Keysight Signal Generators

This manual provides documentation for the following instruments:

PSG Signal Generator



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Documentation is updated periodically. For the latest information about these products, including instrument software upgrades, application information, and product information, see the following URLs:

http://www.keysight.com/find/psg

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1 Contacting Keysight Sales and Service Offices

Assistance with test and measurement needs, and information to help you find a local Keysight office, is available via the internet at, http://www.keysight.com/find/assist. If you do not have internet access, please contact your designated Keysight representative.

NOTE

In any correspondence or telephone conversation, refer to the instrument by its model number and full serial number. With this information, the Keysight representative can determine whether your unit is still within its warranty period.



2 Products Covered by this Document

Product Family Name	Product Name	Model Number	Firmware Revision
Keysight Signal Generators	PSG Signal Generator	E8663D	All
		E8663B ^a	All
		E8267D ^a	All
		E8267C	C.03.40 or higher
		E8257N	All
		E8257D ^a	All
		E8257C	C.03.40 or higher
		E8247C	C.03.40 or higher

a. See "Recommended Software Upgrades" on page 7 for important firmware version information.

Document Purpose

This document describes instrument memory types and security features. It provides a statement regarding the volatility of all memory types, and specifies the steps required to declassify an instrument through memory clearing, sanitization, or removal.

For additional information, go to:

http://www.keysight.com/find/security

IMPORTANT

Be sure that all information stored by the user in the instrument that needs to be saved is properly backed up before attempting to clear any of the instrument memory. Keysight Technologies cannot be held responsible for any lost files or data resulting from the clearing of memory.

Be sure to read this document entirely before proceeding with any file deletion or memory clearing.



Recommended Software Upgrades

The information in this section applies only to **PSG** and **ESG** Signal Generators.

CAUTION

Do not use the Erase All, Erase and Overwrite All, Erase and Sanitize All, Erase, Overwrite, or Sanitize procedures with any of the firmware revisions listed in Table 2-1 below.

If your instrument's current firmware revision is among those listed, please upgrade **immediately** to newer firmware. For details, see "Firmware Update Procedure" on page 22.

Table 2-1 Firmware revisions that require upgrades

Instrument model number	Current firmware revision	Upgrade to firmware revision		
E44x8C	C.04.84, C.04.86, C.04.95	C.04.96 or later		
E82x7D	C.04.81, C.04.85, C.04.92	C.04.94 or later		
E8663B	C.04.90	C.04.93 or later		

3 Security Terms and Definitions

Term	Definition					
Clearing	As defined in Section 8-301a of DoD 5220.22-M, "National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (NISPOM)", clearing is the process of eradicating the data on media before reusing the media in an environment that provides an acceptable level of protection for the data that was on the media before clearing. Hence, clearing is typically used when the instrument is to remain in an environment with an acceptable level of protection.					
Instrument Declassification	A term that refers to procedures that must be undertaken before an instrument can be removed from a secure environment, such as is the case when the instrument is returned for calibration. Declassification procedures include memory sanitization or memory removal, or both. Keysight declassification procedures are designed to meet the requirements specified in DoD 5220.22-M, "National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (NISPOM)", Chapter 8.					
Sanitization	As defined in Section 8-301b of DoD 5220.22-M, "National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (NISPOM)", sanitization is the process of removing the data from media before reusing the media in an environment that does not provide an acceptable level of protection for the data that was in the media before sanitizing. Hence, instrument sanitization is typically required when an instrument is moved from a secure to a non-secure environment, such as when it is returned to the factory for calibration.					
	Keysight memory sanitization procedures are designed for customers who need to meet the requirements specified by the US Defense Security Service (DSS). These requirements are specified in the "Clearing and Sanitization Matrix" in Section 5.2.5.5.5 of the ISFO Process Manual for the Certification and Accreditation of Classified Systems under the NISPOM.					
Secure Erase	Secure Erase is a term that is used to refer to either the clearing or sanitization features of Keysight instruments.					



4 Instrument Memory & Volatility

This chapter contains information on the memory components in your instrument.

The tables provide details of the size of each memory component, its type, how it is used, its location, volatility, and the sanitization procedure.

Table 4-1 Base Instrument (All models and options)

Memory Component, Type and Size	Writable During Normal Operation?	Data Retained When Powered Off?	Purpose/Contents	Data Input Method	Location in Instrument and Remarks	Sanitization Procedure ^a
1. Main Memory (SDRAM) 64 MByte	Yes	No	Firmware operating memory	Operating system (not user)	CPU board. Not battery backed.	Turn off instrument power.
2. Main Memory (Flash) 20 MByte	Yes	Yes	Factory calibration/configuration data User file system, which includes instrument status backup, flatness calibration, IQ calibration, instrument states, waveforms (including header and marker data), modulation definitions, and sweep lists	Firmware upgrades and user-saved data	CPU board (same chip as firmware memory, but managed separately) User data is not stored in this memory if hard disk (Option 005) or flash drive (Option 008/009) is installed.	Because this 32 MB memory chip contains 20 MB of user data (described here) and 12 MB of firmware memory, a selective chip erase is performed. User data areas are selectively and completely sanitized by the procedure "Erase and Sanitize All" on page 18.



Table 4-1 Base Instrument (All models and options)

Memory Component, Type and Size	Writable During Normal Operation?	Data Retained When Powered Off?	Purpose/Contents	Data Input Method	Location in Instrument and Remarks	Sanitization Proced ure ^a	
3. Firmware Memory (Flash) 12 MByte	No	Yes	Main firmware image	Factory installed or firmware upgrade	CPU board (same chip as main flash memory, but	Because this 32 MB memory chip contains 20 MB of user	
12 MByte	Yes	Yes	LAN configuration	Front panel entry or remotely	managed separately) During normal operation, this memory cannot be overwritten except for LAN configuration.	data and 12 MB of firmware memory (described here), a selective chip erase is performed. User data areas are selectively and completely sanitized by the procedure "Erase and Sanitize All" on page 18.	
4. Battery Backed Memory (SRAM) 512 KByte	Yes	Yes	User-editable data (table editors) Last instrument state, last instrument state backup, and persistent instrument state and instrument status	Firmware operations	CPU board The battery is located on the CPU board.	Sanitized by the procedure described in "Erase and Sanitize All" on page 18.	
5. Bootrom Memory (Flash) 128 KByte	No	Yes	CPU bootup program and firmware loader/updater	Factory programmed	CPU board During normal operation, this memory cannot be overwritten or erased.	None required (no user data)	
6. Calibration Backup Memory (Flash) 512 KByte	No	Yes	Factory calibration/ configuration data backup	Factory or service only	Motherboard	None required (no user data)	

Table 4-1 Base Instrument (All models and options)

Memory Component, Type and Size	Writable During Normal Operation?	Data Retained When Powered Off?	Purpose/Contents	Data Input Method	Location in Instrument and Remarks	Sanitization Proced ure ^a
7. Boards Memory	No	Yes	Factory calibration and information files, code	Factory or service only	All RF boards, baseband	None required (no user data)
(Flash)			images, and self-test limits		generator, and motherboard	
512 Bytes			umo		motherboard	
8. Micro- processor Cache	Yes	No	CPU data and instruction cache	Memory is managed by	CPU board, not battery backed.	Turn off instrument power.
(SRAM)				CPU, not user	,	'
3 KByte						

a. Sanitization procedures mentioned in this table are **not** available in E8257N instruments, unless Option 340 has been installed.

Table 4-2 Vector Models with Baseband Generator (E8267D with Options 601 or 602)

Memory Component, Type and Size	Writable During Normal Operation?	Data Retained When Powered Off?	Purpose/Contents	Data Input Method	Location in Instrument and Remarks	Sanitization Proced ure
1. Waveform Memory (SDRAM)	Yes	No	Waveforms (including header and marker data) and PRAM	Normal user operation	Not battery backed.	User data is completely sanitized by the
40 MByte– 320 MByte						procedure "Erase and Sanitize All" on page 18.
2. BBG Firmware Memory (Flash)	No	Yes	Firmware image for baseband generator	Firmware upgrade		None required (no user data)
32 MByte						

Table 4-2 Vector Models with Baseband Generator (E8267D with Options 601 or 602)

Memory Component, Type and Size	Writable During Normal Operation?	Data Retained When Powered Off?	Purpose/Contents	Data Input Method	Location in Instrument and Remarks	Sanitization Procedure
3. Coprocessor Memory (SRAM) 32 MByte	Yes	No	Operating memory of baseband coprocessor CPU	During normal operation, some user information, such as payload data, can remain in the memory.	This memory is used during normal baseband generator operation. It is not directly accessible by the user. Not battery backed.	Turn off instrument power.
4. Buffer Memory (SRAM) 5 x 512 KByte	No	No	Support buffer memory for ARB and real-time applications	Normal user operation	This memory is used during normal baseband generator operation. It is not directly accessible by the user. Not battery backed.	Turn off instrument power.

Table 4-3 Hard Disk (E8267C/E8267D with Option 005)

Memory Component, Type and Size	Writable During Normal Operation?	Data Retained When Powered Off?	Purpose/Contents	Data Input Method	Location in Instrument and Remarks	Sanitization Procedure
1. Media Storage (Built-in Hard Disk) 6 GByte or 10 GByte (4 GByte usable in both cases)	Yes	Yes	User files, including flatness calibrations, IQ calibration, instrument states, waveforms (including header and marker data), modulation definitions, and sweep lists	User-saved data	The hard disk is an option for vector instruments (E8267D Option 005, and E8267C Option 005) and is therefore not installed in some instruments. If it is installed, these files are stored on the hard disk instead of in flash memory.	The magnetic residue requires several rewrite cycles or drive removal and destruction. User data is completely sanitized by the procedure "Erase and Sanitize All" on page 18.
2. Buffer Memory (DRAM) 512 KByte	No	No	Buffer (cache) memory	Normal operation, via hard disk		Turn off instrument power.

Table 4-4 Flash Drive (E8257N with Options 008 and 340, E8257D/E8663D with Option 008, and E8267D with Option 009)

Memory Component, Type and Size	Writable During Normal Operation?	Data Retained When Powered Off?	Purpose/Contents	Data Input Method	Location in Instrument and Remarks	Sanitization Procedure
1. Memory Storage (Removable Flash drive) Size varies	Yes	Yes	User files, including flatness calibrations, IQ calibration*, instrument states, waveforms (including header and marker data), modulation definitions, and sweep lists (* This is not the instrument calibration data, which is stored in the instrument's main memory. See item 2 in Table 4-1 above.)	User-saved data	The flash drive, E8267D Option 009, replaces the hard drive, E8267D Option 005, on E8267D instruments with serial prefixes ≥ US/MY4829. It is, therefore, not installed in some instruments. If it is installed, these files are stored on the flash drive instead of in flash memory.	User data is completely sanitized by the procedure "Erase and Sanitize All" on page 18. ^a

a. Removing the Flash Drive card from an instrument with one of these options sanitizes the instrument

5 Memory Clearing, Sanitization and Removal Procedures

This chapter describes several security functions you can use to remove sensitive data stored in the instrument before moving it from a secure development environment. The functions described are:

- "Erase All" on page 16
- "Erase and Overwrite All" on page 17
- "Erase and Sanitize All" on page 18
- "Clear Persistent State Information" on page 19

NOTE

The functions described in this chapter are **not** available in the E8257N instrument, unless Option 340 has been installed.

CAUTION

These functions do **not** erase or sanitize external media connected to the instrument's USB port.

CAUTION

Do not use the **Erase All**, **Erase and Overwrite All**, **Erase and Sanitize All**, **Erase**, **Overwrite**, or **Sanitize** procedure with any of these firmware revisions:

E44x8C: C.04.84, C.04.86, C.04.95 E82x7D: C.04.81, C.04.85, C.04.92

E8663B: C.04.90

If your instrument's current firmware revision is among those listed above, please upgrade **immediately** to newer firmware. For details, see "Firmware Update Procedure" on page 22.



Memory Clearing, Sanitization and Removal Procedures Erase All

Erase All

This function removes all user files, user flatness calibrations, user I/Q calibrations, and resets all table editors with original factory values, ensuring that user data and configurations are not accessible or viewable. The instrument appears as if it is in its original factory state, however, the memory is not sanitized. This action is relatively quick, typically taking less than one minute (the exact time depends on the number of files).

Key Sequence: Utility > Memory Catalog > More > Security > Erase All > Confirm Erase

Note that there is a similar but distinct function, as described below, that deletes all user files but does **not** reset the table editors:

Key Sequence: Utility > Memory Catalog > More > Delete All Files

Erase and Overwrite All

This function performs the same actions as **Erase All**, plus it clears and overwrites various memory types, as described below.

Memory Type	Models	Description
CPU Flash	All	User data is erased with flash chip block-erase commands. No overwrite is performed. During erasure, the system files are temporarily moved to main memory and are then restored to CPU Flash when erasure is complete.
Hard Disk	PSG E8267C, E8267D with Option 005 only	All addressable locations are overwritten once with a random character.
Flash Drive	PSG E8257N with Options 008 and 340	All addressable locations are overwritten once with a random character.
	PSG E8257D, E8663D with Option 008	
	PSG E8267D with Option 009	
Key Sequence	Utility > Memory C Confirm Overwrite	eatalog > More > Security > Erase and Overwrite All >

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Erase and Sanitize All

This function performs the same actions as **Erase All**, plus it clears and overwrites the various memory types, as described below.

Memory Type	Models	Description
SRAM	PSG, ESG only	All addressable locations are overwritten once with random characters.
(Battery- backed)		
CPU Flash	PSG	User data is erased with flash chip block-erase commands. No overwrite is performed. During erasure, the system files are temporarily moved to main memory and are then restored to CPU Flash when erasure is complete.
Hard Disk	PSG E8267C, E8267D with Option 005 only	All addressable locations are overwritten with a random character three times.
Flash Drive	PSG E8257N with Options 008 and 340 PSG E8257D, E8663D with Option 008 PSG E8267D with Option 009	All addressable locations are overwritten with a random character three times.

NOTE

The Erase and Sanitize All operation resets the instrument's LAN settings to their factory defaults. For more details, see "LAN Setup" on page 19.

Key Sequence:

 $\label{eq:continuous} \textbf{Utility} > \textbf{Memory Catalog} > \textbf{More} > \textbf{Security} > \textbf{Erase and Sanitize All} > \textbf{Confirm Sanitize}$

Memory Clearing, Sanitization and Removal Procedures Clear Persistent State Information

Clear Persistent State Information

The persistent state settings contain instrument setup information that can be toggled within predefined limits such as display intensity, contrast and the GPIB address. In vector models, the user IQ Cal is also saved in this area.

The following functions can be used to clear the IQ Cal file and to set the operating states that are not affected by an instrument power-on, preset, or *RST command to their factory default:

Instrument Setup

Key Sequence Utility > Power On/Preset > Restore System Defaults > Confirm Restore Sys Defaults

SCPI Command: :SYSTem:PRESet:PERSistent

LAN Setup

The LAN setup (hostname, IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway) information is not modified by an instrument power-on or *RST command.

This information can be changed or cleared by entering new data, or can be reset to the factory default settings by performing an Erase and Sanitize All operation.

User IQ Cal File (Vector Models Only)

When a user-defined IQ Calibration has been performed, the cal file data is removed by using the Erase All feature, or by setting the cal file to default, as follows:

Key Sequence: I/Q > I/Q Calibration > Revert to Default Cal Settings

SCPI Command: :CAL:IQ:DEF

6 Using Secure Mode

NOTE

The "Secure Mode" procedure described here is **not** available on PSG E8257N instruments (unless Option 340 is installed), or on E82x7C instruments with firmware revisions earlier than C.03.76.

Secure Mode automatically applies the selected **Security Level** action the next time the instrument's power is cycled.

To activate Secure Mode, do the following:

Step	Action	Notes	
1	Open the Security Level menu	Press: Utility > Memory Catalog > More > Security > Security Level	
2	Select the Security Level	Available options:	
		 None – equivalent to a factory preset, no user information is lost 	
		 Erase – equivalent to Erase All 	
		 Overwrite – equivalent to Erase and Overwrite All 	
		 Sanitize – equivalent to Erase and Sanitize All 	
3	Activate Secure Mode	CAUTION Once you activate secure mode (by pressing Confirm), you cannot deactivate or decrease the Security Level; the erasure actions for the selected Security Level execute at the next power cycle. Once you activate Secure Mode, you can only increase the Security Level until you cycle power. For example, you can change Erase to Overwrite, but not the reverse.	
		After the power cycle, the Security Level selection remains the same, but the secure mode is not activated.	
		Press: Utility > Memory Catalog > More > Security > Enter Secure Mode > Confirm	
		The Enter Secure Mode softkey changes to Secure Mode Activated .	



7 Using Secure Display

NOTE

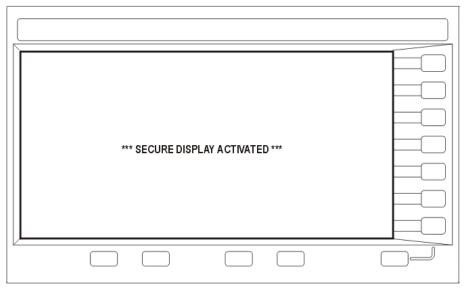
Front panel control of this feature is **not** available on PSG E8257N instruments (unless Option 340 is installed), or on E82x7C instruments with firmware revisions earlier than C.03.76. The feature can be activated remotely, however, using SCPI commands. Refer to the "System Commands" chapter of the instrument's **SCPI Command Reference** for more information.

This function prevents unauthorized personnel from reading the instrument display or tampering with the current configuration via the front panel. When Secure Display is active, the display is blank, except for an advisory message, as shown in Figure 7-1 below. All front panel keys are disabled.

To set Secure Display, press: Utility > Display > More > Activate Secure Display > Confirm Secure Display

Once Secure Display has been activated, the power must be cycled to re-enable the display and front panel keys.

Figure 7-1 Signal Generator Screen with Secure Display Activated





8 Security Issues for Certain Firmware Revisions

If your instrument currently has one of the firmware revisions listed in Table 8-1, using certain security features may cause the deletion of some of the instrument's system files. Before using the security features, update your firmware to the appropriate revision listed in the "Update to" column of Table 8-1.

Table 8-1 Firmware Revisions by Instrument Model

Model	Affected firmware revisions	Update to
E8257D	C.04.81, C.04.85, or C.04.92	C.04.94 or later
E8267D	C.04.81, C.04.85, or C.04.92	C.04.94 or later
E8663B	C.04.90	C.04.93 or later

Firmware Update Procedure

To obtain the latest firmware online, perform the following steps:

- **2.** Under the **Technical Support Tab**, select **Drivers and Software**, and follow the remaining links to the firmware upgrade page.

If web access is not available, Keysight can provide the new firmware on CD-ROM. To obtain the CD-ROM, contact Keysight or your Keysight representative, as described in "Contacting Keysight Sales and Service Offices" on page 5.



Error Messages and Secure Environments

If you cannot upgrade the firmware prior to using the security features, Keysight will help you to recover from error messages that may appear after executing the security functions. The error messages indicate that instrument system files have been erased. The following list shows some possible error messages:

- 256, File name not found; /SYS/LICENSE.TXT
- 617, Configuration Error; License file not found. Creating empty one.
- A missing or damaged system file was encountered while trying to diagnose the system.

Even if these error messages appear, the security function has completely sanitized the instrument. If the instrument is located in a secure environment, it is safe to remove it. After removing it from the secure area, follow the process below to recover the lost system files.

Recovering Erased System Files

To recover the lost files, perform the following steps:

- 1. Obtain your instrument's model and serial number.
- Contact Keysight and request a replacement license file.The Keysight representative will ask for the model and serial number.
- 3. Update the firmware to the revision specified in the "Update to" column of Table 8-1 on page 22.
 - a. If problems occur when upgrading the firmware, manually enter as many license keys as possible using Utility > Instrument
 Adjustments > Instrument Options > Software Options
 - **b.** Upgrade the firmware again.
- **4.** Open Internet Explorer and enter http://<instrument IP address>/update.
- 5. Locate Recover Self-test System Files and click Execute.
- **6.** Locate **Overwrite LICENSE.TXT**, cut and paste the replacement license file (obtained in Step 2) into the text box, and click **Execute**.
- 7. Cycle the power on the instrument.
- **8.** If configuration errors persist after completing the previous steps, contact Keysight again.

9 Procedure for Declassifying a Faulty Instrument

If the instrument is not functional, and you are unable to use the security functions, you may physically remove the Processor board and Hard Disk or Solid State Drive (if installed).

For removal and replacement procedures, refer to the Service Guide for your instrument.

Once the Processor and Hard Disk assemblies have been removed, proceed as in Table 9-1 below:

Table 9-1 Assembly Disposal Procedures

Assembly	Proced ure	
Processor (CPU) Board	Either	
	Discard the processor board and send the instrument to a repair facility. A new Processor Board will be installed, then the instrument will be repaired and calibrated. If the instrument is still under warranty, you will not be charged for the new Processor Board.	
	or	
	If you have another working instrument, install the Processor Board into that instrument and erase the memory. Then reinstall the Processor Board back into the non-working instrument and send it to a repair facility for repair and calibration. If you discover that the Processor Board does not function in the working instrument, discard the Processor Board and note that it caused the instrument failure on the repair order. If the instrument is still under warranty, you will not be charged for the new Processor Board.	
Hard Disk	Either	
(E8267D Option 005, and E8267C Option 005 only)	Discard the Hard Disk and send the instrument to a repair facility. Indicate on the repair order that the Hard Disk was removed and must be replaced. A new Hard Disk will be installed, then the instrument will be repaired and calibrated. If the instrument is still under warranty, you will not be charged for the new hard disk.	
	or	
	Keep the Hard Disk and send the instrument to a repair facility. When the instrument is returned, reinstall the Hard Disk.	
Solid State (Flash) Drive	Remove the Solid State Drive from the instrument, then send the instrument to a repair	
(E8257N Option 008, E8257D/E8663D Option 008, and E8267D Option 009 only)	facility. Indicate on the repair order that the Solid State Drive was removed and must be replaced. When the instrument is returned, reinstall the original Solid State Drive.	



A: References

1. DoD 5220.22-M, "National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (NISPOM)"

United States Department of Defense. Revised February 28, 2006.

http://www.dss.mil/isp/fac_clear/download_nispom.html

2. ISFO Process Manual for the Certification and Accreditation of Classified Systems under the NISPOM

Defense Security Service.

DSS-cleared industries may request a copy of this document via email, by following the instructions at:

http://www.dss.mil/isp/odaa/request.html

3. AT Attachment 8 - ATA/ATAPI Command Set (ATA8-ACS)

INCITS Technical Committee T13/1699-D Revision 6a, September 6th, 2008

This standard may be downloaded in Acrobat (PDF) format from the INCITS T13 web site:

http://www.t13.org/documents/UploadedDocuments/docs2008/D1699r6a-ATA8-ACS.pdf

4. Installation Guide

Keysight Technologies Inc.

http://literature.cdn.keysight.com/litweb/pdf/E8251-90352.pdf

5. **Programming Guide**

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http://literature.cdn.keysight.com/litweb/pdf/E8251-90355.pdf

6. SCPI Programmers Reference

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8. Service Guide

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