

FGS-VC Series Motorized Stand Operation Manual



Read Manual thoroughly prior to operation.

Use instrument only after reading the complete manual. Follow all safety precautions.

Safety Precautions

Be sure to read the entire instruction manual thoroughly before initial set-up, operation and maintenance. The instruction manual provides three grades of safety precautions: "Danger", "Warning" and "Caution". Follow these precautions.

A Danger	"Danger" marking indicates possible death, severe injury or fire if the user disregarded.
Marning Warning	"Warning" marking indicates possibility of a serious injury if the user does not follow the instruction.
Caution	"Caution" marking indicates possibility of severe bodily or object damage if operated improperly.
The followir	ng marks indicate the sort of contents which are completed with
\wedge	The mark indicates warning.
\otimes	The mark indicates a prohibited operation.
0	Execute this warning.

\land Warning			
	Heavy! Pay close attention to operation. When FGS-VC falls on your foot, it leads to serious injury.	\otimes	Do not use in atmosphere with the ignition and the explosion hazard. Never use in oils and fats and the flammability gas atmosphere, etc. with the ignition and the explosion hazard.
\oslash	Keep hands, hair and jewelry away from stand when drive assembly is in motion. May cause damage or injury.	\oslash	Never put fingers or insert stick, etc. in drive assembly at measuring or adjusting. May cause damage or injury.

<u>∧</u> Caution				
0	Fix object surely. May cause damage or noisy.	Ø	Avoid humid and place where water splashed directly. May cause electric shock, a fire and injury.	
£	Do not pull out the AC outlet pulling the code. May cause electric shock, a fire and injury.	£	Never do carrying and the movement of FGS-VC with the AC code. May cause electric shock, a fire and injury.	
£	Do not use except AC 230V. May cause electric shock, a fire.	ť	Do not plug AC connector into outlet by a wet hand. May cause electric shock.	

Attention Safety

A Warning

Pull out the AC outlet for maintenance and check or un using a long time. Do not plug AC connector into outlet by a wet hand.

May cause electric shock, a fire and injury.

Attention before using FGS-VC		
Avoid the following. Place where water, oil, and medicine splash Dusty locations Place where dewfall is generated Place with ignition and explosion hazard Place where vibration such as machines is received Operate without 32-104°F (0-40°C) Cleaning with thinner and gasoline, etc.	Note drawing the cable so that the force gauge cable should not narrow in the slide. Install the force gauge after turning off the power switch. Adjust the limit switches when the motor stops.	
When digital force gauge FGP/FGPX series is installed		

Set "ovEr" in the F06 parameter, which is the parameter of Output Type. If "ovEr" is not set, FGS-VC does not stop by the overload of the force gauge.

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1. Ahead of the use

1.1. Procedure from the Installation of a force gauge to the measurement

FGS-VC can measure various loads using our digital force gauges which are FGP series and FGPX series. Confirm the following procedures before use.



1.2. Confirmation of product packing

		-	
FGS-VC	1	Cable to force gauge	1
Cable clip	1	USB cable (2m)	1
Hex-head spanner	1	Bolt (M8 x 8mm)	4
Socket bolt (M6 x 16mm)	2	Set screw (M6 x 20mm)	1
Washer	2	Manual	1

2. Names of components



3. Names and functions of the operation panel



No	Name	Description	
1	Emergency switch	Emergency stops when pushing. Push the switch when FGS-VC becomes abnormality or hazardous situation at measuring. Release the emergency stop to restart operation.	
2	Speed key (up)	The moving speed is increase or decrease when pushing Up or Down key. If the	
3	Speed key (Down)	key keeps to push, the speed increases/ decreases continuously.	
4	MAX key	The moving speed becomes the maximum while pushing. The speed returns to previous speed when releasing the key. The key is available at Manual and Jog.	

		mode
5	MODE key	Use to change operation mode and function setting.
6	SET key	The indicated data is set when the key is pushed.
7	START key	Start to operate at the program mode.
8	PUSH key	Move to the direction of PUSH.
9	STOP key	Stop.
10	PULL key	Move to the direction of PULL.
11	ZERO key	Clear distance in case of the manual and Jog mode. Clear repeat time in case of the Single, Continuous and Program mode.
12	LCD display	Displays distance, speed and mode, etc.

LCD display



4. Setup

4.1. Installation of force gauge





The force gauge that can be connected with FGS-VC is FGP series and FGPX series. The force gauges up to 100kgf is available in FGS-100VC. As for FGS-250VC, up to 250kgf is available.

4.2. Connection to the force gauge and the stand

The connection and confirmation between FGS-VC and a force gauge is the following procedure.



4.3. Connection to PC and the stand

FGS-VC can connect to PC for taking force and displacement. The software is able to be downloaded from our HP free of charge. Refer to the software manual.



5. Operation

5.1. Basic operation flow

The procedure of basic operation is described as follows.

Keep hands, hair and jewelry away from stand when drive assembly is in motion. May cause damage or injury.



Select measurement mode

Select Manual, Jog, Single, Continue and Program mode according measurement purpose and the usage.

Mode can be changed by Mode switch.



FGS-VC is able to test as follows:

Compression test

Tension test

Welding test

Peel test

Suck test

Repulsion test

Cork test

Open test

Etc.

5.2. Operation mode

The operation mode consists of manual and program.

The mode is selected by the measurement purpose and the usage.



How to select the mode?

Pressing MODE switch in the Operation panel, the mode changes one by one as follows. A present operational mode is displayed under the left of LCD.



5.3. Manual operation mode

The manual operation modes are MANU, JOG, SING and CONT mode as follows. The mode is selected by the measurement purpose and the usage.

MANU mode	When pressing the PUSH (PULL) key, FGS-VC goes to PUSH (PULL) limit switch position. FGS-VC stops if reaching the limit position.	
	This mode of operation is identical to MANU, except that the	
JOG mode	movement in any direction will only occur while either the PUSH or PULL key is depressed.	
	Pressing PUSH or PULL key FGS-VC moves for completing one	
SING mode	cycle between manual distance limits.	
	Drassing DUSH or DUUL key, ECS VC meyes repeatedly eyels up and	
CONT mode	down continuously between manual distance limits.	

5.3.1 MANU mode

This mode of operation is ideal for manually recording force measurements. The test stand will only operate between the limits that are set by the test stand user. These limits can be either manually adjusted(distance limits).

Contents

The test stand will move in the downward or upward direction when the respective PUSH or PULL button is selected. The stand will continue to move in the selected direction until one of the following occurs: STOP button is pushed, one of the manual limit switches is tripped, the emergency reset button is pushed.



Speed

Speed can be changed by UP or DOWN button of the SPEED. The speed setting of MANU and JOG mode is common. Also the speed is able to be changed while moving. Display



Parameter

The parameter, which is the speed of MANU and JOG mode, is available while stopping. Pressing SET button, and the speed can be changed by UP or DOWN key of the SPEED. Then press SET button for saving.

If you want to cancel the setting, press ZERO button.



5.3.2 JOG mode

Contents

This mode of operation is identical to MANU mode, except that the movement in any direction will only occur while either the PUSH or PULL button is depressed.

Speed

Speed can be changed by UP or DOWN button of the SPEED. The speed setting of MANU and JOG mode is common. Also the speed is able to be changed while moving.

Display



Parameter

The parameter, which is the speed of MANU and JOG mode, is available while stopping. Pressing <u>SET</u> button, and the speed can be changed by <u>UP</u> or <u>DOWN</u> key of the SPEED. Then press SET button for saving.

If you want to cancel the setting, press ZERO button.



Setting speed The UP or DOWN button of the SPEED can be used to change the speed. The range is 10 to 400[mm/min]

5.3.3 SING mode

This mode of operation is ideal for completing one cycle between manual distance limits. The test stand will only operate between the limits that are set by the test stand user. These limits can be either manually adjusted (distance limits).

Contents

The test stand will move downward or upward when the respective PUSH or PULL button is selected.

The stand will continue to move until one of the following events occurs: the STOP button is pushed, one of the manual limit switches is tripped, the emergency reset button is pushed.



Speed

Speed can be changed by UP or DOWN button of the SPEED. The speed setting of SING and CONT mode is common. Also the speed is able to be changed while moving.



Repeat count

Incremental count at pressing PUSH or PULL button. The count is cleared with the ZERO button. When the mode is changed, the count will be zero, too.

Parameter

The parameter, which is the dwell timer and the speed of pull and push, is available while stopping. Pressing <u>SET</u> button, the speed can be changed by <u>UP</u> or <u>DOWN</u> key of the SPEED, the dwell timer can be changed by <u>STOP</u>.

Finally press SET button for saving.

If you want to cancel the setting, press ZERO button.



Saving, return to SING mode

5.3.4 CONT mode

This mode of operation is ideal if the user wants the test stand to repeatedly cycle up and down continuously or for a user-programmed number of times. The stand will start in either direction depending on whether PUSH or PULL button is selected.

Contents

The test stand will start to move downward or upward when the respective PUSH or PULL button is selected. The stand will continue to move until one of the following events occurs: the STOP button is pushed, the emergency reset button is pushed.



Speed

Speed can be changed by UP or DOWN button of the SPEED. The speed setting of SING and CONT mode is common. Also the speed is able to be changed while moving.

Display



Repeat count

Incremental count at pressing PUSH or PULL button. The count is cleared with the ZERO button. When the mode is changed, the count will be zero, too.

Parameter

The parameter, which is the repeat times and the dwell timer and the speed of pull and push, is available while stopping.

Pressing SET button, the speed and the repeat times can be changed by UP or DOWN key of the SPEED, the dwell timer can be changed by STOP.

Finally press SET button for saving.

If you want to cancel the setting, press ZERO button.



5.4. Program operation mode

5.4.1 PROG mode

This mode of operation is ideal if user wants the test stand to programmed complex moving.

Even if the user does not know the length of the object, the accurate measurement is possible because the function to detect the object to be measured is provided.

Contents

The programmed data consists of a condition setting, starting point, a method of detection of the object, five measurement points and a method of return.

The test stand will start to move when START button is pressed.

The stand will continue to move until one of the following events occurs: the STOP button is pushed, one of the manual limit switches is tripped, the emergency reset button is pushed or the overload of the force gauge is detected.



Start point	Program start point and return point
Detect point	Object detected point according to the condition
Standard point	Standard point for measurement
Point I to 5	Programmed point

Display

The example of the display under operation is shown below.



Parameter

The parameters are available while stopping.

Pressing SET button, the parameter setting starts.

The contents of the parameters setting is shown in the below flowchart.

Finally press SET button for saving.

If you want to cancel the setting, press ZERO button.





Saving, return to PROG mode

Detect object

The parameter is the threshold force level for detecting the object.

When the setting force of "Detect object" parameter is detected, the stand will stop immediately. Next the stand moves to opposite direction until detecting "Zero force".

The recommended "Detect object" that the user should program into the stand is more than 0.2% of the full scale of the mounted force gauge, i.e., if the programmer is using an FGV-200H force gauge, the programmed "Detect object" should be 0.4lb (200lb x 0.2%).

5.5. Parameter setting mode

The relations function is set to the entire stand.

Contents

The parameters are shown in the below table.

Items	Description	Range
Sign of Push direction	The sign at the position of the direction of Push is set. If it sets "-" and the stand moves to Push, the display of position is decrement.	[space], -
Acceleration	The acceleration of the motor of the stand is set. The acceleration means the slope from motor starting to reach to the setting speed. If the parameter sets maximum 100, the motor moves quickly.	1 to 100 (step 1)
Volume of buzzer	The volume of the buzzer is adjusted.	OFF, Low, Middle, High

Parameter

If you want to cancel the setting, press ZERO button.



6. Message of status and error

- 12.34 15.7 MANU PUSH LMT	The lower limit was reached. "PUSH LMT" is blinking.	If the status is abnormal, move the lower limit switch position.
-12.34 15.7 MANU PULL LMT	The upper limit was reached. "PULL LMT" is blinking.	If the status is abnormal, move the upper limit switch position.
- 12,34 15.7 MANU PUSH OVER	The over load of the mounted force gauge occurred in push direction.	Confirm whether the force gauge used is correct. Check whether the measurement is an abnormal.
-1234 15.7 MANU PULL OVER	The over load of the mounted force gauge occurred in pull direction.	Confirm whether the force gauge used is correct. Check whether the measurement is an abnormal.
- 12.34 15.7 MANU EM STOP	The emergency stop was pushed.	Confirm that an abnormal is not found, then release the emergency stop.
	ALARM 01: Low voltage error occurred. ALARM 03: Overcurrent error occurred. ALARM 04: Overvoltage error occurred. ALARM 05: Thermistor error has occurred. ALARM 06: Overspeed error occurred. ALARM 07: Hall sensor error has occurred. ALARM 07: Hall sensor error has occurred. ALARM 08: Encoder error occurred. ALARM 10: EEPROM error occurred. ALARM 10: EEPROM error occurred. ALARM 13: Power failure error occurred. ALARM 80: Abnormality other than the above occurred.	Press the STOP key to return. If it does not, contact us from "Web Page Information" on the back cover.
ERROR 001 MOTOR ERROR	The communication error between the controller and the motor driver in the stand occurred.	Turn off and wait one minute, then turn on. If it does not, contact us from "Web Page Information" on the back cover.
ERROR 602 EEPROM ERROR	The read error of the memory in the stand occurred.	Turn off and wait one minute, then turn on. If the error is not canceled, initialize the parameter. Refer to the below procedure of the initialization.
ERROR 603 EEPROM ERROR	The write error of the memory in the stand occurred.	Turn off and wait one minute, then turn on. If the error is not canceled, initialize the parameter. Refer to the below procedure of the initialization.
FGS-10 OVC No force gauge	The stand could not recognize the mounted force gauge.	Check: The parameters setting of the force gauge, the sequence of power on and the cable. If no problem, ask to our technical support.

Procedure of the initialization of the parameters

- 1. Turn off, wait one minute.
- 2. Press ZERO and SET button both, turn on in keeping to press these buttons.



7. Dimensions



FGS-250VC



8. Specifications

Model	FGS-100VC-SEG	FGS-250VC-SEG
Capacity	100kg (1,000N, 220lb)	250kg 550lb(2,500N, 550lb)
Travel Speed	10-400mm/min (0.40-15.75"/min)	
Stroke	400mm (15.75")	
Display	Dot-matrix LCD Four digit with sign	
Operating Mode	MANU, JOG, SING, CONT, PROG	
Communication	USB	
Input	Over load from force gauge (The stand will stop immediately, if the over load is detected.)	
Measurement Table	150 x 200mm (5.91 x 7.87")	
Operating Temperature	32-113 degrees Fahrenheit (0-45 degrees Centigrade)	
Power	200~240VAC	
Weight	63kg (139lb)	65kg (144lb)
Dimensions	300 x 885 x 500mm (11.81 x 34.84 x 19.69")	
Accessories	USB cable Communication cable for force gauge(FGP or FGPX)	
PC Software	Free software is provided.	
Available Force Gauge	FGP-0.2 to FGP-100 FGPX-0.2 to FGPX-100	FGP-0.2 to FGP-100 FGPX-0.2 to FGPX-100 FGPX-250H

9. Troubleshooting

The following are general checkpoints; please call your local NIDEC DRIVE TECHNOLOGY representative or contact NIDEC DRIVE TECHNOLOGY Instruments directly for further assistance.

Even if the power supply is turned on, LCD doesn't display.	Confirm the voltage of the input supply.
The force gauge/load cell mounting plate does not move.	Check power connections and power source, ensure that test stand power is on. Check whether the load hangs too much. Check manual limit switches and adjust accordingly. Confirm whether the emergency switch is ON. Check the mounted force gauge is over load. Check to see if the full travel range has already been achieved. Check to be sure you are in the correct mode of operation.
The stand will not accept a program.	Move force gauge/load cell mounting plate to Home position. Check to see if you are in the correct mode of operation (PROG).
The stand is noisy at operating.	It is not abnormal though the sound of the motor gear is high at rapid moving. Use the lower speed than the current setting.

10. Warranty

Procedure of the initialization of the parameters

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