

Application Note: CWT AC Current Probes – what is minimum recommended current?



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OVERVIEW

As a 'general rule', for customers using the CWT probes with an oscilloscope we have always advised the dynamic range of any of the CWT is approximately 100:1, so that the minimum current is at least five times the 'Noise max' quoted on the CWT datasheet.

For example, the CWTMini 6 has a peak current rating $\pm 1200\text{Apk}$, and a 'Noise max' of 10mVp-p ($\pm 2\text{Apk}$), 1.6mVrms (0.32Arms), therefore

- A 100:1 dynamic range means it will measure down to at least $\pm 12\text{Apk}$
- This is at least > 5 times the 'Noise max' quoted on the datasheet

With the noise predominantly centred around the low frequency (-3dB) it is possible to resolve smaller currents at higher frequency.

More detailed information on accuracy supplied in the Technical notes relating to Accuracy on page 10, Section 3, of the [CWT Technical notes](#).

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