

## Comb Generator

#### **Features**

Frequency range of 1 MHz to 1.5 GHz

**Stable Frequency Output** 

**Automatic Low Voltage Signal Shutoff** 

**Battery Operated** 



## **Description**

The CGO-515 Comb Generator is a conducted and radiated signal reference source. This Comb Generator can produce harmonics at 1 MHZ and 5 MHz. The step size can be selected by a toggle switch. These reference signals are used for validating EMC test sites; therefore the reference signal source must have a stable and precise output. Com-Power's Comb Generators line is designed to meet this requirement.

Due to the broad frequency range, two antennas are supplied with the CGO-515, a 12" antenna for low frequency up to 450 MHz, and 5" antenna for 450 MHz and above. The radiated signals are generated by connecting one of the two antennas to the BNC connector located at the center of the CGO-515. The circular chassis of Comb Generator helps radiate the signal more uniformly in all directions within the same plane. The conducted reference signals can be obtained by connecting a Coaxial Cable between the BNC connector mentioned above and a Spectrum Analyzer.

The CGO-515 is powered by an enclosed rechargeable battery pack to minimize disturbances of external cables that might interfere with the radiated signal. When the battery voltage reaches below the operating level, the output signal will shut off automatically to prevent further use and misleading data. When fully charged, the battery allows continuous use of the Comb Generator for up to 18 hours.

## **Application**

EMI measurements are usually collected in an Open Area Test site (OATS) or inside an Anechoic Chamber. OATS and chambers must be calibrated before put into service using published calibration procedures at regular intervals. These calibration methods are very elaborate and time consuming to be performed before each test to ensure that the data taken is consistent and accurate. The CGO-515 is a quick Site Verification tool that the test engineer can use to detect potential problems with site. Maintaining a log of the Comb Generator radiated readings, prior to taking measurement from a product in the same setup, and comparing them will help in detecting possible faults. The same process can be utilized when emissions measurements that are taken from the same products varies on a repeated test. It is difficult to determine if it is the test site or the product causing the variation. Using the same test setup, measurements can be taken with a Comb Generator in place of the product. This data can be compared with previous Comb Generator measurements to determine the problem. Other uses of the Comb Generator include testing cables and filters.



# Specifications

EMI Radiated Site Reference Source
1 MHz to 1.5 GHz
1 MHz and 5 MHz
50 ppm
± 0.1 dB
<1 dB over 12 months
6 VDC, 500 mA / 110VAC 60 Hz or 230 VAC 50 Hz
6V NiMH, 1 Ah
>18 Hours Typical With Fully Charged Battery
Battery Low and Power On
5 and 12 inch Monopole
7 x 0.75 inches / 17.7 x 1.9 cm
2 lbs. / 0.9 kg
Vertical and Horizontal

All specifications are subject to change without notice.
All values are typical, unless specified.

#### Radiated Data: 3 meters, vertical polarization, antenna height varied from 1 to 4 meters.

### COMB GENERATOR OUTPUT (amplitude vs frequency)





