# HIOKI 8960 **STRAIN UNIT**

**INSTRUCTION MANUAL** 

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#### Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the HIOKI "8960 STRAIN UNIT". To obtain maximum performance from the device, please read this manual first, and keep it handy for future reference.

# Overview

The 8960 Strain Unit is an option product for Hioki Memory HiCorder devices. Be sure to use this input module only by installing it in a Memory HiCorder. For information on how to install and use the input module, refer to the documentation for the Memory HiCorder.

HIOKI device supported: 8860, 8861

# **Inspection and Maintenance**

#### Initial Inspection

When you receive the device, inspect it carefully to ensure that no damage occurred during shipping. If damage is evident, or if it fails to operate according to the specifications, contact your dealer or Hioki representative.

### **Preliminary Checks**

- Before using the device the first time, verify that it operates normally to ensure that the no damage occurred during storage or shipping. If you find any damage, contact your dealer or Hioki representative.
- · Before using the device, make sure that the insulation on the conversion cables is undamaged and that no bare conductors are improperly exposed. Using the device in such conditions could cause an electric shock, so contact your dealer or Hioki representative for replacements.

#### Maintenance and Service

- · To clean the device, wipe it gently with a soft cloth moistened with water or mild detergent. Never use solvents such as benzene, alcohol, acetone, ether, ketones, thinners or gasoline, as they can deform and discolor the case.
- · If the device seems to be malfunctioning, contact your dealer or Hioki representative.
- Pack the device so that it will not sustain damage during shipping, and include a description of existing damage. We cannot accept responsibility for damage incurred during shipping.

# Safety

This manual contains information and warnings essential for safe operation of the device and for maintaining it in safe operating condition. Before using it, be sure to carefully read the following safety precautions.

### **▲** DANGER

This device is designed to comply with IEC 61010 Safety Standards, and has been thoroughly tested for safety prior to shipment. However, mishandling during use could result in injury or death, as well as damage to the device. Be certain that you understand the instructions and precautions in the manual before use. We disclaim any responsibility for accidents or injuries not resulting directly from device defects.

### **Safety Symbol**



In the manual, the 🗥 symbol indicates particularly important information that the user should read before using the device. The extstyle extstyleshould refer to a corresponding topic in the manual (marked with the \Lambda symbol) before using the relevant function.

Indicates AC (Alternating Current).

Indicates DC (Direct Current)

The following symbols in this manual indicate the relative importance of cautions and warnings.



Indicates that incorrect operation presents an extreme ▲ DANGER hazard that could result in serious injury or death to the

Indicates that incorrect operation presents a significant MARNING hazard that could result in serious injury or death to the user.

Indicates that incorrect operation presents a possibility

of injury to the user or damage to the device.

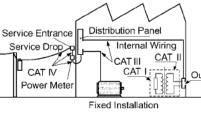
NOTE Indicates advisory items related to performance or correct operation of the instrument.

### Measurement categories (Overvoltage categories)

This device complies with CAT I safety requirements. To ensure safe operation of measurement devices, IEC 61010 establishes safety standards for various electrical environments, categorized as CAT I to CAT IV, and called measurement categories. These are defined as follows.

Secondary electrical circuits connected to an AC electrical outlet through a transformer or similar device.

CAT II: Primary electrical circuits in equipment connected to an AC electrical outlet by a power cord (portable



tools, household appliances, etc.)

CAT III: Primary electrical circuits of heavy equipment (fixed installations) connected directly to the distribution panel, and feeders from the distr bution panel to outlets.

CAT IV: The circuit from the service drop to the service entrance, and to the power meter and primary overcurrent protection device (distribution

Higher-numbered categories correspond to electrical environments with greater momentary energy. So a measurement device designed for CAT III environments can endure greater momentary energy than a device designed

Using a measurement device in an environment designated with a higher-numbered category than that for which the device is rated could result in a severe accident, and must be carefully avoided.

Never use a CAT I measuring device in CAT II, III, or IV environments.

The measurement categories comply with the Overvoltage Categories of the IEC60664 Standards

# Usage Notes



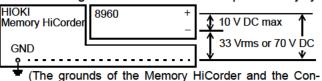
Follow these precautions to ensure safe operation and to obtain the full benefits of the various functions.

# **▲** DANGER

The maximum input voltage is 10 V DC. Attempting to measure voltage in excess of the maximum input could destroy the device and result in personal injury or death.

# **▲** DANGER

The maximum rated voltage between input terminals and ground (voltage between 8960 input terminal and main unit frame, and between input terminals of other input modules) is 33 Vrms or 70 V DC. Attempting to measure voltages exceeding this level could damage the device and result in personal injury.



## **\_**WARNING

Do not allow the device to get wet, and do not take measurements with wet hands. This may cause an electric shock.

nector Shell of the 8960 are not isolated.)

Do not use the device where it may be exposed to corrosive or combustible gases. The device may be damaged or cause an explosion.

### **∕**CAUTION

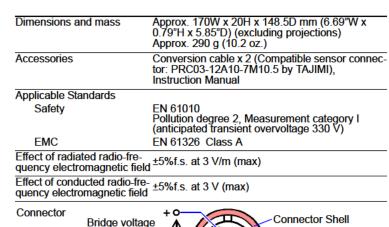
- Do not store or use the device where it could be exposed to direct sunlight, high temperature or humidity, or condensation. Under such conditions, the device may be damaged and insulation may deteriorate so that it no longer meets specifications.
- This device is not designed to be entirely water- or dust-proof. Do not use it in an especially dusty environment, nor where it might be splashed with liquid. This may cause damage.
- To avoid damage to the device, protect it from physical shock when transporting and handling. Be especially careful to avoid physical shock from dropping.

# **Specifications**

Guaranteed accuracy period 1 year

Accuracy applies to 23±5°C (73±9°F), 30 to 80%RH (When executing auto-balancing half hour after power on).

Guaranteed accuracy period i year	
Number of input channels	2 channels
Input terminals	R05-R5F by TAJIMI
Appropriate adapter	Strain gauge adapter
Bridge voltage	2, 5, 10 ± 0.05 V
Bridge resistance	120 $\Omega$ to 1 k $\Omega$ (Bridge voltage 2 V) 350 $\Omega$ to 1 k $\Omega$ (Bridge voltage 5, 10 V)
Balance adjustment range	±10000 με max
Balancing	Electronic auto-balancing
Measurement ranges	20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000 με/div
DC amplitude accuracy	$\pm$ (0.4%f.s.+ 2 με) (filter 5 Hz ON) (When using the conversion cables supplied. When using other cables, cable resistance is 1.5 $\Omega$ max. at bridge resistance 350 $\Omega$ )
Zero position accuracy	±(0.1%f.s.+ 2 με) (filter 5 Hz ON, after auto-balancing)
Temperature characteristic	Gain: ±0.05%f.s./°C Zero position (after auto-balancing):±2.5 με/°C
Frequency characteristic	DC to 20 kHz <sup>+1</sup> <sub>-3</sub> dB
Low-pass filter	OFF, 5±30%, 10±30%, 100±30%, 1k±30% (Hz) -3 dB
Anti-aliasing filter	Cutoff frequency (fc) 20, 40, 80, 200, 400, 800, 2 k, 4 k, 8 k, 20 k, 40 k (Hz) (These frequencies are automatically set when the anti-aliasing filter is set to ON) Attenuation: -66 dB min at 1.5 fc
A/D resolution	16 bits
Maximum sampling rate	200 kS/s
Maximum input voltage	10 VDC
Maximum rated voltage to earth	33 Vrms or 70 VDC (between each input channel and main unit, and between input channels)
Dielectric strength	350 VAC for 15 seconds (between input module and main unit, and between input modules)
Operating temperature and humidity ranges	Same as the Memory HiCorder in which the 8960 is installed
Operating environment	Same as the Memory HiCorder in which the 8960 is installed
Storage temperature and humidity ranges	Same as the Memory HiCorder in which the 8960 is installed



# **Replacement Procedure**

(apply voltage)

2 V, 5 V, 10 V

(selectable)

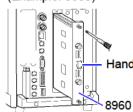
### **^**WARNING

- To avoid electric shock accident, before removing or replacing an input module, confirm that the instrument is turned off and that the power cord and connection cords are disconnected. The mounting screws must be firmly tightened or the input module may not perform to specifications, or may even fail.
- To avoid the danger of electric shock, never operate the instrument with an input module removed. To use the instrument after removing an input module, install a blank panel over the opening of the removed module.

This section describes how to replace the 8960 Strain Unit.

The following procedure describes how to remove the 8960. Install the modules by reversing the procedure for removal.

(Example: 8860)



Remove the connection cords from all input modules.

- 2. Power off the main unit, and disconnect the power cord.
- 3. Using the Phillips screwdriver, loosen the two input module mounting screws.
- 4. Grasp the handle and pull the module

### **∕**CAUTION

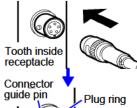
Do not measure with a blank panel removed. Otherwise, the main unit internal temperature becomes unstable and consequently the specifications are not met.

# **Connecting the Conversion** Cable to the Strain Unit

### $\triangle$ Caution

Observe the following to avoid damage to the cables.

- Connect only the sensor to the conversion cable supplied with the 8960 Strain Unit.
- To disconnect the conversion cable, always unlock the plug and pull out the cable.



- 1. Align the tooth on the inside of the receptacle with the slot in the conversion cable plug, and insert the plug. 2. Insert it all the way to the end of the slot
- in the plug ring (shaded part in the illustration at the left). 3. Twist the ring clockwise to lock.

### To remove the conversion cable

Push and twist the plug ring counter-

clockwise to unlock it, then pull the plug