

# PANASONIC TROUBLE SHOOTING GUIDE

## A General Guide To Room Style Products



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### Selecting Test Run

Every unit has an Emergency (marked Auto (Off/On) button  
 Pressing this for less than five seconds initiates Emergency Operation  
 Pressing this for seven seconds initiates Test Cooling  
 Pressing this for ten seconds initiates Test Heating

Wire	E	1	2	3	4
Cool Only	Earth	Live	Neutral	N/A	N/A
Heat Pump	Earth	Live	Neutral	Heating	Defrost
Inverter	Earth	Live	Neutral	Comms	N/A

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Indoor Air All	30K Ohms	18K Ohms	12K Ohms
Indoor Pipe All	40K Ohms	25K Ohms	16K Ohms
Outdoor Air Singles	30K Ohms	18K Ohms	12K Ohms
Outdoor Pipe Singles	10K Ohms	6K Ohms	3K Ohms
Compressor Singles	100K Ohms	60K Ohms	40K Ohms
All Outdoor Multis	40K Ohms	25K Ohms	16K Ohms

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## Fault Diagnostics

Fault Codes are only used on Inverter Systems. Both Single and Super Multi Inverter Systems use the same fault codes as below.  
Outdoor Codes are ONLY used by the Super Inverter Multi systems models 23 and 27, NOT single systems.

When a Fault Occurs the Timer Lamp will start flashing and the unit stops  
Turning the Power Off will reset the unit but will not clear the fault code  
The unit will remember up to three fault codes.

### To find the fault code

Ensure power is on at the unit and point the remote controller at it so a signal can be received  
For single systems (CSE and CSXE) press the CHECK button for more than 5 seconds  
For Multi systems (CSME) press the Timer Setting Up Arrow for more than five seconds  
H11 will appear on the Remote Control Display - this indicates that Interrogate Mode is Operational  
Use the Timer Setting Up and Down Arrows to scroll between fault codes until four beeps are heard - this shows the Fault Code

Fault Codes are cleared from memory by setting Test Cooling and shorting the RESET terminals in the controller battery compartment.

Code Reference	Outdoor LEDs - CU3E23 & CU4E27 Only				Meaning	Likely Cause
	LED 1	LED 2	LED 3	LED 4		
H11	Off	Off	Off	Off	Comms Failure	Faulty Wiring or other problem with ID to OD communication
H12	Off	Off	Off	Off	ID/OD Compatibility Problem	Over or Underindexed multi system
H14	Off	Off	Off	Off	Indoor Air Sensor Faulty	Sensor Disconnected, Faulty or Contacts Dirty
H15	Off	Off	Off	Off	Compressor Sensor Faulty	Sensor Disconnected, Faulty or Contacts Dirty
H16	On	On	Off	Off	Current Transformer Problem	Power Transistor Module or Outdoor PCB Faulty. Very Low Gas
H19	Off	Off	Off	Off	Indoor Fan Motor Locked	Fan Motor or Indoor PCB Failure
H21	Off	Off	Off	Off	Float Switch Operated	Check Drainage
H23	Off	Off	Off	Off	Indoor Pipe Sensor Faulty	Sensor Disconnected, Faulty or Contacts Dirty
H27	Off	Off	Off	Off	Outdoor Air Sensor Faulty	Sensor Disconnected, Faulty or Contacts Dirty
H28	Off	Off	Off	Off	Outdoor Pipe Sensor Faulty	Sensor Disconnected, Faulty or Contacts Dirty
H30	Off	Off	Off	Off	Outdoor Discharge Sensor 1 Faulty	Sensor Disconnected, Faulty or Contacts Dirty
H32	Off	Off	Off	Off	Outdoor Discharge Sensor 2 Faulty	Sensor Disconnected, Faulty or Contacts Dirty
H33	Off	Off	Off	Off	Incorrect Connection Voltage	Indoor or Outdoor Voltage Incorrect/Faulty Wiring
H34	Off	Off	Off	On	Outdoor Heat Sink Sensor Faulty	Sensor Disconnected, Faulty or Contacts Dirty
H36	Off	Off	Off	Off	Outdoor Gas Sensor Faulty	Sensor Disconnected, Faulty or Contacts Dirty
H37	Off	Off	Off	Off	Outdoor Liquid Sensor Faulty	Sensor Disconnected, Faulty or Contacts Dirty
H39	Off	Off	Off	Off	Abnormal Indoor Operation	Incorrect Piping or Expansion Valve Problem
H41	Off	Off	Off	Off	Abnormal Wiring or Piping	Wiring or Piping Crossed on a Twin System
H97	Off	Off	Off	Off	Outdoor Fan Failure	Outdoor Fan Motor or PCB Failure
H98	On	Off	On	On	Indoor Coil Overheat (Heat Mode)	Dirty Filters or Indoor Coil. Very High Room Temperature
H99	On	Off	On	On	Indoor Coil De-Ice (Cool Mode)	Dirty Filters or Indoor Coil. Low Gas Charge or Low Ambient Temp
F11	On	Off	Off	Off	Reversing Valve Failure	Faulty Reversing Valve, Coil or Outdoor PCB
F17	On	Off	On	On	Standby Units Freezing	Multi Only. Expansion Valve Leakage
F90	On	Off	Off	On	PFC Failure	Problem with Inverter or Compressor
F91	Off	Off	On	On	Refrigeration Cycle Problem	Low Gas or Blockage
F93	Off	On	On	Off	Compressor Abnormal Revolution	Compressor Running Incorrectly
F95	Off	Off	Off	Off	Outdoor Coil Overheat (Cool Mode)	Dirty Condenser Coil, low gas or blockage
F96	Off	Off	Off	Off	IPM or Compressor Overheating	Excess or Low Gas Charge or dirty heat exchanger
F97	On	On	On	On	High Discharge/Compressor Temp	Low Gas Charge or Failed Compressor
F98	Off	On	Off	On	Overcurrent Protection	Outdoor Heat Exchanger Problem. Excess Gas
F99	Off	Off	On	Off	DC Overcurrent Protection	Outdoor PC, Power Transistor or Compressor Failure
None	On	On	Off	On	Control Box Overheating	Maintenance Required on OD Unit

For models CU3E23 & CU4E27 only there is a Green LED which normally flashes  
If this is LIT then turn the power Off then On again. If it still does not flash the Outdoor PCB is Faulty.  
If this is Off then there is a problem with the power supply.

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## Panasonic Free Style Products



### General comments for Pipework, Indoor & Outdoor Units

- In general the Free Style product follows the notes for US Systems
- These are shown on page 140.
- Model specific comments and Fault Codes are shown here.

### Selecting Test Run

At Handset press RUN then TEST BUTTONS  
 At OD UNIT press TEST HEAT or TEST COOL button  
 Unit will run for 30 minutes in test mode  
 For R410a models gas pipe temp will be displayed.

### Wiring Schedule

Series	E	1	2	3	4
R22/R407C	Earth	Live	Neutral	Comms	Comms
R410a	Earth	Live	Neutral	Comms	Comms

### Sensor Resistances

Use these to check sensors  
 All values in KOHms

	Sensor	At 0C	At 10C	At 20C	At 30C
R22/407C	Air Sensor	67K	40K	25K	16K
R22/407C	Pipe Sensor	67K	40K	25K	16K
R410a	Air Sensor	51K	30K	19K	12K
R410a	ID Pipe	67K	40K	25K	16K
R410a	OD Disch	168K	101K	63K	40K
R410a	OD Pipe (X3)	16K	10K	6K	4K

## Fault Diagnostics – Older Style FS Units R22

### First generation series 11NP Series with E style fault codes

Press check on the Wired Controller to call up the Fault Codes.

Fault Code At Remote	Indoor Unit PCB			Meaning Of Fault Code
	LED1	LED2	LED3	
E1	Flash	Flash	Flash	Signal from RC to ID Unit faulty
E2	Lit			Float Switch
E3		Lit		Air Sensor Faulty
E4			Lt	Pipe sensor Faulty

### Second Generation 21NP Series with F Fault Codes

Press Check on the Wired Controller to call up the Fault Codes

Fault Code At Remote	Indoor Unit PCB				Outdoor Unit PCB				Meaning Of Fault Code
	LED1	LED2	LED3	LED4	LED1	LED2	LED3	LED4	
F2	Lit	Lit		Lit	Lit				Float switch
F3		Lit			Lit				Indoor Air Sensor Faulty
F4			Lit		Lit				Indoor Air Sensor Faulty
F5	Lit	Lit	Lit	Lit	Lit				Signal from RC to ID faulty
F5	Lit	Lit			Lit				No Signal from ID to RC
F6		Lit	Lit	Lit	Lit				Signal from ID to OD faulty
F6			Lit	Lit	Lit				No Signal from Od to ID
F13	Lit				Lit			Lit	OD Unit Overcurrent Protection
F15	Lit				Lit	Lit			HP Switch
F18	Lit		Lit				Lit		Outdoor Pipe Sensor Faulty

### Third Generation 32JP Models and Later

Press Check on the Wired Handset and use the Fault Codes on the next page. **Please Note:** The LED codes shown are not applicable to R22/R407c units but the F codes are

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## Fault Codes – FS Series

### Current Models R410a

Pressing Check on the wired remote while CHECK is flashing will give the Fault and the address of the unit with the Fault

Pressing Timer Set with the fault displayed will display a second code giving further information (detail code)

Pressing Check for 5 seconds will check past faults

On wireless handsets press the temp up for 5 seconds to enter error check mod

Scroll through the codes using the temp up button until a beep is heard from the indoor unit

Press set and repeat until the full code is displayed

F Code	Detail	Outdoor LED							Meaning			
		Display	302	303	304	305	306	307		308	309	Of Code
F15	O1			Flash	Flash	Flash			See Note 1		Drain Failure	
F16	O1							Flash	See Note 1		Louvre Failure	
F17	O1								See Note 1		Option Problem	
F17	O2		Flash	Flash				Flash	See Note 1		DC Fan Motor Failure	
F20	O1					Flash		Flash	See Note 1		ID Air Sensor	
F20	O2		Flash					Flash	See Note 1		RC Air Sensor	
F21	O1			Flash		Flash		Flash	See Note 1		ID Pipe Sensor	
F25	O1		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6							See Note 1		Addressing Incorrect
F26	O1				Flash		Flash	Flash	See Note 1		RC Comms Problem	
F27	O1			Flash	Flash			Flash	See Note 1		ID - OD Comms Disconnected ID	
F27	O2		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6							See Note 1		ID - OD Comms Connection ID
F27	O5		Flash	Flash	Flash		Flash	Flash	See Note 1		ID - OD Comms Connection ID	
F27	O1		Flash		Flash			Flash			ID - OD Comms Disconnected OD	
F27	O2		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6									ID - OD Comms Connection OD
F27	O5						Flash				ID - OD Comms Connection OD	
F29	O1		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6									ID PCB Setting
F30	O1							Flash			ID/OD Capacity Incorrect	
F30	O2				Flash			Flash			Phase Rotation	
F31	O1			Flash							Low Pressure	
F31	O2		Flash								High Pressure	
F31	O6				Flash	Flash					Reversing Valve	
F31	O8			Flash				Flash			Indoor Coil Iced	
F31	O9			Flash	Flash	Flash					Gas Leak	
F31	10			Flash	Flash			Flash			Low Gas, Valve Shut or Blockage	
F32	O3				Flash			Flash			Inverter Low dc Volts	
F32	O4		Flash	Flash				Flash			Inverter IPM	
F32	O5		Flash	Flash							Compressor Overcurrent	
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F32	O9		Flash					Flash			Inverter High dc Volts	
F32	10		Flash	Flash	Flash						Compressor Rotation Problem	
F33	O1		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6									Compressor High Current
F33	O2		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6									High Discharge Temp
F35	2			Flash				Flash			OD dc Fan Motor Locked	
F40	O1				Flash						OD Outlet Sensor	
F40	11					Flash					Suction Temp	
F40	21		Flash		Flash						OD Liquid Sensor	
F40	31		Flash	Flash	Flash						Defrost Sensor	
F40	51			Flash	Flash						Discharge Sensor	
F40	41		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6									Discharge Sensor
F40	61		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6									OD Pipe Sensor
F41	O2		Flash	Flash				Flash			HP Switch	
F41	O3		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6									Heating HP Switch
F41	11		Flash					Flash			Low Pressure Sensor	
F42	O1		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6									Compressor Current Sensor
F42	11			Flash		Flash					Current Sensor Open	
F44	O1		Flash			Flash					Inverter IPM Sensor	
F49	O1		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6									OD PCB Setting Faulty
F49	O2		Only for Older Models with LEDES 1-6									OD PCB Setting Faulty

Note 1: LED308 is lit if the master unit is the problem or 309 for the slave  
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Selecting Emergency Mode is done at the Indoor and Outdoor Unit PCB.  
It bypasses the Control Sensors and should not be done for more than 30 minutes.

Indoor PCB - Switch SS1 to Emergency Setting  
Outdoor PCB - Switch Emergency Switch 1 to ON  
Outdoor PCB - Switch Emergency Switch 2 to Cool or

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All	Earth	Live	Neutral	Comms

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Pipe Sensor	40K Ohms	25K Ohms	16K Ohms
Discharge Sensor	480K Ohms	293K Ohms	184K Ohms

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