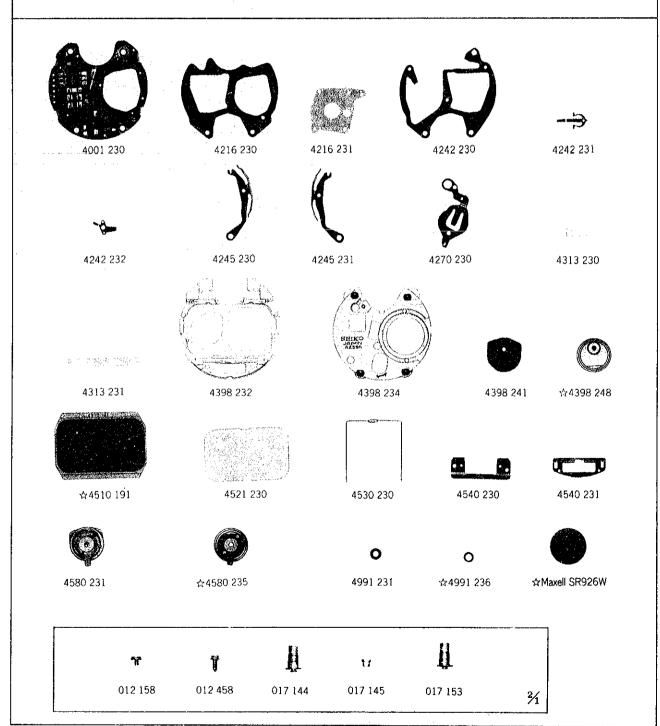
# SEIKO DIGITAL QUARTZ

Cal. A259A

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#### Characteristics

Casing diameter:

₫ 28.0 mm

Maximum height:

4.9 mm without battery

Frequency of quartz crystal oscillator: 32,768 Hz (Hz = Hertz . . . . Cycles per second)

Time and catendar display: Digital Display System showing hour, minute, second, month, date and day of the week

Weekly alarm display: Can be set to operate at any desired minute and hour on designated day.

Interval timer display: Can be set to operate at any desired interval (minute and hour) up to 15 hours and 59 minutes.

Stopwatch display: Digital Display System showing 12-hour, minute and second (or minute, second and 1/100 second up to 20 minutes measurement) on both the upper row and the lower row. The lap time is displayed in the upper row and accumulated elapsed time in the lower row at the same time by simply depressing a button.

Display medium: Nematic Liquid Crystal, FE-Mode

Regulation system: Trimmer condenser system

Illuminating light: Illuminates the display in the dark by depressing the light button.

Battery life indicator: All the digits in the display begin flashing.

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#### Remarks:

#### Liquid crystal panel

# 4510 191 Be sure that the combination between the color of panel cover and liquid crystal # 4510 192 panel should be matched according to the "SEIKO Quartz Casing Parts Li panel should be matched according to the "SEIKO Quartz Casing Parts List".

#### Speaker block frame, Spaker block, Gasket for speaker block

The parts designated with these parts numbers are manufactured specially for ☆4580 235 } ······ SPORTS 100 type water resistant case. Be sure to use these parts for maintaing ☆4991 236 high water-resistant quality.

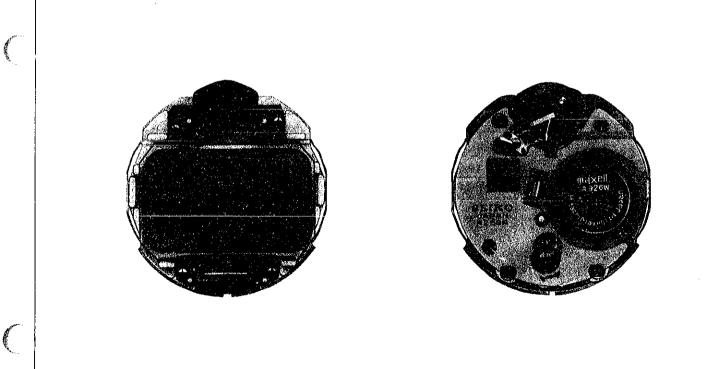
The applied battery for this calibre might be added the substitutive in the future. In that case, please refer to separate "BATTERIES FOR SEIKO QUARTZ WATCHES".

<sup>☆⇔</sup>Please see remarks.

## TECHNICAL GUIDE

# SEIKO DIGITAL QUARTZ

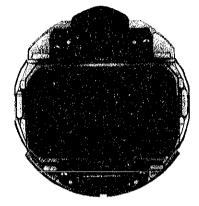
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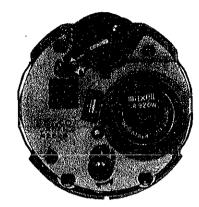


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#### Calibre A259A





Module

#### I. SPECIFICATIONS

#### 1. Specifications

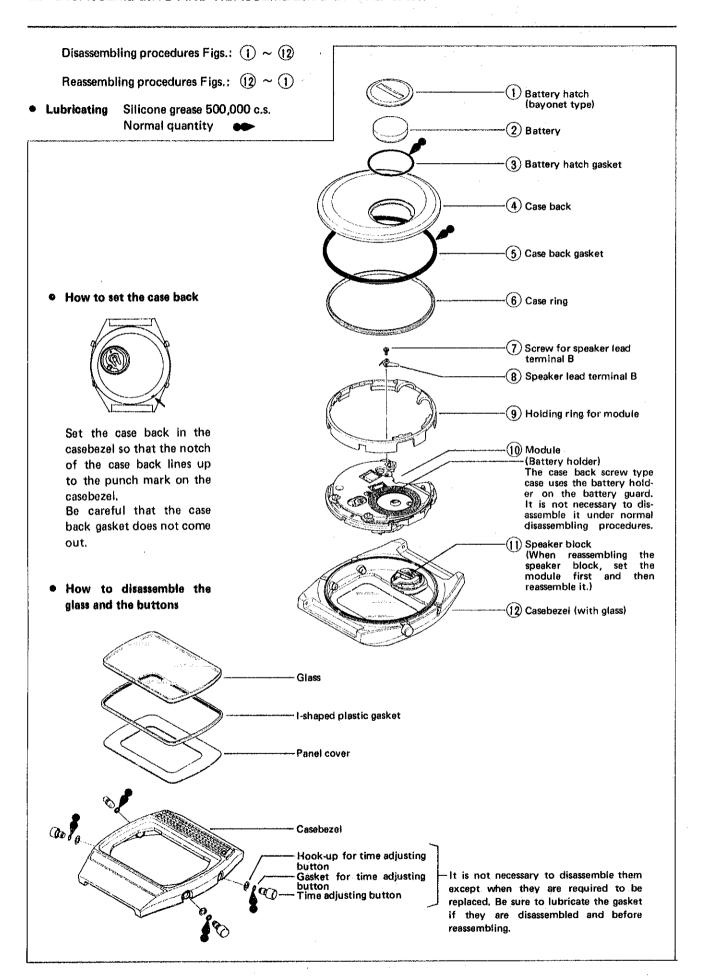
Item	Cal. No. A259A	
Display medium	Nematic Liquid Crystal, FEM (Field Effect Mode)	
Display system	<ul> <li>Time and calendar display Hour, minute, second, month, date and day of the week</li> <li>12-hour digital display system</li> <li>Automatic calendar system (Automatically adjusts for even and odd months except February of leap years.)</li> <li>"A" (for A.M.)/"P" (for P.M.) mark is displayed only when the time digits are adjusted.</li> <li>Weekly alarm display Upper row: Alarm set time</li> <li>Digital display system showing hour, minute, "A" (for A.M.)/"P" (for P.M.), day of the week, function mark and alarm mark.</li> <li>12-hour digital display system Lower row: Present time</li> <li>Digital display system showing hour, minute and second.</li> <li>Interval timer display Upper row: Alarm set time</li> <li>Digital display system showing hour, minute, function mark and alarm mark.</li> <li>16-hour digital display system Lower row: Elapsed time</li> <li>Digital display system showing hour, minute and second.</li> <li>Stopwatch display Upper row: Lap time</li> <li>Digital display system showing minute, second, 1/100 second and function mark.</li> </ul>	

	Lower row: Accumulated time  Digital display system showing minute, second and 1/100 second.  12-hour digital display system  When the measuring time is over 20 minutes, the display is slid automatically to "hour, minute and second" from "minute, second and 1/100 second".)	
Additional mechanism	<ul> <li>Time signal function</li> <li>The alarm rings every hour on the hour.</li> <li>Weekly alarm function</li> <li>The alarm rings for 20 seconds at the designated time on the set day of the week.</li> <li>Interval timer function</li> <li>The alarm rings for 10 seconds. (It rings for 5 seconds when the interval is set up to 15 minutes.)</li> <li>Forced repeater: Instant reset to the set time while the interval is measured.</li> <li>Confirmation sound for operation</li> <li>Stopwatch function</li> <li>Confirmation sound for operation</li> <li>Alarm test system</li> <li>It functions only when the time and the weekly alarm are displayed.</li> <li>Battery life indicator</li> <li>Illuminating light</li> <li>Changeover confirmation sound</li> </ul>	
Crystal oscillator	32,768 Hz (Hz = Hertz Cycle per second)	
Loss/gain	Loss/gain at normal temperature range  Monthly rate: less than 10 seconds  (Annual rate: less than 2 minutes)	
Casing diameter	φ 28,00 mm	
Height	4.9 mm without battery	
Operational temperature range	-10°C~+60°C (14°F~140°F)	
Regulation system	Trimmer condenser	
Battery life	Battery life is approximately 1 year.  When the bulb is used: 5 seconds or less per day  When the weekly alarm is used: 20 seconds or less per day  When the interval timer is used: 20 seconds or less per day	
Battery power	Silver oxide battery Maxell SR926W Voltage: 1.55 V	
IC (Integrated Circuit)	C-MOS-LSI 1 unit Bipolar IC 1 unit	

#### 2. Features

SEIKO Digital Quartz Alarm Chronograph A259A is a multifunctional digital watch which, in addition to the time and calendar function, is also provided with the stopwatch function capable of measuring both the lap time and the accumulated time at the same time as well as the weekly alarm function (enables the alarm to ring at the designated time and day) and the interval timer function (enables the alarm to ring repeatedly at every designated interval).

#### II. DISASSEMBLING AND REASSEMBLING OF THE CASE



Remarks for disassembling and reassembling

#### 8 How to set the speaker lead terminal B

Set the speaker lead terminal B to the battery guard as shown in the illustration on the right. Handle the speaker lead terminals A and B so as not to deform them.

#### (10) How to disassemble the module

#### Disassembling

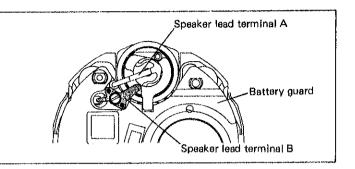
Hold the battery guard with tweezers and pull out the module toward you so as not to deform the tip (arrow-marked portion) of the speaker lead terminal A.

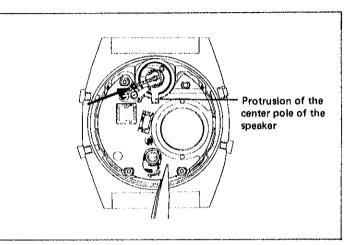
#### Reassembling

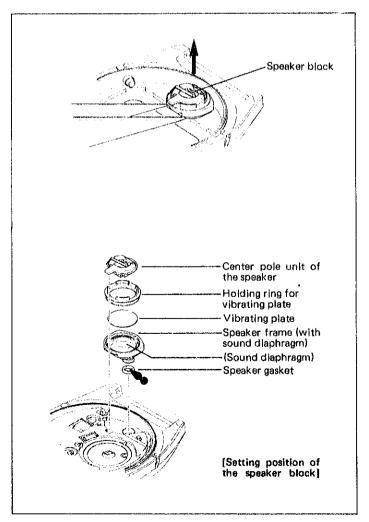
When the protrusion of the center pole unit of the speaker is out of position, set it in position by turning it with tweezers.

#### (1) Speaker block

- As the speaker block is fixed to the casebezel, disassemble it by inserting the tips of tweezers under it and lifting it up.
- When holding and lifting up the protrusion of the center pole unit of the speaker with tweezers, it may occur that only the center pole unit of the speaker is removed. Set the speaker block so that dust may not enter inside.
- When the vibrating plate or sound diaphragm is deformed, it may cause the tone or volume of the alarm to change. Be sure to handle it carefully.







 Refer to the Technical Guide for Cal. A229A for disassembling and reassembling of the glass.

#### III. DISASSEMBLING AND REASSEMBLING

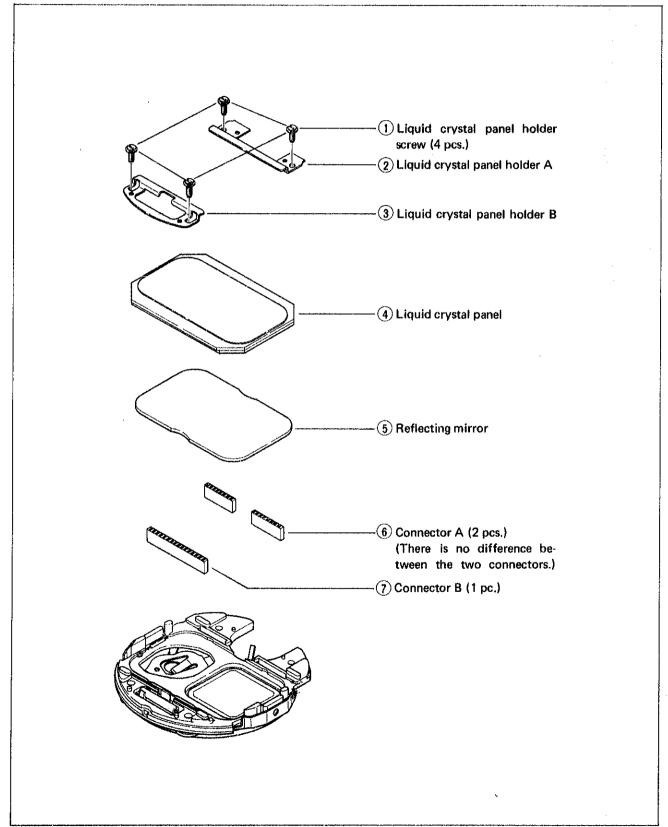
Disassembling procedures Figs.: (1) ~ (16)

Reassembling procedures Figs.:

(16) ~ (1)

• Use the module holder S-645 for disassembling and reassembling.

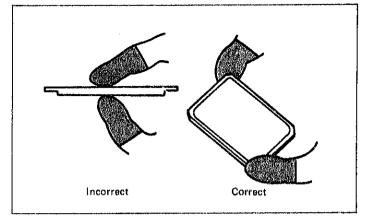
#### 1. Liquid crystal panel side



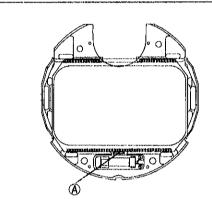
#### Remarks for disassembling and reassembling

#### (4) Liquid crystal panel

Be sure to handle the liquid crystal panel with a fingercot. Be careful not to push hard the surface of the liquid crystal panel with a finger.



Be sure to reassemble the liquid crystal panel to the liquid crystal panel frame.



Make sure that the liquid crystal panel is not positioned on the spring (A) of the liquid crystal panel of the liquid crystal panel frame.

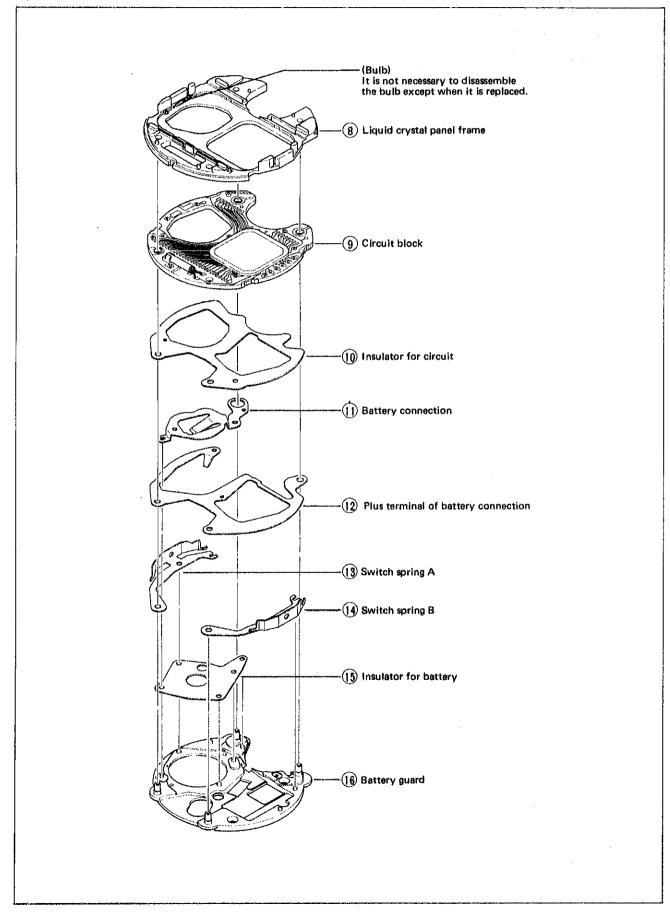
#### **5** Reflecting mirror

Be sure to handle the reflecting mirror with a fingercot. When it is handled with tweezers, it may cause the surface to be scratched.

#### 67 Connector A, B

There are used 3 connectors. The black portions are conductive. Check to see if there is any scratch, contamination, dust or lint.

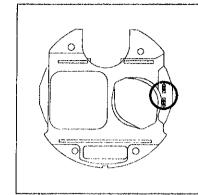
#### 2. Switch mechanism

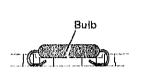


Remarks for disassembling and reassembling

#### 8 Liquid crystal panel frame

When the bulb is reassembled to the liquid crystal panel frame, bend the bulb lead terminals correctly and set them in position as shown in the illustration on the right.

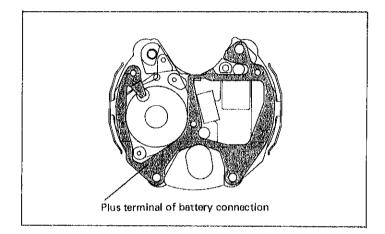




Put the tips of the bulb lead terminals into the holes of the liquid crystal panel frame.

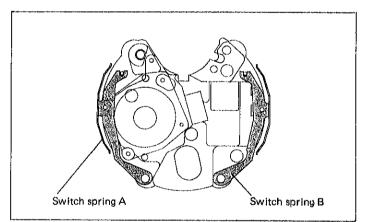
#### 12 Plus terminal of battery connection

The plus terminal of the battery connection is thin. Be sure to handle it so as not to deform it.



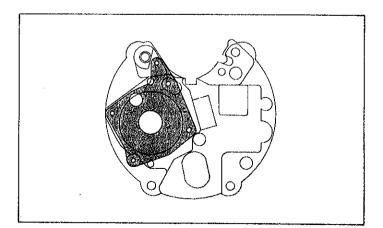
#### 13 14 Switch spring A, B

Reassemble the switch springs A and B to the battery guard as shown in the illustration on the right. Be careful not to mistake the front for the back. The switch components are on the front side (upper side).

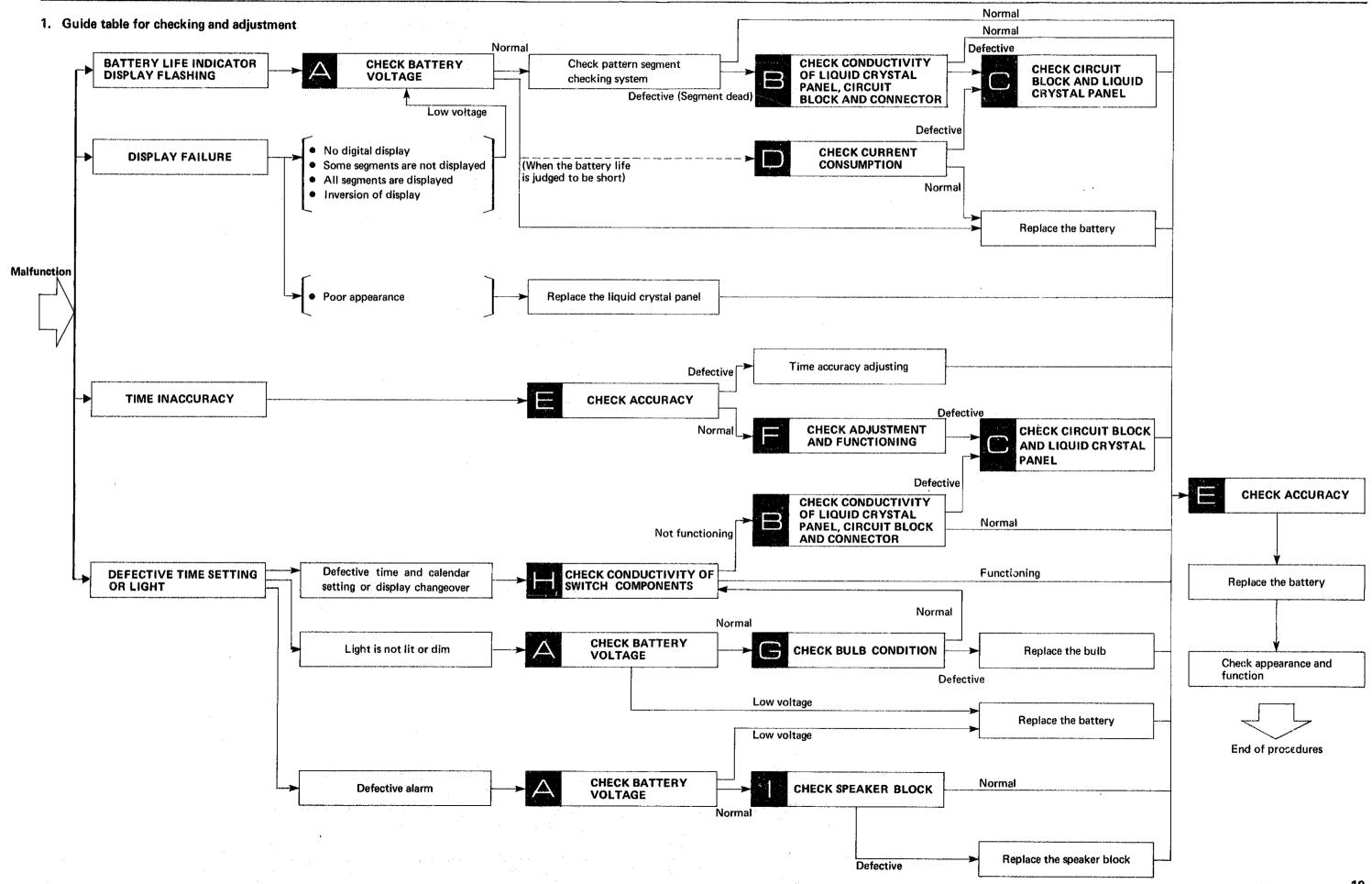


#### (15) Insulator for battery

Reassemble the insulator for battery to the battery guard as shown in the illustration on the right.

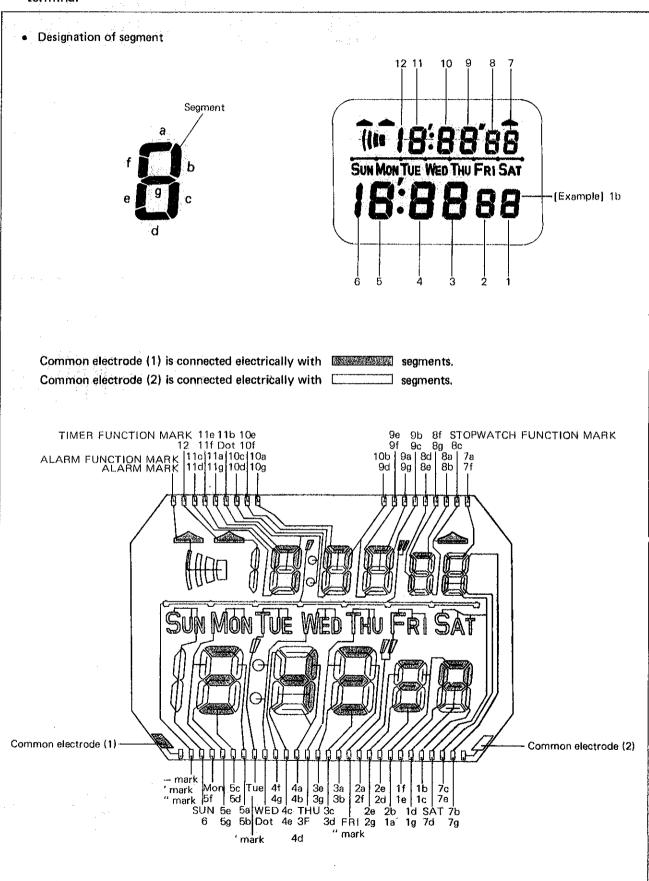


#### IV. CHECKING AND ADJUSTMENT



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### 2. Relationship between the segment (Liquid Crystal Panel Electrode) and the C-MOS-LSI output terminal



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#### 3. Procedures for checking and adjustment Result and repair **Procedures** Check battery voltage. • Set up the volt-ohm-meter. Range to be used: DC 3 V VOLTAGE Measuring Probe Red (+) . . . . . . . Battery surface (+) Probe Black (-) ..... Battery surface (-) More than 1.5 V: Normal Less than 1.5V: Defective CHECK BATTERY Replace the battery with a new one. When the button (B) on the upper left is Only one segment does depressed and held for 3 to 4 seconds, all not light up: Proceed to the segments are displayed. Check to see Replace the liquid crystal which segment is defective. (When all (18:88.8g panel. the segments are lit, the daily rate can be Two or more segments are 18:88:88 easily measured.) not displayed: Proceed to (1) Check to see if the screws are tightened firmly. No loosened screws: Normal Proceed to III (2). CHECK CONDUCTIVITY OF LIQUID CRYSTAL PANEL, CIRCUIT BLOCK AND CONNECTOR Loosened screws: Defective Retighten the screws. (2) Check for dust, lint, contamination, break, scratch or crack on the conductive portions shown in the illustration below. No dust, lint or contamination: Normal Circuit block Connector Liquid crystal Dust, lint or contamipanel electrode nation: Defective Wipe off any foreign Electrode matter.

No break, crack or scratch:

Break, crack or scratch:

Replace with new ones.

Normal

Defective

Glass defect

Break Contamination,

Check the sides of 4 switch

components.

#### Result and repair **Procedures** 1. Check to see if the electric signal flows into the connector from the circuit block correctly. (1) Remove the liquid crystal panel. (2) Tighten the liquid crystal panel holder screws (4 pcs.) and sup-More than 0.8 V: Normal ply the voltage power (1.5 V). Use the battery or the Electricity Less than 0.8 V: Defective Supplier (S-833) for supplying voltage power. Replace the circuit block with a new one. Set up the volt-ohm-meter. Range to be used: DC 3 V Probe Red (+) .... Screw heads Probe Black (-) . . Black portions of the connector (Apply the probe to several portions.) CHECK CIRCUIT BLOCK AND LIQUID CRYSTAL PANEL 2, Check for broken coil wire, short circuit, etc. of the liquid crystal Lights up: Normal (1) Turn the liquid crystal panel upside down. Does not light up: Defective (2) Set up the volt-ohm-meter. Replace the liquid Range to be used: OHMS R x 1 crystal panel. (Any range will do if more than 3 V is applied to the terminal of the volt-ohm-meter.) (3) Apply the probes to the common electrode and the segment electrode of the liquid crystal panel. (Either red or black probe will do.) mmon electrode (2) Common electrode (1) • The two common electrodes are provided on the liquid crystal panel. Each segment shows up by the potential difference between each segment and one of the two common electrodes. • See the illustration on page 11 for the combination of each segment and the common electrodes (1) and (2).

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	Procedures	Result and repair
2	<ul> <li>Check to see if the current consumption is normal.</li> <li>(1) Set up the volt-ohm-meter. Range to be used: DC 12 μA</li> <li>(2) Measuring Probe Red (+) Battery connection Probe Black (-) Battery surface (-)</li> </ul>	Less than 2.5 μA: Normal Replace the battery with a new one.  More than 2.5 μA: Defective Proceed to
CHECK CURRENT CONSUMPTION	Measure the current consumption in such a manner as shown in the illustration below.  Probe Red (+)  Probe Black ()  Note: If the pointer of the volt-ohm-meter scales out the maximum value and the current consumption cannot be measured, reset its range, e.g. at DC 30 mA. Next, when the pointer is stabilized return the range to DC 12 uA (or 0.03 mA) with	
CHECK ACCURACY	Stabilized, return the range to DC 12 \( \mu A \) (or 0.03 mA) with the probes applied and read the value indicated.  Check loss and gain of time.  (1) In the time display, depress and hold button (a) for 3 to 4 seconds and light up all the segments. When all the segments are lit, the daily rate can be easily measured.  Button (b)  Depress any one of the buttons to return the display to the time display.  (2) Set up the Quartz Tester.  Use the Electric-field detection microphone for the liquid crystal watch.	Does not lose or gain: Normal  Loses or gains: Defective  Rroceed to Time accuracy adjusting.  Time accuracy is adjusted by turning the trimmer condenser.

	Procedures	Result and repair
AND FUNCTIONING	Check to see if the display can be changed and adjusted correctly by button operation.  (1) Check the adjustment.  Check to see if the button operation and the adjustment correspond correctly in all time adjusting functions.  Check the watch in all adjusting functions through more than one round of functioning.  Check the functioning.  Check to see if the time display, weekly alarm display, interval timer display and stopwatch display change and function correctly.	Function correctly and can be adjusted:  Normal: Proceed to
CONDITION	Check to see if the bulb functions correctly.  (1) Set up the volt-ohm-meter.  Range to be used: OHMS R x 1  (2) Measuring  Apply the probes to both sides of the bulb.  (Either red or black probe will do.)	Lights up: Normal Does not light up: Defective Replace the bulb with a new one.
	Check to see if the switch components function correctly (with the module reassembled).	
CHECK CONDUCTIVITY OF SWITCH COMPONENTS	Clearance  Clearance	Functions correctly: Normal Proceed to [1] (2).  Does not function correctly: Defective (If adjustment is impossible, replace the switch spring with a new one.)
	<ul> <li>(1) Check to see if when the switch spring portions A, B, C and D are pushed with tweezers, they contact the circuit block electrode and to see if when the tweezers are released, there is a clearance about twice the width of the switch spring.</li> <li>(2) Check for any dust, lint or contamination on the conductive portions.</li> </ul>	No dust, lint or contamination: Normal Dust, lint or contamination: Defective Wipe off any foreign

