

# Measuring electric fields from 100 kHz to 3 GHz

using instruments in the NBM-500 family

- ▲ **General public and occupational field exposure from broadcasting, telecoms and industrial equipment**
- ▲ **Isotropic (non-directional) measurement**
- ▲ **64 dB dynamic range without changing measurement range**
- ▲ **Maximum sensitivity starts at 0.2 V/m**

The probe contains three orthogonally arranged dipoles with detector diodes. The three voltages, corresponding to the spatial components, are available individually at the probe output. The NBM basic unit calculates the resulting isotropic field strength.

## APPLICATIONS

The probe detects electric fields from 100 kHz to 3 GHz, covering the fields that occur in broadcasting, telecoms, and industry. The high sensitivity of 0.2 V/m and excellent linearity make it ideal for measuring human safety limit values in the general public domain.

## PROPERTIES

The probe is designed with mechanical and electrical properties ideal for field use. The probe head is made of foam material to provide effective protection for the sensors, while having excellent RF characteristics. The electric destruction limits for pulsed and continuous wave signals are several times higher than any of the human safety limit values.

## CALIBRATION

The probe is calibrated at several frequencies. The correction values are stored in an EPROM in the probe and are automatically taken into account by the NBM instrument. Calibrated accuracy is thus obtained regardless of the combination of probe and instrument.



## SPECIFICATIONS <sup>a</sup>

| Probe EF0391  |  | Electric (E-)Field  |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| Frequency range <sup>(b)</sup>  | 100 kHz to 3 GHz   |   |  |
| Type of frequency response  | Flat   |   |  |
| Measurement range   | 0.2 to 320 V/m (CW)<br>0.2 to 10 V/m (True RMS)  | 10 nW/cm <sup>2</sup> to 27 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> (CW)<br>10 nW/cm <sup>2</sup> to 0.027 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> (True RMS) |  |
| Dynamic range   | 64 dB  |   |  |
| CW damage level   | 800 V/m  | 170 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>  |  |
| Peak damage level <sup>(c)</sup>  | 8 kV/m   | 17 W/cm <sup>2</sup>  |  |
| Sensor type   | Diode based system   |   |  |
| Directivity   | Isotropic (Tri-axial)  |   |  |
| Readout mode / spatial assessment   | 3 separate axes  |   |  |
| <b>UNCERTAINTY</b>  |  |   |  |
| Flatness of frequency response <sup>(d)</sup><br>Calibration uncertainty not included | ±1 dB (1 MHz to 1 GHz)<br>±1.25 dB (1 GHz to 2.45 GHz)                                   |   |  |
| Calibration uncertainty <sup>(e)</sup><br>@ 0.01 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> (6.14 V/m)        | 0.8 dB (≤ 300 MHz)<br>1.5 dB (> 300 MHz)   |   |  |
| Linearity<br>Referred to 0.01 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> (6.14 V/m)                           | ±0.5 dB (1.2 to 200 V/m)<br>±0.7 dB (200 to 320 V/m)                                     | ±0.5 dB (0.00038 to 10.6 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> )<br>±0.7 dB (10.6 to 27 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> )                           |  |
| Isotropic response <sup>(f)</sup>   | ±1 dB  |   |  |
| Temperature response  | +0.2/ -1 dB (±0.025 dB/K)  |   |  |
| <b>GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS</b>   |  |   |  |
| Factory calibration frequencies   | 0.1/ 0.2/ 0.3/ 1/ 3/ 10/ 27.12 MHz<br>0.1/ 0.2/ 0.3/ 0.5/ 0.75/ 1/ 1.8/ 2.45/ 2.7/ 3 GHz |   |  |
| Recommended calibration interval  | 24 months  |   |  |
| Temperature range   | Operating<br>0 °C to +50 °C<br>Non-operating (transport)<br>-40 °C to +70 °C             |   |  |
| Humidity  | 5 to 95 % RH @ ≤25 °C  | ≤23 g/m <sup>3</sup> absolute humidity  |  |
| Size  | 318 mm x 66 mm Ø   |   |  |
| Weight  | 90 g   |   |  |
| Compatibility   | NBM-500 series meters  |   |  |
| Country of origin   | Germany  |   |  |

(a) Unless otherwise noted specifications apply at reference condition: device in far-field of source, ambient temperature 23±3 °C, relative air humidity 25% to 75%, sinusoidal signal

(b) Cutoff frequency at approx. -3 dB

(c) Pulse length 1µsec, duty cycle 1:100

(d) Frequency response can be compensated for by the use of correction factors stored in the probe memory

(e) Expanded measurement uncertainty. Accuracy of the fields generated to calibrate the probes

(f) Uncertainty due to varying polarization (verified by type approval test for meter with probe). Ellipse ratio included and calibrated for each probe

## ORDERING INFORMATION

|   | Part number  |
|---|--------------|
| Probe EF0391, E-field for NBM, 100 kHz – 3 GHz, isotropic                             | 2402/01B     |
| Probe EF0391, E-Field, ACC - with accredited (DAkKS) calibration, basic unit required | 2402/01B/ACC |

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