



# Handy Hardness Tester

SONOHARD® SH-21(E)



JQA 0950



Perfect for use in making on-site measurements



**Maintenance for large-scale structures, vehicles, ships, steel towers, bridges, aviation aircraft and so on carried out by making hardness measurements.**

**Used for measuring the hardness difficult to get at areas, grooved areas and internal R-sections of compact parts, metal casts, gears, crank shafts and component parts**

● **Special characteristics**

Strong points

- **Measurement possible in just a few seconds.**  
Makes it possible to reduce measurement time.
- **Extremely minute indentations (approximately  $0.1\text{mm}^2$ ).**  
Can be used for product inspections, as indentations are virtually unnoticeable.
- **Direct reading of hardness values (HV, HRC, HS, and HB).**  
The hardness value can be obtained with one measurement without using calculation formulas.
- **Conversion to tensile strength ( $\text{N/mm}^2$ ).**  
The level of the strength of materials can be converted according to tensile strength values.
- **Measuring tables (wooden, iron, resin, etc) do not affect measurement.**  
Can be used without worrying about the location of measurement.
- **The backsides of test samples do not affect measurement.**  
Measurements can be made without being influenced by the backside of work pieces.
- **Data can be stored in memory up to 2,000 pieces.**  
Data can be managed easily using customer's own developed software or data transfer to PC.
- **10 pieces of calibration memory.**  
It is not necessary to re-calibrate every time the nature of the work changes.
- **The handy recharge pack makes it easy to carry out on-site measurements.**  
This makes it possible to measure steel towers, ships, large-scale parts, complexly arranged parts and other items both indoors and outdoors in their natural state.
- **Free measuring ability in all directions.**  
Not only vertically and horizontally but all directional measurements can be made without any compensation.
- **Beneficial to reducing costs by making periodic part replacement unnecessary.**  
Static pressure types of loads eliminate the need for temporary parts and annual replacement.
- **Hardening and annealing can be controlled according to hardness levels.**  
It is possible to check the state of hardening and annealing of repaired metal casts according to their hardness levels.
- **Possible to make output to an external printer (optional).**  
This makes it possible to quickly record measurement data using a printer on site.
- **Upper and lower limit alarms can be established.**  
It is possible to set up alarms to notify if the allowable limits of a work piece have been surpassed.



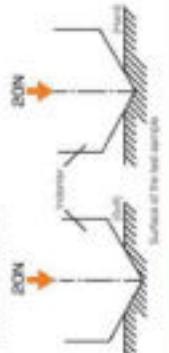
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**JFE Advantech Co., Ltd.**

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The Handy Hardness Tester (SCHMIDHARDT) model SH-21(E) differs completely from traditional hardness testers from a viewpoint that instead of measuring the size of the indentation of the test sample using a microscope, it employs a diamond indenter equipped with a ultrasonic vibrator to apply ultrasonic vibrations to the surface and then measures its hardness by applying ultrasonic vibrations.

#### Utilization of the Handy Hardness tester SH-21

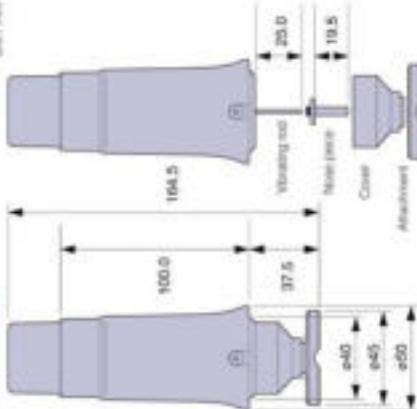
When the ultrasonic wave is applied to a thin-surfaced test sample with a diamond indenter instead of a probe, due to this, the resonance frequency increases. Conversely, it does not get locked in when stuck on hard test samples and the resonance frequency drops. The test sample's hardness can be calculated using the correlation between the ultrasonic and the test sample.



#### Calibration values of SH1 Indentation

Hardness	Calibration value, Size of indentation (mm)	Calibration value, Depth of indentation (mm)	Conversion value, HV
100	0.150	0.020	—
200	0.150	0.020	1.5
300	0.111	0.010	2.1
400	0.266	0.016	4.1
500	0.266	0.016	4.9
600	0.079	0.011	5.1
700	0.172	0.013	8.0
800	0.264	0.013	8.4
900	0.264	0.019	8.7

#### Load Pv (approx. 1kgf approx. 20N)



#### Precautions for measurements

1. The size of surface roughness			
Influence value	Effect of surface roughness	Measurement thickness (mm)	Measurement range (mm)
0.100	0.156	0.019	0.10
200	0.056	0.114	15
300	0.079	0.111	21
400	0.064	0.110	41
500	0.069	0.099	49
600	0.056	0.098	55.5
700	0.059	0.097	60.5
800	0.048	0.097	64.5
900	0.045	0.096	67.5

- For testing with a roughness of 0.16 or greater, you will need to polish the surface before starting measurement.
- For testing with a roughness of 0.05 or greater, the effect of surface roughness is negligible.

#### 2. Measurement dimensions

- From 10mm width to 100mm length in 10mm increments. When the probe is greater than 10mm, the probe will move to a certain position, so it needs to move to another position. Dimensions of 0.1mm or less are not recommended when measuring the item. In the event of applying too much pressure, the probe may become dislodged from the item.
- For testing at high speed, 10% is preferable to obtain measurements within 0.1s, from 0.5s.



## Specifications

Model name	Handy Hardness Tester SONOHARD® SH-21(E) (Motorized/manual switch-over type probe)		Display make-up	a. Measured value: 3 digits b. TIMES: 2 digits (measuring frequency) c. MAX value: 3 digits d. MIN value: 3 digits e. σ: 4 digits (standard deviation) f. x̄: 4 digits (average value)		
Measuring indenter	Diamond indenter for Micro-Vickers (facing-to-surface angle of 136°)					
Test load and control no.	1. Approx 2kgf (roughly 20N) SH-21-E2 2. Approx 1kgf (roughly 10N) SH-21-E1 3. Approx 4kgf (roughly 40N) SH-21-E4 (special type manual probe only)					
Measuring range	1. Rockwell hardness HRC 10~70 2. Vickers hardness HV 50~999 3. Shore hardness HS20.0~99.9 4. Brinell hardness HB 85~550					
Reproducibility	HRC: ± 1.0HRC, HV: ± (3%rdg)HV, HS: ± 1.0HS, HB: ± (3%rdg)HB	Set-up	a. UPPER (upper limit) b. LOWER (lower limit) c. TIMES (measuring frequency) d. CANCEL			
Applicable test materials	With steel as the principle material, other metallic materials may also be measured by calibrating against a standard hardness test block.					
Display of measured values	Digital display (LCD, 4 digits) with EL backlight					
Data memory	2,000 pieces	Alarm	a. Alarm (buzzer sound)			
Digital display units	1HV, 0.1HRC, 0.1HS, 1HB, 1N/mm² (tensile strength)					
Allowable operating temperature	0~50°C					
Power source	AC adapter (100~240V) or lithium ion rechargeable battery	Output	a. RS-232C output used for data transmission or printing			
Continuous operating hours	5 hours when featuring a rechargeable BL; 8 hours without BL *BL=backlight					
Dimensions	Display unit: 97(W) x 50(D) x 170(H) mm, Probe diameter: 40mm, length: 164mm	Frequency	1. Motorized / manual switch-over type approx 69~71kHz 2. Manual type (special type) approx 38~40kHz			
Weight	Display unit: approx. 400g (including battery), Probe and cable: approx. 400g					
Carrying case dimensions	400(W) x 220(D) x 140(H) mm					
Standard components	1 display unit, 1 probe (including standard attachment / UA5410), 1 hardness standard test block (around HRC55), 1 probe cable 1.5m, 1 AC adapter 100~240V (A05C1-09MI), 1 recharger (MK-8220), 1 lithium ion battery (MK-B401), 1 carrying case (MK-9701)	Conversion	HV, HRC, HS, HB, N/mm² according to JIS B 7731, ASTM E 140, DIN 50150			
Options	Standard hardness test blocks HV600, HS50, HB300 used for scale calibration, Measuring stand for small objects (SH-S02), Probe attachment for pipes materials (UA4-4005), Probe attachment for inner races (UA4-4006), Printer model DPUH245AS with cable, Printer paper (TP-H241L), Stand for the main unit (SH-P03)					

- When using the tester installed in automated machinery, please contact our hardness tester sales department for specifications concerning the testers used for automatic machines.
- In order to make it possible to propose ideas regarding the unique loads, jigs and measuring methods to our customers, we humbly request that you fill out a specification confirmation form when making inquiries concerning usage.
- The SONOHARD SH-21(E) is calibrated using the standard hardness test block produced in compliance with JIS B7730/ ISO 6508-3 and JIS B7735/ ISO 6507-3 by Yamamoto Scientific Tool Laboratory Co., Ltd., Japan, who has the quality management system approved under ISO 9001. The values measured by SH-21(E) are therefore guaranteed by us. (Measured values under the calibration using other makers' test blocks are out of our guarantee.)
- The model name on the catalog is SH-21(E), while it is referred to as SH-21 only in the relevant operation manual, test certificate and ISO certificate, etc.
- A standard export model of SH-21(E) is not CE-Marking compliant, but a CE-Marking compliant model is also available by factory modification on request and order beforehand.

● Please read the users manual before undertaking operations.  
● Specifications may be changed without prior notice due to product revisions.



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