

ELECTRON TUBE DEPARTMENT COMPONENTS DIVISION INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CORPORATION, CLIFTON, NEW JERSEY

TENTATIVE

DESCRIPTION:

THE F-7173 IS A 4 INCH IATRON (DIRECT VIEW STORAGE CATHODE-RAY TUBE) THAT PRODUCES A BRIGHT VISUAL DISPLAY OF ELECTRICALLY STORED INFORMATION. IT IS ELECTROMAGNETICALLY FOCUSED AND DEFLECTED. THE TUBE DISPLAYS BRIGHT IMAGES ON A DARK BACKGROUND, CAN BE VIEWED IN DIRECT SUNLIGHT, AND FEATURES THE ABILITY TO WRITE, STORE, AND ERASE INFORMATION AT WILL. GREY SHADES ARE PRODUCED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AMPLITUDE VARIATIONS OF THE INPUT SIGNAL. THE TUBE HAS TWO ELECTRON GUNS, A WRITING GUN, WHICH WRITES THE INPUT SIGNAL ON A STORAGE MESH, AND A FLOOD GUN WHICH ILLUMINATES THE PHOSPHOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STORED SIGNAL.

GENERAL:

DIMENSIONS	SEE OUTLINE AND FUNCTIONAL SCHEMATIC
NOMINAL TUBE DIAMETER	4 Inches
MINIMUM USEFUL DISPLAY DIAMETER	3 INCHES
Phosphor	P-20 ALUMINIZED
OPERATING POSITION	Any
CATHODE PRE-HEATING TIME	60 SECONDS
Focus	MAGNETIC
DEFLECTION	MAGNETIC
DIRECT INTERELECTRODE CAPACITANCES W	
GRID #1 TO ALL OTHER ELECTRODES	2.5 UUF

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3.0 UUF

MAXIMUM RATINGS:

WRITE CATHODE TO ALL OTHER ELECTRODES

FLOOD CATHODE TO ALL OTHER ELECTRODES

VIEWING SCREEN		10	ΚV	DC		
BACKING ELECTRO	DDE	25	VDC			
COLLECTOR		200	VDC			
Anode #2		75	VDC			
GRID #3	INTERNALLY CONNECTED TO	Anode #2				
GRID #2		250	VDC	RESPECT	WRITE	CATHODE
GRID #1		0	VDC	RESPECT	WRITE	CATHODE
WRITE CATHODE		-1000	VDC			
HEATER-CATHODE		125	VDC			
FLOOD CATHODE		200	VDC			

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TYPICAL OPERATING VALUES:

FLOOD SECTION

VIEWING SCREEN BACKING ELECTRODE COLLECTOR ANODE #2	f 125		DC AND	700 U	A MAXIM Pulses	IUM ;
Anode #1 Cathode Heater	΄ ο	VDC VDC	AC	or DC	1.4 A	

WRITE SECTION

HEATER	6.3 V AC OR DC .6A
CATHODE	-450 VDC 3 MA
GRID #1 (NOTE 1)	-40 VDC RESPECT WRITE CATHODS
GRID #2	₹150 VDC RESPECT WRITE CATHODI
GRID #3	INTERNALLY CONNECTED TO ANODE #2

RANGE OF OPERATING ADJUSTMENTS:

Anode #2	∤ 35 το ∤ 50	VDC ADJUST F	OR BEST COLLIMATION
GRID #1 (CUTOFF - NOTE 1)			WRITE CATHODE
ERASE PULSES	4-10 Volts	100-5000 PRF	.5 U/SEC. WIDE

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE:

RESOLUTION (NOTE 2)		_
MINIMUM BRIGHTNESS		LINES/INCH
MAXIMUM BRIGHTNESS	50	LINES/INCH
LIGHT OUTPUT	2800	FT. LAMBERTS
WRITING SPEED TO 90% BRIGHTNESS	40000	IN/SEC.
ERASE TIME (NOTE 3)	3	MILLISECONDS
VIEWING TIME (NOTE 4)	30	SECONDS

NOTES:

- 1. VISUAL CUTOFF OF THE STORED, FOCUSED, UNDEFLECTED SPOT.
- 2. RESOLUTION IS MEASURED BY THE SHRINKING RASTER METHOD AT THE CENTER OF THE VIEWING SCREEN.
- 3. ERASE TIME IS THE SHORTEST TIME IN WHICH INFORMATION CAN BE REMOVED FROM THE TUBE AFTER BEING STORED AT FULL BRIGHTNESS.
- 4. VIEWING TIME IS THE TIME THAT A SIGNAL STORED AT FULL BRIGHTNESS ANYWHERE IN THE DISPLAY AREA CAN BE VIEWED WITH ERASE PULSES APPLIED TO COUNTERACT ION WRITING.
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SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS:

OBSERVE MAXIMUM RATINGS TO AVOID POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO THE TUBE. IN PARTICULAR THE VIEWING SCREEN VOLTAGE SHOULD BE LIMITED SO AS TO NEVER EXCEED 10 KV.

THE FULL VOLTAGE SHOULD NOT BE APPLIED TO THE VIEWING SCREEN INSTANTANEOUSLY. AN ORDINARY RC FILTER AT THE OUTPUT OF THE POWER SUPPLY WILL PROVIDE ADEQUATE ASSURANCE THAT THE VOLTAGE BUILD UP WILL NOT BE TOO ABRUPT. THE VIEWING SCREEN POWER SUPPLY SHOULD HAVE A SERIES RESISTANCE OF AT LEAST 1 MEG OHM.

REPEATED BOMBARDMENT WITH A HIGH CURRENT FOCUSED BEAM ON A SMALL AREA OF THE STORAGE SURFACE CAN BURN A DARK IMAGE INTO THE DISPLAY WHICH MAY REMAIN FOR SEVERAL HOURS OR EVEN PERMANENTLY. THEREFORE, THE DEFLECTION VOLTAGES SHOULD BE APPLIED BEFORE OPERATING THE WRITING BEAM.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR SPECIFIC APPLICATIONS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE

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