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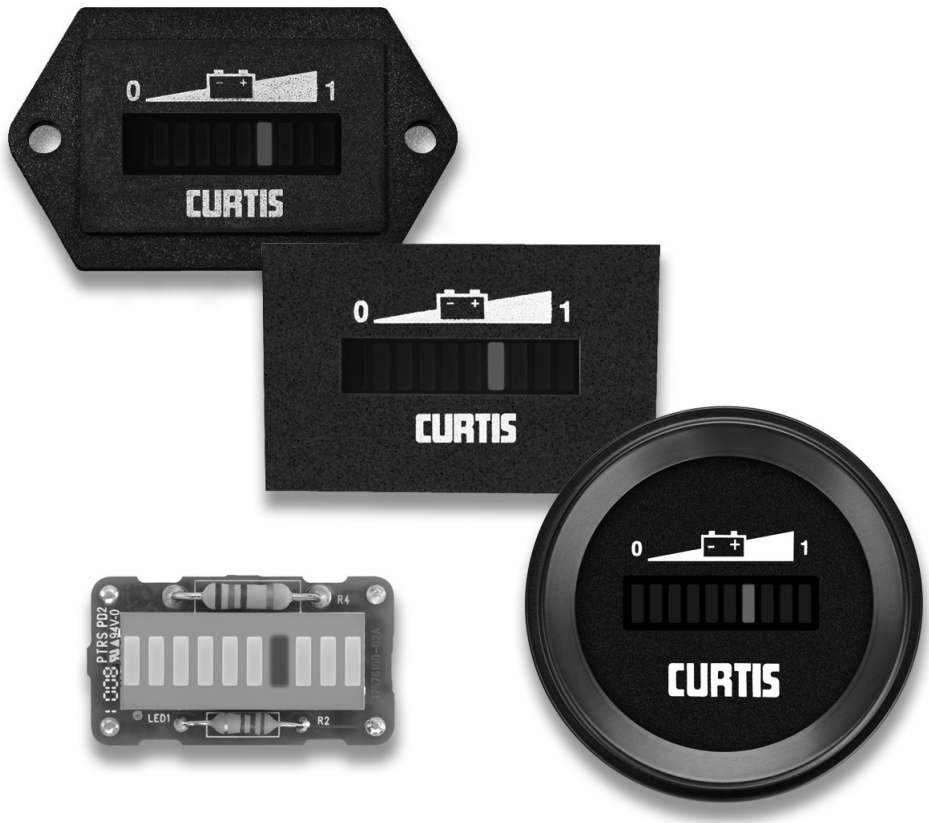
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CURTIS® MODEL 906

Battery “Fuel” Gauge

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⚠ Read Instructions Carefully! ⚠

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

This instrument was manufactured and tested according to the applicable technical standards. It complies with all the safety regulations as shipped from the factory.

Installation and startup must be performed by skilled personnel.

Failure to install and operate the unit in accordance with these instructions may result in damage or injury.

If safe operation of the instrument can no longer be ensured, stop and secure it against accidental operation.

If instrument failure or malfunction may cause personal injury or material damage, use additional safety measures such as limit switches, guards, etc.

Read the Operating Instructions carefully before startup.

Note the safety instructions marked with this warning symbol in this manual!



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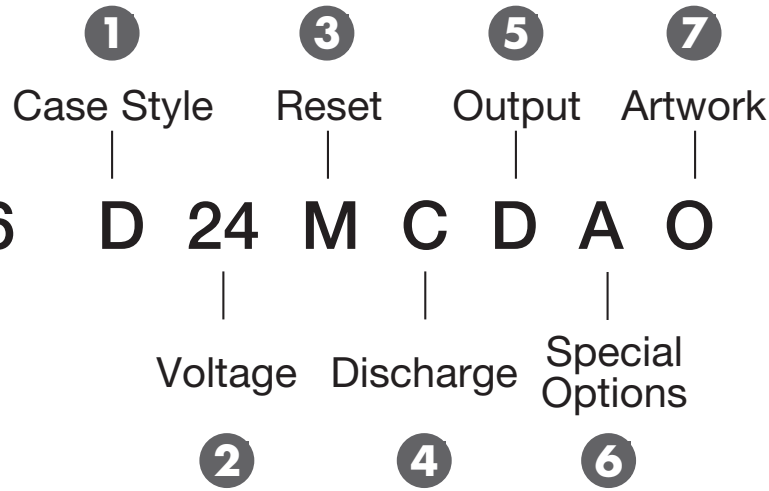
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1. MODEL ENCODEMENT



1 Case Style Options

F
T
J
D
Y
Z
P
R

2 Voltage Options

12
24
36
48

3 Reset Profile Options

Letter Code with Memory Option	Letter Code without Memory Option	Volts per Cell			
		Open Circuit Reset	High Voltage Reset	CTR Full	CTR Empty
K		1.928	2.167	2.167	2.10
	J	N/A	2.167		
Y		2.083	2.167	2.167	2.10
N		1.980	2.230	2.230	2.10
	E	N/A	2.230		
T		2.028	2.280	2.28	2.10
	L	N/A	2.280		
D		2.060	2.320	2.32	2.10
	P	N/A	2.320		
B		2.090	2.350	2.35	2.10
	H	N/A	2.350		
C		2.135	2.400	2.400	2.10
	M	N/A	2.400		

4 Discharge Profile Options

Letter Code	Volts per Cell	
	Full	Empty
G	1.97	1.75
H	1.97	1.70
J	1.97	1.63
K	2.01	1.65
L	2.10	1.92
M	2.00	1.83
N	2.04	1.73
P	2.08	1.98
R	2.02	1.90
T	2.03	1.90
V	1.98	1.85
W	2.02	1.85
X	1.95	1.75
Y	2.00	1.90

Note: This gauge is not intended to measure the state-of-charge of batteries subject to extended periods of inactivity since it does not account for self-discharge effects. Consult factory for details.

5 Output Options

Letter Code	Signal
A	None
B	Output + Memory
C	Output + Memory + CTR
D	5 ± 0.5V above empty 0 to 0.1 V at empty 10K Ω impedance
M	Memory option

6 Special Options

A = (TBD)

7 Artwork Options

Letter Code	Logo
O	Curtis
N	None

2. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS



2.1 Electrical Operating Voltage

Operating Range: ±25% of nominal voltage

Operating Current

Voltage (VDC)	Nominal Current (mA)	Maximum Current (mA @B^+ +25%)
12	23	38
24	17	24
36	16	22
48	16	21

2.2 Mechanical Display

10-digit
Red LED
Tri-color (5 green, 3 yellow, 2 red)



Recommended Panel Cutouts

F, J, T, TX, Y, Z Cases: 36.8 mm x 24.1 mm +0.3/-.0mm
D Case: 45.3 mm x 22.3 mm ±0.1
R Case: 52.4 mm

Terminals

D, T, TX: 3/16” blade
R, F, Z: 1/4” blade
J, Y: 4-pin Packard Connector equivilent to Delphi PN 15336035
P: Solder pins

2.3 Environmental Temperature

Operating: –40 to +85°C

Storage: –50 to +90°C

Humidity: 95% RH non-condensing at 38°C

Shock and Vibration: Meets SAE J 1378

3. INSTALLATION

Connecting Model 906



Pin 1 = Battery +

Connects to the vehicle's main positive (+) terminal. Use as short a wire as practical.

Pin 2 = Battery –

Connects to the vehicle's main negative (–) terminal Use as short a wire as practical.

Note: Pins 1 & 2 are connected across the total battery pack.

Pin 3 = Output Signal + or No Option

Output Signal option: 5 VDC ±0.5 VDC (90 µA current source) above Empty, 0-0.1 VDC at Empty 1 VDC maximum (90 µA sink);
No Option: Pin 3 is left open.

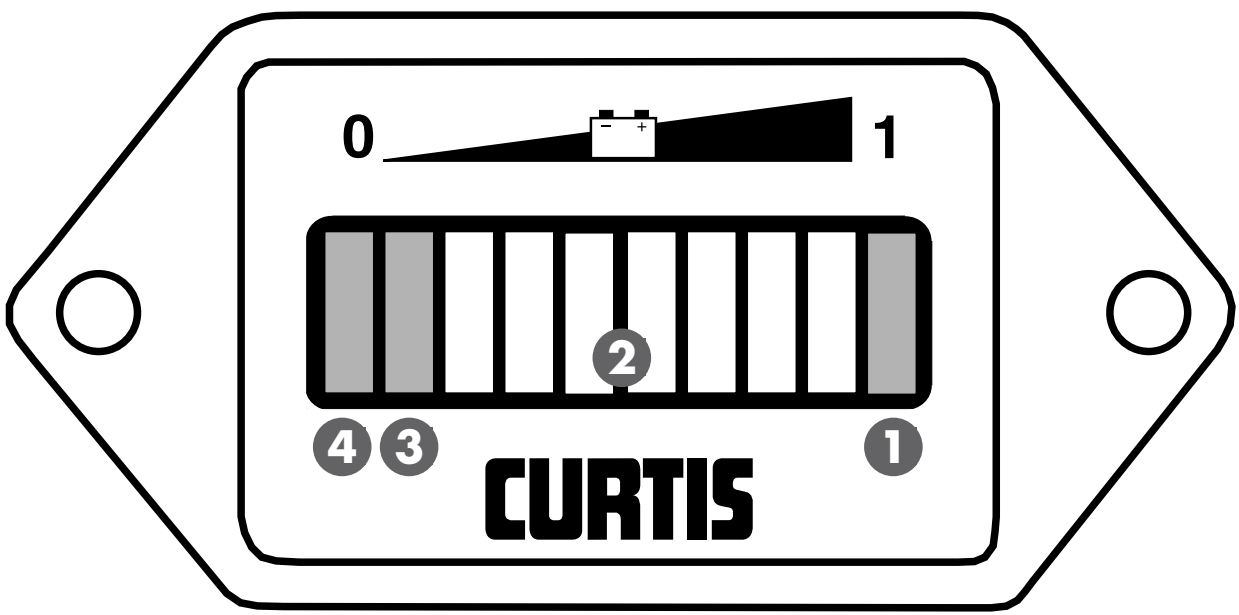
Pin 4 = Keyswitch

Connects to Battery + through the switched terminal of the keyswitch.

4. OPERATION

4.1 Display

1. Only when the battery is properly charged is the right-most LED lit.
2. As the battery's state-of-charge decreases, successive LEDs light up, only one on at a time.
3. The 2nd-from-left LED flashes, indicating "energy reserve" (70% depth of discharge).
4. The 2 left-most LEDs alternately flash, indicating "empty" (80% depth of discharge).



4.2 Reset



OCR (Open Circuit Reset)

Upon reconnection of a battery the gauge will reset if it measures 2.09 volts/cell or higher (example “B” profile) (for units with memory option).

HVR (High Voltage Reset)

Gauge must measure >2.35 volts per cell for 6 continuous minutes during charging (example “B” profile).

CTR (Charge Tracking Reset)

Display tracks charge level during opportunity charging (requires gauge to be connected to battery when charging).

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

The following checklist should help you troubleshoot any problem with Model 906.

Problem	Possible Cause
Keyswitch on and no display	Terminals not connected or improper voltage; Keyswitch not high
Stays at Full	Model 906 voltage does not match battery voltage
Will not reset	Model 906 voltage does not match battery voltage or battery not fully charged
Reset without terminals charging battery	Not connected directly to battery
Empty too soon	Model 906 voltage does not match battery voltage or terminals not connected directly to battery



6. MAINTENANCE

Curtis Model 906 series is not field serviceable. Return defective units to your distributor for warranty coverage.



7. WARRANTY

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