

VACUUM TUBE TEST SET
HICKOK MODEL 531 (KS-13588 L1)
AND MODIFIED 530B (KS-13725 L1) TUBE TESTER
DESCRIPTION AND APPLICATION

1. GENERAL

1.001 This addendum supplements Section 100-633-101, Issue 1.

1.002 This addendum is issued to add the procedure for using the KS-15840 L1 Micromhos Meter Calibrator.

(e) *Calibration Check of MICROMHOS Meter*

Add the following to the Section.

3. METHODS FOR TESTING TUBES

3.25.1 General: Under normal usage of this tester, doubtful transconductance measurements involving marginal or suspect tubes can usually be checked by comparing with test results of a new or good sample of a tube in question using a comparable tester known to be in satisfactory operating condition.

3.25.2 In the absence of specifically indicated trouble in the tester the KS-15840 L1 micromhos meter calibrator can be used to check the accuracy of the micromhos meter indication. The check is accomplished through a simulation of tubes under test and is only a broad indication that the micromhos meter and the associated circuits of the tester are accurate.

3.25.3 Procedure:

- (1) Place the KS-15840 L1 calibrator in a horizontal position adjacent to the KS tube

tester to be checked. With the tube tester power switch off, plug the calibrator into the five-pin test socket.

- (2) On the calibrator, set RANGE switch to HI 3000 and turn METER ADJUST knob to full counterclockwise position.

- (3) On the KS tester, set the A selector and the B selector to 1. Set the L POT. on 60 (On KS-8235 set Micro SW at 3000).

- (4) On KS tester, set the FIL switch to the 35 volt position.

- (5) On KS tester, check zero setting of Gm meter.

- (6) On KS tester, operate POWER switch to ON with FIL ACT. Switch on NORM, and adjust line voltage to red line on AC VOLTS meter.

- (7) On KS tester, depress and lock AMPL TEST button.

- (8) Check and adjust ac voltmeters, if necessary, on both the calibrator and the KS tester.

- (9) Observe the microhms reading on the KS tester.

Requirement: The reading should be 1000 micromhos within 1.5 scale division.