# Keysight N2771B 30 kV High Voltage Probe





User's Guide

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### Introduction

The Keysight N2771B High Voltage Divider Probe is an accessory to be used with analog or digital oscilloscopes having input resistance of 1 M $\Omega$  (±1%) and nominal input capacitance between 6 and 20 pF. The N2771B is a 1000:1 divider which extends the voltage measurement capability to 15 kV DC, 10 kV<sub>rms</sub> AC, or 30 kV<sub>peak</sub> (< 20 ns pulse width).

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# Safety Precautions

$\triangle$	WARNING	This high voltage probe is designed to prevent accidental shock to the operator when properly used. This operating note must be read and understood prior to using the probe. Improper procedures or incorrect analysis of the measurement situation can result in serious shock.
	WARNING	This high voltage probe is designed for use within Measurement Category I (CAT I) only. Do not use the probe for measurements performed on circuits defined by any other measurement category or transient overvoltages of more than 1500V. Refer to "IEC Measurement Category Definitions" on page 5 for a definition of measurement categories.
	WARNING	Do not exceed 60 seconds of contact between the probe and circuit-under-test when measuring voltages $\geq$ 8 kV (DC), $\geq$ 5 kV (AC, rms), or $\geq$ 20 kV (AC, peak). Keysight recommends that an interval of 5 minutes be taken between measurements.
	WARNING	This high voltage probe must only be used by personnel who are trained, experienced, or otherwise qualified to recognize hazardous situations and who are trained in the safety precautions that are necessary to avoid possible injury when using such a device.
	WARNING	Do not work alone when working with high voltage circuits.
	WARNING	For your own safety, inspect the probes for cracks and frayed or broken leads before each use. If defects are noted, DO NOT use the probe.
	WARNING	Hands, shoes, floor and work bench must be dry. Avoid making measurements under humid, damp or other environmental conditions that might effect the safety of the measurement situation.
	WARNING	It is ad visable to turn the high voltage source off before connecting or disconnecting the probe.
	WARNING	The probe body should be kept clean and free of any conductive contamination. Refer to the section on cleaning.
	WARNING	The ground lead is critical to the safe operation of the probe. Failure to make this connection when making high voltage measurements may result in personal injury or damage to the probe or oscilloscope. This connection must always be made BEFORE the probe tip comes in contact with the high voltage and must not be removed until the probe tip has been removed from the high voltage source.
	WARNING	Do not attempt to take measurements from sources where the chassis or return lead is not grounded.

### IEC Measurement Category Definitions

Definitions and Examples (Clause 6.5.2).

### Measurement Category I (CAT I)

Measurement category I is for measurements performed on circuits not directly connected to a mains supply.

**Example** Measurements in circuits not derived from a mains supply and specially protected (internal) circuits derived from a mains supply. In the latter case, transient stresses are variable. For that reason, it is required that the transient withstand capability of the equipment is made known to the user.

### Measurement Category II (CAT II)

Measurement category II is for measurements performed on circuits directly connected to the low voltage installation.

**Example** Household appliances, portable tools, and similar equipment.

### Measurement Category III (CAT III)

Measurement category III is for measurements performed in the building installation.

**Example** Measurements on distribution boards, circuit breakers, wiring including cables, bus-bars, junction boxes, switches, socket-outlets in the fixed installation and equipment for industrial use like, for example, stationary motors with permanent connections to the fixed installation.

### Measurement Category IV (CAT IV)

Measurement category IV is for measurements performed at the source of the low-voltage installation.

**Example** Electricity meters and measurements on primary over-current protection devices and ripple control units.

### Operation

- 1 Connect the probe to the BNC input of the oscilloscope.
- 2 Select the desired volts/division range. (If you can set probe attenuation on the oscilloscope, set it to 1000:1)
- **3** Whenever possible, turn the high voltage source off before making any connections.
- 4 Connect the divider probe ground lead (alligator clip) to a good earth ground or reliable chassis ground.
- **5** Before turning on the high voltage source, make sure that no part of the person holding the probe is touching the device under test. Once this is certain, turn on the high voltage source.
- **6** Measure the voltage under test and observe the waveform on the oscilloscope. Remember the actual voltage is 1000 times greater than the oscilloscope waveform if the probe attenuation has not been set to 1000:1.
- 7 Turn off the high voltage source.
- **8** Disconnect the Keysight N2771B High Voltage Probe from the high voltage source BEFORE disconnecting the ground clip lead.

WARNING	Do not attempt to take measurements from sources where the chassis or return lead is not grounded.
WARNING	The ground lead is critical to the safe operation of the probe. Failure to make this connection when making high voltage measurements may result in personal injury or damage to the probe or oscilloscope. This connection must always be made BEFORE the probe tip comes in contact with the high voltage and must not be removed until the probe tip has been removed from the high voltage source.
WARNING	Do not connect the ground clip lead to the high voltage source for any reason.
WARNING	Do not make any floating measurements with the Keysight N2771B High Voltage probe.
WARNING	Do not exceed 60 seconds of contact between the probe and circuit-under-test when measuring voltages $\geq$ 8 kV (DC), $\geq$ 5 kV (AC, rms), or $\geq$ 20 kV (AC, peak). Keysight recommends that an interval of 5 minutes be taken between measurements.
WARNING	This high voltage probe is designed for use within Measurement Category I (CAT I) only. Do not use the probe for measurements within the other measurement categories or transient overvoltages of more than 1500V.

### Frequency Compensation Adjustment

The N2771B High Voltage Probe has a Frequency Compensation adjustment that compensates for the input capacitance of the oscilloscope being used with the probe. Use a square-wave generator set for approximately 100 Hz output. Proceed with the following steps for frequency compensation.

- 1 Connect the probe to the oscilloscope.
- **2** Connect probe tip to square-wave generator.
- **3** Adjust the square wave generator for approximately 10 volts amplitude.
- 4 Adjust the oscilloscope time base for 20  $\mu$ s/div.
- **5** Use a trimmer tool to adjust the compensation capacitor for the flattest pulse top. See the figure below for the location of the adjustment.



Figure 1 Location of Frequency Compensation Adjustment

### Cleaning

Clean only the exterior probe body and cables. Use a soft cotton cloth lightly moistened with a mild solution of detergent and water. Do not allow any portion of the probe to be submerged at any time.

WARNING	Dry the probe thoroughly before attempting to make voltage measurements.	
CAUTION	Do not subject the probe to solvents or solvent fumes as these can cause deterioration of the probe body and cables.	

# Characteristics

 Table 1
 Characteristics (Not Warranted)

Maximum Input Voltage (CAT I)	Temperature Coefficient
DC Voltage: 15 kV AC Voltage: 10 kV <sub>rms</sub> Peak Voltage: 30 kV <sub>peak</sub> (< 20 ns pulse width)	Less than 200 ppm/ °C
Compensation Range	Division Ratio
For input capacitance of 6 pF to 20 pF	1000:1
Band wid th	Designed For Use In
50 MHz (-3 dB)	POLLUTION DEGREE 2
Input Resistance	Operating Temperature
100 M $\Omega$ , when terminated by 1 M $\Omega$	0 °C to +50 °C
Cable Length:	Storage Temperature:
2 meter	−20 °C to +70 °C
Altitude:	Humid ity
Up to 2,000 meters (6,561 ft)	Up to 80% relative humidity at +40 °C
Accuracy:	
DC Volts: ±2, 5% (below 10 kV) DC Volts: ±4% (between 10 kV and 15 kV) AC Volts: ±5% at 1 kHz AC Volts: ±3 dB between 1 kHz and 50 MHz	

# Voltage Derating



The following graph shows the voltage versus frequency derating curve for the Keysight N2771B High Voltage Probe.

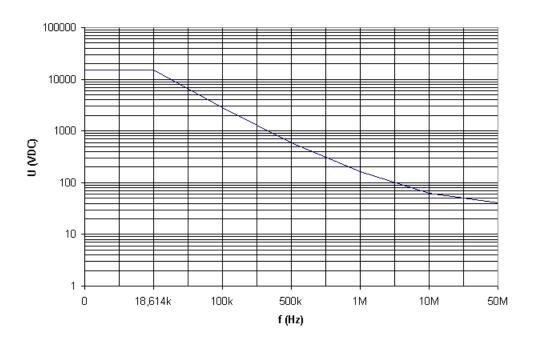


Figure 2 Voltage Versus Frequency Derating Curve

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