

# RIGEL 288

## Electrical Medical Safety Analyser



The Rigel 288 is the FIRST universal truly hand-held medical electrical safety tester to combine the features of an automatic / manual tester with a data logging / asset management facility. A compact lightweight design and long life battery power reduces downtime between tests, making the instrument totally practical and highly portable for multi site use.

In addition to IEC 60601-1 and AAMI / NFPA 99, the Rigel 288 tests to the new standard for in-service and after repair testing of medical electronic devices, currently drafted in as the IEC 62353.

The Rigel 288's large internal memory facilitates the storage of test results for safety audit and traceability purposes. Comprehensive database software is available to ensure fast and easy download of test results, managing your asset database, creation of test sequences, scheduling of Preventative Product Maintenance and producing test certificates. Wireless connection means that stored data can be transferred immediately and directly from the tester to PC-based record keeping systems at the touch of a button.

The highly versatile Rigel 288 represents the next generation of electrical medical safety analysers.

## Key Features

### ■ Versatile

Test in Accordance with the leakage requirements of IEC/EN 60601-1, AAMI and NFPA, IEC 62353 (VDE 0751-1) using separate IEC 60601 and AAMI Body Model

### ■ Hand-held

Using purpose designed robust enclosure, the Rigel 288 is truly hand-held, easy to hold single handedly and enables one hand operation and navigation

### ■ Easy to use

A full graphic, monochrome LCD display (1/4 VGA minimum) in combination with an integral alpha-numeric ABCD-key-board.

### ■ Manual and Automatic test modes

Able to perform UTS (Unique Test Sequence) and allows fully automatic, semi automatic and fully manual testing.

### ■ User definable test routines,

Users have the ability to amend the default programs or create new programs by copying the preset test programs. Each program will have a unique Identifier.

### ■ Multiple Applied Part function

This feature gives the user the capability of testing up to 10 individual Applied Parts from different Modules or classes e.g. BF and CF class, or Bf ECG and Bf SPO2 module.

### ■ Internal Asset management facilities

Store up to 10,000 test records, custom test routines, visual inspections and performance tests and download to and from PC via Blue Tooth Interface.

## Applications

- Routine testing of Medical Electrical Equipment
- Service tool for Performance Testing
- Asset Management
- Fast and efficient testing of IEC leads
- Earth bond testing on (Medical) Installations and non Medical Equipment



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## The Market Place

The market for hand-held medical safety testers is soon to change with the imminent introduction of a new standard for in-service and after-repair testing of medical electronic devices. The new standard is currently in draft as IEC 62353 and expected to become the general guideline for in-service / after-repair testing. At present, the IEC 60601-1 standard is used as a reference in many countries as local guidelines do not always exist for in-service and after-repair testing.

The Rigel 288 combines the current IEC 60601-1 and AAMI/NFPA leakage requirements with the new IEC 62353. The Rigel 288 is the first hand-held tester to combine graphics with an alphanumeric keyboard and Blue Tooth connection to various peripherals such as RFID, Label Printer, barcode scanners, PDA's and PC's. This will allow for high flexibility in the field.

## Custom Test Settings

The unique setup in the Rigel 288 not only allows you to configure your own test sequences or modify existing ones to suit your specific needs, the Rigel 288 also provides the unique feature to configure your own visual or acceptance test routines prior to an electrical safety test. These could be simple instructions to the user, observations required for your own maintenance procedures such as checking for certain labels, software versions and upgrades etc.

In addition, you can configure post safety test procedures such as recording readings during a performance test on a patient monitor (SPO2, NIBP, ECG, Temperature, IBP etc), Defibrillators (Energy, Synch time, Charge time etc) and so on.

These features make the Rigel 288 a truly versatile service tool to ensure all test data is captured and processed in one single test record thus maximising the traceability and allowing full flexibility in the field.

## Test 'n Tag Compatible

Our Test 'n Tag system allows you to print customised Thermal PASS / FAIL Labels. The benefits of using the Test 'n Tag printer are:

- Robust and durable labels
- Resistant to most solvents used in the medical sector
- Free opportunity to advertise your logo and company details or emergency telephone number with every item you Test 'n Tag.
- Automatic barcode generation to provide easy use of the barcode scanner thus speeding up your test time.

The unique test 'n' tag label provides test status and retest due date, barcode and asset ID number, and person conducting the test.



## Also Available from Rigel Medical:

- Rigel 266 Plus Manual Safety Analyser
- Rigel 277 Plus Automatic Safety Analyser
- Rigel 311 NIBP Simulator
- Rigel 322 SPO2 Simulator
- Rigel 333 Patient Simulator
- Rigel 344 Defibrillator Tester
- Rigel 355 Ventilator Tester
- Rigel 601 Plus
- MediGuard – Software Application

## Also Available From the Seaward Group:

- Portable Appliance Testers
- IEC Lead Tester
- Insulation Resistance Testers
- RCD Testers
- Earth Loop Impedance Testers
- Installation Testers
- Multimeters
- Current Clamps
- Hipot Testers
- Earthbond Testers
- Micro Ohmmeters

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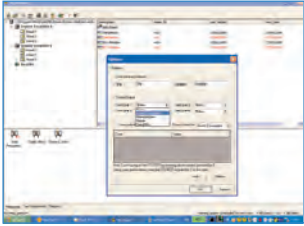
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## Comprehensive PC Software



The Rigel 288 is compatible with a new and comprehensive download software package capable of producing asset management records and work schedules.

Use the software to configure a number of Rigel 288's at the same time to ensure that all engineers work to the same test routines.

Create customer test routines including test protocols for testing Patient Monitors (NIBP, SPO2, ECG etc.), Defibrillators etc. Test protocols can be easily uploaded to the Rigel 288 using either the blue tooth or RS 232 connection.

Use your Rigel 288 to collect readings during functional testing to collect not only the electrical safety test record but also the performance of the Medical Device. The complete PPM in one single record.

Furthermore, the software allows you to produce certificates both via the printer and email to make sure test records are kept for future reference.

## Key Features

1. Windows Explorer type user interface - layout
2. Download from Rigel 288 to PC via BT or RS 232
3. Upload from PC to Rigel 288 via BT or RS 232
4. Create Test Routines and configure multiple testers
5. Output of database to Excel / Access.
6. Database function
7. Test schedule function
8. Printing of Test Certificate
9. Store Test certificate as HTML for easy email application

## Rigel 288 Design Philosophy

The Rigel 288 has been designed to address the increasing demand for smaller more comprehensive test equipment within the Healthcare Industry. What better way than to combine such tester with the new International In-Service Test required as per IEC 62353.

The challenge was to combine the benefits of the size and weight of a smaller hand-held and portable Analyser with the test power and convenience of a larger bench-mounted automatic safety analyser. Today's industry demands test equipment that can save time and cost, thus offering greater flexibility. These factors have all been taken into account during the development of the Rigel 288. The test capabilities and functionality exceed that of most common bench mounted safety analysers yet the instrument is only a fraction of the size and weight.

No other safety tester on the market offers a hand-held enclosure with the test capabilities of that of an automatic safety analyser; including IEC 60601 and IEC 62353 leakage tests, up to 10 Patient Connections, alpha numeric keyboard, graphic user interface, large internal memory, Blue Tooth communication, asset management facilities, user configurable Performance Tests and more.

We believe that the new Rigel 288 is set to become the new standard in Electrical Medical Safety Testing.

## Unique use of ICONS

The Rigel 288 features a hi resolution graphic back lit display which not only provides highly visible and easy to follow menu structures but also allows the user to operate the tester using intuitive icons to speed up their test routines.

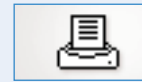
Below are of some of the icons used in the Rigel 288:



Settings



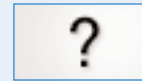
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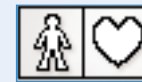
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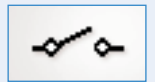
Help



Save



Patient Connection



Single Fault Condition



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## SEAWARD GROUP FILES PATENT FOR NEW EARTH CONTINUITY TEST

Seaward Group, parent company of Rigel Medical has developed a new method of carrying out earth continuity tests undertaken as part of the process to verify the electrical safety of portable Medical and Domestic Appliances.

The Seaward Group has filed a patent application for the new test technology that uses a dual current high intensity test to overcome contact resistance problems or other situations where weak conductor connections may inhibit protective earth testing with conventional test currents such as 1A or 200mA.

The patent recognises that a 200mA test current is rapidly becoming the International Standard for in-service testing and testing after repair of Medical Electronic Equipment such as the imminent IEC 62353.

However, the new concept has been specially designed to help overcome variations in measurement that can be caused by contact resistance between the test probe and the device under test, for example, when measuring continuity of tarnished or corroded parts often seen in the commonly used detachable IEC power cable.

The unique technology introduced by Seaward Group enables valid earth continuity tests to be carried out using battery powered testers and is being incorporated into the new Rigel 288 hand held electrical medical safety analyser.

The innovative new Rigel 288 has been specifically designed to provide a hand-held test solution for those demanding versatility and portability yet not compromising the validity of tests being carried out. The Rigel 288 meets the in-service and post-repair test demands of the IEC 60601 standard, as well as being prepared for the new IEC 62353 standard for in-service testing of Medical Devices.

## Electrical Safety Tests performed

### Earth bond\*

- Insulation

### Specific to IEC 60601-1;

- Earth Leakage
- Enclosure Leakage
- Patient Leakage
- Patient Auxiliary
- Patient F-type

### Specific to pr IEC 62353 – VDE 0751;

- Equipment Leakage (Direct, Differential and Alternative Method)
- Applied Part Leakage (Direct and Alternative Method)

### Specific to AAMI & NFPA;

- Patient Leakage AP-GND
- Patient Leakage AP-CASE
- Patient Leakage AP- AP
- Patient Leakage AP- ALL (AAMI / NFPA)

Custom tests can be created using a variation or combination of the above.

\* Using unique patented technology proving hi-current (>25A) test capability



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### Earth Continuity

Method	2 wire technique, using 'zero' lead function.
Test Current	>+200mA, -200mA DC into 2 ohms
Max Test Voltage	4-24V rms o/c (6V for IEC 60601 tests)
Measuring Range (low range)	0.001 – 0.999 ohms @ 0.001 ohms resolution
Measuring Range (mid range)	1.00 – 9.99 ohms /@ 0.01 ohms resolution
Measuring Range (high range)	10.0 – 19.9 ohms @ 0.1 ohms resolution
Accuracy	± 3% of reading + 10 m ohms

### Insulation Resistance

Measurement	EUT to Earth / Ground, EUT to AP, AP to Ground
Voltage	250V DC, 500 V DC @1mA.
Range (low range)	0.01Mohms - 20 Mohms
Accuracy (low range)	± 5% of reading +2 counts
Range (high range)	20Mohms – 100Mohms
Accuracy (high range)	±10% +2 counts
Resolution	0.01Mohms

### Direct Leakage Measurement

Measuring Range	4µA to 9999µA
Accuracy	± 5% or reading +2 counts
Mains on A.P. voltage	F-type only @ 110% of mains
Measuring Device	As per IEC 60601-1 requirements
Measurement Type	Separate AC & DC for Patient (-Auxiliary) Leakage to IEC 60601 True RMS for all remaining Leakage tests

### Differential Leakage Measurement

Measuring Range	75µA to 9999µA
Accuracy	±5% of reading + 5 counts
Measurement / display resolution	1µA
Measurement Type	True RMS
Measuring Device	Similar frequency response characteristics to IEC 60601-1.

### Alternative Leakage Measurements:

Test Voltage	250V at mains frequency
Test Current	3.5 mA current limited
Measurement Range	4µA to 9999µA
Measurement Resolution	1µA
Measurement Accuracy	±5% of reading + 2 counts
Measurement Type	True RMS
Measuring Device	As per IEC 60601-1

## Benefits

The Rigel 288 is a small comprehensive electrical safety analyser and is designed to comply with IEC 60601-1, AAMI / NFPA-99 and IEC 62353. The Rigel 288 has been designed with the customer's requirements in mind, offering the tests and usability they need. It is the right product at the right time.

The Rigel 288 is the smallest and lightest comprehensive electrical safety analyser on the market making it easier to work effectively across multiple sites.

Upgradeable to meet test requirements. The customer only pays for what they need.

### Rigel 288 includes:

- Calibration Certificate
- Carrying Case
- Earth bond test probe with clip
- Earth bond clip lead
- Patient Applied part module
- 10 Applied part adaptors
- Detachable 2 meter mains cable
- Blue Tooth USB dongle
- Electronic Instruction Manual
- Removable 'quick start' card



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# RIGEL 288 SPECIFICATIONS

## Power Measurement

Method	VA rating.
Range	0.1KVA – 4KVA
Accuracy	±10% + 2 counts

## Mains Outlet Test

Input voltage range:	0-300V AC, max current 16A
Measures	L – E, N – E & L – N
Accuracy	± 5% of reading + 2 counts

## IEC Mains Lead Test

Test Duration:	2s
Test:	Continuity of all conductors, Earth bond, Insulation & Polarity

## General

Mains power	230 VAC ±10%, 50Hz +/- 1Hz 120 VAC ±10%, 60Hz +/- 1Hz (USA model)
Battery	6 x 1.5V Alkaline AA
Weights	1.6 kg including batteries
Size (L x W x D)	270 x 110 x 75 mm / 10.5 x 4 x 3"
Operating conditions	0° - 40°C, 0-90% RH - NC
Storage environment	-15° - +60°C
Environmental Protection	IP 40

## How to Order

UK/Ireland version	331A910
Euro/Schuko version	331A910
French version	331A917
Danish version	331A915
Czech / Polish version	331A918
USA version (110V – 60Hz)	331A914
Australian version	331A912

Other variants available upon request

## Accessories:

- PC Download software
- Barcode scanner with embedded Blue Tooth
- Blue Tooth Test 'N' Tag System
- Brain Cell Read / Write Scanner with embedded BlueTooth
- Download software for PDA (please check for availability)
- Blue Tooth Serial Adaptor

## Shipping Information:

Packaging	Corrugated cardboard box
Weight	3.4kg
Size	410*290*220mm

## Related Interest

Rigel 266 Plus  
Rigel 277 Plus  
IEC 62353 Booklet  
IEC 60601 Booklet

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