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Service Manual

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Safety Summary

The following general safety precautions must be observed during all phases of operation, service, and repair of this instrument. Failure to comply with these precautions or with specific WARNINGS given elsewhere in this manual violates safety standards of design, manufacture, and intended use of the instrument. The Agilent Technologies assumes no liability for the customer’s failure to comply with these requirements.

DO NOT Operate In An Explosive Atmosphere

Do not operate the instrument in the presence of flammable gasses or fumes. Operation of any electrical instrument in such an environment constitutes a safety hazard.

Keep Away From Live Circuits

Operating personnel must not remove instrument covers. Component replacement and internal adjustments must be made by qualified maintenance personnel. Do not replace components with the power cable connected. Under certain conditions, dangerous voltages may exist even with the power cable removed. To avoid injuries, always disconnect power and discharge circuits before touching them.

DO NOT Service Or Adjust Alone

Do not attempt internal service or adjustment unless another person, capable of rendering first aid and resuscitation, is present.

DO NOT Substitute Parts Or Modify Instrument

Because of the danger of introducing additional hazards, do not substitute parts or perform unauthorized modifications to the instrument. Return the instrument to a Agilent Technologies Sales and Service Office for service and repair to ensure the safety features are maintained.

Dangerous Procedure Warnings

The voltage levels found in this test fixture when used with the intended instruments do not warrant more than normal safety precautions for operator safety.
Operating Precaution

Do not exceed the operating input power, voltage, and current level and signal type appropriate for the instrument being used, refer to your instrument’s operation manual.

Caution

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage the highly sensitive microcircuits in your instrument. ESD damage is most likely to occur as the test fixtures are being connected or disconnected. Protect them from ESD damage by wearing a grounding strap that provides a high resistance path to ground. Alternatively, ground yourself to discharge any static charge built-up by touching the outer shell of any grounded instrument chassis before touching the test port connectors.

Use a work station equipped with an anti-static work surface.

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General Information

Introduction
This manual provides information about the contents, operation and service for the 43961A Impedance Test Kit.

Contents
Table 1-1 shows the contents of the 43961A Impedance Test Kit.

Table 1-1. Contents of the 43961A

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>No.</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Qty.</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Impedance Test Adapter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>43961-61001</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>0 S Calibration Standard</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>04191-85302</td>
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<td>0 Ω Calibration Standard</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>04191-85300</td>
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<td>50 Ω Calibration Standard</td>
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<td>N(m)-N(m) cable</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>41951-61602</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Carrying Case†</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>43961-60001</td>
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† This part is not shown in above.
Operation

The 43961A has been designed to operate specifically with the 4396A/B and 4395A Network/Spectrum/Impedance Analyzer.

- To operate the 43961A with the 4396B see 4396B option 010 Operating Handbook (Agilent PN: 04396-90006 written in English or Agilent PN: 04396-97006 written in Japanese)

- To operate the 43961A with the 4396B see 4396B option 010 Operating Handbook (Agilent PN: 04396-90036 written in English or Agilent PN: 04396-97036 written in Japanese)

- To operate the 43961A with the 4395A see 4395A Operation Manual (Agilent PN: 04395-90000 written in English or Agilent PN: 04395-97000 written in Japanese)
Service

Introduction

This chapter provides the replaceable parts and functional check for the 43961A Impedance Test Kit.

Replaceable Parts

Table 2-1 and Table 2-2 list the replaceable parts. The parts listed in these tables can be ordered from your nearest Agilent Technologies office. Ordering information should include the Agilent part number and the quantity required.
Table 2-1. Replaceable Parts List (1/2)

<table>
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<th>Reference Designator</th>
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<td>43961-04002</td>
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<td>Bottom Cover</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>0515-0907</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>Screw M3x0.5, Flat Head</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>43961-00602</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Case, Shield</td>
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<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Fixture Assembly</td>
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### Table 2-2. Replaceable Parts List (2/2)

<table>
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<td>0515-1550</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Screw M3-L8, Pan Head</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>NA(^1)</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>APC-7(^®) and board assembly</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>0515-0914</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Screw M3 0.5, Pan Head</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Nut (included in N-SMA connector “11”)</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>2190-0054</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Washer</td>
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<td>43961-04001</td>
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<td>Chassis</td>
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<td>1250-2205</td>
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<td>Connector, N(f)-SMA(f)</td>
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<td>1250-2468</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Connector, N(m)-SMA(f)</td>
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\(^1\) The part is not replaceable. Contact your nearest Agilent Technologies service office for part number of whole assembly.
Functional Check

You can check the impedance test kit is working correctly by performing the following procedures.

**Table 2-3. Required Equipment**

<table>
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<th>Equipment</th>
<th>Required Model</th>
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<tr>
<td>Analyzer</td>
<td>4396A</td>
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<tr>
<td>Multimeter</td>
<td>3458A or 3478A</td>
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**Impedance Measurement Functional Check**

1. Connect the 43961A to the 4396A.
2. Press **Preset**.
3. Press **Meas**, **ANALYZER TYPE**, and **IMPEDANCE ANALYZER**.
4. Press **System**, **SERVICE MENU**, **TEST**, **MISC TEST**, and **CONT**.

5. Follow the instructions displayed on the 4396A CRT to connect and measure the standards (0 S, 0 Ω, and 50 Ω) furnished in the 43961A. The 4396A checks the operation of the 43961A automatically.

**DC Bias Functional Check**

1. Connect the test leads to the multimeter’s high and low terminals.
2. Set the multimeter to the resistance measurement mode.
3. Connect the APC7-N(f) adapter to the 43961A’s APC-7 connector.
4. Connect the tip of one test lead to the center conductor of the impedance test kit’s DC SOURCE Input. Connect the other test lead to the center conductor of the APC7-N(f) adapter.

5. Check the multimeter reading is 2 kΩ ± 200 Ω.