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Batteries in power plants and transformer substations must provide the equipment they serve with standby power in the event of a power failure. Unfortunately, however, the capacity of such batteries can drop significantly for a number of reasons before their calculated life expectancy is reached. This is why it is so important to check batteries at regular intervals, and the only reliable way of measuring battery capacity is to conduct a discharge test.

TORKEL™ 840 - UTILITY is used for battery systems ranging from 12 to 250 V – often encountered in switchgear and similar equipment. Discharging can take place at up to 110 A, and if higher current is needed, two or more TORKEL 840 units or extra load units, TXL, can be linked together. Tests can be conducted at constant current, constant power, constant resistance or in accordance with a pre-selected load profile.

TORKEL 860 - MULTI is designed primarily for people who travel from place to place to maintain battery systems having different voltages. It features excellent discharging capacity plus a broad voltage range and outstanding portability – a unique combination.

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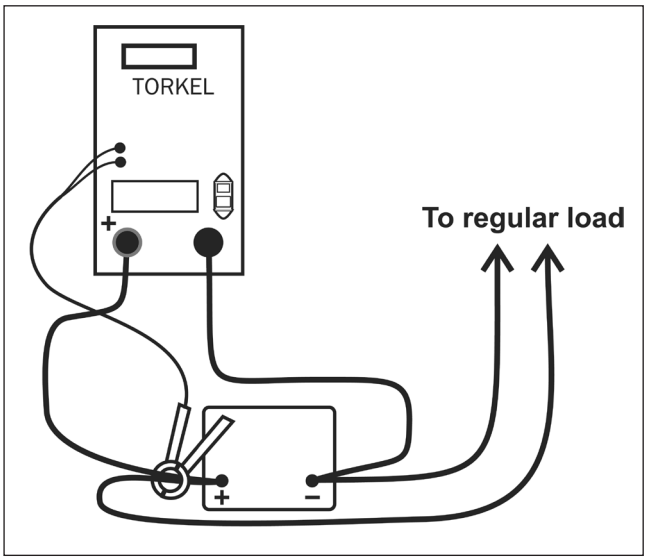
Application example

IMPORTANT!

Read the User's manual before using the instrument.

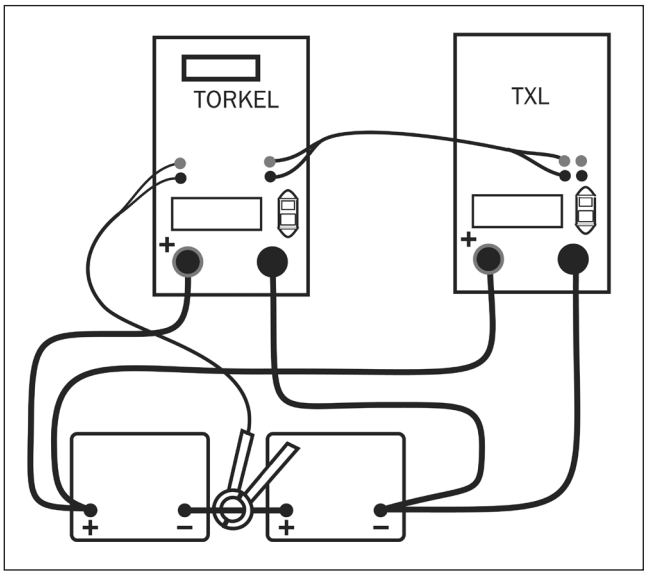
Testing can be carried out without disconnecting the battery from the equipment it serves. Via a DC clamp-on ammeter, TORKEL measures total battery current while regulating it at a constant level.

1. Connect TORKEL to battery.
2. Set the current and voltage alarm level
3. Start discharging. TORKEL keeps the current constant at the preset level.
4. When the voltage drops to a level slightly above the final voltage, TORKEL issues an alarm.
5. If the voltage drops low enough so that there is risk of deepdischarging the battery, TORKEL shuts down the test. The total voltage curve and the readings taken at the end of the test are stored in TORKEL. Later, using the TORKEL Win program which runs on a PC under Windows®, you can transfer these readings to your computer for storage, printout or export. If your PC is connected to TORKEL during the test, TORKEL Win builds up a voltage curve on the screen in real time and displays the current, voltage and capacity readings. You can also control the test using TORKEL Win.

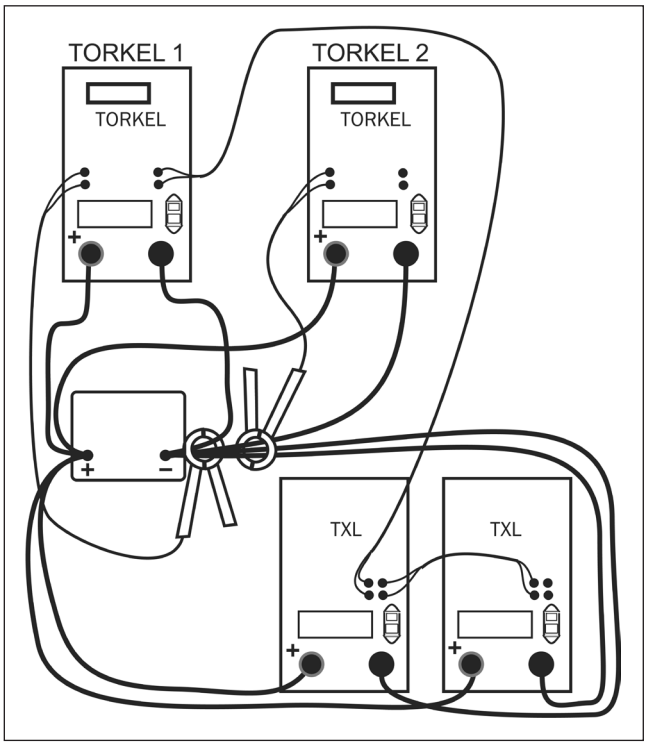


Application examples with TORKEL/TXL systems

TORKEL and TXL can be combined into systems to match up for different battery capacities. Here are two examples, you can find more in the section Battery Testing Accessories.



TORKEL and the extra load TXL



Example of multiple TORKEL and TXL arrangement

Specifications TORKEL 840/860

Specifications are valid at nominal input voltage and an ambient temperature of +25°C, (77°F). Specifications are subject to change without notice.

Environment

Application field	The instrument is intended for use in high-voltage substations and industrial environments.
Temperature	
Operating	0°C to +40°C (32°F to +104°F)
Storage & transport	-40°C to +70°C (-40°F to +158°F)
Humidity	5% – 95% RH, non-condensing

CE-marking

Safety standards	IEC 61010-1:2001 Incl. national dev. for US and CA EN 61010-1:2001
EMC standards	EN 61326: 1997+A1:1998+A2:2001

General

Mains voltage	100 – 240 V AC, 50/60 Hz
Power consumption (max)	150 W
Protection	Thermal cut-outs, automatic overload protection
Dimensions	
Instrument	210 x 353 x 700 mm (8.3" x 13.9" x 27.6")
Transport case	265 x 460 x 750 mm (10.4" x 18.1" x 29.5")
Weight	21.5 kg (47.4 lbs) 38 kg (83.8 lbs) with accessories and transport case.
Display	LCD
Available languages	English, French, German, Spanish, Swedish

Measurement section

Current measurement

Display range	0.0 – 2999 A
Basic inaccuracy	±(0.5% of reading +0.2 A)
Resolution	0.1 A

Internal current measurement

Range	0 – 270 A

Input for clamp-on ammeter

Range	0 – 1 V
mV/A-ratio	Software settable, 0.3 to 19.9 mV/A
Input impedance	>1 MΩ

Voltage measurement

Display range 0.0 – 60 V

Basic inaccuracy	±(0.5% of reading +0.1 V)
Resolution	0.1 V

Display range 0.0 – 500 V

Basic inaccuracy	±(0.5% of reading +1 V)
Resolution	0.1 V

Time measurement

Basic inaccuracy	±0.1% of reading ±1 digit

Load section

Max. battery voltage	288 V DC (TORKEL 840) 480 V DC (TORKEL 860)
Max. current	110 A
Max. power	15 kW
Load patterns	Constant current, constant power, constant resistance, current or power profile
Current setting	0-110.0 A (2999.9 A) [1]
Power setting	0-15.00 kW (299.99 kW) [1]
Resistance setting	0.1-2999.8 Ω
Battery voltage range, TORKEL 840	4 ranges, selected automatically at start of test
Battery voltage range, TORKEL 860	5 ranges, selected automatically at start of test
Stabilization (For internal current measurement)	±(0.5% of reading +0.5 A)

	Battery voltage	***Highest permissible current***	***Resistor element (Nominal values)***
Range 1	10 – 27.6 V	110 A	0.165 Ω
Range 2	10 – 55.2 V	110 A	0.275 Ω
Range 3	10 – 144 V	110 A	0.55 Ω
Range 4	10 – 288 V	55 A	3.3 Ω
Range 5 [2]	10 – 480 V	55 A (max power 15 kW)	3.3 Ω

1) Maximum value for a system with more than one load unit
2) TORKEL 860

Inputs, maximal values

EXTERNAL CURRENT MEASUREMENT	1 V DC, 300 V DC to ground. Current shunt should be connected to the negative side of the battery
START/STOP	Closing/opening contact Closing and then opening the contact will start/stop Torkel. It is not possible to keep the contacts in closed position.
Delay until start	200 – 300 ms
Stop delay	100 – 200 ms
Battery	480 V DC, 500 V DC to ground
VOLTAGE SENSE	480 V DC, 500 V DC to ground
SERIAL	< 15 V
ALARM	250 V DC 0.28 A 28 V DC 8 A 250 V AC 8 A

Outputs, maximal values

START/STOP	5 V, 6 mA
TXL	Relay contact
SERIAL	< 15 V
ALARM	Relay contact

Discharging capacity, examples		
12 V battery (6 cells) [3]		
Final voltage	***Constant cur-***	***Constant power***
1.80 V/cell (10.8 V)	0 – 50.0 A	0 – 0.54 kW
1.75 V/cell (10.5 V)	0 – 49.0 A	0 – 0.51 kW
1.67 V/cell (10.0 V)	0 – 46.0 A	0 – 0.46 kW
24 V battery (12 cells) [3]		
1.80 V/cell (21.6 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 2.37 kW
1.75 V/cell (21.0 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 2.31 kW
1.60 V/cell (19.2 V)	0 – 100 A	0 – 1.92 kW
48 V battery (24 cells) [3]		
1.80 V/cell (43.2 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 4.75 kW
1.75 V/cell (42.0 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 4.62 kW
1.60 V/cell (38.4 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 4.22 kW
110 V battery (54 cells) [3]		
1.80 V/cell (97.2 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 10.7 kW
1.75 V/cell (94.5 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 10.4 kW
1.60 V/cell (86.4 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 9.5 kW
120 V battery (60 cells) [3]		
1.80 V/cell (108 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 11.9 kW
1.75 V/cell (105 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 11.5 kW
1.60 V/cell (96 V)	0 – 110 A	0 – 10.5 kW
220 V battery (108 cells) [3]		
1.80 V/cell (194 V)	0 – 55 A	0 – 10.7 kW
1.75 V/cell (189 V)	0 – 55 A	0 – 10.4 kW
1.60 V/cell (173 V)	0 – 51.0 A	0 – 8.82 kW
240 V battery (120 cells) [3]		
1.80 V/cell (216 V)	0 – 55 A	0 – 11.9 kW
1.75 V/cell (210 V)	0 – 55 A	0 – 11.5 kW
1.60 V/cell (192 V)	0 – 55 A	0 – 10.5 kW
UPS battery (180 cells) [3] (TORKEL 860)		
1.70 V/cell (306 V)	0 – 38 A	0 – 15 kW
1.60 V/cell (288 V)	0 – 38 A	0 – 15 kW
UPS battery (204 cells) [3] (TORKEL 860)		
1.80 V/cell (367 V)	0 – 34 A	0 – 15 kW
1.60 V/cell (326 V)	0 – 34 A	0 – 15 kW

3) 2.15 V per cell when test starts

Cable set GA-00550

Ordering information

	Art.No.
TORKEL 840	
Complete with:	
Cable set GA-00550	
Transport case GD-00054	**BS-49094**
TORKEL 860	
Complete with:	
Cable set GA-00550	
Transport case GD-00054	**BS-49096**

Optional accessories

See section "Battery Testing Accessories"

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