

# Data Sheet 1007 DC Millivolt Potentiometer Model 404N

- 3 ranges up to 1V
- 0.05% accuracy
- 1 Microvolt resolution null
- No standardisation required
- Millivolt source as 404S



#### Introduction

The 404N includes all the features of the 404S with the addition of a microvolt null balance display. This enables it to be used for potentiometric voltage measurement in addition to its function as a calibrator. The null zero and sensitivity are adjustable via front panel controls - maximum sensitivity enables null balance to resolve 1 microvolt.

Applications are essentially those of conventional potentiometers with the following significant advantages:

- 1. No standardisation is required.
- 2. 20 mA output current.
- 3. Output remains stable without readjustment.
- 4. Electronic null with microvolt sensitivity.

The 404N is suitable for operation by unskilled personnel and does not require standardisation or calibration before use. It is only necessary to zero the null amplifier prior to making a measurement.

The 404N is particularly useful for calibration and simulation of thermocouples. Accurate voltages equivalent to the output from a thermocouple can easily be set on a 404N, enabling fast calibration of temperature measureing equipment. Alternatively, the 404N can measure thermocouple output by using the unit as a potentiometer.



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## **Specifications**

Output 0-999.9 mV in 3 ranges

0-999.9 mV in 0.1 mV steps 0-99.99 mV in 10  $\mu V$  steps 0-9.999 mV in 1  $\mu V$  steps

**Accuracy**  $\pm$  0.05% of setting.  $\pm$  0.02% of range  $\pm$  1  $\mu$ V.

Output Resistance Less than 0.2 ohm on 1V and 100 mV ranges. 1 ohm on 10 mV range.

Maximum Output Current 1V and 100mV ranges - 20mA. 10mV range - Up to short circuit value although it should

be noted that loads less than  $1k\Omega$  will give greater than 0.1% error.

Output Voltage Stability Less than 60 ppm/°C. Less than 100 ppm per 3 months. (Non cumulative.)

Output Polarity Positive or negative switch selected. A centre 'off' position is also provided.

Output Noise Level Less than 30 ppm of f.s.

Reference Source Precision zener diode selected for stability and low temperature coefficient.

Maximum Overload The instrument can withstand continuous short circuit on the output for all ranges.

**Power Supply** Six Zinc-Carbon AA size (51x14mm) batteries. A battery condition display indicates when

the batteries should be changed. Alternatively, Ni-Cad cells may be used and charged without removal from the case via the charging socket on the end of the instrument. A rechargable

battery pack and charger is available as an optional extra.

Null Balance Display The null display is on a front panel meter, zero and sensitivity controls are provided.

Maximum sensitivity:  $\pm 20 \ \mu V$  f.s.d.  $(2\mu V/div)$  Minimum sensitivity:  $\pm 200 \ mV$  f.s.d.

Meter scale: 20-0-20 (20 divisions)

Input resistance: greater than 1 Mohm at balance

#### **General Information**

**Dimensions** 195 x 75 x 85 mm

Weight 1 kg

Optional Extras Rechargeable Battery Packs - 240V and 110V mains

Calibration Certificates - traceable to N.P.L. and NAMAS

### **Ordering Information**

Description	Order Code
D.C. Millivolt Potentiometer & Calibrator Model 404N (0.05% Accuracy) Rechargeable Battery Pack - (6 Nicad cells + 240V Mains Charger) Rechargeable Battery Pack - (6 Nicad Cells + 110V Mains Charger) N.P.L. Traceable Calibration Certificate NAMAS Calibration Certificate	1007 1008 1009 1090 9100