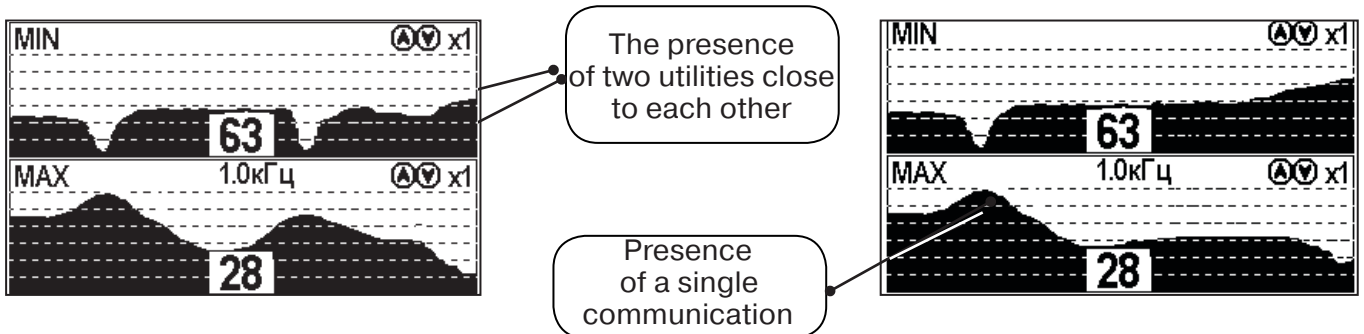
In the mode “**MIN & MAX**”, the device works simultaneously both on the method “maximum” and the method “minimum”. This mode is used in the conditions of distorted field, in the presence of nearby utilities and at the low induced signal. It allows the user to perform location and to determine the presence and location of utilities located nearby.

In the “**MIN & MAX**” mode, the receiver display is divided in two halves. The moving diagram of the signal level change is displayed in the upper part by the “**minimum**” method - when located over the cable, the signal is minimal, and when deviating from the axis, the signal increases. The bottom half of the screen shows the moving diagram of the signal level change depending on the time by the “**maximum**” method - when you stand over the cable, the signal is maximum, and when deviating from the axis, the signal decreases.

In this mode, the value of the depth and current in the utility are not displayed.



The cable route location is performed similarly to route location in the “Graph” mode, orienting on the maximum level of the signal on the lower scale of the graphic and the minimum level of the signal on the upper scale. To determine the number of the nearby utilities, you should step aside from the axis of the located cable and go straight across to the utility axis to visualise the amount and place of the route of utilities.



9. Performing Cable Route Location in “2 Frequencies” Mode

The mode “2 frequencies” was added so the user could determine the signal direction in cables.

Additional possibilities of the mode are described in App. 2:

Append. 2 p.3 Amplitude “two-frequency” method “ ΔA ”;

Append. 2 p.4 Phase “two-frequency” “ $\Delta\phi$ ”



The mode “2 frequencies” is realised only with the contact method of connection of the transmitter.

Ratio of amplitudes of frequency components (A_8/A_1)

total level of the frequency (A_8+A_1)

Change of the phase difference of the frequency components $\Delta\phi$

A_8+A_1	A_8/A_1	$\Delta\phi$	Signal direction
25%	-8.6 dB	14°	↓

19% A 1kHz

28% A 8kHz

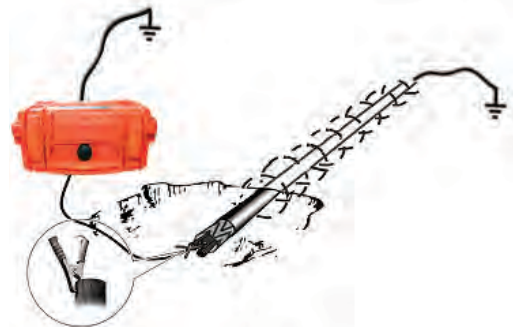
Battery charge level

The amplification control in this mode can be carried out both manually (by short pressings of buttons “more” “less”) and automatically (after “long” pressing of any “more” “less”)

Signal direction (“straight”/”back”)

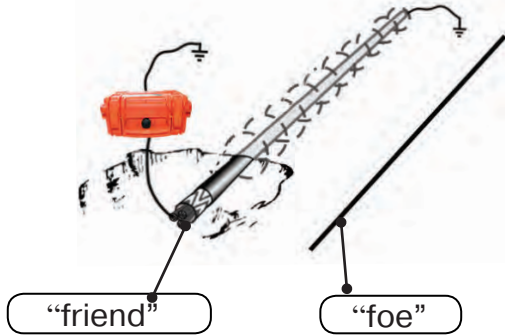
signal levels at frequencies 1024 and 8192 Hz

1. One output of the transmitter should be connected to the point of the utility that is more distant from the supposed place of the defect (start of the diagnostic site). The other output of the transmitter is grounded on the maximum possible distance from the utility from the other side (end of the diagnostics site). The buried service should be earthed (or grounded) as far away from it as possible.



2. The transmitter in the mode “2F” sends to the utility the signals of two frequencies (1024Hz and 8192Hz) simultaneously.

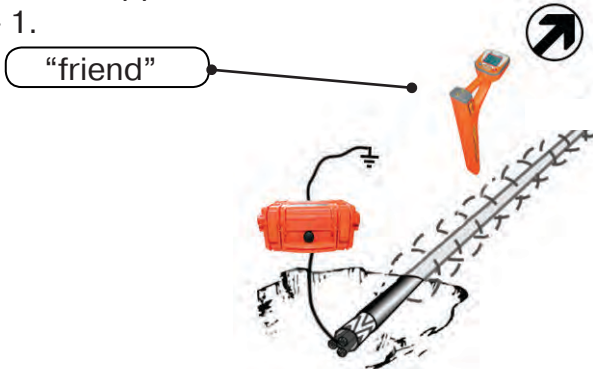
3. The signal from the utility, to which the route locating transmitter is directly connected, is conventionally named - "friend". The "parasitic" signal from the nearest utility, on which the transmitter signal is transferred, is conventionally named as "somebody else's".



4. Based on the direction of the "arrow", it is possible to distinct a "friend" signal from a "foe" one, since the current direction in "friend" utilities is opposite the "transferred" currents flowing through "foe" utilities.

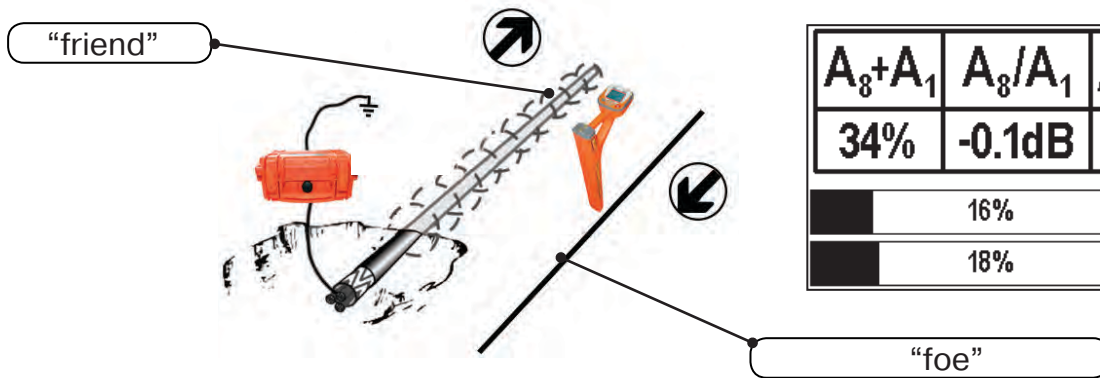
A_8+A_1	A_8/A_1	$\Delta\varphi$	Signal direction
34%	-0.1dB	-2°	↑
16%		A 1kHz	
18%		A 8kHz	

5. "Signal direction - forward" is the conventional concept and "assigned" by the operator, for this position of the sensor relative to the route. The "assignment" is performed by the pressing of the button "⬇️"; when the sensor is located exactly over the "allocated" utility that is supposed to be a "friend". After that, the pointer of the signal direction takes the form - 1.



A_8+A_1	A_8/A_1	$\Delta\varphi$	Signal direction
34%	-0.1dB	-2°	↑
16%		A 1kHz	
18%		A 8kHz	

When switching to the "foe" communication with the other "signal direction" (or at the change of the sensor position to the "reverse"), the sound will be emitted (if switched on) and the arrow will show the "signal direction - back 1".

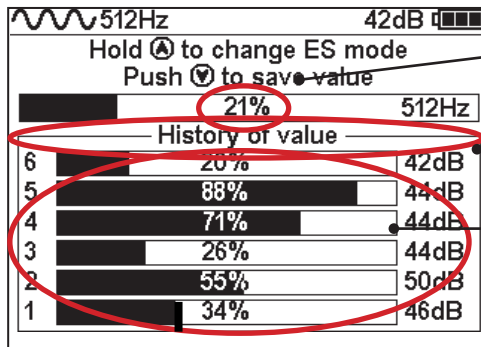


A_8+A_1	A_8/A_1	$\Delta\varphi$	Signal direction
34%	-0.1dB	-2°	↓
16%		A 1kHz	
18%		A 8kHz	

10. The work mode «Cable selection from a bunch»

The mode «Cable selection from a bunch» is switched on and off automatically with the connection and disconnection of the external sensor (**ES**) **CI-105/110** (inductive clamps) or **NP-117** superimposed frame).

The mode is intended for selection of the «allocated» cable from the bunch of cables on the basis of maximum signal emitted by this cable. The selection can be carried out at all the frequencies supported by the receiver.



The level of the filtered signal from the sensor CI-105/110 or NP-117 in percentage

The current level of the signal and the amplification coefficient for the moment of measurement

Six lines for signal level and amplification coefficient values stored by the user. At each storage the content of all lines moves by one position down

10.1. The work with the receiver in the mode «Selection of the cable from a bunch»

Attention! In order to select the allocated cable from a bundle, you should provide the flowing of the current of the current on the set frequency and form through it. To do this, it is necessary send into the searchable cable the signal from the route locating transmitter by the contact or contactless method and provide the «current return» to the transmitter (for example, through the ground). All output ends of cables of the bunch should be connected to the «return» circuit.



Fig. 10.1


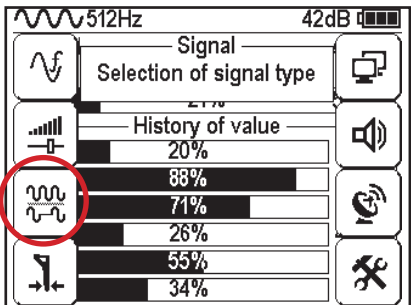

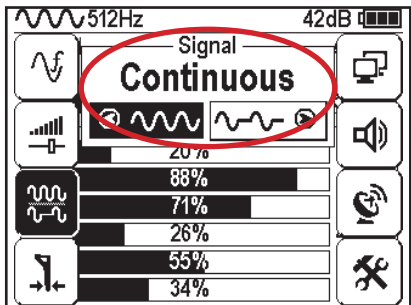





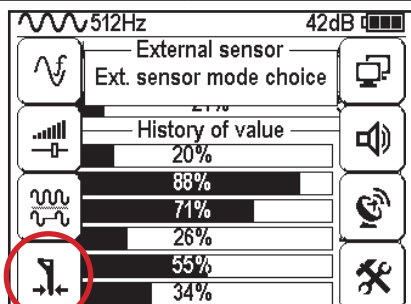

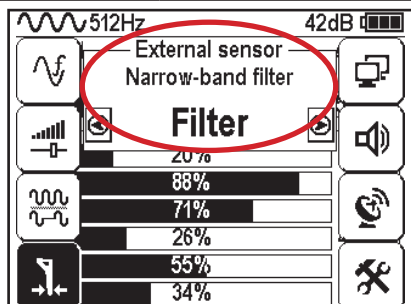



Fig 10.2

Connect inductive «clamps» CI-105/110 using the cable-adapter for «clamps» to the receiver (**fig. 10.1**) or NP-117 (**fig. 10.2**).

 Turn on the power	 Press 'Enter' button to open the menu	 Filter Center frequency of a filter	 To enter the change mode	 Filter 512 Hz
		Select «Filter» in the menu.		

(*) at that the signal should be sent into the cable from the transmitter with the same frequency 512Hz

 <p>Press 'Enter' again to return to main menu.</p>		 <p>To confirm your selection press 'Enter' button.</p>		 <p>Press 'Enter' again to return to main menu.</p>
	<p>Select «Signal» in the menu.</p> 		<p>Select the signal type corresponding to the signal type from the transmitter, for example, continuous.</p> 	

	 <p>To enter the selection</p>		 <p>To exit from the menu you should press the button «Enter». If you will wait for several seconds, menu icons will disappear.</p>
<p>Select the icon «Mode of the lower sensor» in the window.</p> 		<p>Select the mode of the bottom sensor «Filter»</p> 	

Install on «induction clamps» CI-105/110/110 (fig. 10.3) or apply NP-117 (fig. 10.4) onto the one of cables.



Fig. 10.3

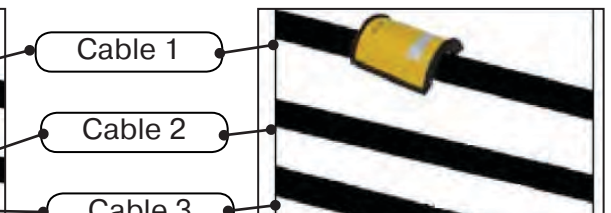

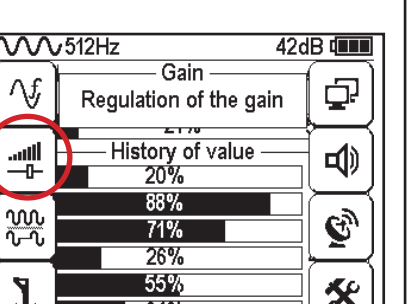

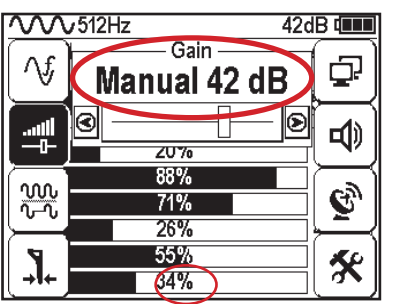



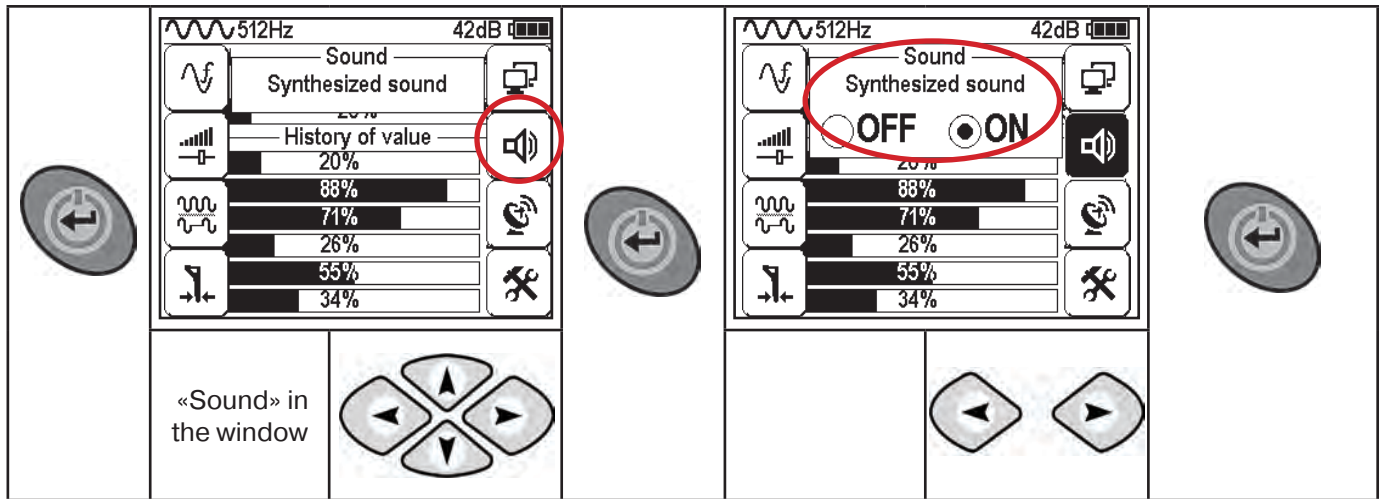


Fig. 10.4

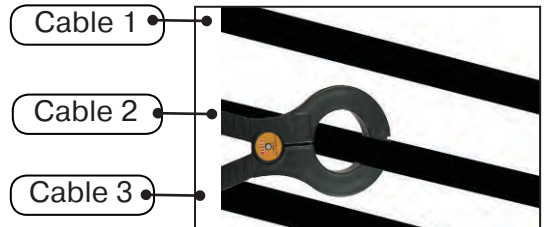
 <p>Press 'Enter' again to return to main menu.</p>		 <p>To confirm your selection press 'Enter' button.</p>	 <p>the signal level on the bottom scale should be in the range 50 to 80%</p>	 <p>Press 'Enter' again to return to main menu</p>
	<p>Select «Amplification» in the menu.</p> 		<p>Set the amplification coefficient, for example, 40 dB</p> 	



Save parameters of measurement into the memory by pressing the button

Alternately putting on «Inductive clamps» or applying a attachable frame to the cables bundle, find «isolated» cable by the higher level of the signal (Fig. 10.5).

The tone pitch of the synthesised sound correspond to the signal value (including and «impulse» amplitude)



Note

To compare the signals, you should perform measurements at the equal amplification coefficient.

In the example (fig. 10.5) it is possible to compare values only with the amplification 42 dB. The maximum of them is the value under the number 5.

The maximum signal 80% (42 dB) corresponds to the cable No.2

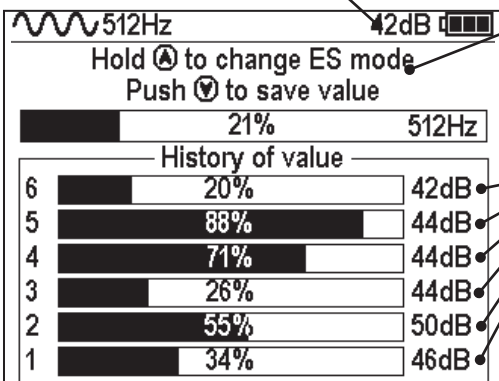
	32%	512Hz
History of value		
6	38%	42dB
5	61%	42dB
4	48%	42dB
3	10%	32dB
2	27%	36dB
1	14%	36dB

Fig. 10.5

10.2. «Hot» keys for the work in the mode «Selection of the cable from the bunch»

step-by-step (by 2dB) decrease / increase coefficient of the amplification, sequential pressings

switching between modes of work of the external sensor (ES) is carried out by the holding of the button more than 1 sec. «WB» - range of frequencies 0.04..8 kHz «Radio» - range of frequencies 8, 40 kHz at absence of the value corresponds to the frequency of the set filter (here - 1,0 kHz)



The storage of the parameters of measurement (signal level from the sensor connected and amplification coefficient) into the memory using the button
(the memory keeps last six measurements)

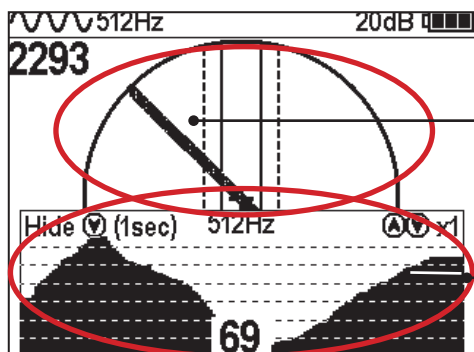
Note

In the mode «Cable selection from a bunch» using the external sensor, the work with the continues and impulse signal is supported (menu option «signal», table 1 p.3). The difference at the work with the «Impulse» signal is in that the digit in the center of the analogous scale shows not the current value of the signal, but the maximum value (amplitude) of the transmissions of the interruptible signal from the route locating transmitter made by TECHNO-AC.



11. Mode «Search of defects» using external sensors

The mode 'Search of defects' is switched on and off automatically, when connecting and disconnecting external sensors DKI-117, DODK-117. The mode «Search for defects» with external sensors DKI-117/DODK-117 was added for search of insulation defects.

The search of defects of cable defects can be carried out at all frequencies both in an active, and passive modes.



2D display of the route location

2 The graphic of time change of the external sensor signal level
The graphic can be hidden by long pressing of the button  and appears at the short holding  of the button.

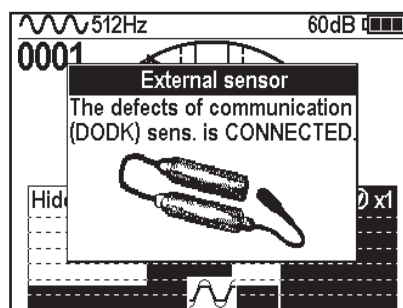
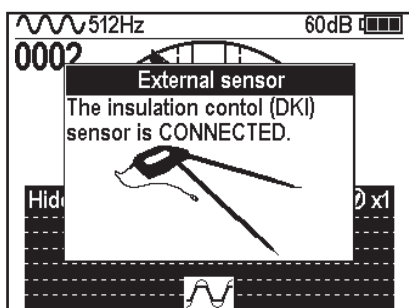
11.1. The work with the receiver in the mode «Search for defects»



Fig. 11.1



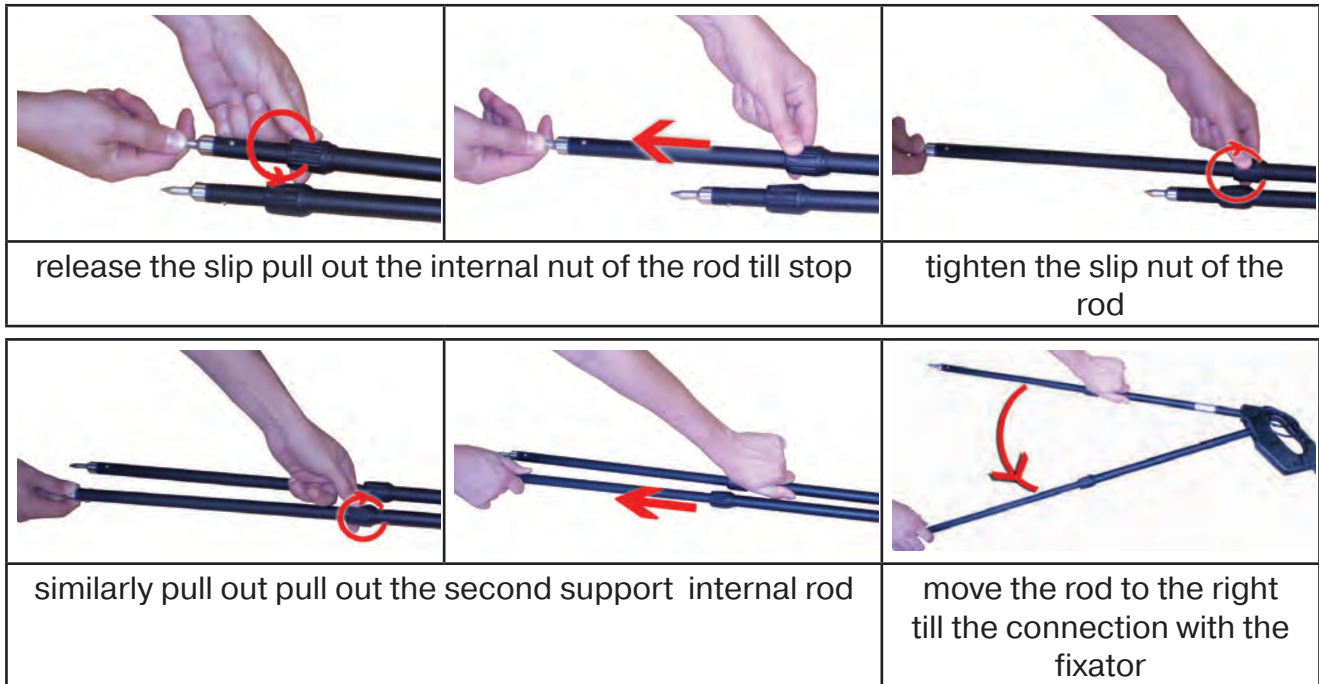
Fig. 11.2



- Connect to the sensor to the receiver of the insulation control DKI-117 (fig. 11.1) or DODK-117 (fig. 11.2).

Preparation of the sensors for work DKI-117

Prepare the sensor for operation.



The average position of the fixator corresponds to the angle 30, end - angle 60 (fig. 11.3). Maximum distance between electrodes corresponds to the maximum sensibility.

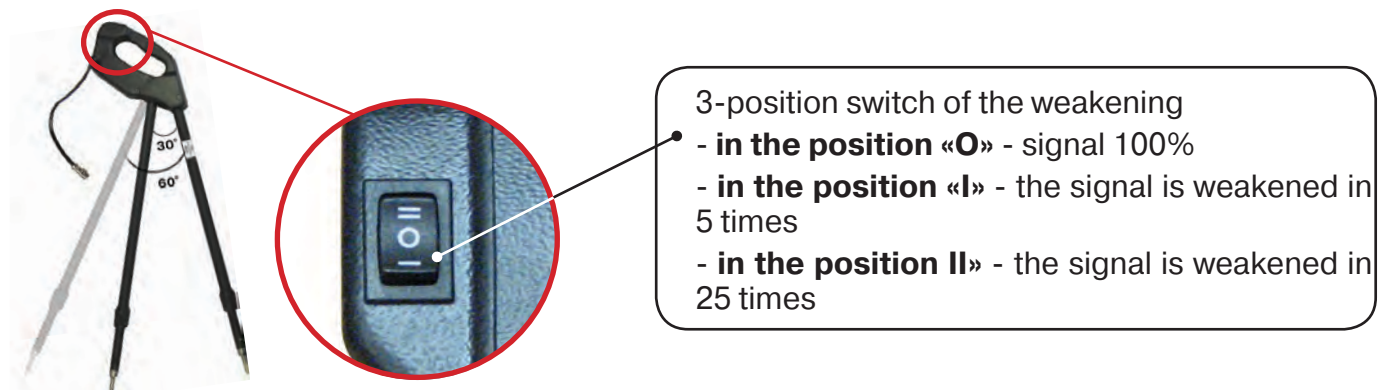


Fig. 11.3.

Before starting the operation you should set the switch into the position «O». If during the search process, with the amplification coefficient 0 dB, the input signal level is greater than 70%, you should switch the sensor regulator to «I» position and with a further increase of the signal to the position «II», and then perform the adjustment of the coefficient of amplification of the receiver to the level of the input signal 50 to 80%. (Fig. 11.4)

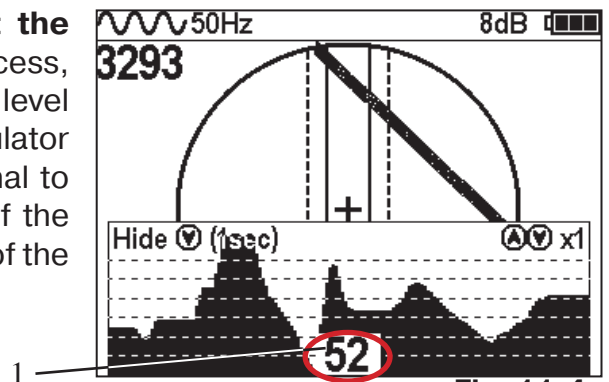


Fig. 11.4

DODK-117

The survey shall be performed by two operators, the one operator has the measuring electrode, and the second one has the measuring electrode and receiver (fig. 11.5). Based on the receiver indications, you can locate the damaged cable (by methods described in the application 2 p. 1-2).

NOTICE!

When working with the sensor DODK, the electrodes should be used without gloves, providing the contact of the sensor with a skin (fig. 11.6)




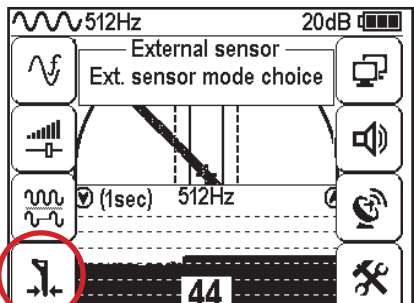

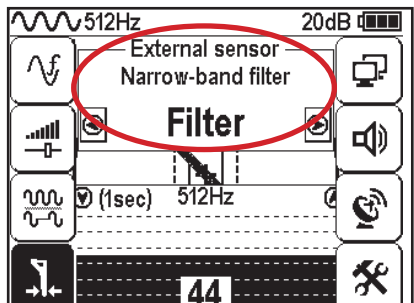



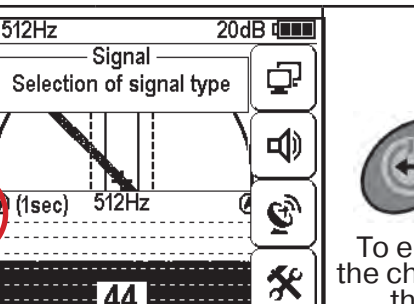

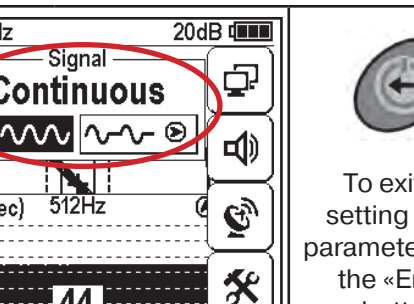



Fig. 11.5



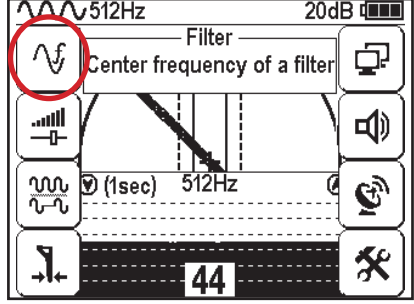


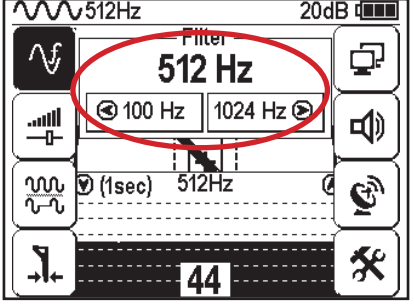



Fig. 11.6

Receiver setting

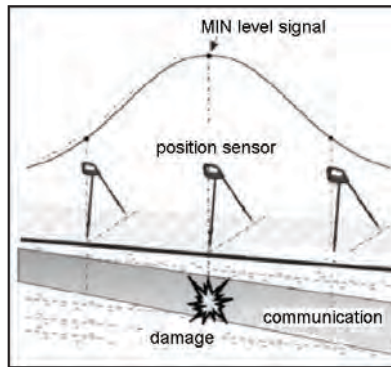
1. Turn on the receiver
2. Set the work mode of the lower sensor to the value «Filter»
3. Set the working frequency and type of the signal:

 <p>To call out of the menu press the button «Enter»</p>		 <p>To change of the parameter selected, press the «Enter» button.</p>	
<p>Select the icon «Mode of the lower sensor» in the window.</p> 		<p>Set the value signal «Filter»</p> 	
 <p>To exit the change mode</p>		 <p>To enter the change the parameter selected, press the «Enter» button.</p>	
<p>Select the icon «Signal» in the window.</p> 		<p>Select the signal type,</p> 	 <p>To exit the setting of the parameter, press the «Enter» button.</p>

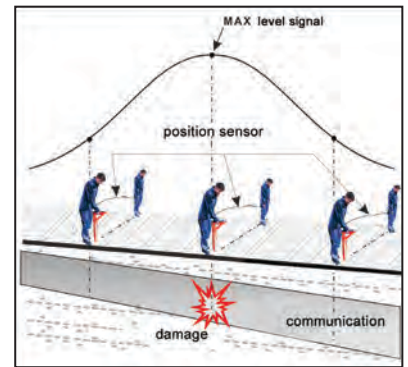
 <p>To call out of the menu press the button «Enter»</p>	 <p>Filter Center frequency of a filter</p>	 <p>512Hz 20dB</p> <p>Select the icon «Filter» in the window.</p> 	 <p>To change the parameter selected, press the Enter button.</p>	 <p>512Hz 20dB</p> <p>Filter 512 Hz</p> <p>Set the working frequency, for example, 512 Hz (*)</p> 
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Wait for several seconds till menu icons disappear

The search of insulation damage should be started by the method «MAX» (fig. 11.7, 11.8) (see. appendix 2). Move along the cable axis, mark the place cable signal (start of the signal rise, place of the maximum detection).



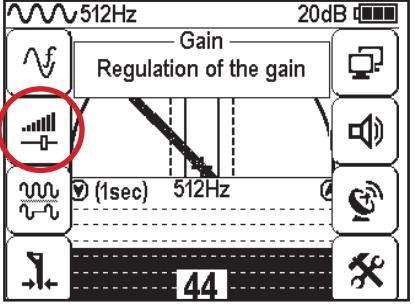


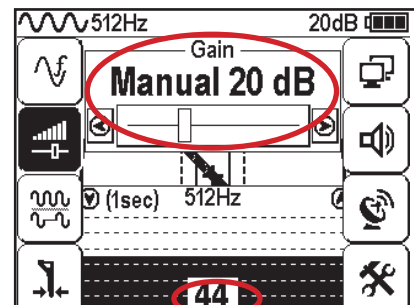




(fig. 11.7.)

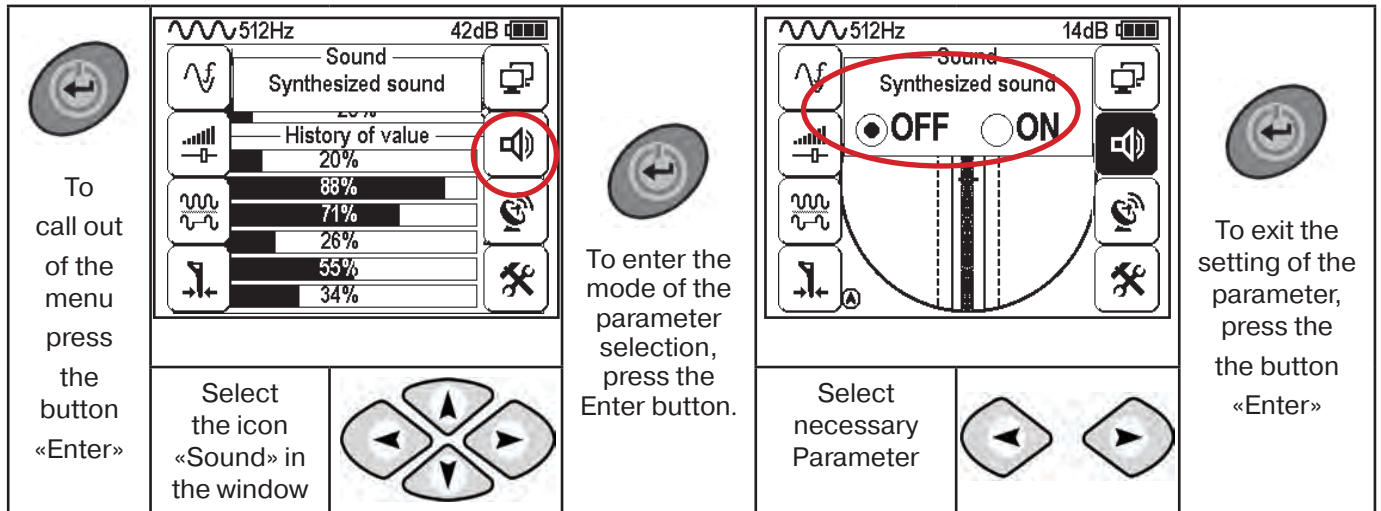


(fig. 11.8.)



When working with sensors you should regulate the receiver amplification coefficient so that the signal level was in the rang 50 to 90 %.


 <p>To call out of the menu press the button «Enter»</p>	 <p>Gain Regulation of the gain</p>	 <p>512Hz 20dB</p> <p>Select the icon «Amplification» in the window.</p> 	 <p>To enter the mode of the parameter selection, press the «Enter» button.</p>	 <p>512Hz 20dB</p> <p>Gain Manual 20 dB</p> <p>the signal level on the bottom scale should be in the range 50 to 70%</p> <p>44</p> <p>Set the amplification coefficient, for example, 14 dB</p> 	 <p>To exit the setting of the parameter, press the «Enter» button.</p>
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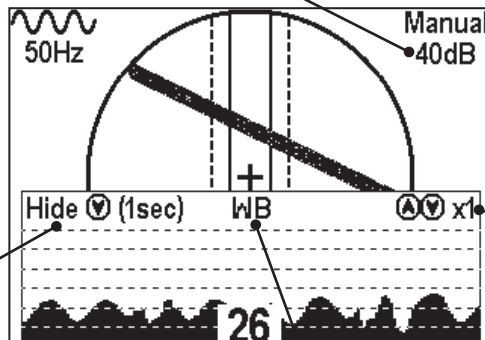
The user can listen synthesized sound through the built-in sound speaker. The sound tone pitch changes depending on the signal level. The synthesized sound can be switched on in the menu «Sound».






11.2 «Hot» keys for work in the «Graph» mode with DODK and DKI

step-by-step (by 2dB) decrease / increase coefficient of the amplification: semi-automatic of suitable gain by pressing "down" button for 1 second  

switching off the «Graph» mode and switching to the Route mode by holding the button for more than 1 sec 



increase/decrease of the image x1, x2, x4, x8 by the short pressing of the buttons:  

This part of the screen shows the advanced bottom sensor mode: WB - Wide Band (F up to 8kHz); Radio - F more than 8 kHz; To switch the mode, press the button: 

User can hear synthesized sound via built-in speaker. Sound pitch will change in accordance with signal level. You can enable this feature in "Sound" menu.

NOTE

In the mode «Search of defects» using the external sensor, the work with the continues and impulse signal is supported. The difference is in that the digit in the center of the analogue scale shows not the current value of the signal, but the maximum value (amplitude) of the transmissions of the interruptible signal from the transmitter. Without changing the gain coefficient (gain coefficient should be the same as in the place of maximum signal) you should change to initial point and survey the area of maximum signal again. Try to find local maximums (places where the signal grows then decreases and grows again). Locate the main maximum.

The presence of local maximums indicates that there are several places with damaged insulation which are placed closely to each other. It is advised to wright down the signal levele of the places with 'normal' signal level and the places where the signal reached its maximum. The range of signal increase usually correlates to the scale of damage.

Appendix 1 Receiver AP-019.1 Specifications

Parameter	Value
Receiver filter centre frequency	Switching 50(60)/ 100(120)/ 512/ 1024/ 8192 / 32768 Hz
«Wide band»frequency band	0,04...8 kHz
Frequency range "Radio"	8...40 kHz
Maximum amplification factor of the electric path	120 dB
Dynamic range of the input signal	100 dB
Number of embedded sensors	4
Max. Sensitivity	5 mkA at 1m distance (at 33 kHz)
Selectivity	$Q_{-3dB} > 100$, stopband supression up to 120 dB
Sensors type	Inductive
Sensitivity control	Auto - for 2D display «Route». Semi-automatic or manual (optional) - for the «Graphics». Automatic or manual (optional) - for the «2F» mode.
Determination the burial depth of the route	Automatically in «Route» mode 0... 10 m
Laying depth identification accuracy	±5%
Identification of the effective current in the route	Automatically in «Route» mode 0.001...49,99 A
Accuracy of current measurement of received signal	±5%
Support of energy saving (intermittent) modes of the route locating transmitters	At combined work with the route locating transmitters made by "TECHNO-AC" ("Pulse" mode)
Visual indication	Graphic display LCD display, 320x240 pix., with LED backlight
Induced parameters	-parameters of setting and control - 2D visualization of the route location relative to the device -graphics of the signal level from sensors - route burial depth - signal current
Audio indication	Headphones: -natural filtered sound
	Built-in transmitter - synthesized sound FM-sound indication of buttons pressing
Permissible impedance of the headphones	min.32 Ohm
Power source	4...7 V (4 type C batteries)
Time of continuous operation from the single battery set	Not less than 20 hours
Automatic shutdown when the device is not active	After 30 minutes of inactivity
Operating /storage temperature range	-20...60 / -30...60°C
Dust and water protection degree	IP54
Dimensions	330x140x700 mm
Weight	2,4 kg

Appendix 2 Searching methods by AP-019.1

1. MAX method when searching the place of insulation damage with sensors DKI-117 and DODK-117

When searching for insulation damage by «MAX» method, the one of the input terminals (contact pins of DKI or electrodes of DODK) should be placed over the route, and the second one - at a maximum distance from the route, in the direction straight across its axis.

While moving along the route, the operator dips the contact pins in of DKI sensor in the ground. The measurements will be correct while the contact pins are firmly dipped into the soil.

DODK electrodes are transported by the two operators located from each other at the distance equal to the length of the connecting wire. In this case, measurements can be made continuously in motion.

The signal gradually increases when approaching the spot of damage, reaches it's maximum when one of the contact electrodes is above the damage spot and then gradually decreases (**fig.A. 1**).

The MAX method can reliably detect the existence of damage, however, has a low accuracy of localization of the exact place due to the blurred indication of signal curve maximum.

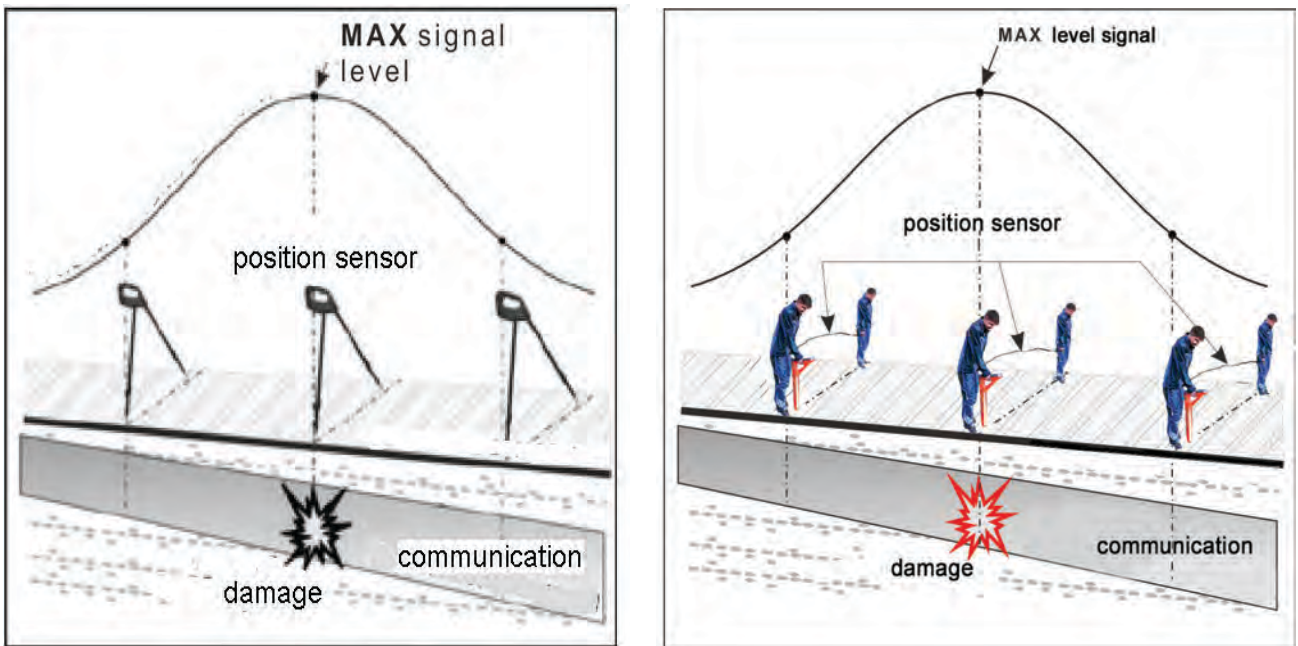


Fig. A.1

2. Method MIN when searching the place of damage location using sensors DKI-117 or DODK-117

When searching for insulation damages by «MIN» method, the contact pins of DKI-117 or DODK-117 electrodes should be placed over the route, along the axis of the route. When you use the MIN method, the signal increases smoothly at first, then rapidly decreases to a certain minimum value, then as the distance from the damage place increases, it rises sharply again and then gradually decreases.

The place of damage will be located midway between the electrodes, at a time when the signal reaches the minimum value (**fig. A.2**).

The sensor DODK-117 provides a «fast» method of damage location, which is especially important for the extensive communications, and the sensor DKI-117 provides a higher sensitivity and accuracy of damage location and needs only one operator for work with it.

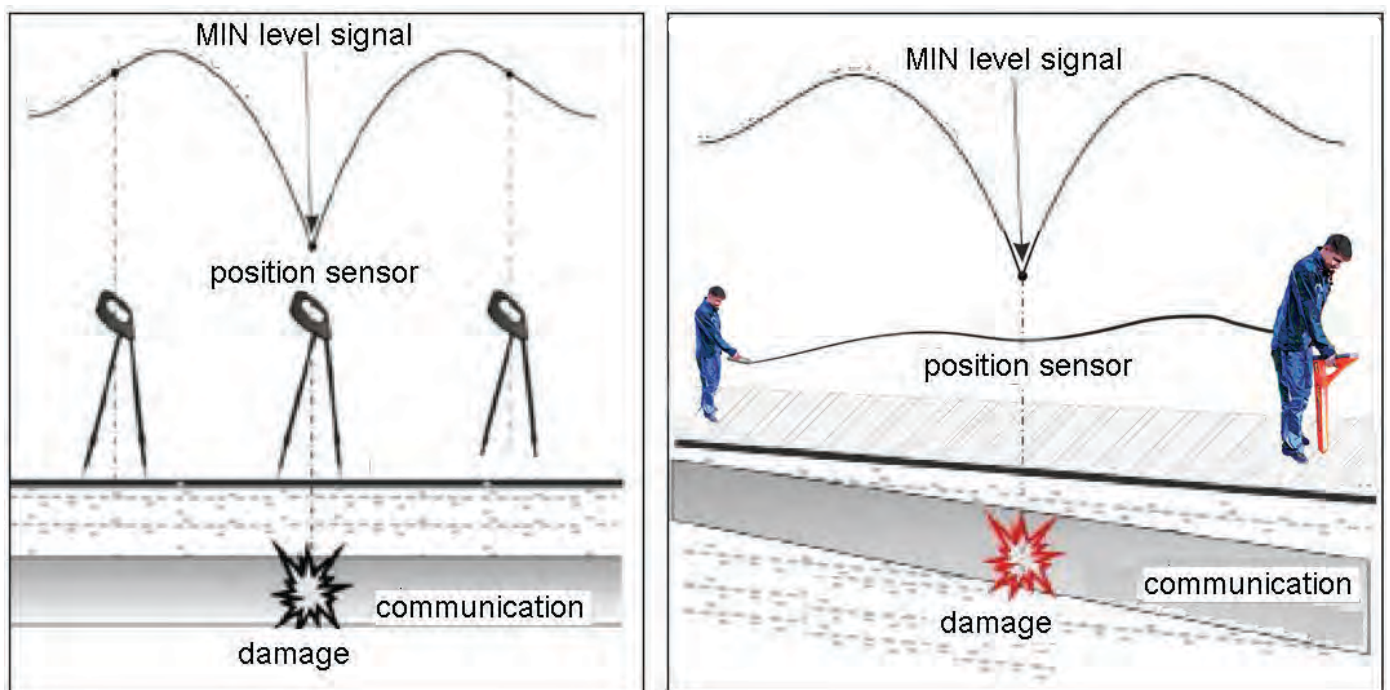






Fig. A.2

1. Amplitude “two-frequency” method “ΔA”

This method was added for contactless search of insulation defects of city cables with resistance less than 5 kOhm. The smaller the distance to the end of the cable, the higher the sensitivity of the method on this site.


The method description: the two-frequency signal is transmitted from the transmitter. The ratio of two-frequency signal amplitudes remains stable if there is no damage to the cable. In the presence of damage, the ratio of amplitudes in the place of damage is changed.

Table 8

 <p>1. 1. Exit output of the transmitter should be connected to the “start” of utility (more distant from the supposed place of the defect). The other output of the transmitter is grounded on the maximum possible distance from the utility. The “end” of the utility is not grounded.</p> 	<p>1. 1. Exit output of the transmitter should be connected to the “start” of utility (more distant from the supposed place of the defect). The other output of the transmitter is grounded on the maximum possible distance from the utility. The “end” of the utility is not grounded.</p>	<p>2. The transmitter in the mode “2F” sends to the utility the signals of two frequencies (1024Hz and 8192Hz) simultaneously.</p>																
<p>3. The defect localisation is performed in direction “from transmitter”.</p> 	<p>4. The value “A8/A1” is sharply changes, when operator passes the place of leakage of the signal current into the ground.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="885 1198 1300 1400"> <thead> <tr> <th>A_8+A_1</th> <th>A_8/A_1</th> <th>$\Delta\varphi$</th> <th>Signal direction</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>34%</td> <td>-0.1dB</td> <td>-2°</td> <td>↑</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">16%</td> <td>A 1kHz</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">18%</td> <td>A 8kHz</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>NOTE A8/A1 indication can have negative value. In such cases, it recommended to reset indication periodically, using the button .</p>	A_8+A_1	A_8/A_1	$\Delta\varphi$	Signal direction	34%	-0.1dB	-2°	↑	16%			A 1kHz	18%			A 8kHz	
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7. The sharp positive overfall of the “A8/A1” value by 3dB and more indicates the possibility of defect existence (the resistance is less than 5 kOhm). The sensor should be located straight across the utility.

A_8+A_1	A_8/A_1	$\Delta\varphi$	Signal direction
34%	4.4dB	-2°	↑
		A 1kHz	
		A 8kHz	

If you go through the same site in the opposite direction (towards the transmitter), holding the receiver the same as before with reset of the indication (using the button ) , negative values of the reading (more than minus 3dB) will mean that there is damage in the cable.

2. Phase “two-frequency” Method “ $\Delta\varphi$ ”


The contactless method of search for insulation defects of city cables with resistance less than 10 kOhm. The smaller the distance from the end of the cable, the higher the sensitivity of the method on this site. This method cannot be used in a city because of high distortion of the signal.

Steps 1-3 are similar to those in p.3.

A_8+A_1	A_8/A_1	$\Delta\varphi$	Signal direction
34%	4.4dB	14°	↑
		A 1kHz	
		A 8kHz	

4. “ $\Delta\varphi$ ” shows the change of the phase difference “ $\varphi_{1024} - \varphi_{8192}$ ”, after the resetting (in degrees reduced to the frequency 1024 Hz). The value “ $\Delta\varphi$ ” sharply changes, when the operator passes the place of leakage of the signalling current into the ground.

NOTE

$\Delta\varphi$ indication can be negative, “running” in the process of increase of distance from the transmitter. It is recommended to periodically reset such indications (exactly over the route), using the button .

A_8+A_1	A_8/A_1	$\Delta\varphi$	Signal direction
34%	-0.1dB	-2°	↑
		A 1kHz	
		A 8kHz	


5. The “doubled” scale shows levels (amplitudes) of the frequency components of the signal. At bottom - A8kHz, at top - A1kHz. When levels of the frequency components are insufficient for determination A8/A1, the inscriptions A8kHz and A1kHz are correspondingly “darkening”, and the value “X0” disappears.

6. There is no need to continuously move along the route, controlling the signal. You can walk around the place which is hard to reach. If, while returning to the route, A8/A1 did not change, it means that there are no damages on the surveyed site.

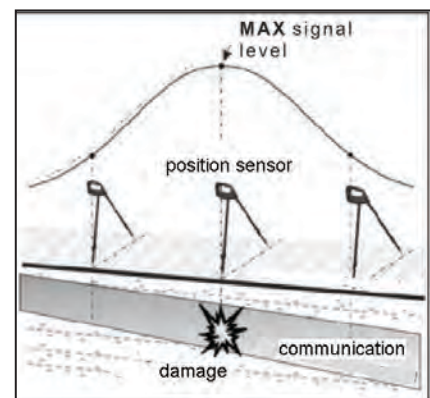
The sharp positive overfall of the « $\Delta\varphi$ » value by 5° and more indicates the possibility of defect existence (the resistance is less than 10 kOhm). The sensor should be located straight across the communication.

A_8+A_1	A_8/A_1	$\Delta\varphi$	Signal direction
34%	4.4dB	14°	↑
		A 1kHz	
		A 8kHz	

If you go through the same site in the opposite direction (towards the transmitter), holding the receiver the same as before with reset of the indication

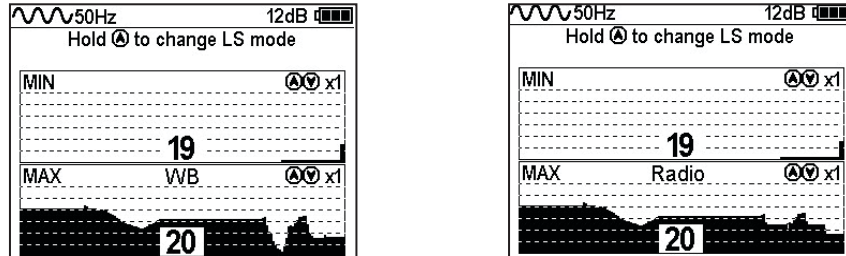
(using the button ) , negative value of the reading (more than minus 5°) will mean that there is damage in the cable.

To validate the existence of the damage, use contact method, using. Append. 2 p.1,2)



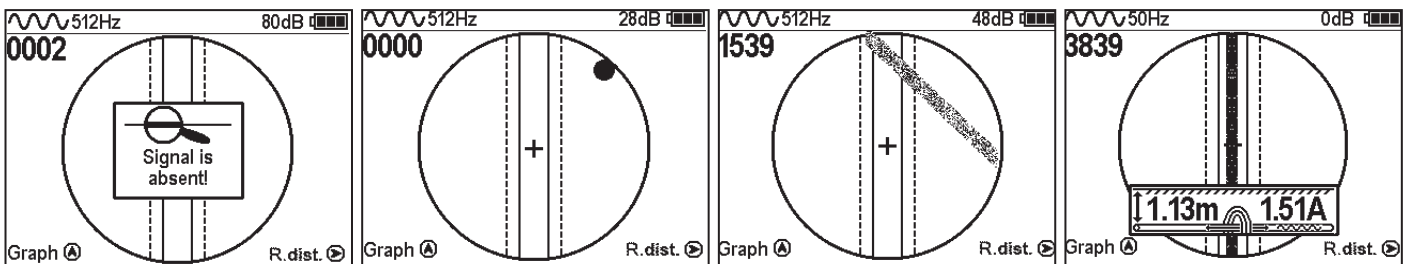
Appendix 3 Area Survey Before Excavation Works

First of all, the area should be surveyed with the receiver in passive mode, in order to locate the signal from energised power cables, pipes with cathodic protection or any other current providing utility. To do that, use the following frequencies consequently: 50 Hz, 100 Hz, Radio and Broadband mode. Area survey in broadband frequencies should be performed in “MIN & MAX” mode, in lower sensor mode WB (0-8kHz) and Radio (over 8kHz).

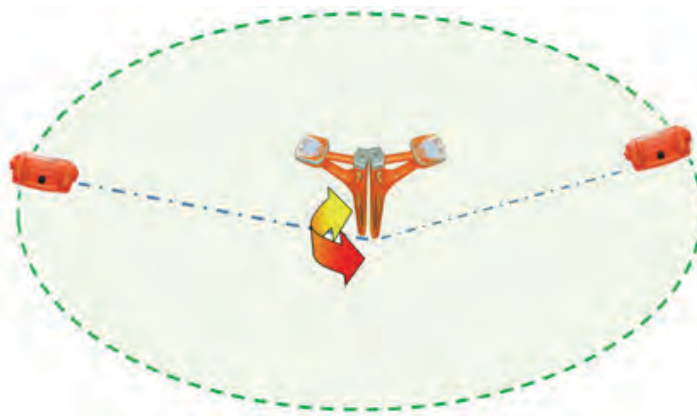


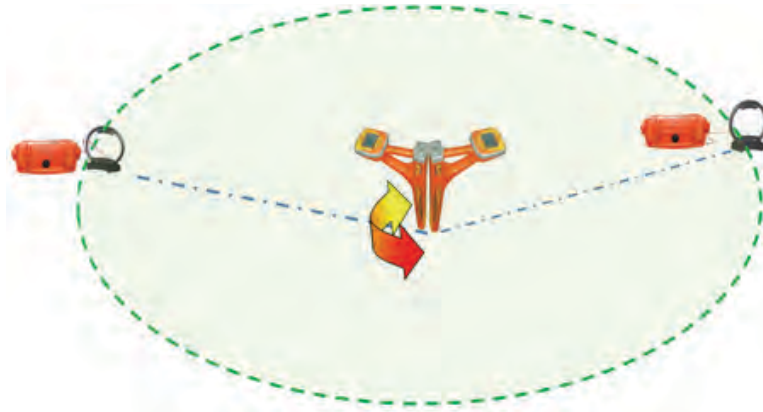
In this case, the operator should rely on “MAX” scale.

At 50 a 100Hz frequencies in Route mode, the signal strength will increase as you are moving to the utility. The following indication should appear on the screen while performing these actions:



First make sure that there is no utility in the centre of the surveyed area. To do that, the operator with the receiver stands above the tested point and the second operator moves the transmitter around the first one. The radius should be 10-20m and the first operator should point the head of the receiver towards the second operator with the antenna.



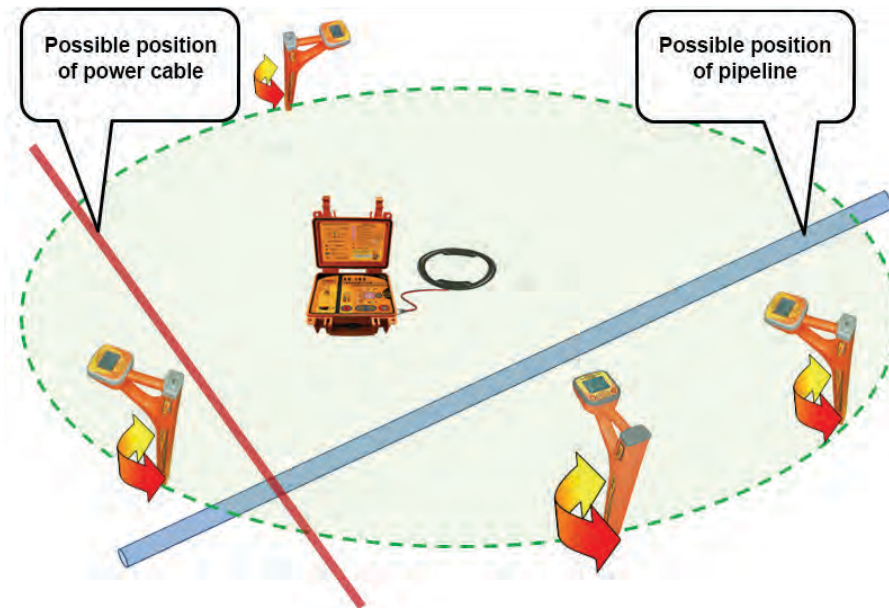


If there is no utility in center point of the area, then start the general location routine described below.

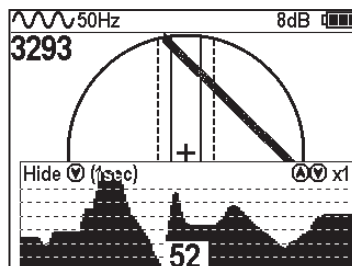
When surveying the area in active mode, it is necessary to place IEM-301.5 antenna horizontally in the center of the plot (you can remove the antenna from its stand). In this position the antenna will be in the flatness parallel to all surrounding utilities in the area.

After that it is necessary to connect the antenna to the transmitter and start the induction. Power of the transmitter should be set according to the size of the surveyed area (the smaller the area – the smaller the power).

Area survey in active mode should be carried out in “Graph” mode of receiver at the same frequency as had been set on the transmitter. Operator should move around the transmitter and perform to measurements at each point in two mutually perpendicular positions.



The presence of the utility will be indicated by the “signal strength” value (upper left part of display) or the graph in bottom part of the screen.



Appendix 4 Operational features of the set

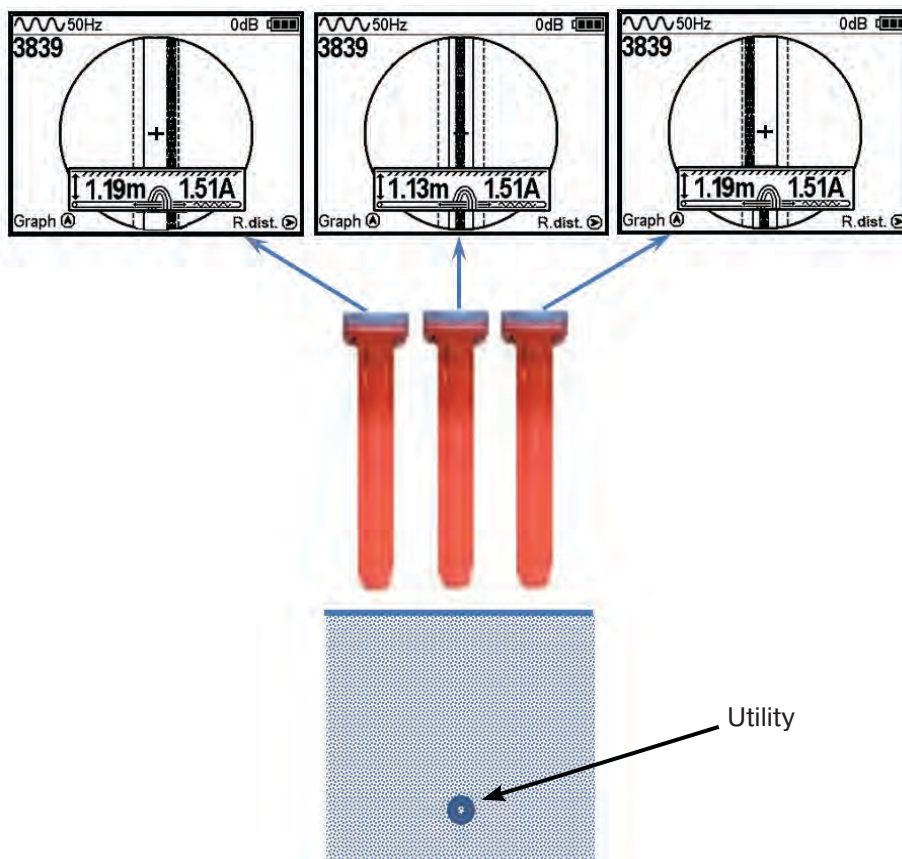
External influence during receiver operation

Receiver's display readings can be incorrect while operating in distorted electromagnetic field. The cause of that may be in closely (approx. 3m radius) positioned metal objects (cars, metal fences, manholes and other utilities) and mobile phones.

If an important measurement is going to take place, please, try to exclude the influence of surrounding distortion.

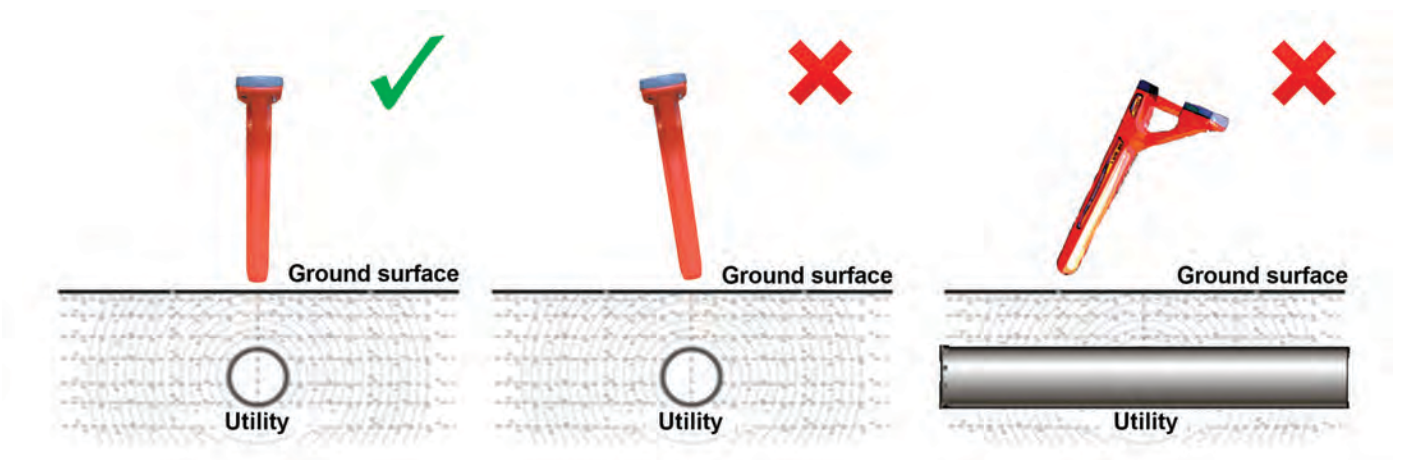
Specialties of utility depth measurements

During depth measurement process (if the utility axis indication is in the area of receiver screen, including its aligning with the axis of receiver) if the receiver is slightly moved aside the value of depth is increasing. That is why, true depth will be indicated by minimum value of depth indication.



Receiver position during depth measurement

Before measuring the depth of the utility, make sure that your device is positioned perpendicular to the utility. Even slight deviation from vertical position can influence the precision of depth measurement.



Operation via external power supply

When operation is performed via external power supply, all internal power sources should be removed.

Specialties of utility location at 50Hz

50Hz signal is used almost in every electric supply system in Russia and in most European countries. Energized cables create electromagnetic fields, which are induced to other conducting utilities (pipelines, dead cables)

From one side, this allows operator to locate both pipelines and cables in “Route” mode. Operator can define power cable and pipelines according to the depth (as a rule, average depth for cables is 0.6-1.0m; for pipelines 1.5m and more)

From other side, electromagnetic fields, created by current, induced on pipelines make tracing harder, especially in the areas with a lot of utilities in one spot. The receiver evaluates the position of the utility according to the resultant signal in a given spot.

When operating in passive mode on 50Hz frequency, in case of multiple utilities, the receiver can't tell which emits the signal. In this situation the values of depth can be incorrect.

It is important to understand that separate cables under voltage can create very weak electromagnetic fields and as a result almost absent resultant signal. It may be impossible to locate them in “Route” mode. Please, use “Graph” mode to identify the position of such cable.

12. Transmitter AG-107

AUTONOMOUS • POWERFUL • PORTABLE • MEASURING

Device introductory information

12.1. Purpose of Use and Physical Configuration

The transmitter AG-107 is an automatic utility locating transmitter designed for the generation of the propagating electric oscillations in the traces of the buried utilities using electromagnetic method of the trace search.

Appearance

- 1 - information panel on the inner side of the cover
- 2 - push-button and LED indication panel
- 3 - enclosure-case

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Built-in high-capacity LiFePO4 accumulator with low self-discharge. Extremely high output power and long autonomous operating time for such a compact device.

Under initial output power of **30 W** in the continuous oscillation mode, the “life cycle” is approximately 1,2 hours and under initial output power of **60 W** in the intermittent modulation mode, the “life cycle” is approximately **5 hours**. When connecting to the external power source of «12V» (e.g automotive) the operation time is defined by the battery capacity. When connecting to the special external power source of “10A/14,6V”, the operating time is not limited.

The dimensions of the portable device in the casing are **216x180x105 mm** and weight does not exceed **2 kg**.

The above-mentioned features are secured by the application of the unique superefficient modification circuit technology of power amplifiers composition **CLASS D**. Pulse output amplifier reaches **85% efficiency**, which is particularly important for the energy consuming devices with an autonomous power supply.

Transmitter AG-107 is the best-in-class of the “portable communication locating transmitters with low-powered autonomous power supply” in terms of the qualitative characteristics, namely power, operating life, dimensions & weight.

The device generates a sine-shaped signal continuously “Co” or discontinuously “Pu” for utility (cables and steel pipelines) location and special dual-frequency signal “2F” for identification of “someone else’s” utility or for flaw detection of earth leakage.

Such a unique (among other transmitters) peculiarity as uncommonly high potential output current (up to **5 A**) make it possible to carry out utility locating of not quite adapted to such procedure the extraordinary low-resistance utilities (e.g. “earthed” pipelines) when the significant part of the output current inefficiently flows to earth already near the connection point.



The Internal transmitting inductor creates an intense electromagnetic field under relatively low energy consumption. There is the possibility of connecting the external induction transmitting antenna which produces intense emissions and provides immediate access to the “buried” utilities. An add-on transmitting induction clamp lets the induction of a current effectively into the specifically “chosen” utility from others nearby (inclusive of the one under voltage).

The transmitter AG-107 contains several protection levels against all sorts of unacceptable factors ensuring the highest level of reliability.

- when the voltage capability of the external power supply (> 15.7 V) is exceeded, transmitter shows a short-term audiovisual notification, and then turns off;
- if in the «stop» mode there is a residual voltage at the transmitter output, transmitter shows audiovisual notification and blocks the signal;
- when the voltage at the transmitter output reaches the “safety threshold” (42 V), the transmitter turns on a special audiovisual alarm and stops the auto voltage matching;
- protection against short circuit at the output (if there is the short circuit during the process of auto voltage matching, transmitter turns off. If the voltage matching is finished, and there is the short circuit, transmitter starts the process of voltage matching again).







The internal “multimeter” displays the following readings according to the operator’s choice: voltage, current, resistance, output power and power supply voltage.

In the case of a decrease in “energy potential” (output voltage) of the power source during the oscillation process (for example, batteries self-discharge), the signal strength is automatically proportionally (incrementally) decreasing, and consequently the consumed power decreases too. This extends the battery’s “life-cycle” considerably. Therefore, while searching there is no premature “path loss” and the decrease of signal level is offset by the options for the manual or automatic adjustment of the sensitivity of receivers made by «NPO TECHNO-AC» LLC.

The ingress protection rating of the casing is IP65 which completely precludes any ingress of the dust or water jets when enclosed. The operating temperature range is -30 C to +60°C.


12.2 Control and Indication Elements

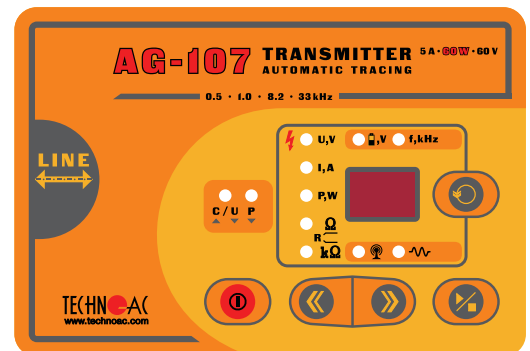
12.2.1 Control buttons

- «» POWER– turns the device on and off.
- «» CHOICE – press the button, change the parameter, and then light indicators will show the selected parameter. It will also be shown on the two-digit indicator.
- «» CHANGING THE PARAMETER - press these buttons to select the parameter. During the operation these buttons decreases «» or increases «» the value of selected parameter («U, V»; «I, A» or «P, W») on the two-digit indicator.
- «» START/STOP - transfers the device from the «stop» mode to the «oscillation» mode and vice versa, stops the unfinished process of load matching.












12.2.2 “Digital field”

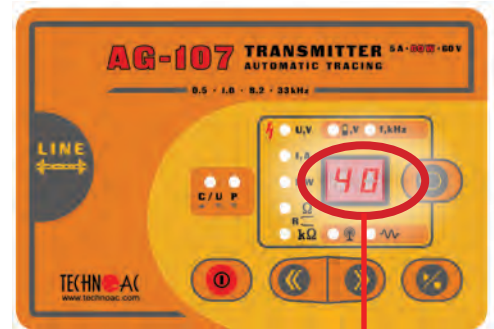
at the discretion of the operator displays either numerical parameter value

- power supply voltage “ V”
- signal frequency “f,kHz”
- output voltage “U,V”
- load Current “I,A”
- load power “P,W”
- load resistance “R.Ω / .kΩ”



or symbolic notation of the mode:

- “” - internal transmitting inductor (resonant LC circuit)
- “” – external transmitting inductor
- “” - induction clamps
- “” - continuous oscillation mode
- “” - pulse modulation mode
- “” - dual-frequency modulation mode
- “” – first stage of battery charging process
- “” – second stage of battery charging process
- “” – third stage of battery charging process – charging finished
- “” – exceeded measuring range
- “” – value less than measuring range



12.2.3 “Electrical power supply field”

Indicators «C/U» и «P» always display rough estimates of the power supply source condition in the current moment operation using three colored light emitting indicators.

1. «C / U» - the energy potential of the power source.

a) When charging according to the «CC / CV» algorithm (constant current - constant voltage), the indicator flickers, displaying three stages of accumulation of capacity C:

- **red** – initial stage with CC (constant current)
- **yellow** – initial charging stage with CV (constant voltage)
- **green** – accumulator is charged and turned off, transmitter is powered by charging device.

During charging, operation in all modes is allowed.

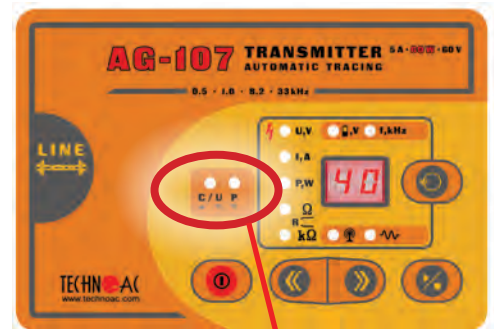
b) When device is powered from the built-in accumulator, the indicator lights up constantly, showing three categories of accumulator supply voltage (U):

- **green** – “nominal” voltage (high energy potential of the batteries or powerful external source).
- **yellow** – “acceptable” voltage (medium energy potential of the batteries).
- **red** – “cut-off” voltage (energy potential of the batteries almost used up)

When the device is powered from an external power supply, the color of the indicator displays the corresponding level of its voltage without assessing the energy potential.

2). “P” – is the ABSORBED POWER rate. The indicator lights up constantly, showing three levels of power consumption:

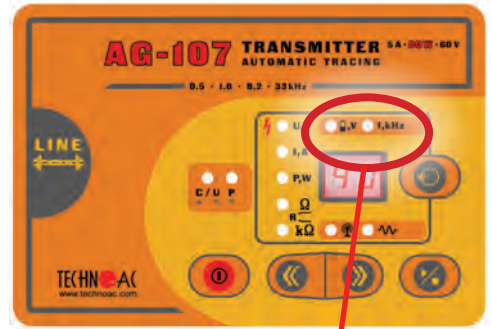
- **green** colour of the indicator – “low” power consumption;
- **yellow** colour of the indicator – “medium” power consumption;
- **red** colour of the indicator – “high” power consumption.



12.2.4 “Internal Parameters Field”



In accordance with the operator choice shows the numerical values of the following parameters in the “Digital field”.

- 1) POWER SUPPLY VOLTAGE in volts “ V ”:
 - **green** colour glow – power supply voltage in the “stop” mode;
 - **red** colour glow - power supply voltage during operation.
- 2) FREQUENCY of the generated signal in kilohertz “f,kHz”:
 - **green** colour glow in the “stop” mode – the set frequency of the output continuous “Co” or pulse “Pu” signal is indicated in the “Digital field”.



12.2.5 “Modes Field”

In accordance with the operator choice shows operating modes under various load types and different “modulation” options of the output signal.

- 1) “” - on / off “ANTENNA” mode and type of connection of transmitting antenna:
 - **green** glow – no equipment is connected to the output, internal transmitting inductor is only operable “In”;
 - the lack of the glow – an output cable is connected to the output.
- 2) “” -on / off “MODULATION” (special form of the signal) and the type of the special form:
 - **green** glow – pulse modulation mode “Pu”;
 - **yellow** glow – dual-frequency modulation mode “2F”;
 - the lack of the glow – no modulation (continuous signal “Co” of the “regular” sine form).

NOTE

“Modes field” always indicates information about the set operating modes irrespective of whether oscillation process is running or stopped.

NOTE for Internal Parameters Field and Modes Field:

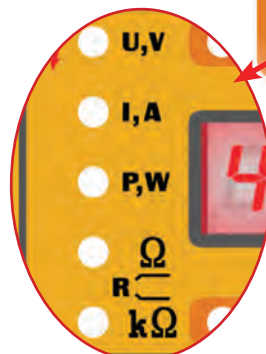
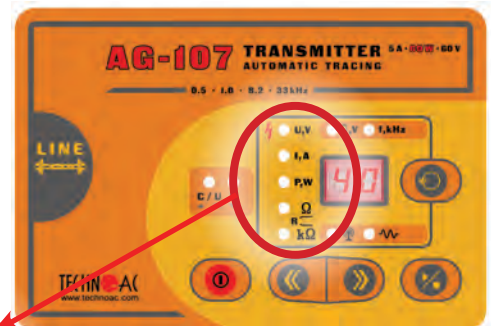
During the stop mode parameter or mode displaying on the digital field is also signified by the blinking indicator.

12.2.6 “Output Parameters Field”

(only in “oscillation” mode) at the choice of operator signifies via red colour the value of the specific output parameter that is indicated in the “Digital field”:

- “U,V” - output voltage in volts;
- “I,A” - load current in amperes;
- “P,W” - load power in watts;
- “R, Ω ” - load resistance in ohms;
- “R,k Ω ” - load resistance in kilohms .

Red color of any indicator shows that oscillation process is on.



12.3. Ways of External Commutation

Five-pin connector "OUTPUT"

For output cable connection with clips, transmitting antenna or induction clamp. As illustrated, the rubber cover is removed for making external sources possible.

Four-pin connector "EXTERNAL SUPPLY"

For battery supply or main supply source. As illustrated, the rubber cover protects the connector when unused from external factors.



12.4. Accessories



Output cable (clips)

used for «contact» connection of the transmitter outlet to the communication under examination and grounding rod



External battery cable

used for connection to the battery as the external power supply source



Grounding rod

used as the ground "return" of the electric current



Contact magnetic

used for easy connection of the clips to the metal pipe



Charging cable

used to power and/or charge the device from the mains with the voltage 220V

Accessories (optional)



Induction transmitting antenna

Used for "non-contact" connection of the device outlet to the communication under examination



Transmitting induction "clamp"

used to direct a signal to a "dedicated" communication or, for example, to a communication under voltage



Grounding cable

used to connect the communication to the grounding rod on end far from the transmitter


12.5. Design and Function




There are many features that help any untrained operator master the device within a short period of time: convenient and user-friendly control and indication units with explanations, the elementary control algorithm backed by automation (“intuitive interface”) and several protection levels from emergency modes.

The automatic adjustment allows the generation of the specific signal current at the wide range of the load resistance. The transmitter can be connected to the load directly via connecting wires (“contact” way of connection) or by “non-contact” (induction) method, with the use of the internal transmitting antenna or with the extra accessories involved, for example, the external transmitting antenna or induction clamp.

The circuit solution of the power amplifier is implemented in the unique upgrade of the CLASS D technology and provides the highest degree of efficiency among all the known circuit design concepts for the power amplifiers. Thanks to the aforementioned, the relatively long “life-cycle” in the autonomous mode at such a high initial maximum output power is achieved, despite the light-weight and small size of the device.










The values of the output current set by the program at the automatic adjustment with the load of “occasional” resistance are optimum judge from the sensitivity of the majority of cable avoidance tools and are equal to 0 1A. During automatic adjustment the load voltage incrementally increases until the moment when the values of the absorbed current and load current will not exceed the figures set by the program.

If pre-set load current value is not achieved due to the high load resistance, then maximum possible output voltage is set. Automatic adjustment is interrupted when the «safety threshold» - 42 V at the output is exceeded. Special «alarm» signals are issued: visual (blinking of the «U, V» indicator) and sound (4 notes). At this stage, an operator needs to make a decision on increasing the output voltage above the “safety threshold”. Subsequent pressing of the «» button cancels the output voltage limits until the power is off. In manual mode, it is allowed to exceed the “safety threshold”, which does not cancel the restriction during subsequent automatic adjustment.

Upon completion (or interruption by START/ STOP «» buttons) of the automatic adjustment process, the manual control over the voltage (current and power) is available via buttons LESS/MORE « » «U,V” indicator is always blinking with $U_{out} > 42V$.

Transmitter controls output power during oscillation: the signal output voltage and power consumption is lowering proportionally (and consequently absorbed power) as the supply source “energy potential” reduces (for example, batteries self-discharge).

This extends the battery’s “life-cycle” considerably, therefore, while searching there is no premature “path loss” and the decrease of signal strength is offset by the wide range of options for the manual or automatic adjustment of the sensitivity of receivers made by «NPO TECHNO-AC» LLC.

Several types of protection against various unacceptable factors ensure the highest reliability. In particular, when the voltage capability of the external power supply ($> 15,7 V$) is exceeded, the “C/U” and «.V», indicators blinks for a short time, an “alarm” signal sounds, and then transmitter turns off. In case of residual voltage at the output when the oscillation is stopped (in the “stop” mode), the “U, V” indicator flashes, an “alarm” signal sounds, oscillation is stopped. On the Digital field shows « » (AC), or «  /  » (+DC/-DC) is periodically shows a numerical value of «harmful» AC/DC voltage. When the voltage is immeasurably high, « » is displayed instead of a numerical value.

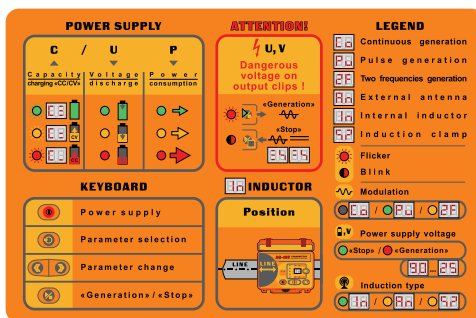
WARNING!

The transmitter may fail, if during oscillation the output is energized by the external voltage supply.

WARNING! ENERGY SAVING!

All operations with output voltage (current and power) under connected load, lead to the changes of the energy consumption and consequently, “life-cycle” of the autonomous power supply. Watch the indicators of the power supply voltage “U” and absorbed current “I” in the electrical power supply field, so that there is enough time to perform utility location. In order to save energy, operate the device at the minimum sufficient load power. Always use “economy” pulse mode “Pu” when applicable.

12.6. Inner side of the cover



The inner side of the cover, has the information on:

- POWER SUPPLY (power supply monitoring);
- BUTTONS functionality;
- SYMBOLS of the “Digital field” and the front side of the panel;
- position relative to the traced communication for correct LC-Antenna operation;
- indication of output voltage that is UNSAFE for the operator and the device.


12.7. “Multimeter” of the Output Parameters


During oscillation at operator’s option (CHOICE button) the “Digital field” shows the approximate values of the output parameters:


- load.signal.voltage.in.volts. “U,V”;
- load.current. “I,A”;
- load.power.in.watts. “P,W”;
- load.resistance.in.ohms.or.kilohms. “R,(Ω / kΩ)”.


12.8. Sound Signals

The sound signals correspond with the specific events and conditions.


Welcome tune consists of 9 notes activated by the device switching on via pressing POWER “” button.

High note while pressing CHOICE “” button during the automatic adjustment – the relevant action took place.

High note while pressing MORE “” button — the increase (alteration) of the parameter value (mode).

Low note while pressing LESS “” button — the decrease (alteration) of the parameter value (mode).

Very low note by pressing one of the buttons LESS / MORE “” - the action is not allowed by the program.

Double note signal by pressing CHOICE “” button in the “stop” mode – the relevant action took place.

Dual sound signal by pressing START / STOP “” – initiation or shutdown of the oscillation.

Triple note signal by pressing START / STOP “” - the manual interruption of the automatic adjustment.

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The **sequence of the rising notes ending with the triple note signal** – the full cycle of the automatic adjustment.

Double note sequence (“siren”) - output current overload.

Sequence of the triple note “alarms” – hardware current safety system activation

Sequence to the quadruple note “alarms” – power supply voltage is unacceptably low.

Quick sequence of the similar high note — power supply voltage is unacceptably high.

Farewell phrase consists of the three falling notes during shutdown of the device.

13.1 Preparatory activities

13.1.1. Charge the built-in accumulator using AG107.02.010 charging device. If you need an external charging, connect the charging device to the external power connector.

Connect the transmitter to the utility under examination using contact or non-contact method.

13.2 Creation of revocable current in electrically conductive utilities

To create a revocable current in the utility, the following methods are used to connect the transmitter:

a) contact method - direct connection of the transmitter to de-energized electrically conductive utilities;

b) non-contact method - connection via induction antenna or induction clamps.

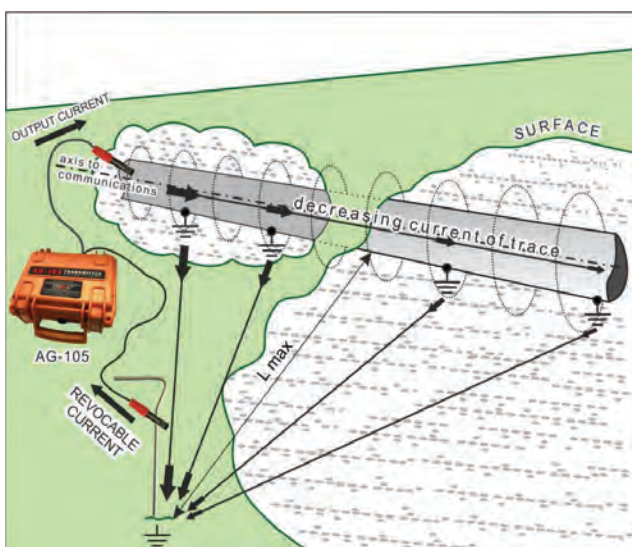
Before applying the contact method, you should make sure that there is no line-to-ground voltage on the utility under examination, and that no work is carried out or planned which can lead to intentional or accidental contact with the energized conductor;

The «non-contact» method of connection is used when there is no possibility of using the contact method and when high voltage may appear on the utility under examination, for example, when tracing long cable lines made of CLP.

ATTENTION!

Connecting and disconnecting the load must be proceeded when the transmitter is turned off.

1) Base Method of the “Contact” Connection to the Utility



The contact method is used for examination of only de-energized utilities!

The “clips” (“output cable” with “alligator” clips) and earth rod are used. One clip should be connected to the input of the utility under examination and the second one to the earth rod (or to the relevant earthing, for example, standard earthing bus) at maximum distance from the utility. It is essential to provide close contact with utility and Earth. The opposite end of the utility under examination should be earthed for creating the paths for earth return of the signal revocable current. If the transmitter is connected directly to the utility, and current is not

indicated (you see “- -” on the screen), make sure that there is current in the utility by checking it with receiver.

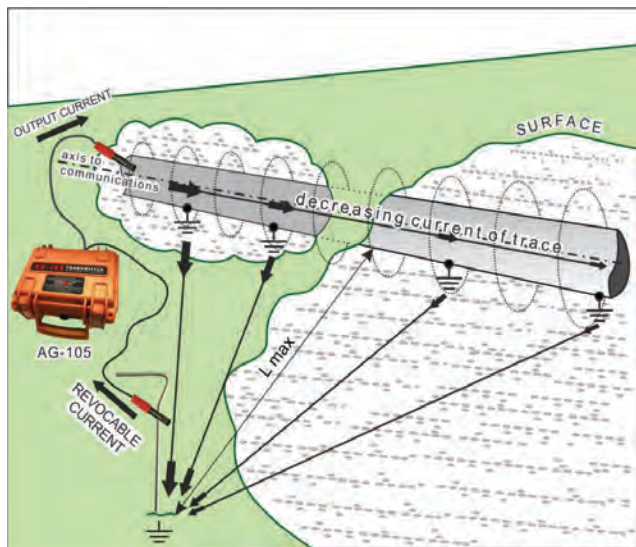
Special option – bare PIPE IN THE GROUND The ground contact is possible along the entire length of the utility and in any segment. The additional earthing of the pipe is useless.

In this case, the resistance between the connection to the pipe and earthing point (rod or other standard earthing bus) is extremely low.

“Revocable” current is reduced considerably the farther the location from the connection point. Nevertheless, owing to the unique (for this type of devices) “reserve” of the output current (more than 5 A at the load less than 0.8Ω), it offers high probability of the successful utility location at a considerable distance from the connection point.

The diminishing of the signal at the distant pipeline sections is offset by the considerable “reserve” for the manual or automatic adjustment of the sensitivity of receivers made by TECHNO-AC.

2) Non-contact method of connection to the utility



For non-contact connection to the utility, a built-in LC transmitting antenna, an external inductive antenna or inductive transmitting clamps are used.

When working with a built-in LC antenna, the transmitter must be installed exactly above the utility line, and the “track axis” indicator should be aligned with the direction of the utility line.

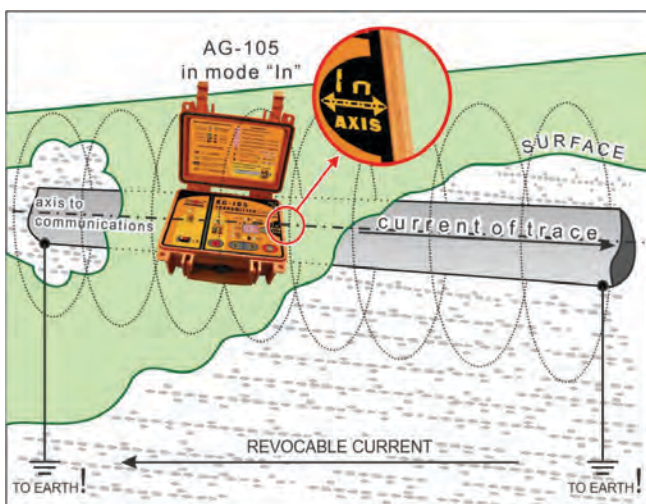
An external inductive antenna must be placed as close as possible to the communication and in the same plane with it.

You should not trace in close proximity to the transmitting antenna, as it can affect the receiver and change the results of the tracing.

If the utility forms part of the complete electrical circuit “source – utility – consumer” (as per illustration), then in case of the specific electric properties of these chain loops, the location of a utility via the “non-contact” connection method (“In” / “An” / “clamp”), is quite likely without additional earthing.

In this example, “revocable” signal current of “high” frequency (0.5...33kHz), “overlaps” the current of “low” (industrial) frequency (50 / 60Hz) which is not preventing from the location of the utility and the flow path for “revocable” current of the signal already provided.

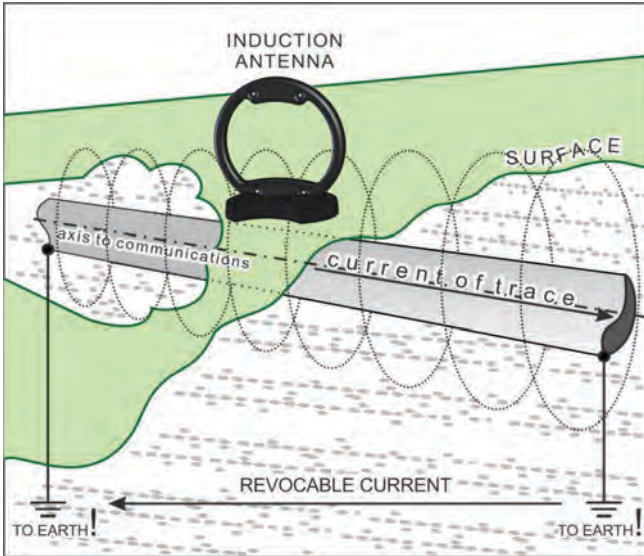
If the internal transmitting inductor is in use, then the casing of the device



should be located right above the utility under examination (to set the reference point “In axis” on the front panel above the axis of the communication and oriented parallel to its direction). The utility locator shouldn’t be used near to the transmitter location in order to avoid the immediate induction connection (apart from the utility).

If the utility is not a part of the complete electrical circuit then both its ends should be earthed for creating a path for earth current “return” of the signal.

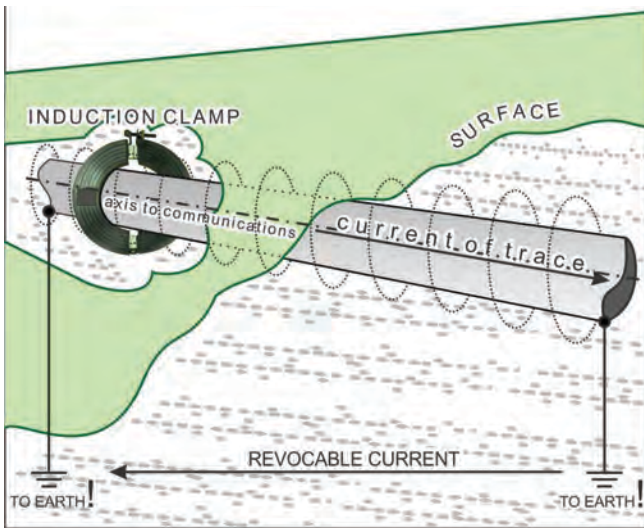
If the external induction transmitting antenna is in use “An” then it should be located as



close as possible to the examined communication and coplanar with it. The communication locator shouldn't be used nearby the transmitting antenna in order to avoid the immediate induction connection (apart from the communication).

If the communication is not a part of the complete electrical circuit then both its ends should be earthed for creating a path for earth current “return” of the signal.

The earthing should be done at a possible distance from the communication to reduce mutual cancellation of the “tracing” and “revocable\return” signal current.



4) If the induction transmitting “clamp” is in use then the utility should be wrapped by them in any available point. The utility locator shouldn't be used near the “clamp” location in order to avoid the immediate induction connection (apart from the utility), despite the fact that in this case, this connection is not as evident as in the “antenna” mode “In”.

If the utility is not a part of the complete electrical circuit, then both its ends should be earthed (for creating a path for earth “return” of the “revocable” current signal). The earthing should be done at a possible distance from the utility to reduce mutual cancellation of the “tracing” and “revocable\return” signal current.

13.2. Settings

13.2.1 Open the cover. Turn on the device by pushing POWER “**I**” button.

13.2.2 After switching on of the device “on default” the indicator POWER SUPPLY VOLTAGE “**V**” glows green. The device is in the “stop” mode. The pre-set of the modes and parameters values should be done.

13.2.3 If it is necessary to change the indicated mode or parameter, it can be done by sequenced presses of the CHOICE “**O**” button.

In this case (“along the loop” and “counterclockwise”) in the “Internal parameters field” and “Modes field” one can choose reference and variable values of the modes and parameters indicated in the “Digital field”. The chosen mode and parameter marked by the flash of the relevant indicator.

The sequence of the indications in the functional fields.

- 1) “**V**” - POWER SUPPLY VOLTAGE in volts (reference value, **green** glow);
- 2) “**I**” - active “ANTENNA” mode and the type of connected transmitted antenna (depends on which accessory is connected to the “OUTPUT” connector:
 - **green** glow – nothing is connected to the output, only built-in LC-Antenna can be used.
 - **yellow** glow – external Antenna (An) or clamps are connected to the output.
- 3) “**W**” - active / non-active “MODULATION” and the type of the special signal form (should be chosen in the “Digital field” by MORE/ LESS “**◀▶**” buttons):
 - lack of glow – no modulation (continuous signal “**Co**” “of standard” sin form).
 - **green** glow – pulse modulation mode “**Pu**”.
 - **yellow** glow – dual-frequency modulation mode “**2F**”.
- 4) “**f, kHz**” - frequency of the generated signal in kilohertz (**green** glow) is chosen in the “Digital field by LESS/ MORE “**◀▶**” buttons:
 - for loads “clips” or “clamp” - 512Hz “0.5” / 1024Hz “1 0” / 8192Hz “8.2” / 32768Hz “33”.
 - for “antenna” modes “In” 8192Hz “8.2” / 32768Hz “33”.
 - for “antenna” mode “An” - 8192Hz “8.2”.

Choosing a frequency, it is necessary to take into account that:

- the less re-inducing to the nearby facilities, the less the leakage of the “revocable” current, the more transmission distance.
- the lower sensitivity of the utility locators (more revocable current required and consequently power of transmitter) The more difficult to overcome the communication conductivity flaws.

13.3 Clips(standard accessory for the “contact” connection)

13.3.1 If clips/earrings are connected to the “OUTPUT”, the device is ready for “contact” load connection. The internal transmitting inductor “In” is not connected (“ANTENNA” mode indicator “**I**” does not glow).


13.3.2 To connect, put one clip to the input of the examined utility and the second one to the earthing rod (or relevant earthing) at maximum distance from the utility. The opposite end of the examined utility should be earthed.

13.3.3 By pressing the button START/STOP “**⏏**” is initiated the automatic adjustment process with the “occasional” resistance load. Along with this, the output signal voltage incrementally increases up to the moment when the specific load current value 0.1A is reached (or exceeded). If the load resistance is too high for reaching these values of the output current, then the maximum possible output signal voltage is produced.



13.3.4 After that, manual alterations (by LESS/MORE “**◀▶**” buttons) of the output signal voltage are possible in the range provided by the transmitter (even above the save values).






13.4. Internal transmitting inductor “In”



13.4.1 The internal transmitting inductor is connected to the output automatically if there are no other accessories connected to the “OUTPUT” connector “Antenna” mode “In” is indicating (“” - green).

13.4.2 For maximum intensity of “inducing” the reference point of the emitting inductor (“In axis” on the front panel) should be placed above the utility axis and in its direction.

13.4.3 In the “ANTENNA” mode “In” (via buttons LESS / MORE “ ”) the FREQUENCY of the generated signal can be chosen “f,kHz”: 8192Hz “8.2” / 32768Hz “33”.


13.4.4 In the “ANTENNA” mode “In” besides of the “regular” continuous oscillation mode “Co” (by pressing LESS / MORE “ ”) buttons) pulse “MODULATION” “Pu” is available for choosing.

13.4.5 The oscillation is activated by START / STOP “” button. Upon completion of the automatic adjustment, the highest value of signal voltage is reached on the output “U,V” \geq “40”.

13.4.6 After that, manual decrease and inverse increase of the signal voltage (by LESS / MORE “ ”) buttons) in the range envisaged by the automation.


13.5. External induction transmitting antenna



The use of an external transmitting antenna IEM-301.5 makes it possible to implement a higher signal intensity and more convenient access directly to the utility compared to the use of a built-in transmitting «LC-antenna». Generation frequency 8192 Hz «8.2» is set automatically upon connection and does not change manually.

13.5. If an external inductive antenna is connected to the “OUTPUT” connector, the device is in “ANTENNA” mode “An” (“» symbol is yellow, and the symbol “An” is displayed on the “Digital field”).

13.5.3. For maximum tracing precision, the utility and the antenna frame should be located as close as possible to each other and in the same plane.



13.5.4. In the «ANTENNA» mode «An», in addition to the «normal» mode of continuous generation «Co», you can select the pulse mode «MODULATION» «Pu».

13.5.5. Oscillation is started by pressing the START/STOP button “». At the end of the auto voltage matching process, the maximum possible signal of the antenna is reached (if the antenna signal is not overloaded by nearby massive metal objects).

13.5.6. After completion of the process of automatic matching, it is possible to manually decrease and increase (using the buttons “ ”) of the output parameters of the transmitter within the limits provided.

14.6. Induction clamps «»

13.6.1. In the presence of several closely spaced utilities, for particularly effective current excitation specifically in one of them or for a «non-contact» connection to an energized utility, CI-105 induction clamps are recommended.




13.6.2. If the clamps are connected to the “OUTPUT” connector, then the device is ready to work on this type of load. The built-in transmitting “LC-antenna” is disabled (“antenna” mode indicator “” is yellow), and the “Digital field” shows the mode symbol - «»).

14.6.3. When working with clamps, the following parameters are displayed: signal voltage at the clamps «U, V» / signal current in the clamps (not in communication) «I, A» / power consumed by the clamps «P, W» / impedance of the clamps (not in communication) at a given frequency «R, Ohm / kOhm». The current absorbed by the clamps is inversely proportional to the frequency of the signal at a constant voltage.

13.6.4. If finding a utility in a “bundle” is required, all ends of the “bundle” should be grounded.

13.6.5. Then, in the stop mode, the “dedicated” utility should be covered with clamps until the magnetic circuit of the clamps is completely closed. The opening of the clamps and, accordingly,

their reinstallation to another communication is allowed only in the stop mode.

13.6.6. START/STOP button «» initiates automatic voltage matching. Upon completion (or interruption by the START /STOP button «») of the automatic voltage matching process, manual control of the voltage (current, power) in the clamps is possible using buttons «».

13.6.7. After that, it is possible to trace the “dedicated” utility and identify it in the “bundle” using any appropriate receiving device equipped with an electromagnetic sensor (for tracing) or clamps (to find the utility using successive “enumeration” of the ends of the “bundle” method to find the one with maximum signal level).

13.6.8. The pulse mode «Pu» helps in case of industrial noise and is therefore recommended for use when working with clamps.

13.7. External power sources

To the EXTERNAL SUPPLY, connector on the back panel can be connected an “appropriate” power source currently possessed by the customer.

- a 10...25 V power supply with a power of ≥ 80 W for the operation with a maximum output power, for example, a 12 V car accumulator;
- a special charger (supplied) to charge an autonomous power supply with the possibility of simultaneous oscillation in all normal modes.



1) “12V” accumulator (e.g. car accumulator) is connected with the “external accumulator cable” (supplied), where the red insulated clamp corresponds to positive potential “+”, the black insulated clamp corresponds to negative potential «-».

When an external accumulator is connected, the built-in accumulator automatically turns off. (full preservation of autonomous power supply).



2) Mains power supply adapter is powered from the mains with the voltage of 220V and provides “charging” parameters of 10 A / 14.6 V (CC/CV technology).

When the charger connection is identified and an adequate voltage of 14.6 ± 0.2 V is received from it, the built-in accumulator is automatically connected to the “EXTERNAL POWER” input for charging. Then charging starts in the «CC» or «CV» stage (depending on the initial condition of the battery). The CV stage lasts 15 minutes. Then the charge indicator starts flashing green and, the battery is disconnected from the «EXTERNAL POWER»

input (to avoid «recharging») until it is turned off by the «POWER» button or until the charger is disconnected from the «EXTERNAL POWER» input.

The transition to the next charge stage has special sound signal.

Charging time for a fully discharged built-in accumulator is less than one hour.

During any charging stage, operation in all modes is allowed. In the event of an “unexpected” loss of 220 V mains voltage during the simultaneous “charging-oscillation” mode, the power supply of the device is automatically switched from external to autonomous.

After charging, do not leave the charger connected to the transmitter input - this leads to battery discharge.

ATTENTION!

The external power supply output must not be electrically coupled to anything other than the transmitter input. Before connecting it is necessary to make sure that there is no grounding, neutral connection or connection with the car of any of the output terminals of the external source. Therefore, it is strictly forbidden to use the car auxiliary power outlet as an external power source.

13.8. Electromagnetic Compatibility

The present device is subsumed under “information technology equipment” (ITE) class A, according to Russian Stage Standard (GOST) 51318 22-2006. Such equipment should not have any sale restrictions. When used in private households, this equipment could disturb the smooth running of other technical equipment because of the industrial interferences. In this case, the user should act accordingly.

NOTE

A private household is a space where the radio and TV sets can be placed at a distance less than 10m from ITE.

13.9. Ingress Protection Rating

The ingress protection rating of the casing is IP65, which completely eliminates the possibility of the ingress of dust and water jets inside when the device is lidded. Open slots on the back panel are protected by rubber covers.

13.10 Rules for long-term storage

Before long-term storage of the transmitter, it is necessary to charge its built-in accumulator. The transmitter must be stored in a dry place at a temperature +5 °C...+30 °C and recharged every 12 months.

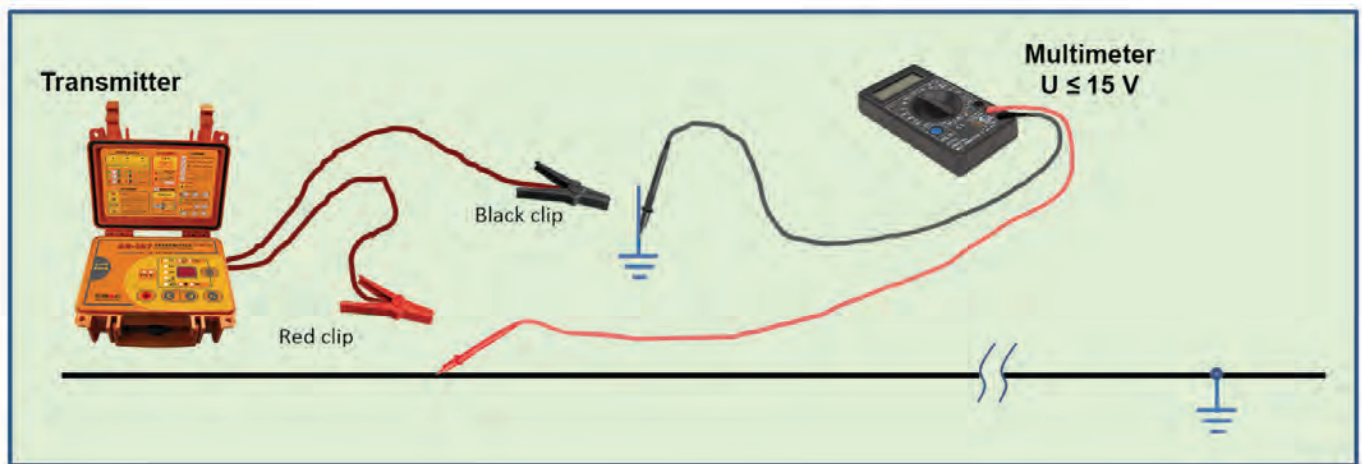
14. Transmitter Direct Connection to Utility

The direct connection of transmitter to the utility is used to create tracing current in de-energised conducting utilities.

Transmitter operation during direct connection requires additional safety precautions. Before connecting the transmitter directly to the utility do the following:

- 1) **Make sure that surveyed utility doesn't carry any voltage in relation to protective grounding or grounding rod, pushed into the ground.**
- 2) **Make sure that there is no high voltage source connected to the utility.**
- 3) **Make sure that there is no 15V voltage between transmitter cable connection points.**

Use the multimeter to check the voltage presence between connection points.



Attention!

Voltage between two points of transmitter cable connection can damage the transmitter!

Connection of the transmitter to utility under voltage, breaks the operation conditions and cancels manufacturer warranty!

If it is necessary to survey the cable under voltage, please, use inductive antenna or clamps for the transmitter in order to create tracing signal.

Appendix 5

Transmitter AG-107 Technical specifications

The frequencies of the continuous “Co” or pulse “Pu” signal, Hz ± 0,1% - “kHz”	
Load “clips” or “clamp”	512 - “0.5” / 1024 - “1.0” / 8192 - “8.2” / 32768 - “33”
“Antenna” modes	8192 - “8.2” / 32768 - “33” for “In” and 8192 - “8.2” for “An”
Operating modes	
“Antenna” mode	Internal transmitting inductor “In”.
“Modulation” modes (special form signal)	Pulse “Pu” (short-term transmissions of the sine signals). Transmission duration 0,12sec. Transmissions repetition frequency 1Hz.
	Dual-frequency “2F” (simultaneous frequency generation 1024Hz, 8192Hz). Amplitudes ratio 4/1 (respectively).
Output parameters under power supply voltage 12... 15V	
<i>Output current, A</i>	
Restricted by the program under manual increment , ≥	5 – at frequency 512Hz “0.5” / 1024Hz “1.0” / 8192Hz “8.2” / “2F”
	3 - at frequency 32768Hz “33”
Set by the program for automatic adjustment with the external load of “clips” or “clamp”, ≥	0, 1
<i>Maximum output voltage, V</i>	
Depending on “modulation”, ≥	48 – in the dual-frequency modulation mode “2F”
	60 – in other modes
<i>Maximum output power, W</i>	
Restricted by the program, ≥	30 - In the continuous “Co” and pulse “Pu” modes at load resistance up to 120Ω. In dual - frequency mode “2F” at load resistance up to 77Ω.
	60 - At pulse mode “Pu” at load resistance up to 60Ω.
Power supply sources	
Operating range of the supply voltages	Minimally acceptable voltage - 10V
	Maximum allowed voltage for operation – 15V
Accumulator	8 LiFePO4 26700 3,2V accumulators
Charger	Charges up to a voltage of 14.6 V with a current of up to 10 A. Oscillation simultaneously with charging.
External power supply sources (optional)	Voltage 10... 15 V, power ≥ 80 W For example, car batteries «12 V»
Operating time (“life cycle”)	When operating from the built-in accumulator, 1.2 hours in the «Co» and «2F» at 30W initial output power or 5 hours in «Pu» mode at original output power 60W
	With the external power supply is fully conditioned by this external energy source characteristics therefore under mains supply operating time is unlimited

Operational characteristics	
An automatic control over the output voltage during oscillation process	Proportional control over the output power depending on the “energy potential” of the power supply source.
Automatic shutdowns of the device	At power supply voltage in the “stop” mode < 8V
	At power supply voltage > 15,5V.
	In case of short circuit of the output during the adjustment process (actuation of the hardware safety system of the terminal amplifier)
	In case of non-compliance of the oscillation mode settings depending on whether the external antenna is installed in the output or not (the switch to the “stop” mode)
	In case of “long” (≈ 100sec) downtime in the “stop” mode (if the buttons are not pushed)
Adjustment with load	Automatic , up to the reaching of the specific consumption rate or attainment of the load current: ≥ 0,1A
	Manual (via buttons LESS / MORE “◀ ▶”) after the automatic adjustment.
Connection options to the communication under examination	“Contact” connection with “earth return”
	“Non-contact” connection with application of the internal transmitting antenna “In”.
	“Non-contact” connection with application of the external transmitting antenna “An” (signal intensity is higher and communication access is more convenient compared to the built-in transmitting antenna «In»)
	“Non-contact” connection using the transmitting induction “clamp” (selection of the cable from the bunch as possible)
Electromagnetic compatibility	
Classification in accordance with the Russian State Standard (GOST) 51318.22-2006	Class A
Structural parameters	
Power output amplifier	The technology — updated CLASS D Efficiency to 85%
LED indicators	Separate light-emitting diodes indicating parameters and modes.
	Digital indicator displaying the modes and parameters values and also showing output parameters of the “ MULTIMETER ” measurements, e.g.: output voltage (V), load current (A), load power (W) and load resistance (Ω /kΩ).
Overall dimensions of the electronic unit (case), not more than, mm.	216x180x105mm
The weight of the electronic unit, not more than, kg	2
Operating conditions	
The admissible environment temperatures range when in operation	- 30...+60°C
Ingress protection rating	IP65