

R&S® NGE100B Power Supply Getting Started



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This manual describes the following R&S®NGE100B models and options:

- R&S®NGE102B 2-Channel PSU (5601.3800.02)
- R&S®NGE103B 3-Channel PSU (5601.3800.03)

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1 Safety information

The product documentation helps you use the R&S NGE100B safely and efficiently. Follow the instructions provided here and in the printed "Basic Safety Instructions". Keep the product documentation nearby and offer it to other users.

Intended use

The R&S NGE100B is intended for the development, production and verification of electronic components and devices in industrial, administrative, and laboratory environments. Use the R&S NGE100B only for its designated purpose. Observe the operating conditions and performance limits stated in the data sheet.

Where do I find safety information?

Safety information is part of the product documentation. It warns you about the potential dangers and gives instructions how to prevent personal injuries or damage caused by dangerous situations. Safety information is provided as follows:

- The printed "Basic Safety Instructions" provide safety information in many languages and are delivered with the R&S NGE100B.
- Throughout the documentation, safety instructions are provided when you need to take care during setup or operation.

2 Korea certification class A



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3 Documentation overview

This section provides an overview of the R&S NGE100B user documentation.

3.1 Manuals

You find the documents on the R&S NGE100B product page at:

www.rohde-schwarz.com/product/nge100b

Getting started

Introduces the R&S NGE100B power supply series and describes how to set up and start working with the instrument. The printed document is delivered with the instrument.

User manual

Contains the description of all instrument modes and functions. It also provides an introduction to remote control, a complete description of the remote control commands with programming examples, and information on maintenance and instrument interfaces. Includes the contents of the getting started manual.

The *online version* of the user manual provides the complete contents for immediate display on the internet.

Basic safety instructions

Contains safety instructions, operating conditions and further important information. The printed document is delivered with the instrument.

3.2 Data sheet

The datasheet contains the technical specifications of the R&S NGE100B power supply series. It also lists all options with their order numbers and accessories.

See www.rohde-schwarz.com/brochure-datasheet/nge100b

3.3 Calibration certificate

The document is available on <https://gloris.rohde-schwarz.com/calcert>. You need the device ID of your instrument, which you can find on a label on the rear panel.

3.4 Release notes, open source acknowledgment

The release notes list new features, improvements and known issues of the current firmware version, and describe the firmware installation. The open source acknowledgment document provides verbatim license texts of the used open source software. It can also be downloaded from the instrument.

See www.rohde-schwarz.com/firmware/nge100b.

4 Welcome to R&S NGE100B

The two or three-channel power supply series are based on a classical transformer concept with high efficiency electronic pre-regulators and secondary linear regulators. This concept allows the instrument to achieve the high output power within a minimum space, high efficiency and lowest residual ripple.

The R&S NGE100B power supply series feature galvanically isolated, floating overload and short-circuit proof outputs with adjustable power ratings. The outputs can be connected in series or in parallel, thus making high currents and voltages available.

Multi-purpose protection functions are available for each channel which you can set separately, such as overcurrent protection (FUSE), overvoltage protection (OVP), overpower protection (OPP) and overtemperature protection (OTP). If such a limit is reached, the affected output channel is automatically turned off and an indicator message (FUSE, OVP, OPP or OTP) is displayed. The overcurrent protection can be linked to other channel (FuseLink function). In this case, all linked channels are turned off when the set channel reaches its limit.

The EasyArb function allows channel 1 (Ch 1) to have freely definable voltage and current sequences with a timeframe as short as 10 ms. It allows you to vary the voltage or current limit during a test sequence, for example to simulate different charging conditions of a battery. With EasyRamp function, the R&S NGE100B provides the operating condition to simulate the continuous rise of the supply voltage within a defined timeframe of 10 ms to 10 s.

Four data lines of the digital I/O interface are mutually independent and can be used as trigger input or trigger output separately. Various trigger conditions (e.g. fuse tripped, voltage, current, indicator messages) can be used to turn off, on or invert the output state when the trigger condition is met.

All R&S NGE100B power supply series are equipped with a color LCD display (320 x 240 pixels resolution). The R&S NGE100B comes with a USB interface and optional LAN (LXI) interface.

This user manual contains a description of the functionalities that the instrument provides. The latest version is available for download at the product homepage (<http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/product/nge100b>).

5 Putting into operation

This chapter describes the steps to set up the R&S NGE100B for the first time.

⚠ WARNING

Risk of injury and instrument damage

The instrument must be used in an appropriate manner to prevent electric shock, fire, personal injury, or damage.

- Do not open the instrument casing
- Read and observe the "Basic Safety Instructions" delivered as a printed brochure with the instrument. Note that the basic safety instructions also contain information on operating conditions that prevent damage to the instrument

In addition, read and observe the safety instructions in the following sections. Notice that the data sheet may specify additional operating conditions.

NOTICE

Risk of instrument damage during operation

An unsuitable operating site or test setup can cause damage to the instrument and the connected devices. Ensure the following operating conditions before you switch on the instrument:

- The instrument is dry and shows no sign of condensation
 - The instrument is positioned as described in [Chapter 5.4.1, "Bench operation"](#), on page 16
 - The ambient temperature does not exceed the range specified in the data sheet
 - Voltage levels at the input connectors are all within the specified ranges
 - Voltage outputs are correctly connected and not overloaded
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⚠ WARNING**Risk of radio interference**

This is a class A product. In a domestic environment, this product may cause radio interference in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures.

ⓘ EMI impact on measurement results

Electromagnetic interference (EMI) may affect the measurement results.

To suppress the generated EMI:

- Use suitable shielded cables of high quality, for example, LAN cables
- Note the EMC classification in the data sheet

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5.1 Safety

NOTICE**Recommendations on secure operation**

The R&S NGE100B is designed to operate at local workplaces or in secured networks (LAN). It should not be accessible from the internet, because of a potential security risk, e.g. attackers could misuse or damage your device.

Please always install the latest firmware.

It is highly recommended that you work closely with your IT department or system administrator to ensure compliance with your company policies when connecting devices to your company's network.

This instrument was built in compliance with DIN EN 61010-1 (VDE 0411 part 1), safety regulations for electrical instruments, control units and laboratory equip-

ment. It has been tested and shipped from the plant in safe condition. It is also in compliance with the regulations of the European standard EN 61010-1 and the international standard IEC 61010-1.

To maintain this condition and ensure safe operation, you must observe all instructions and warnings given in this user manual. Casing, chassis and all measuring ports are connected to a protective earth conductor. The instrument is designed in compliance with the regulations of protection class I.

For safety reasons, the instrument may only be operated with authorized safety sockets. The power cord must be plugged in before signal circuits may be connected.

Never use the product if the power cable is damaged. Check regularly that the power cables are in perfect condition. Choose suitable protective measures and installation types to ensure that the power cord cannot be damaged and that no harm is caused by tripping hazards or from electric shock, for instance.

⚠ DANGER**Risk of electric shock**

It is prohibited to disconnect the earthed protective connection inside or outside of the instrument!

If it is assumed that a safe operation is no longer possible, the instrument must be shut down and secured against any unintended operation.

Safe operation can no longer be assumed as follows:

- Instrument shows visible damage
- Instrument includes loose parts
- Instrument no longer functions properly
 - After an extended period of storage under unfavorable conditions (e.g. outdoors or in damp rooms)
 - After rough handling during transport (e.g. packaging that does not meet the minimum requirements by post office, railway or forwarding agency)

⚠ DANGER**Exceeding the low voltage protection**

Use insulated wires and not bare wires for the terminal connection.

For the series connection of all output voltages, it is possible to exceed the low voltage protection of 42 V. Please note that in this case any contact with live components is life-threatening. It is assumed that only qualified and trained personnel service the power supplies and the connected loads.


Before switching on the product, it must be ensured that the nominal voltage setting on the product matches the nominal voltage of the AC supply network. If it is necessary to set a different voltage, the power fuse of the product must be changed accordingly.

5.2 Intended operation

The instrument is intended only for use by personnel familiar with the potential risks of measuring electrical quantities.

For safety reasons, the instrument may only be connected to properly installed safety socket outlets. Separating the ground is prohibited.

The power plug must be inserted before signal circuits may be connected.

 Use only the power cord included in the delivery package. See "[Delivery package](#)" on page 15.

Before each measurement, measuring cables must be inspected for damage and replaced if necessary. Damaged or worn components can damage the instrument or cause injury.

The product may be operated only under the operating conditions and in the positions specified by the manufacturer, without the product's ventilation being obstructed. If the manufacturer's specifications are not observed, this can result in electric shock, fire and/or serious personal injury, and in some cases, death.


Provide adequate airflow

Do not block the air intake at the front and side of the instrument or the exhaust at the rear. Install the instrument on a location that allows sufficient space for air circulation at the air intake and exhaust. Recommended spacing to non-heat producing surface is at least 2.5 inches (63.5 mm) from the ventilation holes.

Applicable local or national safety regulations and rules for the prevention of accidents must be observed in all work performed.

The instrument is designed for use in the following sectors: Industrial, residential, business and commercial areas and small businesses.

The instrument is designed for indoor use only. Before each measurement, you need to verify at a known source if the instrument functions properly.

 To disconnect from the mains, the low-heat device socket on the back panel has to be unplugged.

See [Table 5-1](#) for the general data on the instrument specification. For more information, see the instrument product brochure (PN: 5214.8748.12).

Table 5-1: General data on instrument specification

| | | |
|--|-----------------------------|---|
| Mains nominal voltage | AC | 115 V / 230 V ($\pm 10\%$) 50 Hz / 60 Hz |
| Power consumption | Maximum input power | 180 W |
| Mains fuses (fuse size: 5 mm x 20 mm) | 115 V AC | IEC 60127-2/5 T 5 A 250 V |
| | 230 V AC | IEC 60127-2/5 T 2.5 A 250 V |
| Temperature | Operating temperature range | 0 °C to + 40 °C |
| | Storage temperature range | - 20 °C to + 70 °C |
| Humidity | Non-condensing | 5 % to 80 % |
| Display | | 3.5 " (QVGA) |
| Rack mount capability | ½ 19 " | R&S HZC95 option |
| Dimensions | W x H x D | 222 mm x 88 mm x 280 mm (8.74 in x 3.46 in x 11.02 in) |
| Weight | R&S NGE102B | 4.9 kg (10.80 lb) |
| | R&S NGE103B | 5.0 kg (11.02 lb) |

5.3 Unpacking and checking the instrument

Check the equipment for completeness using the delivery note and package contents list for the various items. Check the instrument for any damage and loose parts. If there is any damage, immediately contact the carrier who delivered the instrument.



Packing material

Retain the original packing material. If the instrument needs to be transported or shipped at a later date, you can use the material to protect the control elements and connectors.

NOTICE

Risk of damage during transportation and shipment

Insufficient protection against mechanical and electrostatic effects during transportation and shipment can damage the instrument.

- Always ensure that sufficient mechanical and electrostatic protections are provided
- When shipping an instrument, the original packaging should be used. If you do not have the original packaging, use sufficient padding to prevent the instrument from moving around inside the box. Pack the instrument in antistatic wrap to protect it from electrostatic charging
- Secure the instrument to prevent any movement and other mechanical effects during transportation

Delivery package

The package contents contain the following items:

- R&S NGE100B power supply preloaded with two 230 V fuses
- Four power cables
- Two 115 V fuses (replace the preloaded fuses with these fuses depending on the mains voltage, see [Chapter 6.2, "Switching on the instrument"](#), on page 22 for more information)
- One 5-pin plug (P/N: 3643.6463.00) for digital I/O port connections
- One Getting Started manual

- One document folder containing Basic Safety instructions guide and CE certificate

5.4 Setting up the instrument

The R&S NGE100B is designed for benchtop and rackmount.

5.4.1 Bench operation

On a benchtop, the R&S NGE100B can either lie flat or stand on its feet. As shown in [Figure 5-1](#), feet on the bottom can be folded out to set the instrument in an inclined position.



Figure 5-1: Operating positions

NOTICE

Positioning of instrument

The instrument must be positioned in a manner that allows the user to disconnect the unit from the mains at any time and without restrictions.

⚠ WARNING**Risk of injury if feet are folded out**

The feet can fold in if they are not folded out completely or if the instrument is shifted. Collapsing feet can cause injury or damage the instrument.

- Fold the feet completely in or out to ensure stability of the instrument. Never shift the instrument when the feet are folded out.
- When the feet are folded out, do not work under the instrument or place anything underneath.
- The feet can break if they are overloaded. The overall load on the folded-out feet must not exceed 250 N.

5.4.2 Rack mounting

The instrument can be installed in a 19" rack-mount using a rack adapter kit.

NOTICE**Ambient temperature**

Operate R&S NGE100B power supply in an area where the ambient temperature is within +0 °C to +40 °C. The R&S NGE100B power supply is fan-cooled and must be installed with sufficient space along the sides to allow proper air circulation. Ensure that fan openings are unobstructed and air-flow vents are unimpeded.

Operating the instrument with insufficient airflow or outside the allowable ambient temperature can disrupt the operation and even cause damage.

6 Instrument tour

This chapter provides an overview of all the controls available in the R&S NGE100B models and steps to switch on the instrument for the first time.

6.1 Overview of controls

6.1.1 Front panel

The front panel of the R&S NGE100B is as shown in [Figure 6-1](#). The function keys and navigation controls are located at the right side of the display. The various connectors are located below the display and function keys.

The following power supply models are available:

Table 6-1: Power supply models

| Models | Number of output channels |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| R&S NGE102B (0 V - 32 V/3 A) | 2 (maximum 66 W) |
| R&S NGE103B (0 V - 32 V/3 A) | 3 (maximum 100 W) |

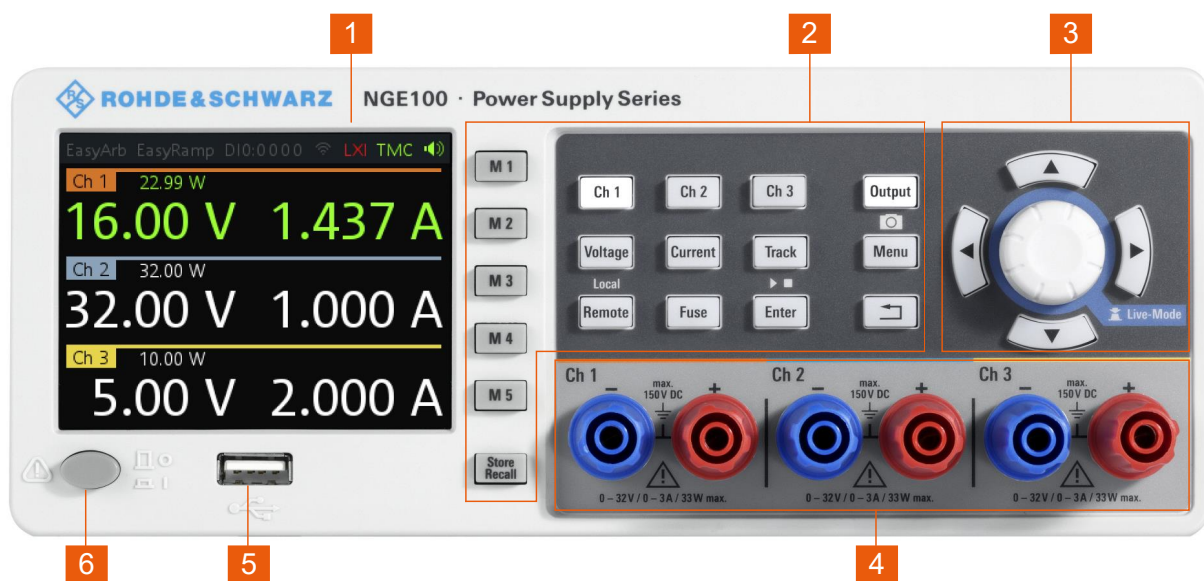


Figure 6-1: Front panel of R&S NGE100B with 3 channels

- 1 = Display
- 2 = Function keys
- 3 = Rotary knob and arrow keys
- 4 = Output channels (see [Table 6-1](#))
- 5 = USB connector
- 6 = Power key

Display (1)

The display is a color LCD screen. Depending on the instrument models, up to three channels are shown on the screen. The respective measurement settings and functions are displayed in the individual channel section. There is a status bar above the channel section to indicate the function used and operation mode of the instrument.

For a detailed description on-screen layout, see section "Screen Layout" in the User Manual.

Function keys (2)

Function keys are means of input for manual operation of the instrument functions. When a function key is pressed, all the related keys are also illuminated.

For detailed description on function keys, see section "Function Keys" in the User Manual.

Rotary knob and arrow keys (3)

Rotary knob and arrow keys are means of navigation and adjustment. When pressed or rotated, they perform tasks like navigation around the screen, adjustment of parameter values or confirmation of entries.

For detailed description on rotary knob and arrow keys, see section "Navigation Controls" in the User Manual.

Output channels (4)

Depending on the instrument models, up to three output channels are available for output of power to the connected load. See [Table 6-1](#).

USB connector (5)

USB Type-A connector is provided for connecting a USB flash drive to perform firmware update and store screen captures.

The USB flash drive file system supports FAT32 only.

Power key (6)

The [Power] key switches the instrument on and off.

6.1.2 Rear panel

Figure 6-2 shows the rear panel of the R&S NGE100B with its connectors.

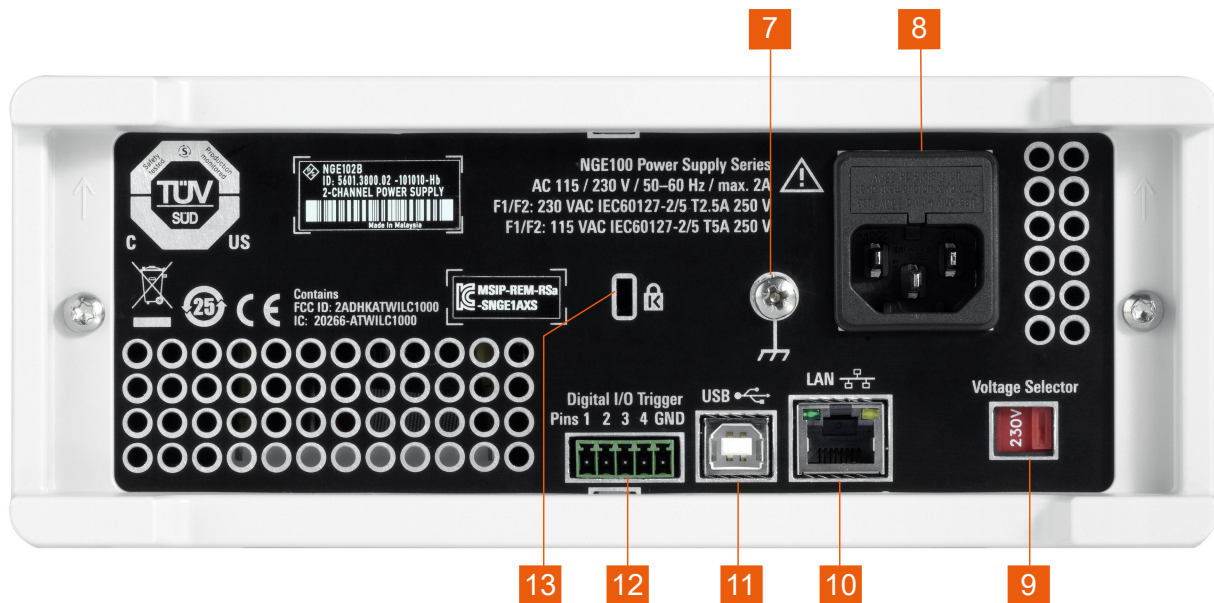


Figure 6-2: Rear panel of R&S NGE100B

- 7 = Ground terminal
- 8 = AC inlet with fuse holder
- 9 = Voltage selector
- 10 = Ethernet (LAN) connector
- 11 = USB connector
- 12 = Digital I/O connector
- 13 = Kensington lock

Ground terminal (7)

M4 screw provides connection to earth ground through the instrument ground/chassis.

AC inlet with fuse holder (8)



Main supply cord

Do not use detachable mains supply cord with inadequate rating.

For safety reasons, the instrument can only be operated with authorized safety sockets.

The power cable must be plugged in before signal circuits can be connected. Never use the product if the power cable is damaged. See [Chapter 6.2, "Switching on the instrument"](#), on page 22 for more information.

Voltage selector (9)

NOTICE

Setting voltage selector

The voltage selector is located at the bottom of the R&S NGE100B.

On your first power-on connection, a yellow label sticker is attached over the [AC inlet](#). Before peeling off the yellow label sticker, make sure the correct fuse rating is used for the mains voltage.

To set the correct fuse rating, slide the selector according to the voltage selector label.

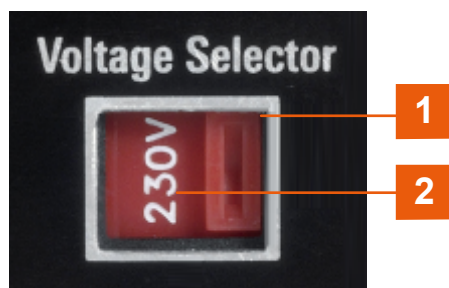


Figure 6-3: Voltage selector

1 = Voltage selector

2 = Voltage selector label

Switching on the instrument

The voltage selector selects the mains voltage between 115 V and 230 V. See [Table 5-1](#) for the fuse rating.

Ethernet connector (10)

This connector is used for establishing remote control via SCPI or LXI. See section "Ethernet Setup" in the user manual for more information on the connection setup.

The Ethernet option R&S NGE-K101 must be installed for this function to be available in the instrument.

USB connector (11)

The USB connector is a Type-B connector for remote control operation via USB TMC or USB VCP.

Digital I/O connector (12)

The Digital I/O connector is a 5-pin terminal block for external trigger input or output.

Measurement control can be achieved by means of an external input signal or as an output signal to trigger other instruments for some measurements.

The Digital Trigger I/O option (R&S NGE-K103) must be installed for this function to be available in the instrument.

Kensington security slot (13)

A Kensington lock can be anchored to the R&S NGE100B power supply housing to secure it to a workstation mechanically.

6.2 Switching on the instrument

Before switching on the instrument, check that all the instructions in the "Basic Safety Instruction" brochure and safety measures in previous sections are observed.

Also, check if the value on the voltage selector corresponds to the mains voltage (115 V or 230 V).

To change the power fuse / mains voltage setting:

1. Peel off the yellow label sticker on the AC inlet.
2. Pull out the fuse holder which is located directly on top of the socket.
3. Remove the preloaded fuses from the fuse holder.
4. Check the rating on the caps of both fuses that you want to change.
For more information, see "[Setting voltage selector](#)" on page 21.
5. Once verified, insert the fuses into each groove of the fuse holder.
6. Return the fuse holder to its position in the panel.

To switch on the instrument:

1. Connect the power cable to the AC power connector on the rear panel of the R&S NGE100B.
2. Connect the power cable to the socket outlet.
3. Press [Power] key on the front panel.
The instrument performs a system check, boots the operating system and starts the R&S NGE100B firmware.
By default, all output channels are turned off when the instrument is switched on to prevent connected loads from being damaged unintentionally.
During startup, the R&S NGE100B is loaded with the last saved instrument settings from memory location "M1" and auto saved parameters. See "Store and Recall" in the User Manual.

To switch off instrument:

1. Press [Power] key.
2. Disconnect the AC power cable from the socket outlet.

7 Trying out the instrument

This chapter describes some basic functions that you can perform with the R&S NGE100B.

7.1 Selecting the channels

To select a channel, press the corresponding channel key. The key illuminates.

7.2 Setting the output voltage and current limit

To set the output voltage and current limit via Live-Mode:

1. Long press the rotary knob to enter into editing mode. By default, the voltage at channel 1 is selected.
2. Use arrow keys to select the desired parameter (voltage or current).
3. Rotate the rotary knob to adjust value.
4. To exit Live-Mode, press the rotary knob.

Alternatively:

1. Press [Voltage] or [Current] key on the front panel.
2. Press the desired channel key to activate the respective voltage or current limit setting of that channel. The value on the respective channel becomes editable and is positioned by a blue cursor.
3. Press the [Left] or [Right] arrow key to move the cursor.
4. Press the [Up]/[Down] arrow key or turn the rotary knob to change the value. The new value registers immediately.

7.3 Activating the channels output

The output voltages can be switched on or off regardless of the operating mode of the instrument.

To activate the channel output, press the [Output] key on the front panel followed by the desired channel key or vice versa.

Depending on the instrument operating mode, the display font color changes to green in CV (constant voltage) mode and red in CC (constant current) mode.

7.4 Storing/Recalling of instrument settings

The instrument settings can be stored in the instrument memory by long pressing the [Store Recall] key followed by the desired memory location key ([M1] to [M5]). The previous saved settings are overwritten.

To retrieve the settings, press [Store Recall] key and select the desired memory location key ([M1] to [M5]).

8 Maintenance and support

8.1 Maintenance

Regular maintenance improves the life span of the instrument, the following chapter provides information on instrument maintenance.

Cleaning

Before cleaning the instrument, ensure that it has been switched off and the power cable is disconnected.

Clean the outer case of the instrument at regular intervals, using a soft, lint-free dust cloth.

NOTICE**Instrument damage caused by cleaning agents**

Use a dry, lint-free cloth to clean the product. When cleaning, keep in mind that the casing is not waterproof. Do not use any liquids for cleaning.

Cleaning agents, solvents (thinners, acetone), acids and bases can damage the front panel labeling, plastic parts and display.

The display may only be cleaned with an appropriate glass cleaner. Rub the display with a dry, clean and lint-free cloth. Do not allow cleaning fluid to enter the instrument.

8.2 Contacting customer support

Technical support – where and when you need it

For quick, expert help with any Rohde & Schwarz product, contact our customer support center. A team of highly qualified engineers provides support and works with you to find a solution to your query on any aspect of the operation, programming or applications of Rohde & Schwarz products.

Contact information

Contact our customer support center at www.rohde-schwarz.com/support, or follow this QR code:



Figure 8-1: QR code to the Rohde & Schwarz support page

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