

**Performance Verification Guide** 

# RSA3000 Series Real-Time Spectrum Analyzer

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#### **Use Proper Power Cord.**

Only the exclusive power cord designed for the instrument and authorized for use within the local country could be used.

#### Ground the Instrument.

The instrument is grounded through the Protective Earth lead of the power cord. To avoid electric shock, connect the earth terminal of the power cord to the Protective Earth terminal before connecting any input or output terminals.

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To avoid fire or shock hazard, observe all ratings and markers on the instrument and check your manual for more information about ratings before connecting the instrument.

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Ensure that no overvoltage (such as that caused by a bolt of lightning) can reach the product. Otherwise, the operator might be exposed to the danger of an electric shock.

#### **Do Not Operate Without Covers.**

Do not operate the instrument with covers or panels removed.

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Do not insert objects into the air outlet, as doing so may cause damage to the instrument.

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Please use the specified fuses.

#### **Avoid Circuit or Wire Exposure.**

Do not touch exposed junctions and components when the unit is powered on.

#### Do Not Operate with Suspected Failures.

If you suspect that any damage may occur to the instrument, have it inspected by **RIGOL** authorized personnel before further operations. Any maintenance, adjustment or replacement especially to circuits or accessories must be performed by **RIGOL** authorized personnel.

#### Provide Adequate Ventilation.

Inadequate ventilation may cause an increase of temperature in the instrument, which would cause damage to the instrument. So please keep the instrument well ventilated and inspect the air outlet and the fan regularly.

#### Do Not Operate in Wet Conditions.

To avoid short circuit inside the instrument or electric shock, never operate the instrument in a humid environment.

#### Do Not Operate in an Explosive Atmosphere.

To avoid personal injuries or damage to the instrument, never operate the instrument in an explosive atmosphere.

#### Keep Product Surfaces Clean and Dry.

To avoid dust or moisture from affecting the performance of the instrument, keep the surfaces of the instrument clean and dry.

#### **Prevent Electrostatic Impact.**

Operate the instrument in an electrostatic discharge protective environment to avoid damage induced by static discharges. Always ground both the internal and external conductors of cables to release static before making connections.

#### **Use the Battery Properly.**

Do not expose the battery (if available) to high temperature or fire. Keep it out of the reach of children. Improper change of a battery (lithium battery) may cause an explosion. Use the **RIGOL** specified battery only.

#### Handle with Caution.

Please handle with care during transportation to avoid damage to keys, knobs, interfaces, and other parts on the panels.

# **Safety Notices and Symbols**

#### Safety Notices in this Manual:



#### WARNING

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation or practice which, if not avoided, will result in serious injury or death.



#### CAUTION

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation or practice which, if not avoided, could result in damage to the product or loss of important data.

#### Safety Terms on the Product:

- **DANGER** It calls attention to an operation, if not correctly performed, could result in injury or hazard immediately.
- **WARNING** It calls attention to an operation, if not correctly performed, could result in potential injury or hazard.
- **CAUTION** It calls attention to an operation, if not correctly performed, could result in damage to the product or other devices connected to the product.

#### Safety Symbols on the Product:









Hazardous Voltage

Safety Warning

Protective Earth Terminal

Chassis Ground

Test Ground

# **Document Overview**

This manual is designed to guide you to properly test the performance specifications of **RIGOL** RSA3000 series real-time spectrum analyzer in GPSA mode. For the operation methods mentioned in the test procedures, refer to User Guide of this product.

### Main Contents in this Manual:

#### Chapter 1 Overview

This chapter introduces the preparations before performing the performance verification tests and the notices.

#### Chapter 2 Performance Verification Test

This chapter introduces the limit, test devices required as well as the test method and procedures of each performance specification.

### Appendix Test Record Form

The appendix provides a test record form for users to record the test results and judge whether each performance specification can meet the requirement.

### Format Conventions in this Manual:

Front panel key: The key on the front panel is denoted by the format of "Key Name (Bold) + Text Box" in the manual. For example, **FREQ** indicates the "FREQ" key on the front panel. Menu softkey: The menu softkey is denoted by the format of "Menu Word (Bold) + Character Shading". For example, **Center Freq** denotes the "Center Freq" menu softkey under **FREQ**. Operation step: The next step of operation is denoted by an arrow " $\rightarrow$ ". For example, **FREQ**  $\rightarrow$ **Center Freq** denotes that first press **FREQ**, and then press the **Center Freq** softkey.

#### **Content Conventions in this Manual:**

The RSA3000 series spectrum analyzer includes the following models. This manual takes RSA3045N as an example to illustrate the test methods for the performance verification of the RSA3000 series.

Model	Frequency Range	TG
RSA3030	9 kHz to 3 GHz	None
RSA3045	9 kHz to 4.5 GHz	None
RSA3015N	9 kHz to 1.5 GHz	1.5 GHz
RSA3030N	9 kHz to 3 GHz	3 GHz
RSA3045N	9 kHz to 4.5 GHz	4.5 GHz

**NOTE:** The RSA3000N models include hardware capability not in the RSA3000-TG. The RSA3000-TG models cannot be used in VNA mode.

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# **Chapter 1** Overview

# **Test Preparations**

Before performing the test, make the following preparations.

- 1) Warm up the RSA3000 spectrum analyzer for at least 30 minutes.
- Make sure that the instrument is within the calibration period (18 months) and perform self-calibration on the spectrum analyzer. Press System → Alignment → Align Now, and the spectrum analyzer performs self-calibration immediately using internal calibration source.
- 3) The test devices required should fulfill the requirements of the "Specification" column as shown in Table 1-1. You can also use the recommended models in the following table to make measurement.

Device	Specification	Qty.	Recommended Model	
Signal Conorator	Amplitude accuracy: ±0.6 dB	2	Agilopt NE191A	
	Single-sideband phase noise: < -126 dBc/Hz	2	Aglient NJ101A	
	Frequency range: 10 MHz $\pm$ 100 Hz			
Frequency Counter	Support single trigger and external reference input	1	Agilent 53181A	
Trequency Counter	Gate time: ≥ 10 s	1	Aglient JJ101A	
	Frequency resolution: 10 digits/s			
	Resolution: 0.001 dB			
	Reference accuracy: ±1.2%			
Power Meter and Power Sensor	Frequency range: 9 kHz to 18 GHz Max SWR: 1.13 (9 kHz to 2 GHz) 1.19 (2 GHz to 14 GHz) 1.22 (14 GHz to 16 GHz) 1.26 (16 GHz to 18 GHz) Amplitude range: 1 nW to 100 mW (-60 dBm to +20		Agilent N1913A and Agilent E9304A	
Power Divider	Frequency range: 9 kHz to 13.2 GHz Insertion loss: 6 dB, nominal Output track: < 0.25 dB Equivalent output SWR: < 1.22:1	1	Agilent 11667A	
Low-pass Filter <sup>[1]</sup>	Cut-off frequency: 50 MHz	1		
Low-pass Filter <sup>[1]</sup>	Cut-off frequency: 300 MHz	1		
Low-pass Filter <sup>[1]</sup>	Cut-off frequency: 1 GHz	1		
Attenuator/Switch Driver	Compatible with Agilent 8494H and 8496H programmable step attenuator	1	Agilent 11713B	

#### Table 1-1 Test Devices Required

	Step: 1 dB		
	Attenuation range: 0 dB to 11 dB		
Step Attenuator	Frequency range: 50 MHz $\pm$ 1 MHz	1	Agilent 8494H
	Connector: N (F)		
	Attenuation repeatability: ±0.03 dB		
	Step: 10 dB	1	
Step Attenuator	Attenuation range: 0 dB to 110 dB		
	Frequency range: 50 MHz $\pm$ 1 MHz		Agilent 8496H
	Connector: N (F)		
	Attenuation repeatability: ±0.03 dB		
Attenuator	Connect Agilant 9404H and Agilant 9406H	1	Agilant 11716A
Interconnect Kit	Connect Aglient 6494n and Aglient 6490n		Aglient 11/10A
EQ Q Matchad Load	Impedance: 50 $\Omega$ , nominal	1	
50 SZ Matcheu Loau	Connector: N (M)		
Dual-N Cable	N (M)-N (M) cable	3	
Dual-BNC Cable	BNC (M)-BNC (M) cable	1	
N-SMA Cable	N (M)-SMA (M) cable	2	

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: The connecting terminals of the low-pass filter used in this manual are two SMA female terminals. In the actual test, the type of the connecting terminals of the low-pass filter may differ; please select proper connecting cable and adaptor according to the actual type of the connecting terminals.

# **Test Result Record**

Record and keep the test result of each test. In the Appendix of this manual, a test result record form which lists all the test items and their corresponding performance limits as well as spaces for users to record the test results, is provided.

#### Tip:

It is recommended that users photocopy the test record form before each test and record the test results in the copy so that the form can be used repeatedly.

# **Specifications**

The specification of each test item is provided in Chapter 2. For other technical parameters, refer to *RSA3000 DataSheet* (available to download them from **RIGOL** website: www.rigol.com).

#### Tip:

All the specifications are only valid when the spectrum analyzer has been warmed up for more than 30 minutes.

# **Chapter 2** Performance Verification Test

This chapter introduces the performance verification test methods and test process of RSA3000 series real-time spectrum analyzer in GPSA mode.

#### Note:

- 1) Before executing the performance verification test, ensure that the spectrum analyzer has undergone the self-calibration.
- Before performing each test, ensure that the spectrum analyzer has been warmed up for at least 30 minutes.
- 3) Press **Preset** to reset the instrument to the factory setting before or after executing any of the following tests.
- 4) For amplitude-related tests, perform self-calibration on the instrument (press System →
   Alignment → Align Now) before the test.
- 5) Definitions of "Typical", "Nominal", and "Measured" values for this product are as follows.
  - $\succ$  Typical: typical performance, which 80% of the measurement results will meet at room

temperature (approximately 25°C). The data are not warranted and do not include the

measurement uncertainty.

> Nominal: the expected mean or average performance or a designed attribute (such as the  $50\Omega$  connector). This data is not warranted and is measured at room temperature

(approximately 25°C).

Measured (meas.): an attribute measured during the design phase which can be compared to the expected performance, i.g. the amplitude drift varies with time. This data is not

warranted and is measured at room temperature (approximately 25°C).

# **Displayed Average Noise Level (DANL) Test**

# Specification

Displayed Average Noise Level (DANL)							
		RSA3015N	RSA3030	RSA3030N	RSA3045	RSA3045N	
		attenuation = 0 dB, sample detector, trace averages $\geq$ 50, tracking generator					
		off, normalized to 1 Hz, 20°C to 30°C, input impedance = 50 $\Omega$ .					
	9 kHz to 100 kHz	<-120 dBm (ty	/pical)		<-120 dBm (ty	/pical)	
	100 kHz to 20 MHz	< 125 dBm	140 dBm (typic		<-135 dBm, <	-140 dBm	
		< 135  dBm, < 140  dBm (typical)			(typical)		
Preamp 20 MHz to 2.7 GHz	< 120 dBm	1/1 dBm (typic		<-138 dBm, <	-141 dBm		
		<-138 dbm, <-141 dbm (typical)			(typical)		
		< 126 dPm < 141 dPm (typical)		<-136 dBm, <-141 dBm			
		<-130 dBill, <-141 dBill (typical)			(typical)		
				<-136 dBm, <	-140 dBm		
3.0 GHZ 10 4.5 GHZ					(typical)		
100 kHz to 20 MHz		< 152 dPm < 160 dPm (typical)		<-152 dBm, <	-160 dBm		
					(typical)		
	20 MHz to 2 7 CHz			<-158 dBm, <	-161 dBm		
Preamp		<-158 dBm, <-161 dBm (typical)			(typical)		
on		< 156 dBm <	161 dBm (typic		<-156 dBm, <	-161 dBm	
		<-156 aBm, <-161 aBm (typical)			(typical)		
	3 0 CHz to 4 5 CHz				<-154 dBm, <	-159 dBm	
					(typical)		

# **Test Device**

1. 50  $\Omega$  Matched Load  $\times$  1

# **Test Connection Diagram**



Figure 2-1 DANL Test Connection Diagram

- 1. Connect the 50  $\Omega$  matched load to the RF input terminal of RSA3000, as shown in Figure 2-1.
- 2. Configure the spectrum analyzer:
  - a) Set the preamplifier to Off.
  - b) Set the span to 1 kHz.
  - c) Set the detector type to Sample.
  - d) Set the input attenuation to 0 dB.
  - e) Set the resolution bandwidth to 1 kHz, and set the video bandwidth to 10 Hz.
  - f) Set the reference level to -50 dBm.
  - g) Set the sweep time to 1 s.
- 3. Modify the center frequency of the spectrum analyzer according to the frequency parameters listed in Table 2-1. Each time the center frequency is modified, press **Single** and wait for the instrument to perform a single sweep. After the sweep is finished, perform maximum peak search and minimum peak search, then record the results in the test record form.

Table 2-1 Center Frequency Setting of DANL Test

Center Frequency							
50 kHz	1.04 MHz	504 MHz	2.804 GHz	3.004 GHz			

- 4. Take the average of the maximum peak and minimum peak (add the two values and calculate the average), then normalize it to 1 Hz as the measurement result. That is, use the formula below: Measurement Result = Average Value-10×lg(RBW). Wherein, RBW is set to 1 kHz in Step 2. Compare the measurement result with the specification.
- 5. Keep other settings unchanged and enable the preamplifier of the spectrum analyzer. Repeat Step 3 (ignore the measurement for 50 kHz center frequency) and Step 4, then record the test results.

# Test Record Form

Center Frequency	Maximum Peak	Minimum Peak	Average <sup>[1]</sup>	Measurement Result <sup>[2]</sup>	Limit	Pass/I	Fail
PA off							
50 kHz					<b>9 kHz to 100 kHz:</b> <-120 dBm (typical)		
1.04 MHz					<b>100 kHz to 20 MHz:</b> <-135 dBm, <-140 dBm		
504 MHz					(typical) 20 MHz to 2.7 GHz:		
2.804 GHz					<-138 dBm, <-141 dBm (typical)		

3.004 GHz	<b>2.7 GHz to 3.0 GHz:</b> <-136 dBm, <-141 dBm (typical)
	3.0 GHZ to 4.5 GHZ: <-136 dBm, <-140 dBm (typical)

Center	Maximum	Minimum	Average <sup>[1]</sup>	Measurement	Limit	Pace/Fail	
Frequency	Peak	Peak	Average-	Result <sup>[2]</sup>		rass/raii	
PA on							
1.04 MHz					<b>100 kHz to 20 MHz:</b> <-152 dBm, <-160 dBm		
504 MHz					(typical) 20 MHz to 2.7 GHz:		
2.804 GHz					<-158 dBm, <-161 dBm (typical)		
3.004 GHz					<ul> <li>2.7 GHz to 3.0 GHz:</li> <li>&lt;-156 dBm, &lt;-161 dBm</li> <li>(typical)</li> <li>3.0 GHz to 4.5 GHz:</li> <li>&lt;-154 dBm, &lt;-159 dBm</li> <li>(typical)</li> </ul>		

Note<sup>[1]</sup>: Average = (Maximum Peak + Minimum Peak)/2 (dimensionless calculation)

**Note**<sup>[2]</sup>: Measurement Result = Average –  $10 \times \text{lg1000}$  = Average - 30 dB

# **SSB Phase Noise Test**

# Specification

SSB Phase Noise					
$2^{\circ}$ C to $30^{\circ}$ C, f <sub>c</sub> = 500 MHz					
Carrier Offset	10 kHz offset	<-100 dBc/Hz, <-102 dBc/Hz (typical)			

## **Test Devices**

- 1. Signal Generator × 1
- 2. Dual-N Cable × 1
- 3. Dual-BNC Cable  $\times$  1

## **Test Connection Diagram**



Figure 2-2 SSB Phase Noise Test Connection Diagram

## **Test Procedures**

- 1. Synchronize the spectrum analyzer and signal generator.
- 2. Connect the output terminal of the signal generator with the RF input terminal of the spectrum analyzer, as shown in Figure 2-2.
- 3. Set the signal generator to output a sine waveform with 500 MHz frequency and 0 dBm amplitude.
- 4. Configure the spectrum analyzer (take 10 kHz offset as an example):
  - a) Set the center frequency to 500 MHz.
  - b) Set the span to 50 kHz.
  - c) Set the input attenuation to 10 dB; and set the reference level to 0 dBm.
  - d) Set the resolution bandwidth to 1 kHz, and set the video bandwidth to 30 Hz.
  - e) Set the trace type to Clear Write.
  - f) Set the detector type to Pos Peak.
  - g) Set the sweep time to 10 s.
- 5. Press **Single** and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Then press **Peak** to find the maximum peak.
- 6. Set the marker mode to Delta; set the detector type to Average (RMS); set the trace type to Average; set the average number to 5.
- Press Marker → Marker Freq, and input 10 kHz. Press Single and wait for the instrument to finish the sweep. Press Marker Func → Band Function → Noise, read the current measurement results, and record the results.
- 8. Compare the measurement result with the specification.

## **Test Record Form**

Output Frequency of Signal Generator	Offset	Measurement Result	Limit	Pass/Fail
500 MHz	10 kHz offset		<-100 dBc/Hz, <-102 dBc/Hz (typical)	

# **Absolute Amplitude Accuracy Test**

# Specification

Absolute Amplitude Accuracy					
$f_c = 50$ MHz, peak detector, PA off, attenuation = 10 dB, input signal level = -10 dBm, 20°C to 30°C					
Uncertainty	<0.3 dB				

## **Test Devices**

- 1. Signal Generator × 1
- 2. Power Meter × 1
- 3. Power Sensor  $\times 1$
- 4. Power Meter Connecting Cable  $\times$  1
- 5. Dual-N Cable × 1
- 6. Dual-BNC Cable  $\times 1$

## **Test Connection Diagram**



Figure 2-3 Absolute Amplitude Accuracy Test Connection Diagram

### **Test Procedures**

- 1. Calibrate the power meter:
  - a) Connect the power sensor with the **[REF]** terminal and Channel A of the power meter. Press **Channel** and set the frequency of Channel A to 50 MHz.
  - b) Press Cal and enable Power Ref in the Zero/Cal menu. Press Zero+Cal and wait for the calibration to finish; then, observe whether the measurement value of the power meter is a 0 dBm, 50 MHz signal.
  - c) Disable **Power Ref**.
- 2. Connect the output terminal of the signal generator with the power sensor, as shown in Figure 2-3 (a).
- 3. Set the signal generator to output a sine waveform with 50 MHz frequency and -10 dBm amplitude.
- 4. Measure the output amplitude of the signal generator using the power meter; read and record the measurement value **A1** of the power meter.

- 5. Disconnect the signal generator and the power meter. Connect the **[10MHz OUT]** terminal of the signal generator with the **[10MHz IN]** terminal on the rear panel of the spectrum analyzer by using a dual-BNC cable to synchronize the two instruments.
- 6. Connect the output terminal of the signal generator with the RF input terminal of the spectrum analyzer, as shown in Figure 2-3 (b).
- 7. Configure the spectrum analyzer:
  - a) Set the center frequency to 50 MHz.
  - b) Set the span to 1 MHz.
  - c) Set the reference level to 0 dBm.
  - d) Set the input attenuation to 10 dB.
  - e) Set the resolution bandwidth to 10 kHz.
  - f) Set the sweep time to 100 ms.
  - g) Press **Single** and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Then press **Peak** to find the maximum peak. Record the result **A2**.
- 8. Absolute Amplitude Accuracy = **A1**-**A2**. Compare the measurement result with the specification.

## **Test Record Form**

Power Meter Measurement Value A1	Spectrum Analyzer Measurement Value A2	Calculation Result (A1 - A2)	Limit	Pass/Fail
			<0.3 dB	

# **Frequency Response Test**

# Specification

Freque	ncy Response					
		RSA3015N	RSA3030	RSA3030N	RSA3045	RSA3045N
		attenuation = 10 dB, relative to 50 MHz, 20°C to 30°C				
	100 kHz to 3.0	<0.7 dR <0.5	dR (typical)	<07 dP < 05	dR (typical)	
Pream	GHz	<0.7 ub, <0.5	ub (typical)	<0.7 ub, <0.5	ub (typical)	
p off	3.0 GHz to 4.5			<0.0 dP <0.5	dP (traical)	
	GHz			<0.9 ub, <0.5	ub (typical)	
		attenuation = 0 dB, relative to 50 MHz, 20°C to 30°C				
	100 kHz to 3.0		dR (typical)	<10 dP <05	dR (typical)	
Pream	GHz	<1.0 ub, <0.5	ub (typical)	<1.0 ub, <0.5	ub (typical)	
p on	3.0 GHz to 4.5				dP (traical)	
	GHz			<1.2 UB, <0.5		

### **Test Devices**

- 1. Signal Generator × 1
- 2. Power Meter  $\times 1$
- 3. Power Sensor × 1
- 4. Power Meter Connecting Cable  $\times 1$
- 5. Dual-N Cable × 1
- 6. Dual-BNC Cable × 1

# **Test Connection Diagram**



Figure 2-4 Frequency Response Test Connection Diagram

## **Test Procedures**

- 1. Calibrate the power meter:
  - a) Connect the power sensor with the [REF] terminal and Channel A of the power meter. Press
     Channel and set the frequency of Channel A to 50 MHz.
  - b) Press Cal and enable Power Ref in the Zero/Cal menu. Press Zero+Cal and wait for the calibration to finish; then, observe whether the measurement value of the power meter is a 0 dBm, 50 MHz signal.
  - c) Disable Power Ref.
- 2. Connect the output terminal of the signal generator with the power sensor, as shown in Figure 2-4 (a).
- 3. Set the output frequency of the signal generator to 50 MHz; set the amplitude to -10 dBm.
- 4. Measure the output amplitude of the signal generator by using the power meter and record the

measurement result as **Reference Value 1**.

5. Modify the output frequency of the signal generator according to Table 2-2.

Table 2-2 Output Frequency of the Signal Generator

Frequency				
100 kHz	500 MHz	2 GHz	4 GHz	4.499995 GHz

- Each time the output frequency of the signal generator is modified, the frequency of the power meter is modified accordingly. Measure the amplitude A1 and record the measurement result. Subtract Reference Value 1 from A1 to calculate the System Error.
- 7. Disconnect the signal generator and power sensor. Synchronize the signal generator and spectrum analyzer.
- 8. Connect the output terminal of the signal generator with the RF input terminal of the spectrum analyzer by using the dual-N cable, as shown in Figure 2-4 (b).
- 9. Set the output frequency of the signal generator to 50 MHz; set the amplitude to -10 dBm.
- 10. Configure the spectrum analyzer:
  - a) Set the center frequency to 50 MHz.
  - b) Set the span to 10 kHz.
  - c) Set the reference level to 0 dBm.
  - d) Set the input attenuation to 10 dB.
  - e) Set the resolution bandwidth to 1 kHz.
  - f) Set the sweep time mode to Auto; set the sweep time rule to Accuracy.
  - g) Press **Single** and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Press **Peak** to find the maximum peak, record the measurement result and take it as **Reference Value 2**.
- 11. Set the output frequency of the signal generator and the center frequency of the spectrum analyzer according to Table 2-2 (the center frequency of the spectrum analyzer corresponds to output frequency of the signal generator).
- Each time the center frequency is modified, press Single and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Press Peak to find the maximum peak, record the measurement result A2; subtract Reference Value 2 from A2 to calculate the Global Error and record the result.
- 13. Use the formula **Frequency Response** = |**Global Error System Error**| to calculate the frequency response. Compare the calculation result with the specification.
- 14. Press **Preset** to restore the spectrum analyzer to its factory setting. Enable the PA of the spectrum analyzer. Repeat Step 3-13 (set the output amplitude of the signal generator in Step 3 and Step 9 to -30 dBm) and record the calculation result. At this point, as the PA is enabled, after executing d) in Step 10, the reference level will change to -20 dBm automatically.

## **Test Record Form**

#### PA Off:

Reference				Reference				
Value 1				Value 2				
Signal Generator Output Frequency	Power Meter Measurement Value A1	Spectrum Analyzer Measurement Value A2	System Error <sup>[1]</sup>	Global Error <sup>[2]</sup>	Frequency Response <sup>[3]</sup>	Limit	Pas ail	ss/F
100 kHz						100 kHz		
500 MHz						to 3.0		
2 GHz						<b>GHz:</b> <0.7		
4 GHz						dB, <0.5		
						dB (typical)		
						3.0 GHz		
4.499995						to 4.5		
GHz						<b>GHz:</b> <0.9		
						dB, <0.5		
						dB (typical)		

#### PA On:

Reference Value 1				Reference Value 2				
Signal Generator Output Frequency	Power Meter Measurement Value A1	Spectrum Analyzer Measurement Value A2	System Error <sup>[1]</sup>	Global Error <sup>[2]</sup>	Frequency Response <sup>[3]</sup>	Limit	Pa: ail	ss/F
100 kHz						100 kHz		
500 MHz						to 3.0		
2 GHz						<b>GHz:</b> <1.0		
4 GHz						dB, <0.5		
						dB (typical)		
4 400005						3.0 GHz		
4.499995						to 4.5		
GEZ						<b>GHz:</b> <1.2		
						dB, <0.5		

 $Note^{[1]}$ : System Error = Power Meter Measurement Value A1 - Reference Value 1

**Note**<sup>[2]</sup>: Global Error = Spectrum Analyzer Measurement Value A2 - Reference Value 2

**Note**<sup>[3]</sup>: Frequency Response = |Global Error - System Error|

# **Second Harmonic Distortion Test**

## Specification

Second Harmonic Distortion				
$f_c \ge 50$ MHz, input signal level = -20 dBm, attenuation = 0 dB, preamp off.				
Specification	+45 dBm			

## **Test Devices**

- 1. Signal Generator  $\times$  1
- 2. 300 MHz Low-pass Filter × 1
- 3. 1 GHz Low-pass Filter  $\times$  1
- 4. Dual-BNC Cable × 1
- 5. N-SMA Cable × 2

## **Test Connection Diagram**



Figure 2-5 Second Harmonic Distortion Test Connection Diagram

### **Test Procedures**

- 1. Synchronize the signal generator and spectrum analyzer. Connect the output terminal of the signal generator with the 300 MHz low-pass filter. Then connect the filter with the RF input terminal of the spectrum analyzer.
- 2. Set the output frequency of the signal generator to 300 MHz; set the amplitude to -20 dBm.
- 3. Configure the spectrum analyzer:
  - a) Set the center frequency to 300 MHz.
  - b) Set the span to 10 kHz.
  - c) Set the maximum mixer level to -20 dBm.
  - d) Set the reference level to -10 dBm.

- e) Set the input attenuation to 0 dB.
- f) Set the resolution bandwidth to 100 Hz.
- g) Set the video bandwidth to 100 Hz.
- Press Single and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Then press Peak to find the maximum peak. Set the marker mode to Delta. Set the center frequency to 600 MHz. Press Single and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Then press Peak and record the delta result.
- Use the formula below to calculate the second harmonic distortion. Second Harmonic Distortion = -20 dBm Delta (-20 dBm is the level input into the mixer) Compare the calculation result with the specification.
- 6. Press **Preset** to restore the spectrum analyzer to its factory setting. Replace the filter connected with the signal generator with a 1 GHz low-pass filter. Set the output frequency of the signal generator to 1 GHz.
- 7. Configure the spectrum analyzer: set the center frequency to 1 GHz and the other parameter settings are the same as that of Step 3.
- 8. Press **Single** and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Then press **Peak** to find the maximum peak. Set the marker mode to Delta. Set the center frequency to 2 GHz. Press **Single** and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Then press **Peak** and record the delta result.
- Use the formula below to calculate the second harmonic distortion. Second Harmonic Distortion = -20 dBm Delta (-20 dBm is the level input into the mixer) Compare the calculation result with the specification.

### **Test Record Form**

Output Frequency of Signal Generator	Delta	Calculation Result <sup>[1]</sup>	Limit	Pass/Fail
300 MHz				
1 GHz				

Note<sup>[1]</sup>: Calculation Result = -20 dBm - Delta (-20 dBm is the level input into the mixer).

# **TOI Distortion Test**

### **Specification**

TOI Distortion				
fc $\geq$ 50 MHz, two -20 dBm tones at input mixer spaced by 200 kHz, attenuation = 0 dB, preamp off.				
TOI	+10 dBm, +15 dBm (typical)			

### **Test Devices**

- 1. Signal Generator × 2
- 2. Power Meter  $\times 1$
- 3. Power Sensor × 1
- 4. Power Meter Connecting Cable  $\times$  1
- 5. Power Divider  $\times 1$
- 6. 300 MHz Low-pass Filter × 1
- 7. 1 GHz Low-pass Filter × 1
- 8. Dual-N Cable × 2
- 9. N-SMA Cable × 2
- 10. Dual-BNC Cable × 1

### **Test Connection Diagram**



Figure 2-6 TOI Distortion Test Connection Diagram

## **Test Procedures**

- 1. Calibrate the power meter:
  - a) Connect the power sensor with the **[REF]** terminal and Channel A of the power meter. Press **Channel** and set the frequency of Channel A to 50 MHz.
  - b) Press Cal and enable Power Ref in the Zero/Cal menu. Press Zero+Cal and wait for the calibration to finish; then, observe whether the measurement value of the power meter is a 0 dBm, 50 MHz signal.
  - c) Disable Power Ref.
- 2. Synchronize the two signal generators.

Set the output frequency of Signal Generator A to 300 MHz; set the amplitude to -10 dBm. Set the output frequency of Signal Generator B to 300.2 MHz; set the amplitude to -10 dBm.

- 3. Connect the output terminal of Signal Generator A to the power divider via a 300 MHz low-pass filter.
- 4. Connect the output terminal of Signal Generator B with the power divider. Connect the power divider with the power sensor, as shown in Figure 2-6 (a).
- 5. Press **Channel** on the power meter and set the frequency of Channel A to 300 MHz. Enable the output of Signal Generator A and disable the output of Signal Generator B. Observe the measurement value of the power meter. Adjust the output amplitude of Signal Generator A until the measurement value of the power meter becomes -10 dBm.
- 6. Press **Channel** on the power meter and set the frequency of Channel A to 300.2 MHz. Disable the output of Signal Generator A and enable the output of Signal Generator B. Observe the measurement value of the power meter. Adjust the output amplitude of Signal Generator B until the measurement value of the power meter becomes -10 dBm.
- 7. Enable the outputs of the two signal generators. Disconnect the power divider and power sensor; connect the power divider and spectrum analyzer, as shown in Figure Figure 2-6 (b).
- 8. Configure the spectrum analyzer:
  - a) Set the center frequency to 300 MHz.
  - b) Set the span to 1 kHz.
  - c) Set the CF step to 200 kHz.
  - d) Set the maximum mixer level to -20 dBm.
  - e) Set the input attenuation to 0 dB; and set the reference level to -8 dBm.
  - f) Set the resolution bandwidth to 30 Hz, and set the video bandwidth to 3 Hz.
  - g) Set the peak excursion to 3 dB.
- Press Single and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Then press Peak to find the maximum peak. Set the marker mode to Delta and reduce the center frequency by 200 kHz. Press Single and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Then press Peak and record the delta result.
- Use the formula below to calculate the TOI distortion. TOI Distortion = -20 dBm Delta/2. Compare the calculation result with the specification.
- Exchange the output frequencies of the two signal generators. Set the center frequency of the spectrum analyzer to 300.4 MHz. Press Single and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Then press Peak and record the delta result.
- 12. Use the formula below to calculate the TOI distortion. **TOI Distortion = -20 dBm Delta/2**.

Compare the calculation result with the specification.

- 13. Set the output frequency of Signal Generator A to 1 GHz; set the amplitude to -10 dBm. Set the output frequency of Signal Generator B to 1.0002 GHz; set the amplitude to -10 dBm.
- 14. Replace the 300 MHz low-pass filter connected with Signal Generator A with a 1 GHz low-pass filter. Repeat Step 4-7 (In Step 5 and Step 6, the frequency of the power is set to 1 GHz and 1.0002 GHz respectively).
- 15. Keep other settings unchanged. Set the center frequency of the spectrum analyzer to 1 GHz; set the span to 1 kHz. Repeat Step 8-10.
- Exchange the output settings of the two signal generators. Set the center frequency of the spectrum analyzer to 1.0004 GHz. Press Single and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Then press Peak and record the delta result. Repeat Step 10.

## **Test Record Form**

Center Frequency	Delta	Calculation Result <sup>[1]</sup>	Limit	Pass/Fail
299.8 MHz				
300.4 MHz				
999.8 MHz			>10 dBm, >+15 dBm (typical)	
1.0004 GHz				

Note<sup>[1]</sup>: Calculation Result = -20 dBm - Delta/2 (-20 dBm is the level input into the mixer).

# **1 dB Gain Compression Test**

## Specification

1 dB Gain Compression <sup>[1]</sup>				
fc $\geq$ 50 MHz, attenuation = 0 dB, preamp off				
Specification	0 dBm (nominal)			

**Note:** <sup>[1]</sup> The frequency interval of the two-tone signals should be greater than 10 MHz.

## **Test Devices**

- 1. Signal Generator × 2
- 2. Power Meter  $\times 1$
- 3. Power Sensor  $\times 1$
- 4. Power Meter Connecting Cable  $\times$  1
- 5. Power Divider  $\times$  1
- 6. Dual-N Cable × 3
- 7. Dual-BNC Cable × 1

### **Test Connection Diagram**



Figure 2-7 1 dB Gain Compression Test Connection Diagram

### **Test Procedures**

- 1. Calibrate the power meter:
  - a) Connect the power sensor with the **[REF]** terminal and Channel A of the power meter. Press **Channel** and set the frequency of Channel A to 50 MHz.
  - b) Press Cal and enable Power Ref in the Zero/Cal menu. Press Zero+Cal and wait for the calibration to finish; then, observe whether the measurement value of the power meter is a 0 dBm, 50 MHz signal.
  - c) Disable Power Ref.
- Synchronize the two signal generators. Connect the outputs of the two signal generators with the power divider. Then connect the power divider with the power sensor, as shown in Figure 2-7 (a).

3. Set the signal generators:

Set the output frequency of Signal Generator A to 50 MHz; set the amplitude to -20 dBm. Set the output frequency of Signal Generator B to 65 MHz; set the amplitude to 0 dBm.

- Press Channel on the power meter and set the frequency of Channel A to 50 MHz. Enable the output of Signal Generator A and disable the output of Signal Generator B. Observe the measurement value of the power meter. Adjust the output amplitude of Signal Generator A until the readout value of the power meter becomes -20 dBm.
- 5. Press **Channel** on the power meter and set the frequency of Channel A to 65 MHz. Disable the output of Signal Generator A and enable the output of Signal Generator B. Observe the measurement value of the power meter. Adjust the output amplitude of Signal Generator B until the readout value of the power meter becomes 0 dBm.
- 6. Disconnect the power divider and power sensor; connect the power divider and spectrum analyzer, as shown in Figure Figure 2-7 (b).
- 7. Enable the output of Signal Generator A and disable the output of Signal Generator B.
- 8. Configure the spectrum analyzer:
  - a) Set the center frequency to 50 MHz.
  - b) Set the span to 100 kHz.
  - c) Set the reference level to 0 dBm.
  - d) Set the input attenuation to 0 dB.
  - e) Set the resolution bandwidth to 1 kHz.
  - f) Set the sweep time mode to Auto; set the sweep time rule to Accuracy.
- 9. Press **Single** and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Press **Peak** to measure the current peak, record the measurement result as **A1**.
- Enable the outputs of the two signal generators. Press Single and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Press Peak to measure the peak at 50 MHz, record the measurement result as A2.
- 11. **Delta = A1 A2**. Record the delta result.

### **Test Record Form**

Output Amplitude of Signal Generator B	Measurement Result A1	Measurement Result A2	Calculation Result <sup>[1]</sup>	Limit	Pass/Fail
0 dBm				<1 dBm	

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: Calculation Result = A1 - A2.

# **Input Attenuation Switching Uncertainty Test**

# Specification

Input Attenuation Switching Uncertainty					
fc = 50 MHz, relative to 10 dB, PA off, 20°C to 30°C					
Switching Uncertainty	<0.3 dB				

## **Test Devices**

- 1. Signal Generator  $\times 1$
- 2. Power Meter × 1
- 3. Power Sensor  $\times 1$
- 4. Power Meter Connecting Cable  $\times$  1
- Program-controlled Attenuator: Attenuator/Switch Driver × 1 Step Attenuator (Step: 1 dB) × 1 Step Attenuator (Step: 10 dB) × 1 Attenuator Interconnect Kit × 1
- 6. Dual-N Cable × 2



### **Test Connection Diagram**

Figure 2-8 Input Attenuation Switching Uncertainty Test Connection Diagram

### **Test Procedures**

- 1. Calibrate the power meter:
  - a) Connect the power sensor with the **[REF]** terminal and Channel A of the power meter. Press **Channel** and set the frequency of Channel A to 50 MHz.
  - b) Press Cal and enable Power Ref in the Zero/Cal menu. Press Zero+Cal and wait for the calibration to finish; then, observe whether the measurement value of the power meter is a 0 dBm, 50 MHz signal.
  - c) Disable Power Ref.
- Connect the output terminal of the signal generator with the program-controlled attenuator; then, connect the program-controlled attenuator with the power sensor, as shown in Figure 2-8 (a).
- 3. Set the output frequency of the signal generator to 50 MHz; set the amplitude to +10 dBm.
- Set the attenuation of the program-controlled attenuator to 20 dB and measure the amplitude with the power meter. Use the formula below to calculate the system error reference value.
   System Error Reference Value = Power Meter Measurement Value (+10 dBm 20 dB). Record the calculation result in the test record form.
- Modify the attenuation of the program-controlled attenuator according to the **Test Record** Form (keep other parameters unchanged). Each time the attenuation is modified, measure the

amplitude with the power meter. Use the formula below to calculate the system error. **System Error = Power Meter Measurement Value - (+10 dBm - Attenuation of the Program-controlled Attenuator) - System Error Reference Value**. Record the calculation result in the test record form.

- 6. Disconnect the program-controlled attenuator and the power sensor. Connect the output of the program-controlled attenuator to the RF input terminal of the spectrum analyzer, as shown in Figure 2-8 (b).
- 7. Set the attenuation of the program-controlled attenuator to 20 dB.
- 8. Configure the spectrum analyzer:
  - a) Set the center frequency to 50 MHz.
  - b) Set the span to 10 kHz.
  - c) Set the reference level to 0 dBm.
  - d) Set the input attenuation to 10 dB.
  - e) Set the resolution bandwidth to 1 kHz, and set the video bandwidth to 10 Hz.
  - f) Set the sweep time mode to Auto; set the sweep time rule to Accuracy.
- Press Single and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Press Peak to find the maximum peak. Use the formula below to calculate the global error reference value. Global Error Reference Value = Maximum Peak of the Spectrum Analyzer (+10 dBm 20 dB). Record the calculation result in the test record form.
- 10. Set the attenuation of the program-controlled attenuator, the reference level of the spectrum analyzer, and the attenuation of the internal attenuator according to the **Test Record Form**. For each group of settings, press **Single** and wait for the instrument to finish a sweep. Press **Peak** to find the maximum peak. Use the formula below to calculate the global error. **Global Error = Maximum Peak of the Spectrum Analyzer (+10 dBm Attenuation of the Program-controlled Attenuator) Global Error Reference Value**. Record the calculation result in the test record form.
- 11. Use the formula **Uncertainty** = |**Global Error System Error**| to calculate the uncertainty. Compare the calculation result with the specification.

### **Test Record Form**

System Err	or Reference V	/alue					
Global Erro	r Reference Va	alue					
Reference	Internal	Program-	System	Global			
Level	Attenuator	controlled	Error <sup>[1]</sup>	Error <sup>[2]</sup>	Uncertainty <sup>[3]</sup>	Limit	Pass/Fail
		Attenuator					
-10 dBm	0 dB	30 dB				-	
-9 dBm	1 dB	29 dB				-	
-8 dBm	2 dB	28 dB				-	
-7 dBm	3 dB	27 dB				_	
-6 dBm	4 dB	26 dB				_	
-5 dBm	5 dB	25 dB				_	
-4 dBm	6 dB	24 dB				-	
-3 dBm	7 dB	23 dB					
-2 dBm	8 dB	22 dB				_	
-1 dBm	9 dB	21 dB					
0 dBm	10 dB	20 dB					
1 dBm	11 dB	19 dB					
2 dBm	12 dB	18 dB					
3 dBm	13 dB	17 dB					
4 dBm	14 dB	16 dB				<0.2 dP	
5 dBm	15 dB	15 dB				<0.5 UD	
6 dBm	16 dB	14 dB					
7 dBm	17 dB	13 dB					
8 dBm	18 dB	12 dB					
9 dBm	19 dB	11 dB					
10 dBm	20 dB	10 dB					
11 dBm	21 dB	9 dB					
12 dBm	22 dB	8 dB					
13 dBm	23 dB	7 dB					
14 dBm	24 dB	6 dB					
15 dBm	25 dB	5 dB					
16 dBm	26 dB	4 dB				]	
17 dBm	27 dB	3 dB				]	
18 dBm	28 dB	2 dB				]	
19 dBm	29 dB	1 dB				]	
20 dBm	30 dB	0 dB				]	

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: System Error = Measurement Value of the Power Meter - (+10 dBm - Attenuation of the Program-controlled Attenuator) - System Error Reference Value

**Note**<sup>[2]</sup>: Global Error = Maximum Peak of the Spectrum Analyzer - (+10 dBm - Attenuation of the Program-controlled Attenuator) - Global Error Reference Value

**Note**<sup>[3]</sup>: Uncertainty = |Global Error - System Error|

#### RIGOL

# **10 MHz Reference Output Accuracy Test**

## Specification

10 MHz Reference Output Accuracy

Specification Aging rate<sup>[1]</sup> × time since last calibration<sup>[2]</sup> + temperature stability<sup>[3]</sup> + calibration accuracy<sup>[4]</sup>

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: Aging rate: <1 ppm/year

Note<sup>[2]</sup>: The instrument will be calibrated before leaving factory.

Note<sup>[3]</sup>: Temperature stability: <0.5 ppm

Note<sup>[4]</sup>: Initial calibration accuracy <1 ppm

## **Test Devices**

- 1. Frequency Counter  $\times$  1
- 2. Dual-BNC Cable  $\times 1$

## **Test Connection Diagram**



Figure 2-9 10 MHz Reference Output Accuracy Test Connection Diagram

### **Test Procedures**

- 1. Connect the **[10 MHz OUT]** terminal on the rear panel of the spectrum analyzer with the frequency counter, as shown in Figure 2-9.
- 2. Compare the measurement result of the frequency counter with the specification.

# **Test Record Form**

Frequency Counter Measurement Result	Output Accuracy <sup>[1]</sup>	Limit	Pass/Fail
		<10 MHz × (1 ppm × time since last calibration + 0.5 ppm + 1 ppm)	

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: Output Accuracy = |Frequency Counter Measurement Result -10 MHz|

# **Appendix Test Record Form**

RIGOL RSA3000 Series Real-Time Spectrum Analyzer Performance Verification Test Record Form

Model:

Tested by:

Test Date:

#### Displayed Average Noise Level (DANL) Test:

Center	Maximum	Minimum	•	Measurement	11	D / T 1
Frequency	Peak	Peak	Average	Result <sup>[2]</sup>	Limit	Pass/Fall
PA off						•
50 kHz					<b>9 kHz to 100 kHz:</b> <-120 dBm (typical)	
1.04 MHz					<b>100 kHz to 20 MHz:</b> <-135 dBm, <-140 dBm	
504 MHz					(typical) <b>20 MHz to 2.7 GHz:</b> <-138 dBm <-141 dBm	
2.804 GHz					(typical) 2.7 GHz to 3.0 GHz:	
3.004 GHz					<-136 dBm, <-141 dBm (typical) <b>3.0 GHz to 4.5 GHz:</b> <-136 dBm, <-140 dBm (typical)	
PA on						
1.04 MHz					<b>100 kHz to 20 MHz:</b> <-152 dBm, <-160 dBm	
504 MHz					(typical) 20 MHz to 2.7 GHz:	
2.804 GHz					(typical)	
3.004 GHz					<ul> <li>&lt;-156 dBm, &lt;-161 dBm</li> <li>(typical)</li> <li>3.0 GHz to 4.5 GHz:</li> <li>&lt;-154 dBm, &lt;-159 dBm</li> <li>(typical)</li> </ul>	

Note<sup>[1]</sup>: Average = (Maximum Peak + Minimum Peak)/2 (dimensionless calculation)

**Note**<sup>[2]</sup>: Measurement Result = Average  $-10 \times \text{lg1000}$  = Average -30 dB

#### **SSB Phase Noise Test:**

Output Frequency of Signal Generator	Offset	Measurement Result	Limit	Pass/Fail
500 MHz	10 kHz offset		<-100 dBc/Hz, <-102	

#### Absolute Amplitude Accuracy Test:

Power Meter Measurement Value A1	Spectrum Analyzer Measurement Value A2	Calculation Result (A1 - A2)	Limit	Pass/Fail
			<0.3 dB	

#### Frequency Response Test (PA Off):

Reference				Reference				
Value 1				Value 2				
Signal	Power Meter	Spectrum						
Generator	Measurement	Analyzer	System	Global	Frequency	Limit	Pas	ss/F
Output		Measurement	Error <sup>[1]</sup>	Error <sup>[2]</sup>	Response <sup>[3]</sup>		ail	
Frequency	Value AI	Value A2						
100 kHz						100 kHz		
500 MHz						to 3.0		
2 GHz						<b>GHz:</b> <0.7		
4 GHz						dB, <0.5		
						dB (typical)		
						3.0 GHz		
4.499995						to 4.5		
GHz						<b>GHz:</b> <0.9		
						dB, <0.5		
						dB (typical)		

#### Frequency Response Test (PA On):

Reference				Reference				
Value 1				Value 2				
Signal	Devuer Meter	Spectrum						
Generator	Power Meter	Analyzer	System	Global	Frequency	Limit	Pas	s/F
Output	Measurement	Measurement	Error <sup>[1]</sup>	Error <sup>[2]</sup>	Response <sup>[3]</sup>		ail	
Frequency	Value A1	Value A2						
100 kHz						100 kHz		
500 MHz						to 3.0		
2 GHz						<b>GHz:</b> <1.0		
4 GHz						dB, <0.5		
						dB (typical)		
						3.0 GHz		
4.499995						to 4.5		
GHz						<b>GHz:</b> <1.2		
						dB, <0.5		
						dB (typical)		

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: System Error = Power Meter Measurement Value A1 - Reference Value 1

**Note**<sup>[2]</sup>: Global Error = Spectrum Analyzer Measurement Value A2 - Reference Value 2

**Note**<sup>[3]</sup>: Frequency Response = |Global Error - System Error|

#### Second Harmonic Distortion Test:

Output Frequency of Signal Generator	Delta	Calculation Result <sup>[1]</sup>	Limit	Pass/Fail
300 MHz				
1 GHz			>45 aBm	

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: Calculation Result = -20 dBm - Delta (-20 dBm is the level input into the mixer).

#### **TOI Distortion Test:**

Center Frequency	Delta	Calculation Result <sup>[1]</sup>	Limit	Pass/F	ail
299.8 MHz					
300.4 MHz			>10 dBm, >+15		
999.8 MHz			dBm (typical)		
1.0004 GHz					

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: Calculation Result = -20 dBm - Delta/2 (-20 dBm is the level input into the mixer).

#### 1 dB Gain Compression Test:

Output Amplitude of Signal Generator B	Measurement Result A1	Measurement Result A2	Calculation Result <sup>[1]</sup>	Limit	Pass/Fail
0 dBm				<1 dBm	

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: Calculation Result = A1 - A2.

#### **Input Attenuation Switching Uncertainty Test:**

System Error Reference Value							
Global Error Reference Value							
Reference Level	Internal Attenuator	Program- controlled Attenuator	System Error <sup>[1]</sup>	Global Error <sup>[2]</sup>	Uncertainty <sup>[3]</sup>	Limit	Pass/Fail
-10 dBm	0 dB	30 dB					
-9 dBm	1 dB	29 dB					
-8 dBm	2 dB	28 dB					
-7 dBm	3 dB	27 dB					
-6 dBm	4 dB	26 dB					
-5 dBm	5 dB	25 dB					
-4 dBm	6 dB	24 dB					
-3 dBm	7 dB	23 dB				<0.3 dB	
-2 dBm	8 dB	22 dB					
-1 dBm	9 dB	21 dB					
0 dBm	10 dB	20 dB					
1 dBm	11 dB	19 dB					
2 dBm	12 dB	18 dB					
3 dBm	13 dB	17 dB					
4 dBm	14 dB	16 dB					
5 dBm	15 dB	15 dB					

6 dBm	16 dB	14 dB			
7 dBm	17 dB	13 dB			
8 dBm	18 dB	12 dB			
9 dBm	19 dB	11 dB			
10 dBm	20 dB	10 dB			
11 dBm	21 dB	9 dB			
12 dBm	22 dB	8 dB			
13 dBm	23 dB	7 dB			
14 dBm	24 dB	6 dB			
15 dBm	25 dB	5 dB			
16 dBm	26 dB	4 dB			
17 dBm	27 dB	3 dB			
18 dBm	28 dB	2 dB			
19 dBm	29 dB	1 dB			
20 dBm	30 dB	0 dB			

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: System Error = Measurement Value of the Power Meter - (+10 dBm - Attenuation of the Program-controlled Attenuator) - System Error Reference Value

**Note**<sup>[2]</sup>: Global Error = Maximum Peak of the Spectrum Analyzer - (+10 dBm - Attenuation of the Program-controlled Attenuator) - Global Error Reference Value

**Note**<sup>[3]</sup>: Uncertainty = |Global Error - System Error|

#### **10 MHz Reference Output Accuracy Test:**

Frequency Counter Measurement Result	Output Accuracy <sup>[1]</sup>	Limit	Pass/Fail
		<10 MHz × (1 ppm × time since last calibration + 0.5 ppm + 1 ppm)	

**Note**<sup>[1]</sup>: Output Accuracy = |Frequency Counter Measurement Result -10 MHz|