

# BATTERY LOAD TESTER

**12V 420A**  
**RS232**



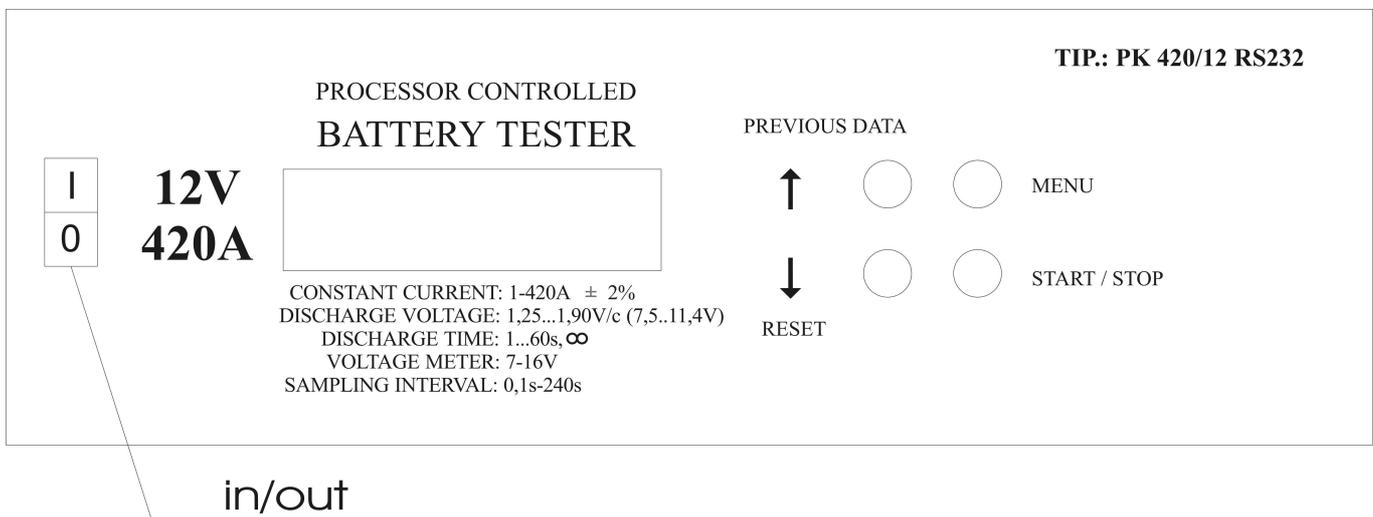
## General Description:

This tester is used for the examination of the starting ability of 12V batteries, measurement of the 1-20 h capacity or of reserve capacity, and the controlling of 12V generators.

## Technical Parameters:

- Discharging currents: 1A-30A with 1A steps, 30A – 420A with 5A steps
- Current stability: better than 2% or + 0.2A
- Cut off voltage: 9V – 13V 2% current accuracy  
7,5V – 9V és 13,8V-16V 10% current accuracy
- Switch off voltage: 7,5V – 11,4 V (in 0.3 A steps )
- Voltage measure: between 7,5V – 16V
- Accuracy : better than 1%
- Discharging time: 1-60sec, or infinite time (max. 160A current)
- Sampling time : 0,1 – 240 sec
- Discharged Ah measurement: 0,1 – 1000 Ah, 0,4% accuracy
- Number of possible measures: 15
- Parallel connection: max. 4 testers at a time (parallelling unit is an option)
- Dimensions: 260 x 220 x 270mm

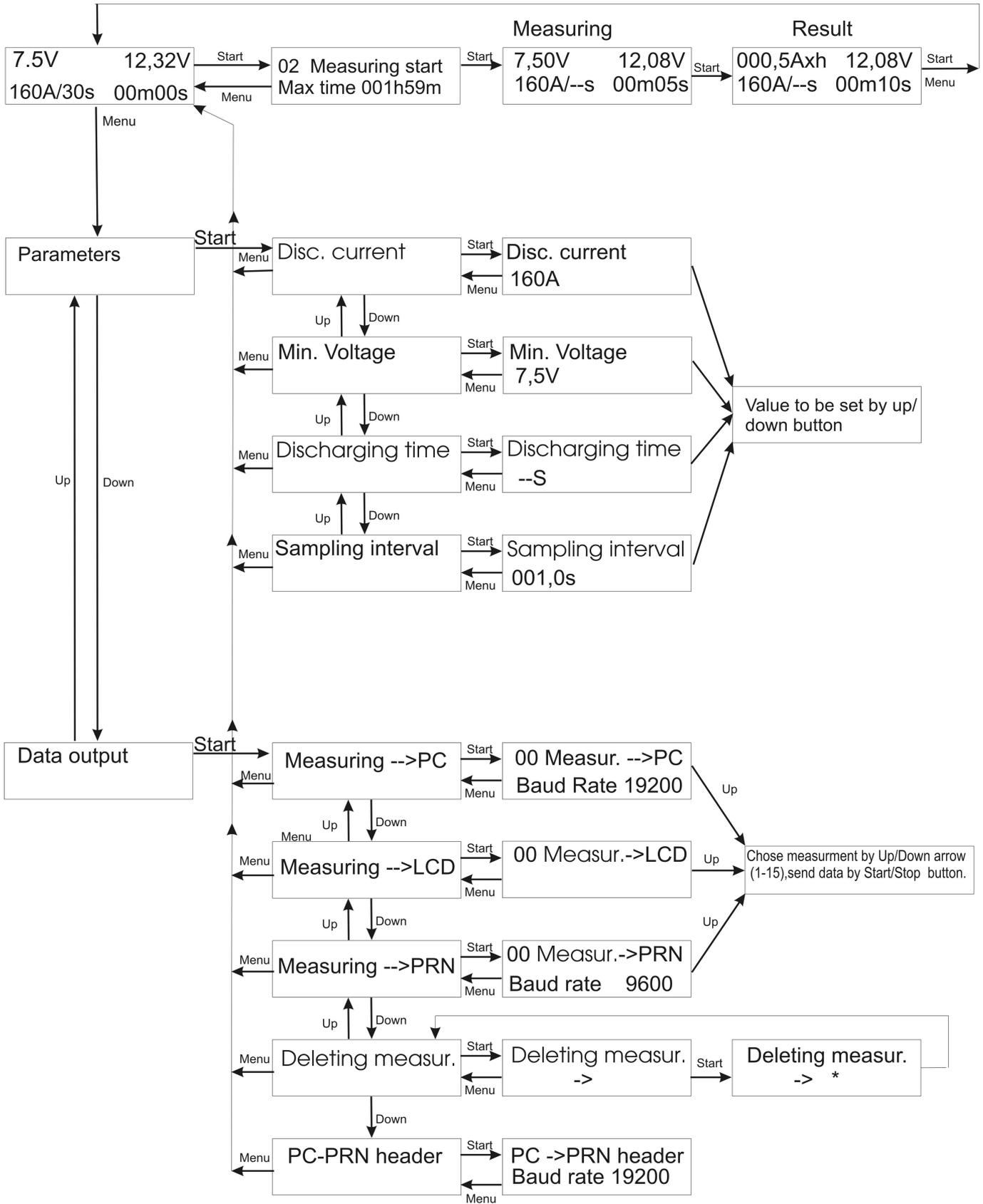
## Operating device:



- ON / OFF: I/0 - to switch on and off the tester
- START / STOP - start or stops measuring
- RESET - clears the measuring result from the display
- PREVIOUS DATA - shows result of last measuring
- MENU - starts the menu for setting parameters

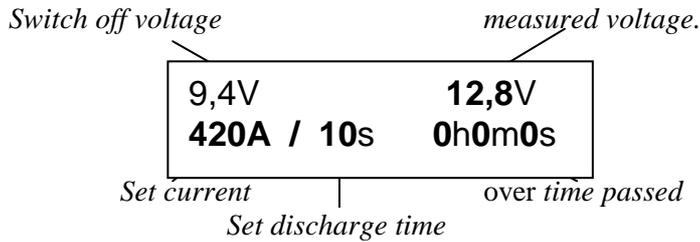
Check further functions of the buttons at menu.

### Menu system



## Setting for measuring

Switching on the display it shows the below picture.



Press START for a test that equals in all the parameters of the former one.

The possible maximum measuring time appears on the display. If this corresponds to the expected measuring time, then press START again for 1 sec. After this the test starts.

At the end of the test the display shows the measured  $A \times h$  and the time of measuring.

If the expected measuring time is longer than the disposable storage time, then by the help of the MENU button it is possible to get back to setting parameters or deleting memory.

**For a test of new parameters** set the necessary data in the following way.

When the starting picture appears press MENU, and at PARAMETERS press Start. By this You enter the menu where You can set test parameters.

- **Discharge current**
- **Discharge cut off voltage**
- **Discharge time** : No time limit when setting infinite, measuring only stops when voltage reaches the limit.
- **Sampling time**

Stepping between the parameters is possible by  $\uparrow\downarrow$  arrows. The required parameter can be chosen by the START button.

The desired value can be set by  $\uparrow\downarrow$  arrows.

Stepping 'upwards' in the menu is possible by the MENU button.

After setting any parameter you can exit the setting parameters menupoint by pressing the Menu, without stepping over to the end of the row of parameters.

For example setting the discharge current from 80A to 100A is possible by the following buttons starting from the initial page on the display: Menu – Start – Start -  $\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow$  - Menu – Menu.

You can follow the voltage of the battery and the passed time of the measure on the display

You can stop the measuring by "STOP" any time.

For restarting we have to delet the AH by pressing, "RESET" or "START".

By another pressing of the "RESET" button the temporary voltage is displayed.

### Suggested testing of **starting ability**

Load the battery with half of the starting current suggested in EN for 15 seconds

During this time the voltage of the battery able to start can not fall under 9,6V, not even after 2-3 following loads.

### **Measuring capacity:** (reserve capacity)

**Reserve capacity:** set the voltage limit to 10,5V, 25 A load currenecy, infinite time and eg 1 min sampling time, then start the measure according to the above.

At the end of the measuring we can read the measured battery's reserve capacity (RC) in minutes.

**Measuring by 1×C-:** Set 9,6V bottom voltage , 1×C(A) discharge current, infinite time and e.g.. 1 min. sampling time, then start measuring. By the T/min shown at the end of the measuring the 20 hour capacity can be easily calculated with a simple antecedent. At a 100% wet batteries can provide 1×C for 35 minutes.

### Generator testing /option /:

Connect the tester to the battery installed in the car. Set the voltage liminal value to 10,5V, current to 1A, time to infinite /-/. Start the tester.

The current can be set under loading, by this defining the load capacity of the generator (up to 13,6V!!)

### Data loading:

During the test the tester stores the measured data in its own memory. The stored data can be loaded to the PC by RS232 serial port for further analysis, printing or storing.

The PC programme (**AKKU.EXE**) does not need installation, it is enough if You save it to a HDD.

Connect the tester through a RS232 serial port. Start the **AKKU.EXE** programme on the PC. Set the serial port in the software.

Press **FILE-Read measure** menu or **Read measure** icon, then set the transfer speed to 19200 baud.

Pressing the **Menu - ↓ - Start - Start** buttons on the tester step into "Test > PC" menupoint, thenif You have made several tests, select the required test by the ↑↓ buttons. Then press **START** button. Test results then are downloaded to the PC and then can be analyzed in the programme.

### Data transfer:

The test results can be downloaded in the menupoint to PC, be displayed, or can be printed directly to a SP printer. It is possible to set the heading of the printed test result tape here, that can be downloaded from the PC programme to the tester.

It is possible to **RESET** tests in the same menupoint. When deleting all tests will be deleted at the same time. When using the data transfer menu please, follow the instruction in the Menu system.

### Self-checking function:

At the end of the test the tester switches on the relays used during the test one by one, to check if they operated correctly, if the stest was longer than 3 seconds. If there is a wrong connection or relay, it dispalys an error message is displayed. This is possible to clear with the Reset button and the test results can be seen., but it is possible that the discharge current was less than that was selected, because of a relay fault. Repeat the test and have the tester repaired.

### System of testers:

The elements of the system are 12V/420A testers, that can function one by one as a separte testers.

It is possible to connect maximum 4 testers at a time to the paralleling device by the help of an RS232 cable. One of the 4 testers is of an advanced function tester, a so called Master, while the other three are of equal positioned Slaves.

A Master always has to have a tester connected to it. The number of Servants can be 1, 2, 3 depending on the necessary discharge current.

The below table shows the the possible discharge currents .

Slave	Max. current	Min. current	Max. current by infinite time
1	840A	200A	320A
2	1260A	300A	480A
3	1680A	400A	640A

