



equotip® 3

PORABLE HARDNESS TESTER

- Large, easy to read display with backlight
- Highly accurate ± 4 HL
- Automatic correction for impact direction
- Converts to all common hardness scales (HV, HB, HRA, HRB, HS, Rm)
- Light weight and easy to use
- Fast testing for a wide range of applications
- Large memory with on-screen review of data
- Download to PC or print directly via USB, Ethernet, or RS-232
- User profiles for fast change of all settings
- Rugged sealed membrane keypad
- Internal rechargeable batteries or standard "C" cells
- Custom conversions for uncommon alloys



Standardized according to ASTM A956 - DIN 50156 (in preparation)
EQUOTIP 3, a high quality Swiss product

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Application Range

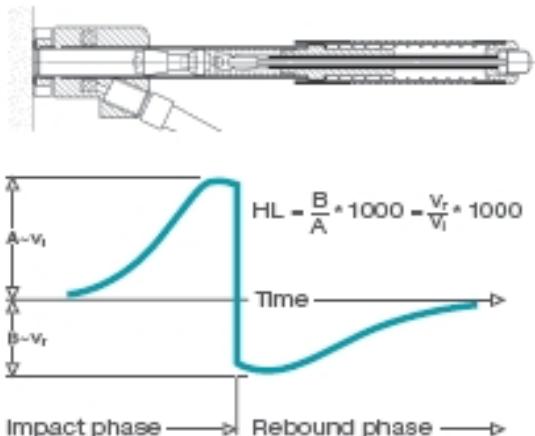
- Good for all metals
- Ideal for production level testing
- Best suited for on-site testing of heavy, big or already installed parts
- Handy for difficult to access or confined test locations
- Automatic compensation for impact direction
- Excellent for material selection and acceptance tests
- Easy to use and accurate on curved test surfaces ($R > 10$ mm)

Primary Industries

- Metal production & processing
- Automotive & transportation
- Machinery & power plants
- Petro-chemical, refineries
- Aerospace & shipyard
- Metal constructions
- Testing services & laboratories

The EQUOTIP measuring principle

The EQUOTIP measuring principle is physically a rather simple, dynamic hardness test. An impact body with a hard metal test tip is propelled by spring force against the surface of the test piece. Surface deformation takes place when the impact body hits the test surface, which will result in loss of kinetic energy. This energy loss is calculated by velocity measurements when the impact body is at a precise distance from the surface for both the impact and rebound phase of the test. The permanent magnet in the impact body generates an induction voltage in the single coil of the impact device. The voltage of the signal is proportional to the velocity of the impact body, and signal processing by the electronics provides the hardness reading for display and storage.



Performing the Hardness Test

Easy to use – simple operating elements allow for accurate measurements even by occasional users.



1. Load
Simply load the impact device by sliding the loading tube forward.



2. Place
Then place and hold the impact device on the surface of the test piece at the desired test point.



3. Measure
Trigger the impact by pressing the trigger button. The hardness value will be instantaneously displayed.



Display of all information on a large clear display.

Modern electronics with power saving features provide for long operating life. The large LCD display always shows how the EQUOTIP is configured to test. Variable function keys allow for quick change of common test parameters, and the on screen hint line shows the other active control keys. The context sensitive help files give the operator quick access to the operating instructions with the press of a single button.

No subjective measuring errors are possible, giving highly repeatable results. Internal self diagnostics with error messages assure reliable test results. Readings can be stored automatically in the internal memory or sent directly to a printer. PC evaluation software allows for data analysis.

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Impact devices



Impact device D
Part No 353 00 100

EQUOTIP® 3 basic impact device D with impact body, support rings, cleaning brush, cable (4-pole)

Application

For the majority of your hardness testing requirements.
Probe weight 75g



Impact device DL
Part No 353 00 120

EQUOTIP® 3 basic impact device DL with impact body, support rings, cleaning brush, cable (4-pole)

Application

For measurements in extremely confined spaces or at the base of grooves.
Probe weight 100g



Impact device S
Part No 353 00 200

EQUOTIP® 3 basic impact device S with impact body, support rings, cleaning brush, cable (4-pole)

Application

For measurements in the extremely high hardness range (always in excess of 50 HRC/650HV): Tool steels with high carbide content inclusions.
Probe weight 80 g



Impact device DC
Part No 353 00 110

EQUOTIP® 3 basic impact device DC with impact body, support rings, cleaning brush, cable (4-pole)

Application

Use in very confined spaces, e.g. in holes, cylinders or for internal measurements on assembled machines.
Probe weight 50g



Impact device G
Part No 353 00 300

EQUOTIP® 3 basic impact device G with impact body, support rings, cleaning brush, cable (4-pole)

Application

Solid components, e.g. heavy castings and forgings.
Probe weight 250g



Impact device E
Part No 353 00 400

EQUOTIP® 3 basic impact device E with impact body, support rings, cleaning brush, cable (4-pole)

Application

For measurements in the extremely high hardness range (always in excess of 50 HRC/650HV): Tool steels with high carbide content inclusions.
Probe weight 80g



Impact device C
Part No 353 00 500

EQUOTIP® 3 basic impact device C with impact body, support rings, cleaning brush, cable (4-pole)

Application

Surface hardened components, coatings, thin walled or impact sensitive components (small measuring indentation).
Probe weight 75g

EQUOTIP 3 measuring range

Fields of application		D/DC	DL	S	E	G	C
1 Steel and cast steel	Vickers	HV	81-955	80-950	101-960	83-1211	81-1012
	Brinell	HB	81-654	81-646	101-640	83-686	90-646 81-694
	Rockwell	HRB	38-100	37-100			48-100
		HRC	20-68	20-68	22-70	20-72	20-70
		HRA			61-88	61-88	
	Shore	HS	30-100	31-97	28-103	30-103	30-102
	Rm N/mm²	σ 1	271-2193	271-2193	271-2193	271-2193	271-2193
		σ 2	619-1477	619-1477	619-1477	619-1477	619-1477
		σ 3	451-846	451-846	451-846	451-846	451-846
2 Cold work tool steel	Vickers	HV	80-900	80-905	104-924	82-1009	98-942
	Rockwell C	HRC	20-67	20-67	21-68	23-70	20-67
3 Stainless steel	Vickers	HV	85-800		119-934	87-861	
	Brinell	HB	85-655		106-656	88-668	
	Rockwell	HRB	46-102		70-104	49-102	
		HRC	20-62		21-64	20-64	
4 Cast iron lamellar graphite GG	Brinell	HB	90-664				92-326
	Vickers	HV	90-696				
	Rockwell	HRC	21-59				
5 Cast iron, nodular graphite GGG	Brinell	HB	95-687				127-364
	Vickers	HV	95-724				
	Rockwell	HRC	21-61				
6 Cast aluminium alloys	Brinell	HB	19-180	20-187	20-184	23-176	19-168
	Vickers	HV	22-193	21-191	22-196	22-198	24-85
	Rockwell	HRB	24-85				23-85
7 Copper/zinc-alloys (brass)	Brinell	HB	40-173				
	Rockwell	HRB	13-95				
8 CuAl/CuSn-alloys (bronze)	Brinell	HB	60-290				
9 Wrought copper alloys, low alloyed	Brinell	HB	45-315				

Test piece requirements

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Preparation of the surface			
Roughness class ISO	N7	N5	N9
Max. roughness depth R _t	10 µm / 400 µinch	2.5 µm / 100 µinch	30 µm / 1200 µinch
Centre line average CLA, AA, Ra	2 µm / 80 µinch	0.4 µm / 16 µinch	7 µm / 275 µinch
Min. weight of samples			
of compact shape	5kg / 11lbs	1.5 kg / 3.3 lbs	15kg / 33lbs
on solid support	2kg / 4.5lbs	0.5 kg / 1.1 lbs	5kg / 11lbs
coupled on plate	0.05 kg / 0.12 lbs	0.02 kg / 0.045 lbs	0.5 kg / 1.1 lbs
Min. thickness of sample			
uncoupled	25 mm / 0.98 inch	15mm / 0.59 inch	70mm / 2.73 inch
coupled	3mm / 0.12 inch	1mm / 0.04 inch	10mm / 0.4 inch
surface layer thickness	0.8mm / 0.03 inch	0.2 mm / 0.008 inch	

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Indentation size on test surface			
with 300 HV, 30 HRC			
diameter	0.54 mm / 0.21 inch	0.38 mm / 0.015 inch	1.03 mm / 0.04 inch
depth	24 µm / 960 µinch	12 µm / 480 µinch	53 µm / 2120 µinch
with 600 HV, 55 HRC			
diameter	0.45 mm / 0.017 inch	0.32 mm / 0.012 inch	0.9 mm / 0.035
depth	17 µm / 680 µinch	8 µm / 2560 µinch	41 µm / 1640 µinch
with 800 HV, 63 HRC			
diameter	0.36 mm / 0.013	0.30 mm / 0.011 inch	
depth	10 µm / 400 µinch	7 µm / 280 µinch	