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# General instructions

## CAUTION



### **Read the operating instructions!**

**The operating instructions provide an introduction to the safe use of the products.**

- Read the operating instructions for all system components!
- Observe accident prevention regulations!
- Observe all local regulations!
- Confirm with a signature where appropriate.

## NOTE



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## 2 Safety instructions

### 2.1 Notes on the use of these operating instructions



#### **DANGER**

**Working or operating procedures which must be closely observed to prevent imminent serious and even fatal injuries.**

- Safety notes include the "DANGER" keyword in the heading with a general warning symbol.
- The hazard is also highlighted using a symbol on the edge of the page.



#### **WARNING**

**Working or operating procedures which must be closely observed to prevent serious and even fatal injuries.**

- Safety notes include the "WARNING" keyword in the heading with a general warning symbol.
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#### **CAUTION**

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#### **CAUTION**

**Working and operating procedures which must be followed precisely to avoid damaging or destroying the product.**

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#### **NOTE**








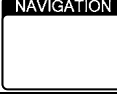





**Special technical points which users must observe.**

- Notes include the "NOTE" keyword in the heading without a general warning symbol.

Instructions and lists detailing step-by-step actions for given situations can be recognised via bullet points, e.g.:

- Insert the welding current lead socket into the relevant socket and lock.

## 2.2 Explanation of icons

Symbol	Description
	Press
	Do not press
	Turn
	Switch
	Switch off machine
	Switch on machine
	ENTER (enter the menu)
	NAVIGATION (Navigating in the menu)
	EXIT (Exit the menu)
	Time display (example: wait 4s/press)
	Interruption in the menu display (other setting options possible)
	Tool not required/do not use
	Tool required/use

## 2.3 General



### DANGER



#### Electromagnetic fields!

The power source may cause electrical or electromagnetic fields to be produced which could affect the correct functioning of electronic equipment such as IT or CNC devices, telecommunication lines, power cables, signal lines and pacemakers.

- Observe the maintenance instructions! (see Maintenance and Testing chapter)
- Unwind welding leads completely!
- Shield devices or equipment sensitive to radiation accordingly!
- The correct functioning of pacemakers may be affected (obtain advice from a doctor if necessary).



#### Do not carry out any unauthorised repairs or modifications!

To avoid injury and equipment damage, the unit must only be repaired or modified by specialist, skilled persons!

The warranty becomes null and void in the event of unauthorised interference.

- Appoint only skilled persons for repair work (trained service personnel)!



#### Electric shock!

Welding machines use high voltages which can result in potentially fatal electric shocks and burns on contact. Even low voltages can cause you to get a shock and lead to accidents.

- Do not touch any live parts in or on the machine!
- Connection cables and leads must be free of faults!
- Switching off alone is not sufficient!
- Place welding torch and stick electrode holder on an insulated surface!
- The unit should only be opened by specialist staff after the mains plug has been unplugged!
- Only wear dry protective clothing!
- Wait for 4 minutes until the capacitors have discharged!



### WARNING



#### Risk of injury due to radiation or heat!

Arc radiation results in injury to skin and eyes.

Contact with hot workpieces and sparks results in burns.

- Use welding shield or welding helmet with the appropriate safety level (depending on the application)!
- Wear dry protective clothing (e.g. welding shield, gloves, etc.) according to the relevant regulations in the country in question!
- Protect persons not involved in the work against arc beams and the risk of glare using safety curtains!



#### Explosion risk!

Apparently harmless substances in closed containers may generate excessive pressure when heated.

- Move containers with inflammable or explosive liquids away from the working area!
- Never heat explosive liquids, dusts or gases by welding or cutting!



## WARNING



### Smoke and gases!

**Smoke and gases can lead to breathing difficulties and poisoning. In addition, solvent vapour (chlorinated hydrocarbon) may be converted into poisonous phosgene due to the ultraviolet radiation of the arc!**

- Ensure that there is sufficient fresh air!
- Keep solvent vapour away from the arc beam field!
- Wear suitable breathing apparatus if appropriate!



### Fire hazard!

**Flames may arise as a result of the high temperatures, stray sparks, glowing-hot parts and hot slag produced during the welding process.**

**Stray welding currents can also result in flames forming!**

- Check for fire hazards in the working area!
- Do not carry any easily flammable objects such as matches or lighters.
- Keep appropriate fire extinguishing equipment to hand in the working area!
- Thoroughly remove any residue of flammable substances from the workpiece before starting welding.
- Only continue work on welded workpieces once they have cooled down.  
Do not allow to come into contact with flammable material!
- Connect welding leads correctly!



### Risk of accidents if these safety instructions are not observed!

**Non-observance of these safety instructions is potentially fatal!**

- Carefully read the safety information in this manual!
- Observe the accident prevention regulations in your country.
- Inform persons in the working area that they must observe the regulations!



## CAUTION



### Noise exposure!

**Noise exceeding 70 dBA can cause permanent hearing damage!**

- Wear suitable ear protection!
- Persons located within the working area must wear suitable ear protection!

## CAUTION



### Obligations of the operator!

**The respective national directives and laws must be observed for operation of the machine!**

- National implementation of the framework directive (89/391/EEG), as well as the associated individual directives.
- In particular, directive (89/655/EEG), on the minimum regulations for safety and health protection when staff members use equipment during work.
- The regulations regarding work safety and accident prevention for the respective country.
- Setting up and operating the machine according to IEC 60974-9.
- Check at regular intervals that users are working in a safety-conscious way.
- Regular checks of the machine according to IEC 60974-4.

**CAUTION****Damage due to the use of non-genuine parts!****The manufacturer's warranty becomes void if non-genuine parts are used!**

- Only use system components and options (power sources, welding torches, electrode holders, remote controls, spare parts and replacement parts, etc.) from our range of products!
- Only insert and lock accessory components into the relevant connection socket when the machine is switched off.

**Damage to the machine due to stray welding currents!****Stray welding currents can destroy protective earth conductors, damage equipment and electronic devices and cause overheating of components leading to fire.**

- Make sure all welding leads are securely connected and check regularly.
- Always ensure a proper and secure electrical connection to the workpiece!
- Set up, attach or suspend all conductive power source components like casing, transport vehicle and crane frames so they are insulated!
- Do not place any other electronic devices such as drillers or angle grinders, etc., on the power source, transport vehicle or crane frames unless they are insulated!
- Always put welding torches and electrode holders on an insulated surface when they are not in use!

**Mains connection****Requirements for connection to the public mains network**

High-performance machines can influence the mains quality by taking current from the mains network. For some types of machines, connection restrictions or requirements relating to the maximum possible line impedance or the necessary minimum supply capacity at the interface with the public network (Point of Common Coupling, PCC) can therefore apply. In this respect, attention is also drawn to the machines' technical data. In this case, it is the responsibility of the operator, where necessary in consultation with the mains network operator, to ensure that the machine can be connected.

## CAUTION



### EMC Machine Classification

In accordance with IEC 60974-10, welding machines are grouped in two electromagnetic compatibility classes (see technical data):

**Class A** machines are not intended for use in residential areas where the power supply comes from the low-voltage public mains network. When ensuring the electromagnetic compatibility of class A machines, difficulties can arise in these areas due to interference not only in the supply lines but also in the form of radiated interference.

**Class B** machines fulfil the EMC requirements in industrial as well as residential areas, including residential areas connected to the low-voltage public mains network.

### Setting up and operating

When operating arc welding systems, in some cases, electro-magnetic interference can occur although all of the welding machines comply with the emission limits specified in the standard. The user is responsible for any interference caused by welding.

In order to **evaluate** any possible problems with electromagnetic compatibility in the surrounding area, the user must consider the following: (see also EN 60974-10 Appendix A)

- Mains, control, signal and telecommunication lines
- Radios and televisions
- Computers and other control systems
- Safety equipment
- The health of neighbouring persons, especially if they have a pacemaker or wear a hearing aid
- Calibration and measuring equipment
- The immunity to interference of other equipment in the surrounding area
- The time of day at which the welding work must be carried out

### Recommendations for reducing interference emission

- Mains connection, e.g. additional mains filter or shielding with a metal tube
- Maintenance of the arc welding equipment
- Welding leads should be as short as possible and run closely together along the ground
- Potential equalization
- Earthing of the workpiece. In cases where it is not possible to earth the workpiece directly, it should be connected by means of suitable capacitors.
- Shielding from other equipment in the surrounding area or the entire welding system

## 2.4 Transport and installation

### WARNING

**Incorrect handling of shielding gas cylinders!**

**Incorrect handling of shielding gas cylinders can result in serious and even fatal injury.**

- Observe the instructions from the gas manufacturer and in any relevant regulations concerning the use of compressed air!
- Place shielding gas cylinders in the holders provided for them and secure with fixing devices.
- Avoid heating the shielding gas cylinder!

**Risk of accident due to improper transport of machines that may not be lifted!**

**Do not lift or suspend the machine! The machine can fall down and cause injuries! The handles and brackets are suitable for transport by hand only!**

- The machine may not be lifted by crane or suspended!

### CAUTION

**Risk of tipping!**

**There is a risk of the machine tipping over and injuring persons or being damaged itself during movement and set up. Tilt resistance is guaranteed up to an angle of 10° (according to IEC 60974-1, -3, -10).**

- Set up and transport the machine on level, solid ground.
- Secure add-on parts using suitable equipment.

**Damage due to supply lines not being disconnected!**

**During transport, supply lines which have not been disconnected (mains supply leads, control leads, etc.) may cause hazards such as connected equipment tipping over and injuring persons!**

- Disconnect supply lines!

### CAUTION

**Equipment damage when not operated in an upright position!**

**The units are designed for operation in an upright position!**

**Operation in non-permissible positions can cause equipment damage.**

- Only transport and operate in an upright position!

## 2.5 Ambient conditions



### CAUTION



#### Installation site!

**The machine must not be operated in the open air and must only be set up and operated on a suitable, stable and level base!**

- The operator must ensure that the ground is non-slip and level, and provide sufficient lighting for the place of work.
- Safe operation of the machine must be guaranteed at all times.

### CAUTION



#### Equipment damage due to dirt accumulation!

**Unusually high quantities of dust, acid, corrosive gases or substances may damage the equipment.**

- Avoid high volumes of smoke, vapour, oil vapour and grinding dust!
- Avoid ambient air containing salt (sea air)!



#### Non-permissible ambient conditions!

**Insufficient ventilation results in a reduction in performance and equipment damage.**

- Observe the ambient conditions!
- Keep the cooling air inlet and outlet clear!
- Observe the minimum distance of 0.5 m from obstacles!

### 2.5.1 In operation

**Temperature range of the ambient air:**

- -20 °C to +40 °C

**Relative air humidity:**

- Up to 50% at 40 °C
- Up to 90% at 20 °C

### 2.5.2 Transport and storage

**Storage in an enclosed space, temperature range of the ambient air:**

- -25 °C to +55 °C

**Relative air humidity**

- Up to 90% at 20 °C

### 3 Intended use

This machine has been manufactured according to the latest developments in technology and current regulations and standards. It must only be operated in line with the instructions on correct usage.



#### WARNING



**Hazards due to improper usage!**

**Hazards may arise for persons, animals and material objects if the equipment is not used correctly. No liability is accepted for any damages arising from improper usage!**

- The equipment must only be used in line with proper usage and by trained or expert staff!
- Do not modify or convert the equipment improperly!

### 3.1 Applications

#### 3.1.1 TIG welding

TIG welding with direct current.

Non-contact HF ignition or contact ignition with Liftarc.

#### 3.1.2 MMA welding

Manual arc welding or, for short, MMA welding. It is characterised by the fact that the arc burns between a melting electrode and the molten pool. There is no external protection; any protection against the atmosphere comes from the electrode.

### 3.2 Documents which also apply

#### 3.2.1 Warranty

#### NOTE



**For further information, please see the accompanying supplementary sheets "Machine and Company Data, Maintenance and Testing, Warranty"!**

#### 3.2.2 Declaration of Conformity



**The designated machine conforms to EC Directives and standards in terms of its design and construction:**

- EC Low Voltage Directive (2006/95/EC),
- EC EMC Directive (2004/108/EC),

This declaration shall become null and void in the event of unauthorised modifications, improperly conducted repairs, non-observance of the deadlines for the repetition test and / or non-permitted conversion work not specifically authorised by the manufacturer.

The original copy of the declaration of conformity is enclosed with the unit.

#### 3.2.3 Welding in environments with increased electrical hazards



**In compliance with IEC / DIN EN 60974, VDE 0544 the machines can be used in environments with an increased electrical hazard.**

#### 3.2.4 Service documents (spare parts and circuit diagrams)



#### DANGER



**Do not carry out any unauthorised repairs or modifications!**

**To avoid injury and equipment damage, the unit must only be repaired or modified by specialist, skilled persons!**

**The warranty becomes null and void in the event of unauthorised interference.**

- Appoint only skilled persons for repair work (trained service personnel)!

Original copies of the circuit diagrams are enclosed with the unit.

Spare parts can be obtained from the relevant authorised dealer.

## 4 Machine description – quick overview

### 4.1 Front view

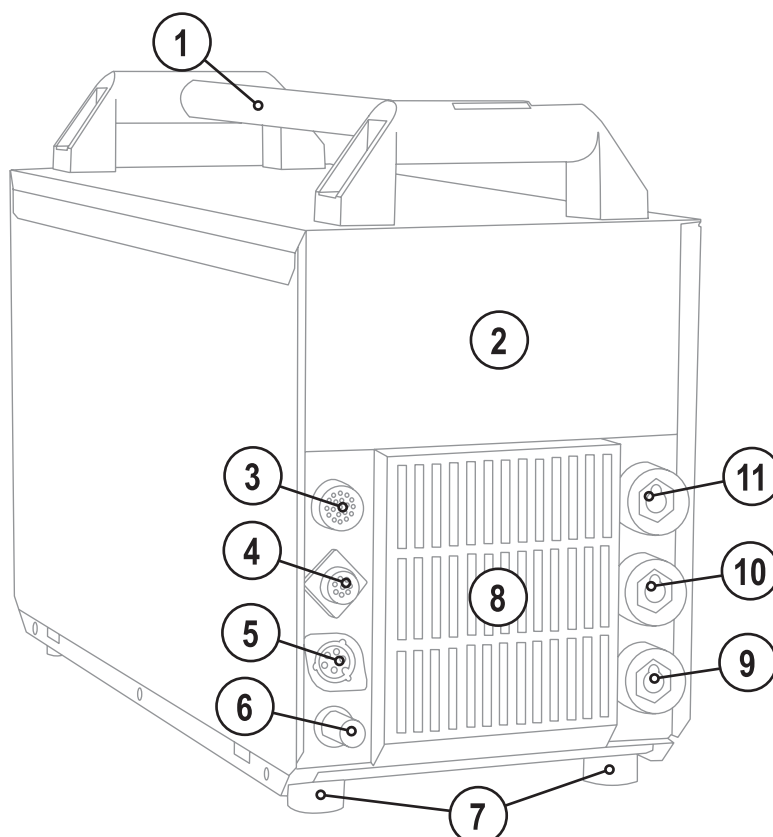









Figure 4-1

Item	Symbol	Description
1		<b>Carrying handle</b>
2		<b>Machine control</b> See Machine control – operating elements chapter
3		<b>Connection socket, 19-pole</b> Remote control connection
4		<b>Connection socket, 8-pole</b> TIG Up/Down or potentiometer torch control lead
5		<b>Connection socket, 5-pole</b> Standard TIG torch control lead
6		<b>G1/4" connecting nipple</b> TIG welding torch shielding gas connection
7		<b>Machine feet</b>
8		<b>Cooling air inlet</b>
9		<b>Connection socket, "+" welding current</b> Connection for workpiece lead
10		<b>Connection socket, "-" welding current</b> TIG welding torch connection
11		<b>Connection socket, "-" welding current</b> Electrode holder connection

## 4.2 Rear view

### NOTE



The maximum possible machine configuration is given in the text description. If necessary, the optional connection may need to be retrofitted (see "Accessories" chapter).

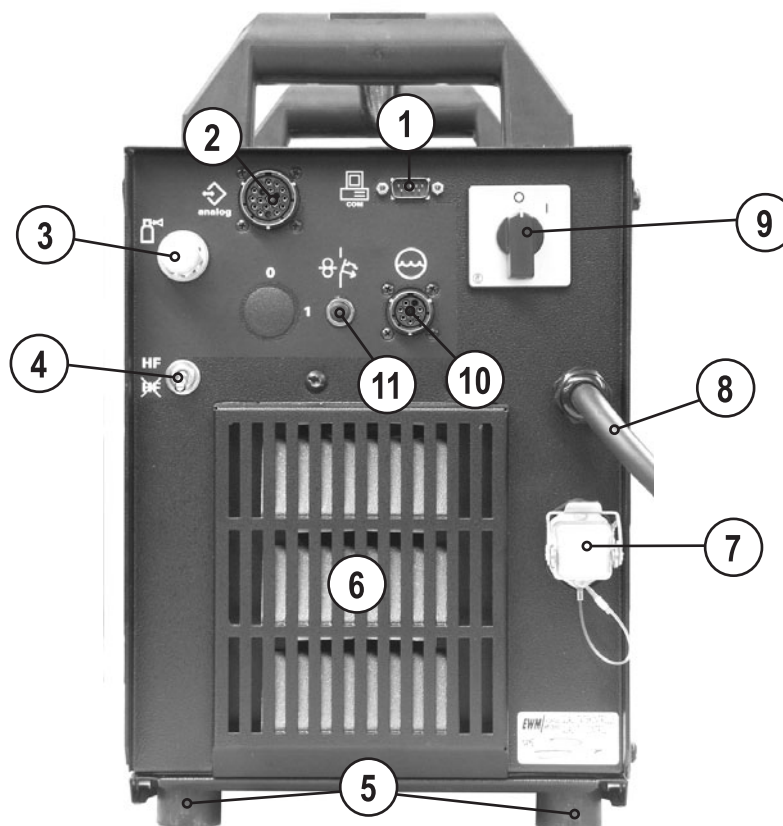











Figure 4-2

Item	Symbol	Description
1		<b>PC interface, serial (D-Sub connection socket, 9-pole)</b>
2		<b>19-pole connection socket</b> Analogue interface for mechanised welding
3		<b>G<math>\frac{1}{4}</math>" connecting nipple</b> Shielding gas connection on the pressure regulator
4	 	<b>Ignition type changeover switch</b> HF= HF ignition ☒ = Liftarc (contact ignition)
5		<b>Machine feet</b>
6		<b>Cooling air outlet</b>
7		<b>4-pole connection socket</b> Cooling unit voltage supply
8		<b>Mains connection cable</b>
9		<b>Main switch, machine on/off</b>
10		<b>8-pole connection socket</b> Cooling unit control lead
11		<b>"Automatic circuit-breaker" key button; fuse protection:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ignition unit</li> <li>• Gas valve</li> <li>• Peripheral devices on the 7-pole, digital interfaces (rear of the machine)</li> </ul> <b>Reset triggered automatic cutout by pressing</b>

## 4.3 Machine control – Operating elements

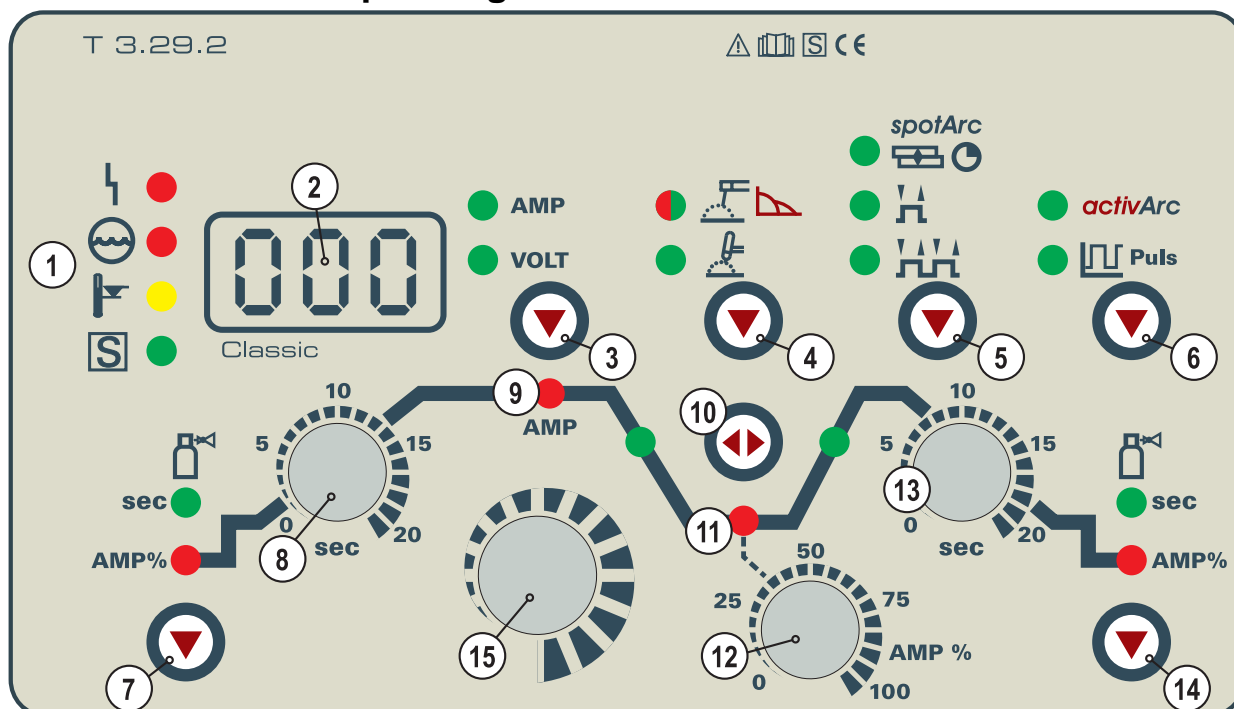



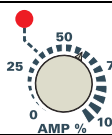
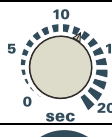

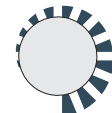


Figure 4-3

Item	Symbol	Description
1		<b>Error/status indicators</b> Collective interference signal light Water deficiency signal light (welding torch cooling) Excess temperature signal light safety sign signal light
2		<b>Three-figure LED display</b> Welding parameter display (see also chap. "Welding data display").
3		<b>Switch display button</b> AMP Welding current display VOLT Welding voltage display
4		<b>Welding process button</b> MMA welding, lights up in green / arcforce setting, lights up in red TIG welding
5		<b>Operating mode button</b> spotArc (spot time setting range 0.01 sec. to 20.0 sec.) Non-latched Latched
6		<b>TIG pulses key button / Select activArc key button</b> TIG activArc welding TIG pulse welding

Item	Symbol	Description
7		<b>Gas and current parameters button</b> sec Gas pre-flow time / gas test / gas rinsing (TIG) Gas pre-flows: Setting range 0.0 sec to 20.0 sec (0.1s increments). Gas test: Shielding gas flows up to 20 sec. Gas rinsing: Press button for longer than 5 sec. (LED flashing). Shielding gas flows until the button is pressed again AMP% Ignition current (TIG) / hotstart current (MMA) Percentage of the main current. Setting range 1% to 200% (1% increments).
8		<b>Up-slope time / hotstart time rotary dial</b> Up-slope time setting range: 0.00 sec to 20.0 sec (TIG) Hotstart time setting range: 0.00 sec to 5.0 sec (MMA)
9	<b>AMP</b>	<b>Main current signal light</b> Imin to Imax (1 A increments)
10		<b>Slope times button/select expert menu</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TIG downslope time (main current to secondary current)</li> <li>• TIG upslope time (secondary current to main current)</li> <li>• Expert menu (pulse times, wire return for TIG cold wire)</li> </ul>
11	<b>AMP%</b>	<b>Secondary current (TIG) / pulse pause current</b> Setting range 1 % to 100 % (1 % increments). Percentage of the main current.
12		<b>Secondary current (TIG) / pulse pause current rotary dial</b> Setting range 1% to 200% (1% increments). Percentage of the main current.
13		<b>Down-slope time rotary dial</b> 0.00 sec to 20.0 sec
14		<b>Gas post-flow time/end current button</b> sec Gas post-flow time (automatic) Automatic function switched on: The gas post-flow time (4.0 sec. to 40.0 sec.) is specified by the machine control. Automatic function switched off: Absolute gas post-flow time can be set from 0.0 sec. to 40.0 sec. AMP% End current Percentage of the main current. Setting range 1% to 200% (1% increments).
15		<b>Welding parameter setting rotary transducer</b> Setting flows, times and parameters.

## 5 Design and function

### 5.1 General



#### WARNING



##### **Risk of injury from electric shock!**

**Contact with live parts, e.g. welding current sockets, is potentially fatal!**

- Follow safety instructions on the opening pages of the operating instructions.
- Commissioning may only be carried out by persons who have the relevant expertise of working with arc welding machines!
- Connection and welding leads (e.g. electrode holder, welding torch, workpiece lead, interfaces) may only be connected when the machine is switched off!



#### CAUTION



##### **Risk of burns on the welding current connection!**

**If the welding current connections are not locked, connections and leads heat up and can cause burns, if touched!**

- Check the welding current connections every day and lock by turning in clockwise direction, if necessary.



##### **Risk from electrical current!**

**If welding is carried out alternately using different methods and if a welding torch and an electrode holder remain connected to the machine, the open-circuit/welding voltage is applied simultaneously on all cables.**

- The torch and the electrode holder should therefore always be placed on an insulated surface before starting work and during breaks.

#### CAUTION



##### **Using protective dust caps!**

**Protective dust caps protect the connection sockets and therefore the machine against dirt and damage.**

- The protective dust cap must be fitted if there is no accessory component being operated on that connection.
- The cap must be replaced if faulty or if lost!

### 5.2 Workpiece lead, general



#### CAUTION



##### **Risk of burns due to incorrect connection of the workpiece lead!**

**Paint, rust and dirt on the connection restrict the power flow and may lead to stray welding currents.**

**Stray welding currents may cause fires and injuries!**

- Clean the connections!
- Fix the workpiece lead securely!
- Do not use structural parts of the workpiece as a return lead for the welding current!
- Take care to ensure faultless power connections!

## 5.3 Transport and installation

### WARNING



**Risk of accident due to improper transport of machines that may not be lifted! Do not lift or suspend the machine! The machine can fall down and cause injuries! The handles and brackets are suitable for transport by hand only!**

- The machine may not be lifted by crane or suspended!

### CAUTION



#### Installation site!

**The machine must not be operated in the open air and must only be set up and operated on a suitable, stable and level base!**

- The operator must ensure that the ground is non-slip and level, and provide sufficient lighting for the place of work.
- Safe operation of the machine must be guaranteed at all times.

### 5.3.1 Adjusting the length of the carrying strap

#### NOTE



**To demonstrate adjustment, lengthening the strap is shown in the figure. To shorten, the strap's loops must be inched in the opposite direction.**

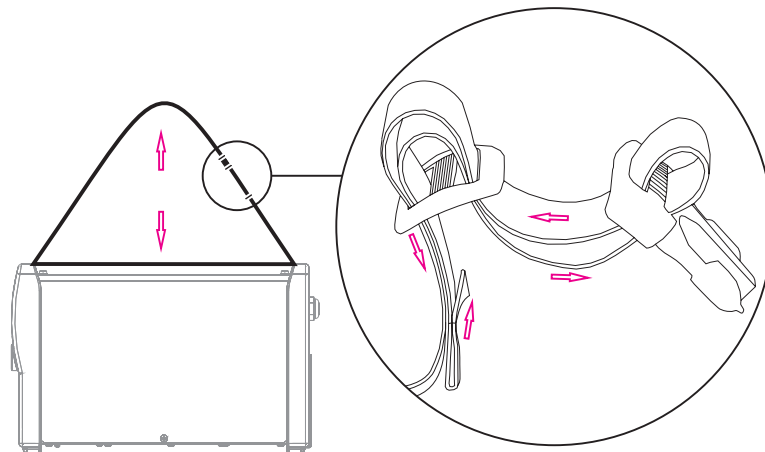


Figure 5-1


## 5.4 Machine cooling

To obtain an optimal duty cycle from the power components, the following precautions should be observed:

- Ensure that the working area is adequately ventilated.
- Do not obstruct the air inlets and outlets of the machine.
- Do not allow metal parts, dust or other objects to get into the machine.

5.5 Cooling module connection

NOTE

 Observe the fitting and connection instructions given in the relevant operating instructions for the cooling unit.

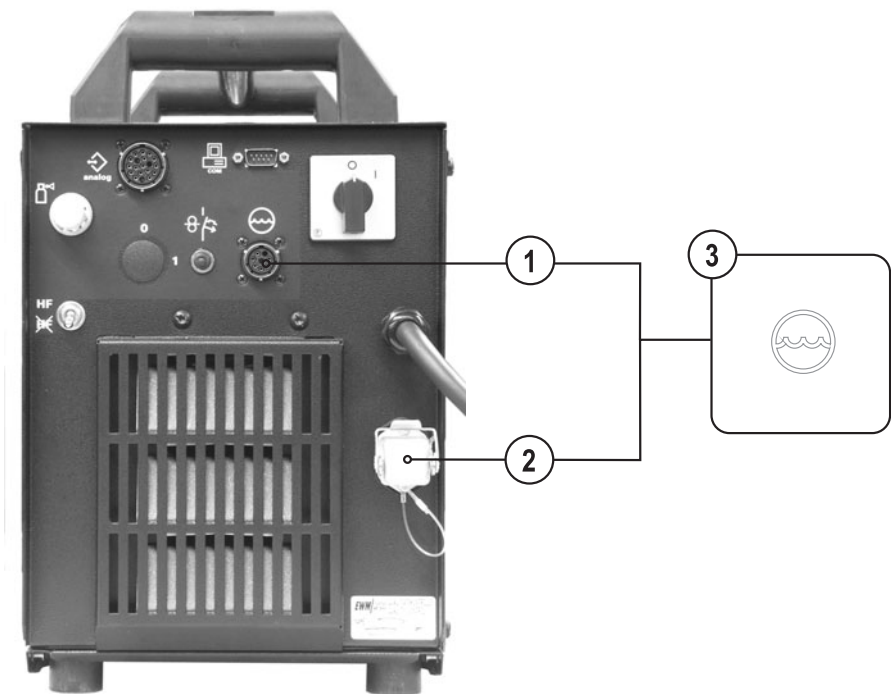





Figure 5-2

Item	Symbol	Description
1		<b>8-pole connection socket</b> Cooling unit control lead
2		<b>4-pole connection socket</b> Cooling unit voltage supply
3		<b>Cooling module</b>

Control and supply lead to the welding machine

The cooling module and welding machine are connected using two leads.

- Insert the control lead plug on the welding machine.
- Insert the power supply lead plug on the welding machine.

## 5.6 Mains connection



### DANGER



#### Hazard caused by improper mains connection!

#### An improper mains connection can cause injuries or damage property!

- Only use machine with a plug socket that has a correctly fitted protective conductor.
- If a mains plug must be fitted, this may only be carried out by an electrician in accordance with the relevant national provisions or regulations (any phase sequence for three-phase machines)!
- Mains plug, socket and lead must be checked regularly by an electrician!
- When operating the generator always ensure it is earthed as stated in the operating instructions. The resulting network has to be suitable for operating devices according to protection class 1.

### 5.6.1 Mains configuration

#### NOTE



#### The machine may be connected to:

- a three-phase system with four conductors and an earthed neutral conductor
- a three-phase system with three conductors of which any one can be earthed, e.g. the outer conductor

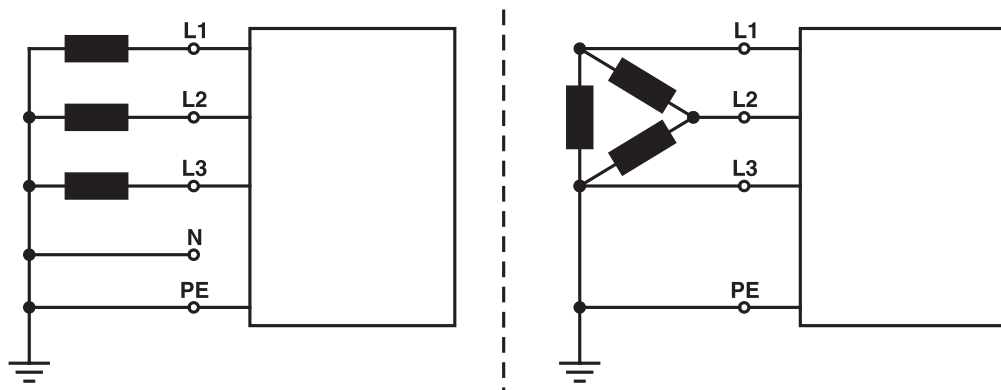


Figure 5-3

#### Legend

Item	Designation	Colour code
L1	Outer conductor 1	black
L2	Outer conductor 2	brown
L3	Outer conductor 3	grey
N	Neutral conductor	blue
PE	Protective conductor	green-yellow

#### CAUTION



#### Operating voltage - mains voltage!

The operating voltage shown on the rating plate must be consistent with the mains voltage, in order to avoid damage to the machine!

- For mains fuse protection, please refer to the "Technical data" chapter!

- Insert mains plug of the switched-off machine into the appropriate socket.

## 5.7 TIG welding

### 5.7.1 Welding torch and workpiece line connection

#### NOTE



Prepare welding torch according to the welding task in hand (see operating instructions for the torch).

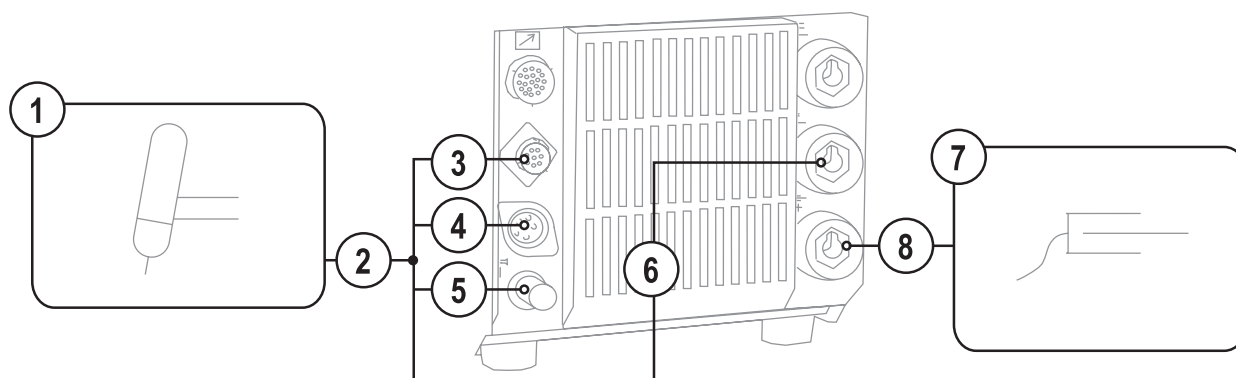


Figure 5-4

Item	Symbol	Description
1		<b>Welding torch</b>
2		<b>Welding torch hose package</b>
3		<b>Connection socket, 8-pole</b> TIG Up/Down or potentiometer torch control lead
4		<b>Connection socket, 5-pole</b> Standard TIG torch control lead
5		<b>G<math>\frac{1}{4}</math>" connecting nipple</b> TIG welding torch shielding gas connection
6		<b>Connection socket, "-" welding current</b> Welding current lead connection for TIG welding torch
7		<b>Workpiece</b>
8		<b>Connection socket for "+" welding current</b> Workpiece lead connection

- Insert the welding current plug on the welding torch into the welding current connection socket and lock by turning to the right.
- Remove yellow protective cap on G $\frac{1}{4}$ " connecting nipple.
- Screw welding torch shielding gas connection tightly onto the G $\frac{1}{4}$ " connection nipple.
- Insert control lead plug on the welding torch into the connection socket for the welding torch control lead (5-pole for a standard torch, 8-pole for up/down or potentiometer torches) and tighten.
- Insert the cable plug on the work piece lead into the "+" welding current connection socket and lock by turning to the right.

If fitted:

- Lock connecting nipples of the cooling water tubes into the corresponding quick connect couplings:  
Return line red to quick connect coupling, red (coolant return) and  
supply line blue to quick connect coupling, blue (coolant supply).

### NOTE



Please note the relevant documentation of the accessory components.

## 5.7.2 Torch connection options and pin assignments

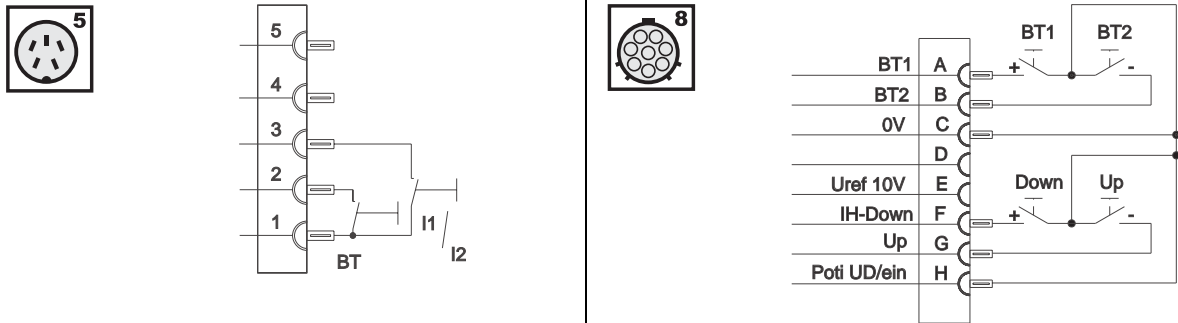


Figure 5-5

## 5.7.3 Shielding gas supply (shielding gas cylinder for welding machine)



### WARNING



#### Incorrect handling of shielding gas cylinders!

**Incorrect handling of shielding gas cylinders can result in serious and even fatal injury.**

- Observe the instructions from the gas manufacturer and in any relevant regulations concerning the use of compressed air!
- Place shielding gas cylinders in the holders provided for them and secure with fixing devices.
- Avoid heating the shielding gas cylinder!

### CAUTION



#### Faults in the shielding gas supply.

**An unhindered shielding gas supply from the shielding gas cylinder to the welding torch is a fundamental requirement for optimum welding results. In addition, a blocked shielding gas supply may result in the welding torch being destroyed.**

- Always re-fit the yellow protective cap when not using the shielding gas connection.
- All shielding gas connections must be gas tight.

### NOTE



**Before connecting the pressure regulator to the gas cylinder, open the cylinder valve briefly to expel any dirt.**

5.7.3.1 Connecting the shielding gas supply

- Place the shielding gas cylinder into the relevant cylinder bracket.
- Secure the shielding gas cylinder using a securing chain.

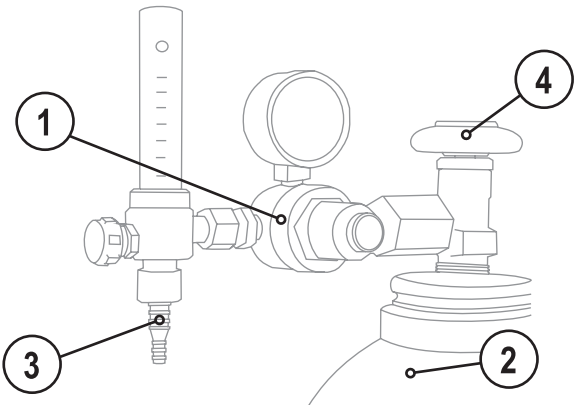


Figure 5-6

Item	Symbol	Description
1		Pressure regulator
2		Shielding gas cylinder
3		Output side of the pressure regulator
4		Cylinder valve

- Tighten the pressure regulator screw connection on the gas bottle valve to be gas-tight.
- Screw gas hose connection crown nut onto the output side of the pressure regulator.

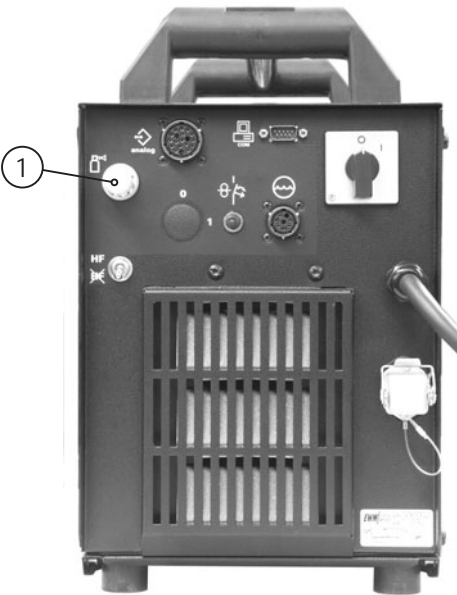




Figure 5-7

Item	Symbol	Description
1		Connecting nipple G¼, shielding gas connection

- Connect crown nut of the shielding gas line to the G¼“ connecting nipple.







## 5.7.4 Shielding gas setting

### NOTE







-  **Rule of thumb for the gas flow rate:**  
Diameter of gas nozzle in mm corresponds to gas flow in l/min.  
Example: 7mm gas nozzle corresponds to 7l/min gas flow.
-  **Incorrect shielding gas setting!**  
If the shielding gas setting is too low or too high, this can introduce air to the weld pool and may cause pores to form.
  - Adjust the shielding gas quantity to suit the welding task!

- Slowly open the gas cylinder valve. Conduct a gas test (see chapter "gas test")
- Set the required amount of shielding gas on the pressure reducer, about 4 - 15 l/min depending on the current strength and the material.

### 5.7.4.1 Gas test

Operating element	Action	Result	Displays
   	1 x 	<b>Select gas test.</b> Shielding gas flows for approx. 20 seconds. The gas test can be ended immediately by pressing it once more.	

### 5.7.4.2 "Rinse tube package" function

Operating element	Action	Result	Displays
   	 5 sec.	Select rinse hose package. Shielding gas flows continuously until the gas test button is pressed again. "AMP%" LED flashes.	

### 5.7.4.3 Automatic gas post-flow

When the automatic gas post-flow function is activated, the gas post-flow time is defined by the machine control depending on the application (4.0 s to 40.0 s). The gas post-flow time can be adjusted if necessary on the machine control. This value is then saved for the current application.

When the automatic gas post-flow function is deactivated, the gas post-flow time can be set absolutely by the user to between 0.0 s and 40.0 s.











### NOTE

-  **To adjust or switch this machine function on or off, see chapter "Menus and submenus on the machine control"**

## 5.7.5 Select welding task

The welding task is selected using the buttons on the machine control on the welding machine. Signal lights (LED) display the welding parameter selection.

Set the welding task in the following order:

Item	Symbol	Description
1		<b>Welding process button</b>  MMA welding, lights up in green / arcforce setting, lights up in red  TIG welding
2		<b>Operating mode button</b> <i>spotArc</i>  spotArc (spot time setting range 0.01 sec. to 20.0 sec.)  Non-latched  Latched
3		<b>TIG pulses key button / Select activArc key button</b> <i>activArc</i> TIG activArc welding  Puls TIG pulse welding
4		<b>Welding parameter setting rotary transducer</b> Setting flows, times and parameters.

## 5.7.6 Welding data display

The following welding parameters can be displayed before (nominal values), during (actual values) or after welding (hold values):

Parameter	Before welding (nominal values)	During welding (actual values)	After welding (hold values)
Welding current	●	●	●
Parameter values	●	-	-
Welding voltage	●	●	●

When the settings are changed (e.g. welding current) after welding when the hold values are displayed, the display will be switched to the relevant nominal values.

### NOTE



If no parameter setting is carried out for approx. 3 seconds, the display switches back to the current and voltage values.

When the relevant parameter button is pressed again, the associated parameter value is shown once more and can be adjusted.

## 5.7.7 Arc ignition

### 5.7.7.1 HF ignition

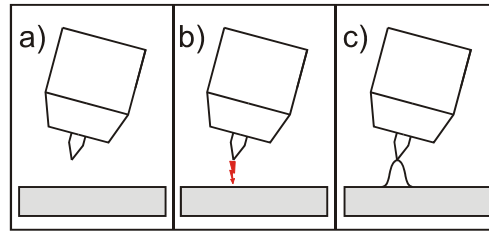


Figure 5-8

**The arc is started without contact from high-voltage ignition pulses.**

- Position the welding torch in welding position over the workpiece (distance between the electrode tip and workpiece should be approx. 2-3mm).
- Press the torch trigger (high voltage ignition pulses ignite the arc).
- Ignition current flows, and the welding process is continued depending on the operating mode selected.

**End the welding process: Release or press the torch trigger depending on the operating mode selected.**

### 5.7.7.2 Liftarc ignition

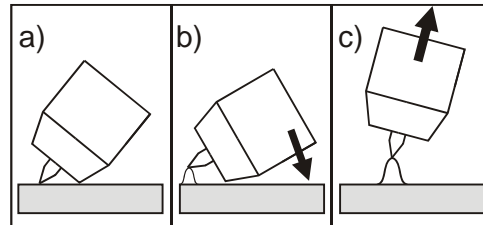


Figure 5-9

**The arc is ignited on contact with the workpiece:**

- Carefully place the torch gas nozzle and tungsten electrode tip onto the workpiece and press the torch trigger (liftarc current flowing, regardless of the main current set).
- Incline the torch over the torch gas nozzle to produce a gap of approx. 2-3 mm between the electrode tip and the workpiece. The arc ignites and the welding current is increased, depending on the operating mode set, to the ignition or main current set.
- Lift off the torch and swivel to the normal position.

**Ending the welding process: Release or press the torch trigger depending on the operating mode selected.**

## 5.7.8 Automatic cut-out

### NOTE



**The automatic cut-out function will be triggered by two conditions during the welding process:**

**During the ignition phase (ignition fault)**

- If there is no welding current within 3s after starting the welding.





**During the welding phase (arc interruption)**

- If the arc is interrupted for longer than 3s.

**In both cases, the welding machine ends the ignition or welding process immediately.**

## 5.7.9 Function sequences/operating modes

### 5.7.9.1 Explanation of symbols

Symbol	Meaning
	Press torch trigger 1
	Release torch trigger 1
<b>I</b>	Current
<b>t</b>	Time
	Gas pre-flows
<b>I<sub>start</sub></b>	Ignition current
<b>t<sub>Up</sub></b>	Up-slope time
<b>tP</b>	Spot time
<b>AMP</b>	Main current (minimum to maximum current)
<b>AMP%</b>	Secondary current (0% to 100% of AMP)
<b>t1</b>	Pulse time
<b>t2</b>	Pulse pause time
<b>ts1</b>	TIG pulses: Slop time from main current (AMP) to secondary current (AMP%)
<b>ts2</b>	TIG pulses: Slop time from secondary current (AMP%) to main current (AMP)
<b>t<sub>Down</sub></b>	Down-slope time
<b>I<sub>end</sub></b>	End-crater current
	Gas post-flows

## 5.7.9.2 Non-latched mode

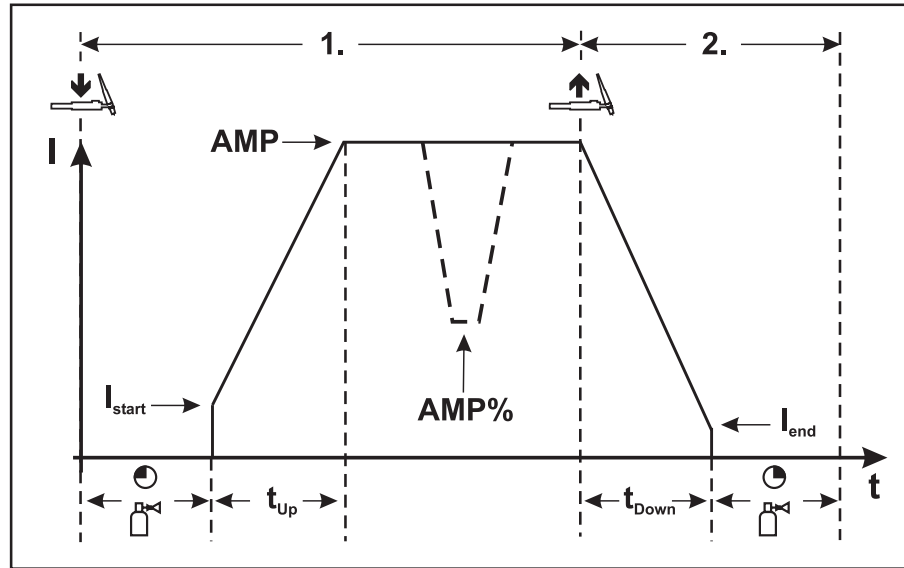


Figure 5-10

**1st cycle:**

- Press and hold torch trigger 1.
- The gas pre-flow time elapses.
- HF ignition pulses jump from the electrode to the workpiece, the arc ignites.
- The welding current flows and immediately assumes the value set for the ignition current  $I_{start}$ .
- HF is switched off.
- The welding current increases with the adjusted up-slope time to the main current AMP.

**If torch trigger 2 is pressed in addition to torch trigger 1 during the main current phase, the welding current drops at the slope time set (tS1) to the secondary current AMP%.**

**After torch trigger 2 is released, the welding current rises at the slope time set (tS2) back to the main current AMP.**

**2nd cycle:**

- Release torch trigger 1.
- The main current falls in the set down-slope time to the end-crater current  $I_{end}$  (minimum current).

**If the 1st torch trigger is pressed during the down-slope time, the welding current returns to the main current AMP set.**

- The main current reaches the end-crater current  $I_{end}$ , the arc extinguishes.
- The set gas post-flow time elapses.

**NOTE**

**When the foot-operated remote control RTF is connected, the machine switches automatically to non-latched operation. The up- and down-slopes are switched off.**

## 5.7.9.3 Latched mode

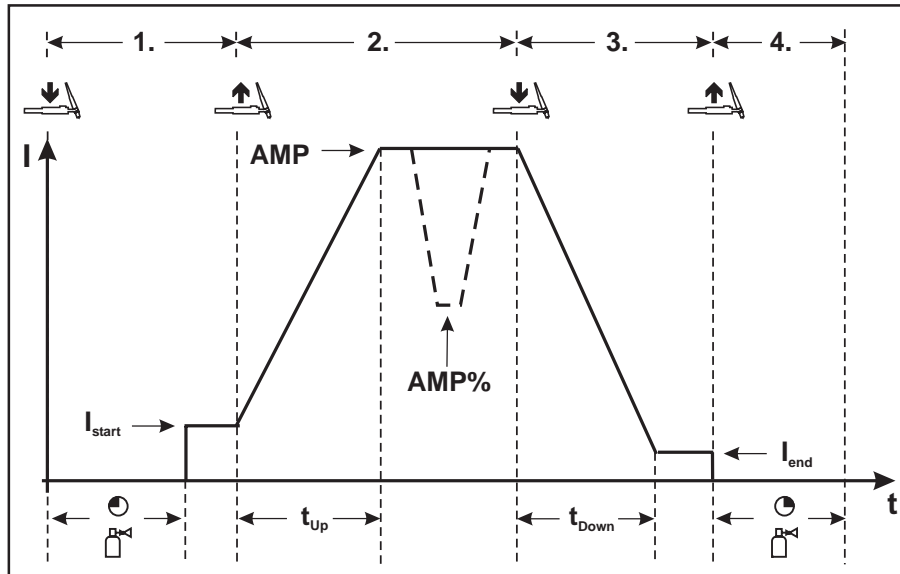


Figure 5-11

### Step 1

- Press torch trigger 1, the gas pre-flow time elapses.
- HF ignition pulses jump from the electrode to the workpiece, the arc ignites.
- Welding current flows and immediately assumes the ignition current value set (search arc at minimum setting). HF is switched off.

### Step 2

- Release torch trigger 1.
- The welding current increases with the set up-slope time to the main current AMP.

### Switching from main current AMP to secondary current AMP%:

- Press torch trigger 2 or
- Tap torch trigger 1

The slope times can be set (see chapter "Advanced settings", section "Setting slope times for secondary current AMP% or pulse edges").

### Step 3

- Press torch trigger 1.
- The main current drops with the set down-slope time to the end-crater current  $I_{end}$  (minimum current).

### Step 4

- Release torch trigger 1, the arc extinguishes.
- The set gas post-flow time begins.

### Immediate termination of the welding procedure without down-slope and end-crater current:

- Briefly press the 1st torch trigger (3rd and 4th step).  
The current drops to zero and the gas post-flow time begins.

### NOTE



When the foot-operated remote control RTF is connected, the machine switches automatically to non-latched operation. The up- and down-slopes are switched off.



The user can initiate the welding operation also by lightly tipping the torch trigger. This function is available from torch mode 11 (see chapter "Torch mode setting").

## 5.7.9.4 SpotArc

This process is suitable for tack welding or joint welding of metal sheets made from steel and CrNi alloys up to a thickness of approximately 2.5 mm. Metal sheets of different thicknesses can also be welded on top of one another. As this is a one-sided process, it is also possible to weld metal sheets onto tubular sections such as round or square pipes. In arc spot welding, the arc melts through the upper metal sheet and the lower metal sheet is melted onto it. This produces flat, fine-textured welding tacks which require little or no post weld work, even in visible areas.

### Selecting and setting TIG spotArc

Operating element	Action	Result	Display
		<b>Signal light  on</b> The spot time can be set for approx. 4 sec. using the "Welding parameter setting" rotary transducer (signal light flashing)	
		<b>Set spot time "tP" (signal light flashing)</b>	

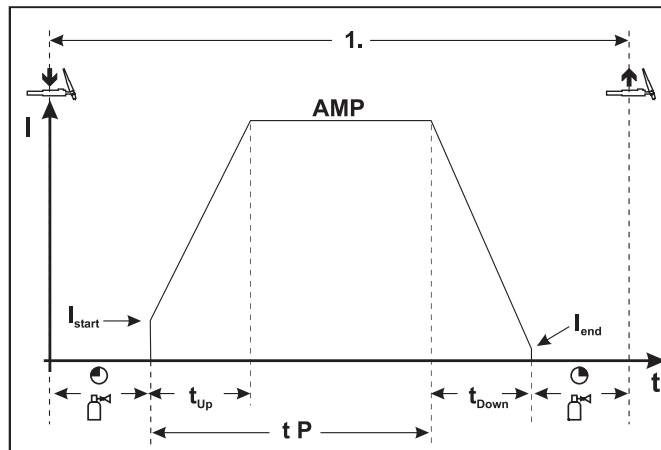


Figure 5-12

### NOTE



The process ends when the set spotArc time elapses or if the torch trigger is released prematurely.

### Sequence:

- Press and hold torch trigger 1.
- The gas pre-flow time elapses.
- HF ignition pulses jump from the electrode to the workpiece, the arc ignites.
- The welding current flows and immediately assumes the value set for the ignition current  $I_{start}$ .
- HF is switched off.
- The welding current increases in the adjusted up-slope time to the main current AMP.

### NOTE



The up-slope and down-slope times should be set to "0" to achieve an effective result.

## 5.7.9.5 Spotmatic

The arc is ignited fully automatically without actuating the torch trigger by simply touching the tip of the electrode with the workpiece. Hundreds of reproducible tacks can be made without tungsten inclusions.

### NOTE



Selection and adjustment are made in the same way as with spotArc operating mode (see chapter TIG spotArc).

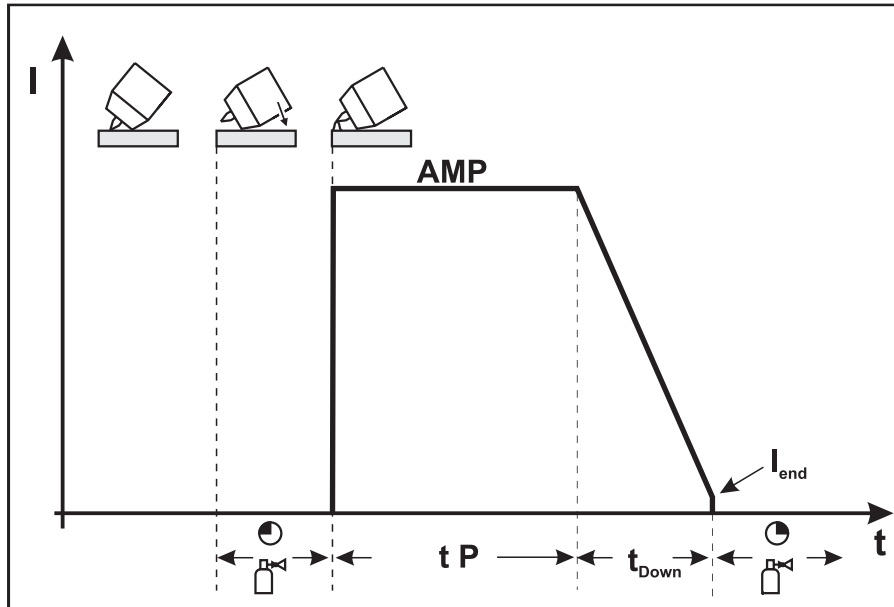


Figure 5-13

### NOTE



In order to achieve an effective result, the upslope time should be set to "0 s".

## Sequence

The procedure is shown with the example of the HF ignition type. Arc ignition with Liftarc is, however, also possible (see chapter entitled "Arc ignition").

- The torch trigger must first be pressed once to activate the function. The spotArc signal light starts to flash rapidly. The user must now start the welding process within 30 s.
- Position the torch gas nozzle and tungsten electrode tip carefully on the workpiece.
- Incline the torch over the torch gas nozzle until there is a gap of approx. 2-3 mm between the electrode tip and the workpiece.

Shielding gas flows in the set gas pre-flow time.

The arc ignites and the previously set welding current flows.

The main current phase ends when the set spotArc time expires.

The welding current drops in the set downslope time to the end current.

The gas post-flow time expires and the welding process ends.

If the welding torch with the electrode tip is placed again on the workpiece, the next welding process is started.

## 5.7.9.6 Non-latched operation, version C

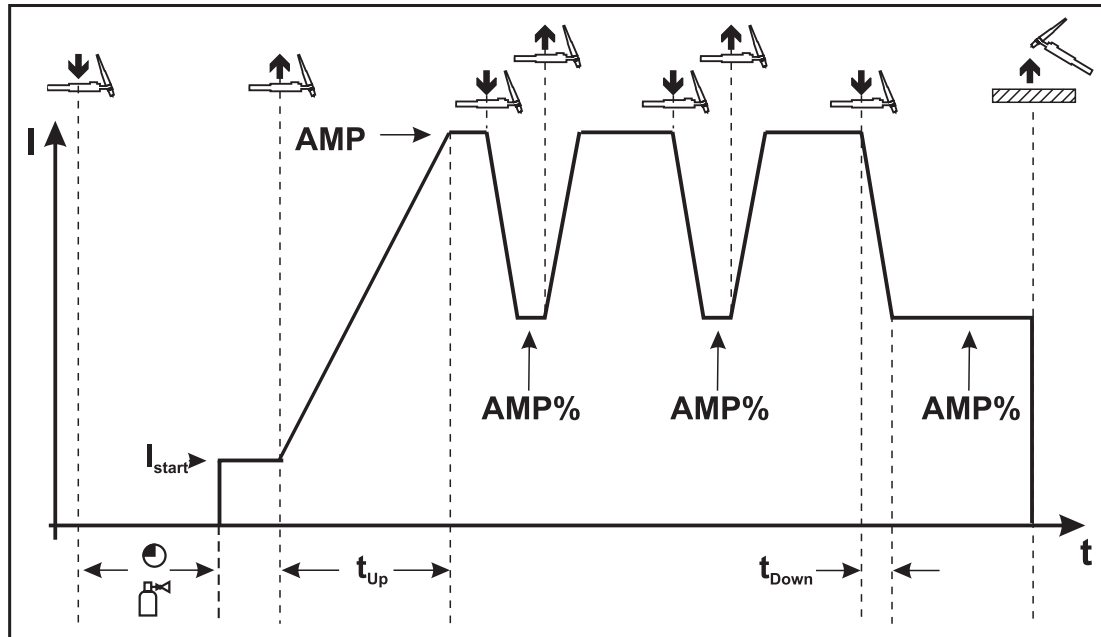


Figure 5-14


### 1st cycle

- Press torch trigger 1, the gas pre-flow time elapses.
- HF ignition pulses jump from the electrode to the workpiece, the arc ignites.
- Welding current flows and immediately adopts the ignition current value set (search arc at minimum setting). HF is switched off.

### 2nd cycle


- Release torch trigger 1.
- The welding current increases in the set up-slope time to the main current AMP.

### NOTE

 Pressing torch trigger 1 starts the slope ( $t_{S1}$ ) from main current AMP to secondary current AMP%. Releasing the torch trigger starts the slope ( $t_{S2}$ ) from the secondary current AMP% back to the main current AMP. This process can be repeated as often as required.



The welding process is ended by the arc interruption in the secondary current (removing the torch from the workpiece until the arc is extinguished).

The slope times can be set (see chapter "Advanced settings", section "Setting slope times for secondary current AMP% or pulse edges").

 This operating mode needs to be activated (see chapter "Advanced settings" in the "TIG non-latched operating mode, C version") section.

## 5.7.10 Pulses, function sequences

### NOTE

-  The function sequences in pulses basically behave in the same way as in standard welding, but during the main current phase there is a continual switching back and forth between the pulse and pause currents at the relevant times.
-  The pulse function can also be deactivated if necessary during the upslope and downslope phases (see chapter "Advanced settings").

### 5.7.10.1 TIG pulses – non-latched operation

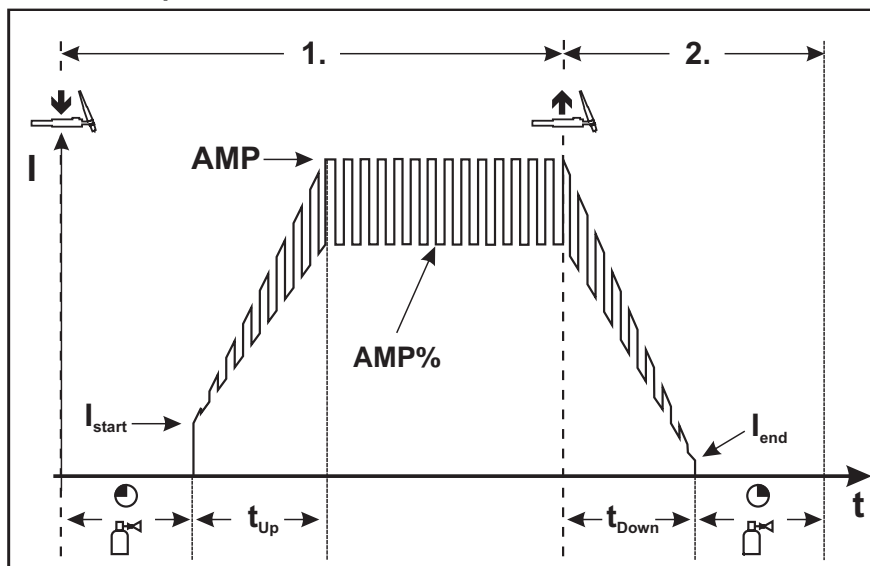


Figure 5-15

### 5.7.10.2 TIG pulses - latched operation

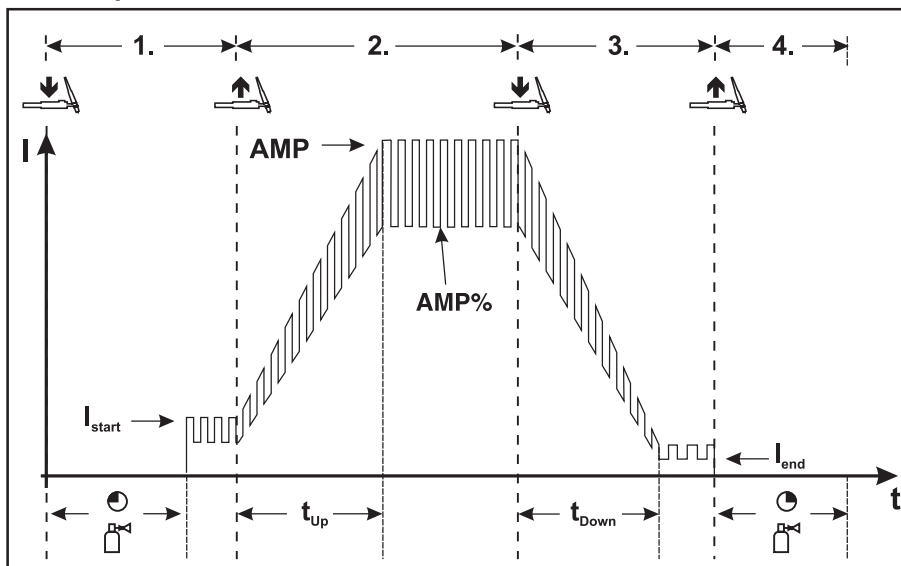






Figure 5-16

## 5.7.11 TIG *activArc* welding








The EWM *activArc* process, thanks to the highly dynamic controller system, ensures that the power supplied is kept virtually constant in the event of changes in the distance between the welding torch and the weld pool, e.g. during manual welding. Voltage losses as a result of a shortening of the distance between the torch and molten pool are compensated by a current rise (ampere per volt - A/V), and vice versa. This helps prevent the tungsten electrode sticking in the molten pool and the tungsten inclusions are reduced. This is particularly useful in tacking and in spot welding.

Operating element	Action	Result
  		Select <i>activArc</i> Press until signal light <i>activArc</i> comes on

### Parameter setting

The *activArc* parameter (control) can be adjusted specifically for the welding task (panel thickness). These parameters have been modified for the welding current level at the factory.

- The *activArc* process must be selected first (*activArc* signal light is on permanently).

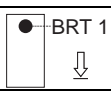
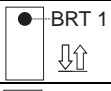
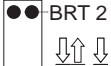
Operating element	Action	Result	Display
  		Select <i>activArc</i> parameter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Press until <i>activArc</i> LED flashes</li> </ul>	
		Set parameter value <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase parameter value (A/V)</li> <li>Decrease parameter value (A/V)</li> </ul>	

## 5.7.12 Welding torch (operating variants)

Different torch versions can be used with this machine.

Functions on the operating elements, such as torch triggers (TT), rockers or potentiometers, can be modified individually via torch modes.

**Explanation of symbols for operating elements:**

Symbol	Description
	Press torch trigger
	Tap torch trigger *
	Tap * and press torch trigger

### 5.7.12.1 Tap torch trigger (tapping function)

#### NOTE



Pressing the torch trigger briefly to change a function, e.g. changing over from main to secondary current.

The function is used in torch modes 1-4 (factory setting). The function is deactivated in torch modes 11-14 (for more in-depth information, see Torch mode setting chapter).

## 5.7.13 Torch mode and up/down speed setting

The user has the modes 1 to 6 and modes 11 to 16 available. Modes 11 to 16 include the same function options as 1 to 6, but without tapping function for the secondary current.

The function options in the individual modes can be found in the tables for the corresponding torch types. The welding process can of course be switched on and off in all modes using torch trigger 1 (TT 1).

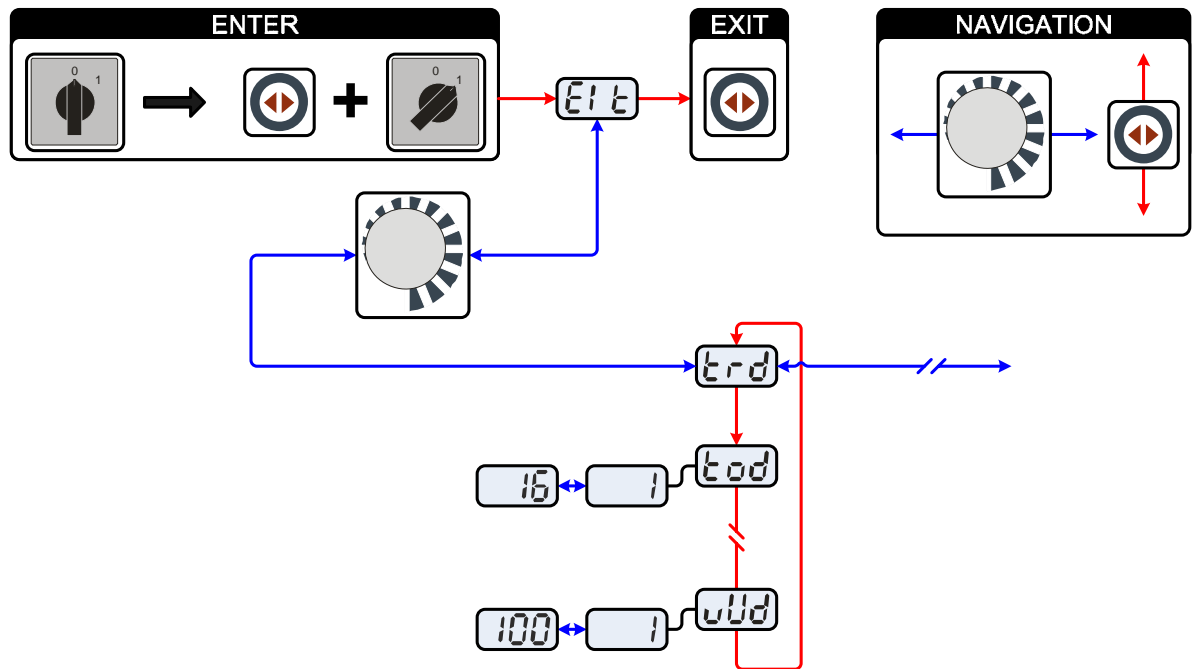


Figure 5-17

Display	Setting/selection
	<b>Exit the menu</b> Exit
	<b>Torch configuration menu</b> Set welding torch functions
	<b>Torch mode</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modes 1-6: with tapping function (factory setting 1)</li> <li>Modes 11-16: without tapping function</li> </ul>
	<b>Up-/Down speed (not available in modes 4 and 14)</b> Increase value = rapid current change (factory setting 10) Reduce value = slow current change

### NOTE



Only the modes listed are suitable for the corresponding torch types.

## 5.7.13.1 Standard TIG torch (5-pole)

Standard torch with one torch trigger:

Diagram	Operating elements	Explanation of symbols
		BRT1 = Torch trigger 1 (welding current on/off; secondary current via tapping function)



Functions	mode	Operating elements
Welding current On/Off	<b>1</b> (factory-set)	
Secondary current (Latched mode)		












Standard torch with two torch triggers:

Diagram	Operating elements	Explanation of symbols
		BRT1 = torch trigger 1 BRT2 = torch trigger 2

Functions	mode	Operating elements
Welding current On/Off	<b>1</b> (factory-set)	
Secondary current		
Secondary current (tapping mode) / (Latched mode)		
Welding current On/Off	<b>3</b>	
Secondary current (tapping mode) / (Latched mode)		
Up function		
Down function		



## Standard torch with one rocker (MG rocker, two torch triggers)

Diagram	Operating elements	Explanation of symbols
		BRT 1 = torch trigger 1 BRT 2 = torch trigger 2

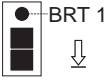
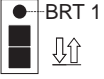
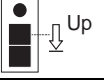

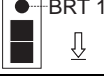
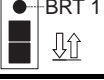
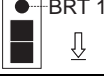
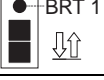


Functions	mode	Operating elements
Welding current On/Off	<b>1</b> (factory-set)	 BRT 1
Secondary current		 BRT 2
Secondary current (tapping mode) / (Latched mode)		 BRT 1
Welding current On/Off	<b>2</b>	 BRT 1 + BRT 2
Secondary current (tapping mode)		 BRT 1 + BRT 2
Up function		 BRT 1
Down function		 BRT 2
Welding current On/Off	<b>3</b>	 BRT 1
Secondary current (tapping mode) / (Latched mode)		 BRT 1
Up function		 BRT 2
Down function		 BRT 2

## 5.7.13.2 TIG up/down torch (8-pole)



Up/down torch with one torch trigger

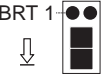
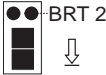
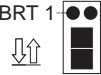
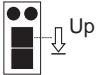
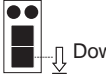
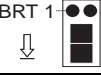
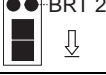





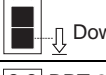
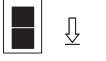
Diagram	Operating elements	Explanation of symbols
		TT 1 = torch trigger 1

Functions	Mode	Operating elements
Welding current on/off	<b>1</b> (factory-set)	
Secondary current (tapping mode) / (Latched mode)		
Increase welding current, infinite adjustment (up function)		
Reduce welding current, infinite adjustment (down function)		
Welding current on/off	<b>2</b>	
Secondary current (tapping mode)		
Welding current on/off	<b>4</b>	
Secondary current (tapping mode) / (Latched mode)		
Increase welding current by an increment (see chapter "Setting the first increment in modes 4 and 14")		
Reduce welding current by an increment (see chapter "Setting the first increment in modes 4 and 14")		

## Up/down torch with two torch triggers

Diagram	Operating elements	Explanation of symbols
		TT 1 = torch trigger 1 (left) TT 2 = torch trigger 2 (right)

Functions	Mode	Operating elements
Welding current on/off	<b>1</b> (factory-set)	BRT 1 
Secondary current		 BRT 2
Secondary current (tapping mode) / (Latched mode)		BRT 1 
Increase welding current, infinite adjustment (up function)		 Up
Reduce welding current, infinite adjustment (down function)		 Down
Welding current on/off	<b>2</b>	BRT 1 
Secondary current		 BRT 2
Secondary current (tapping mode)		BRT 1 
Welding current on/off	<b>4</b>	BRT 1 
Secondary current		 BRT 2
Secondary current (tapping mode)		BRT 1 
Increase welding current by an increment (see chapter "Setting the first increment in modes 4 and 14")		 Up
Reduce welding current by an increment (see chapter "Setting the first increment in modes 4 and 14")		 Down
Gas test	<b>4</b>	 BRT 2 > 3 s

## 5.7.13.3 Potentiometer torch (8-pole)

### NOTE



The welding machine needs to be configured for operation with a potentiometer torch (see chap. "Configuring TIG potentiometer torch")

#### Potentiometer torch with one torch trigger:

Diagram	Operating elements	Explanation of symbols
		BRT 1 = torch trigger 1
Functions	Mode	Operating elements
Welding current On/Off	3	
Secondary current (tapping mode)		
Increase welding current, infinite adjustment		
Reduce welding current, infinite adjustment		

#### Potentiometer torch with two torch triggers:

Diagram	Operating elements	Explanation of symbols
		BRT 1 = torch trigger 1 BRT 2 = torch trigger 2
Functions	Mode	Operating elements
Welding current On/Off	3	
Secondary current		
Secondary current (tapping mode)		
Increase welding current, infinite adjustment		
Reduce welding current, infinite adjustment		

## 5.7.14 Setting the first increment

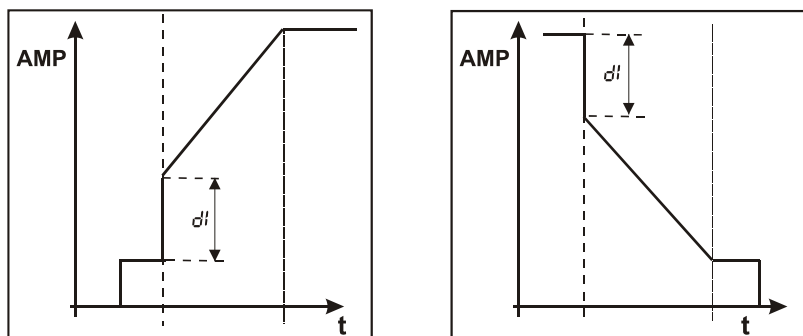


Figure 5-18

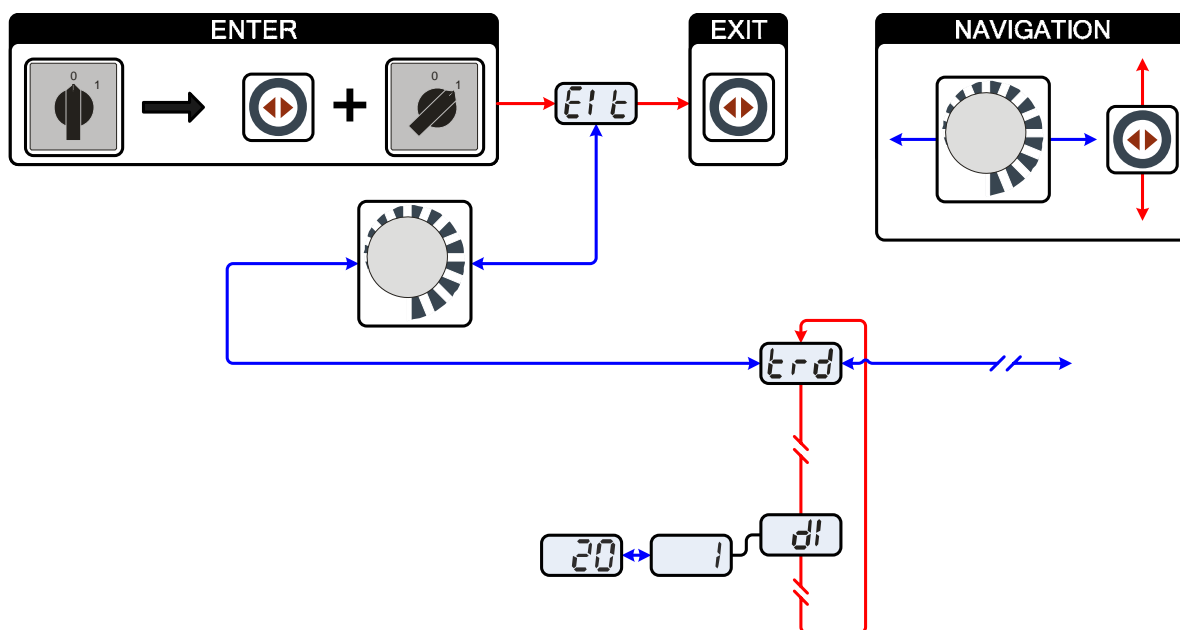


Figure 5-19


Display	Setting/selection
	<b>Exit the menu</b> Exit
	<b>Torch configuration menu</b> Set welding torch functions
	<b>Setting the first increment</b> Setting: 1 to 20 (factory setting 1)


### NOTE



This function is only available when using up/down torches in modes 4 and 14!


5.8 MMA welding

 **CAUTION**



**Risk of being crushed or burnt.**  
**When replacing spent or new stick electrodes**

- Switch off machine at the main switch
- Wear appropriate safety gloves
- Use insulated tongs to remove spent stick electrodes or to move welded workpieces and
- Always put the electrode holder down on an insulated surface.



**Shielding gas connection!**  
**During MMA welding open circuit voltage is applied at the shielding gas connection (G¼" connecting nipple).**

- Place yellow insulating cap on the G¼" connection nipple (protects against electrical voltage and dirt).

5.8.1 Connecting the electrode holder and workpiece lead

 **NOTE**

Polarity depends on the instructions from the electrode manufacturer given on the electrode packaging.

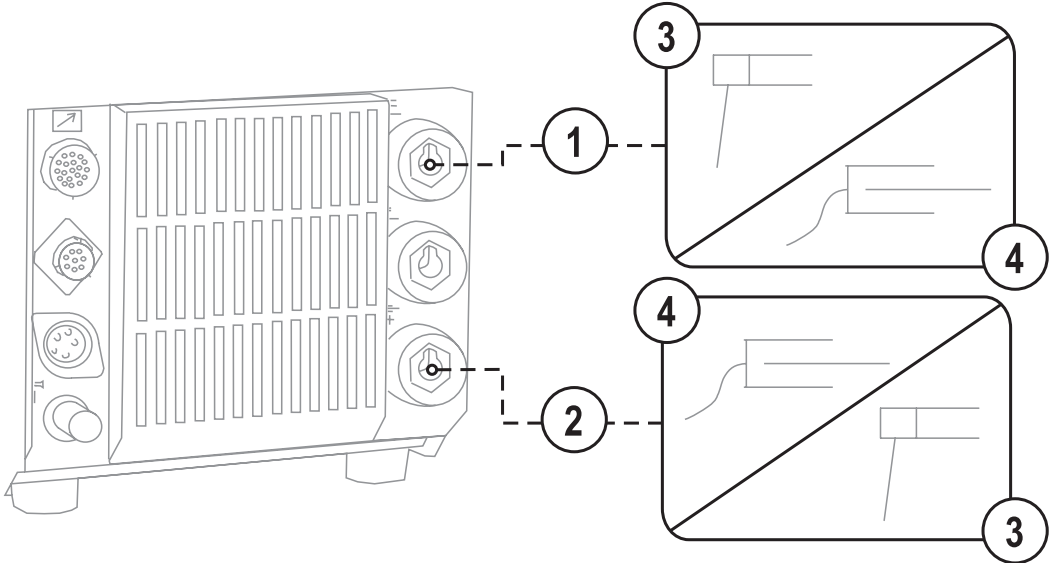




Figure 5-20

Item	Symbol	Description
1	—	<b>Connection socket, “-” welding current</b> Workpiece lead or electrode holder connection
2	+	<b>Connection socket for “+” welding current</b> Electrode holder or workpiece lead connection
3		<b>Electrode holder</b>
4		<b>Workpiece</b>

- Insert cable plug of the electrode holder into either the "+" or "-" welding current connection socket and lock by turning to the right.
- Insert cable plug of the workpiece lead into either the "+" or "-" welding current connection socket and lock by turning to the right.

## NOTE



The welding current polarity can be reversed on the machine control (see chapter "Reversing the welding current polarity").

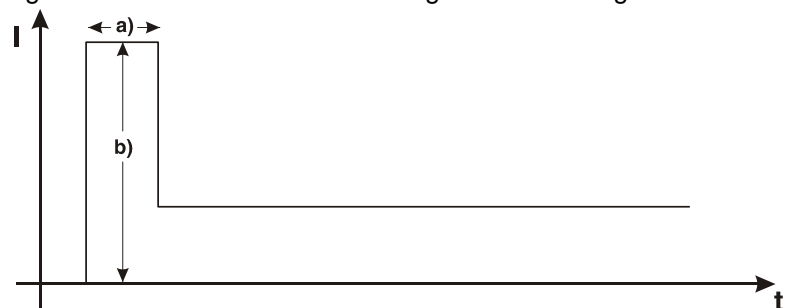
### 5.8.2 Select welding task

Operating element	Action	Result
		Select MMA welding process The  signal light lights up in green
		Set welding current

### 5.8.3 Hotstart current and Hotstart time

The hotstart device improves the ignition of the stick electrodes using an increased ignition current.





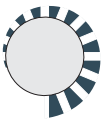

- a) = Hotstart time  
 b) = Hotstart current  
 I = Welding current  
 t = Time



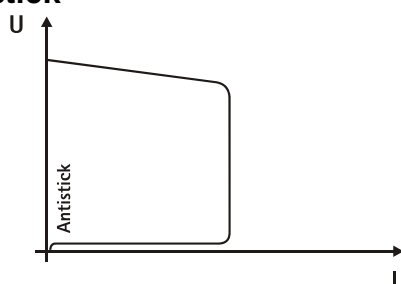
Operating element	Action	Result	Displays
  		<b>Select hotstart current welding parameter</b> Press the "Gas and current parameter" button until signal light AMP% (hotstart current) comes on.	
		<b>Set hotstart current</b> The factory setting is a value as a percentage of the selected main current. To set the absolute hotstart current, see the "Switching between percentage and absolute welding currents" chapter.	
Operating element	Action	Result	
		<b>Hotstart time setting on the "Up-slope time/Hotstart time" rotary dial</b> Hotstart time = rotary dial setting divided by factor 4 (example: setting 10 sec. means 10/4 = 2.5 sec. hotstart time)	

## 5.8.4 Arcforce

Shortly before the electrode threatens to stick, the arcforcing device sets an increased current designed to prevent the electrode sticking.

Operating element	Action	Result	Displays
		Select arcforcing welding parameter The  signal light lights up in red	
		Set arcforcing -40 = low current increase > soft arc 0 = default setting +40 = high current increase > aggressive arc	

## 5.8.5 Antistick



### Anti-stick prevents the electrode from annealing.

If the electrode sticks in spite of the Arcforce device, the machine automatically switches over to the minimum current within about 1 second to prevent the electrode from overheating. Check the welding current setting and correct according to the welding task!

Figure 5-21

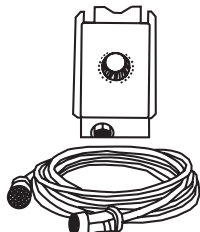
## 5.9 Remote control

### NOTE



The remote control is operated on the 19-pole remote control connection socket.

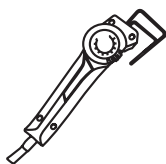
### 5.9.1 Manual remote control RT 1



#### Functions

- Infinitely adjustable welding current (0% to 100%) depending on the preselected main current on the welding machine.

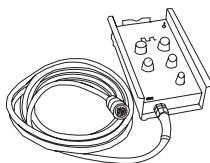
### 5.9.2 RTG1 19POL manual remote control



#### Functions

- Infinite setting of the welding current (0% to 100%) depending on the main current preselected at the welding machine

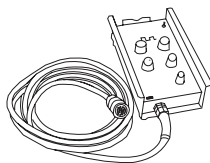
### 5.9.3 Manual remote control RTP 1



#### Functions

- TIG/MMA
- Infinitely adjustable welding current (0% to 100%) depending on the preselected main current on the welding machine.
- Pulse/spot/normal
- Pulse, spot and break times are infinitely adjustable.

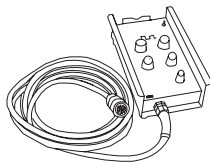
### 5.9.4 Manual remote control RTP 2



#### Functions

- TIG/MMA.
- Infinitely adjustable welding current (0% to 100%) depending on the preselected main current on the welding machine.
- Pulse/spot/normal
- Frequency and spot times infinitely adjustable.
- Coarse adjustment of the cycle frequency.
- Pulse/pause ratio (balance) adjustable from 10% to 90%.

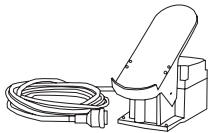
### 5.9.5 RTP 3 manual remote control



#### Functions

- TIG / MMA.
- Infinitely adjustable welding current (0% to 100%) depending on the preselected main current on the welding machine.
- Pulse / SpotArc spots / normal
- Frequency and spot time infinitely adjustable.
- Coarse adjustment of the pulse frequency.
- Pulse/pause ratio (balance) adjustable from 10% to 90%.

5.9.6 Foot-operated remote control RTF 1



Functions

- Infinitely adjustable welding current (0% to 100%) depending on the preselected main current on the welding machine.
- Start/stop welding operation (TIG)

ActivArc welding is not possible in combination with the RTF 1 foot-operated remote control.

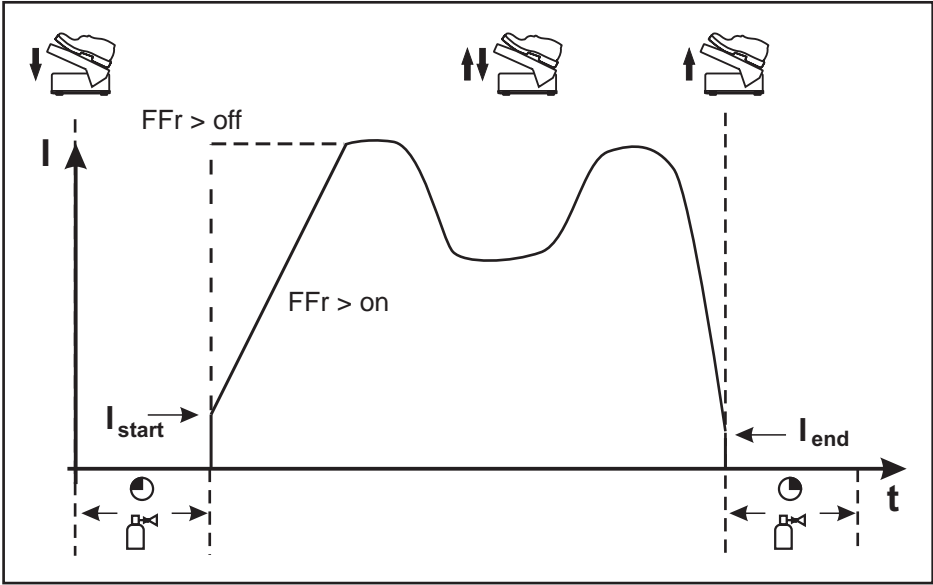


Figure 5-22

Symbol	Meaning
	Actuate foot-operated remote control (start welding process)
	Operate foot-operated remote control (set welding current according to application)
	Release foot-operated remote control (end welding process)
FFr	RTF ramp function on      Welding current runs in a ramp function at the specified main current off     Welding current goes immediately to the specified main current

NOTE



The RTF ramp function can be switched on and off in the machine control sub-menu (see "Advanced settings > ramp function RTF" chapter).

## 5.10 Interfaces for automation

### CAUTION

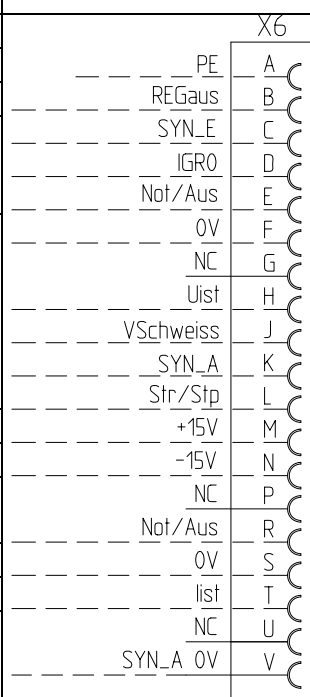


**Damage to the machine due to improper connection!**

**Unsuitable control leads or incorrect connection of input and output signals can cause damage to the machine.**

- Only use shielded control leads!
- If the machine is to be operated with control voltages connection via suitable isolation amplifiers is required!
- To control the main or secondary current via control voltages, the relevant inputs must be enabled (see specification for activation of control voltage).

### 5.10.1 TIG interface for mechanised welding

Pin	Signal shape	Designation		Diagram
A	Output	PE	Connection for cable screen	
B	Output	REGaus	For servicing purposes only	
C	Input	SYN_E	Synchronisation for master/slave operation	
D	Input (no c.)	IGRO	Current flows signal I>0 (maximum load 20mA / 15V) 0V = welding current flowing	
E + R	Input	Not/Aus	Emergency stop for higher level shut-down of the power source. To use this function, jumper 1 must be unplugged on PCB T320/1 in the welding machine. Contact open = welding current off	
	Output			
F	Output	0V	Reference potential	
G	-	NC	Not assigned	
H	Output	Uist	Actual welding voltage, measured on pin F, 0-10V (0V = 0V, 10V = 100V)	
J		Vschweiss	Reserved for special purposes	
K	Input	SYN_A	Synchronisation for master/slave operation	
L	Input	Str/Stp	Start / stop welding current, same as torch trigger. Only available in non-latched operating mode. +15V = start, 0V = stop	
M	Output	+15V	Voltage supply +15V, max. 75mA	
N	Output	-15V	Voltage supply -15V, max. 25mA	
P	-	NC	Not assigned	
S	Output	0V	Reference potential	
T	Output	list	Actual welding current, measured on pin F; 0-10V (0V = 0A, 10V = 1000A)	
U		NC		
V	Output	SYN_A 0V	Synchronisation for master/slave operation	

## 5.10.2 Remote control connection socket, 19-pole

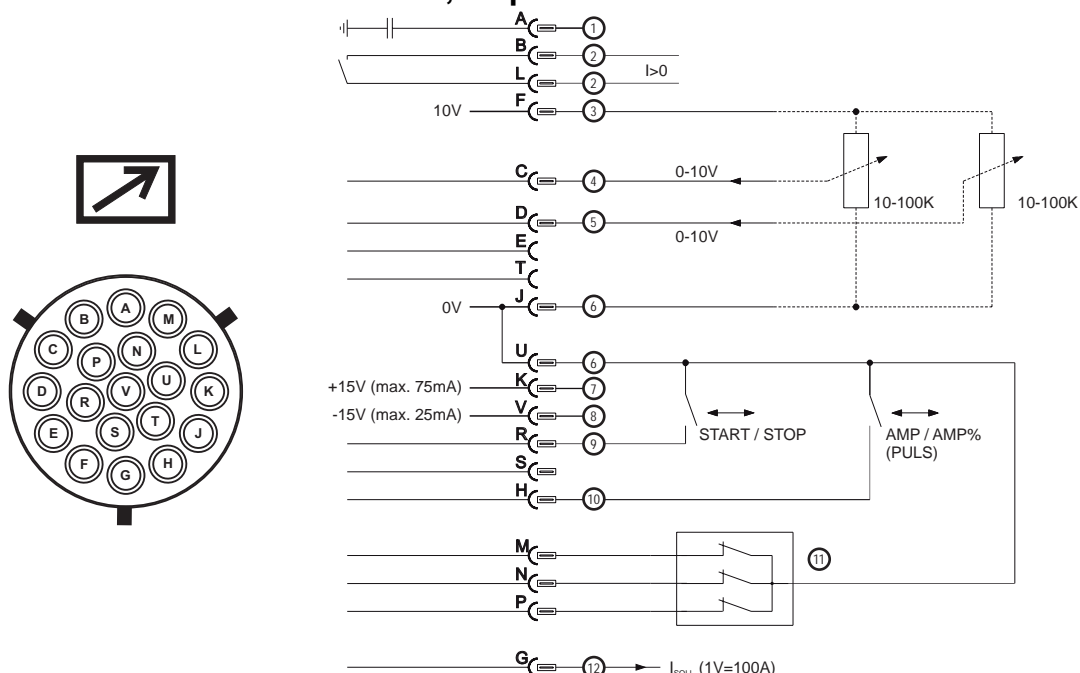


Figure 5-23

Pos.	Pin	Signal shape	Designation
1	A	Output	Connection for cable screen (PE)
2	B/L	Output	Current flows signal $I > 0$ , galvanically isolated (max. $\pm 15V/100mA$ )
3	F	Output	Reference voltage for potentiometer 10V (max. 10mA)
4	C	Input	Control value specification for main current, 0-10V ( $0V = I_{min}$ , $10V = I_{max}$ )
5	D	Input	Control value specification for secondary current, 0-10V ( $0V = I_{min}$ , $10V = I_{max}$ )
6	J/U	Output	Reference 0V
7	K	Output	Power supply +15V, max. 75mA
8	V	Output	Power supply -15V, max. 25mA
9	R	Input	Start/Stop welding current
10	H	Input	Switching between main and secondary welding currents (pulses)
11	M/N/P	Input	Activation of control voltage specification Set all 3 signals to reference potential 0V to activate external control voltage specification for main and secondary currents
12	G	Output	Measured value $I_{SETPOINT}$ (1V = 100A)

## 5.11 PC interface

### CAUTION



Equipment damage or faults may occur if the PC is connected incorrectly!

**Not using the SECINT X10USB interface results in equipment damage or faults in signal transmission. The PC may be destroyed due to high frequency ignition pulses.**

- Interface SECINT X10USB must be connected between the PC and the welding machine!
- The connection must only be made using the cables supplied (do not use any additional extension cables)!

### NOTE



Please note the relevant documentation of the accessory components.

5.12 Advanced settings

5.12.1 Setting slope times for secondary current AMP% or pulse edges

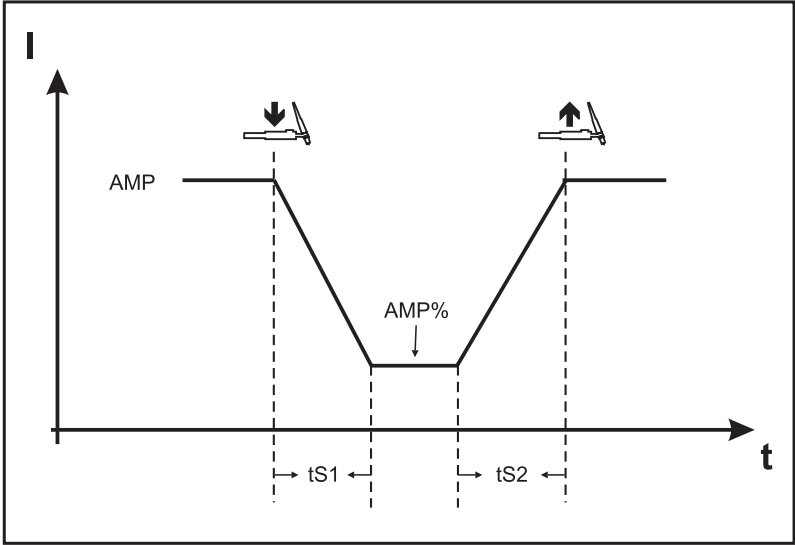


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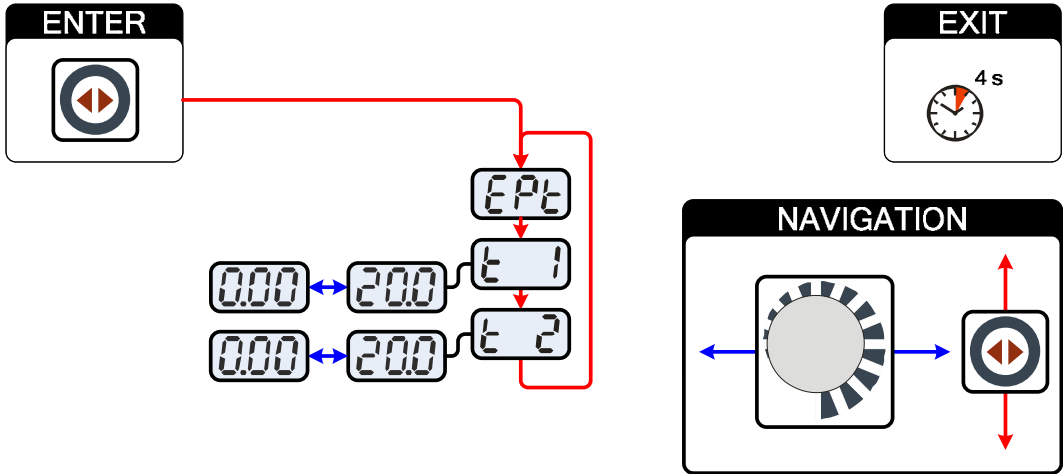


Figure 5-25

Display	Setting/selection
tS1	Slope time tS1 (main current to secondary current) Setting: 0.00 s to 20.0 s (factory setting 0.01 s)
tS2	Slope time tS2 (secondary current to main current) Setting: 0.00 s to 20.0 s (factory setting 0.01 s)

## 5.12.2 TIG non-latched operating mode, C version

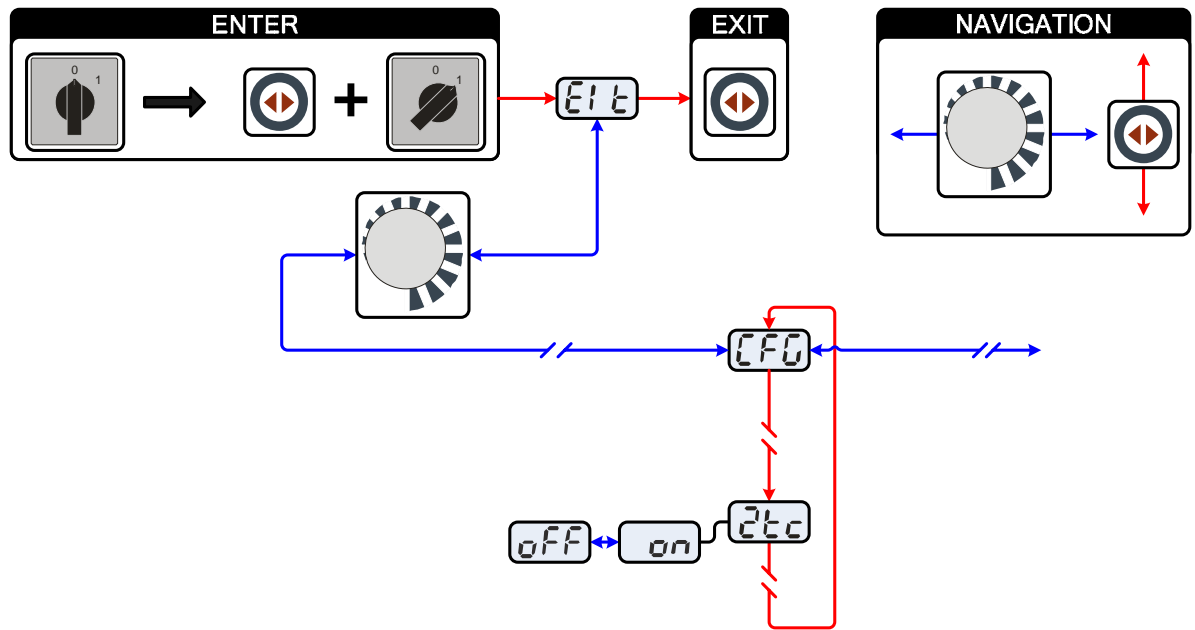



Figure 5-26

Display	Setting/selection
	<b>Exit the menu</b> Exit
	<b>Machine configuration</b> Settings for machine functions and parameter display
	<b>Non-latched operation (C version)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>on = on</li> <li>off = off (factory setting)</li> </ul>

5.12.3 Configuring the TIG potentiometer torch connection



**DANGER**

**Risk of injury due to electrical voltage after switching off!**  
**Working on an open machine can lead to fatal injuries!**  
**Capacitors are loaded with electrical voltage during operation. Voltage remains present for up to four minutes after the mains plug is removed.**


1. Switch off machine.
2. Remove the mains plug.
3. Wait for at last 4 minutes until the capacitors have discharged!



**WARNING**

**Risk of accidents if these safety instructions are not observed!**  
**Non-observance of these safety instructions is potentially fatal!**

- Carefully read the safety information in this manual!
- Observe the accident prevention regulations in your country.
- Inform persons in the working area that they must observe the regulations!



**CAUTION**

**Test!**  
**Before re-commissioning, it is essential that an "inspection and test during operation" is carried out conforming to IEC / DIN EN 60974-4 "Arc welding devices - inspection and testing during operation"!**

- For detailed instructions, please see the standard operating instructions for the welding machine.

When connecting a potentiometer torch, jumper JP27 on PCB T320/1 inside the welding machine should be unplugged.

Welding torch configuration	Setting
Prepared for TIG standard or up/down torch (factory setting)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JP27
Prepared for potentiometer torches	<input type="checkbox"/> JP27

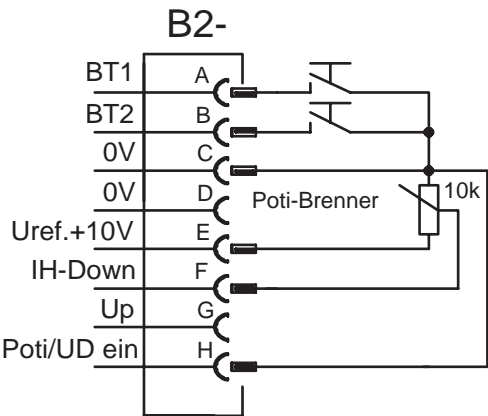



Figure 5-27



**NOTE**

**For this torch type the welding machine has to be set to torch mode 3, see chapter "Setting torch mode and Up/Down speed".**



5.12.5 Ramp function foot-operated remote control RTF 1

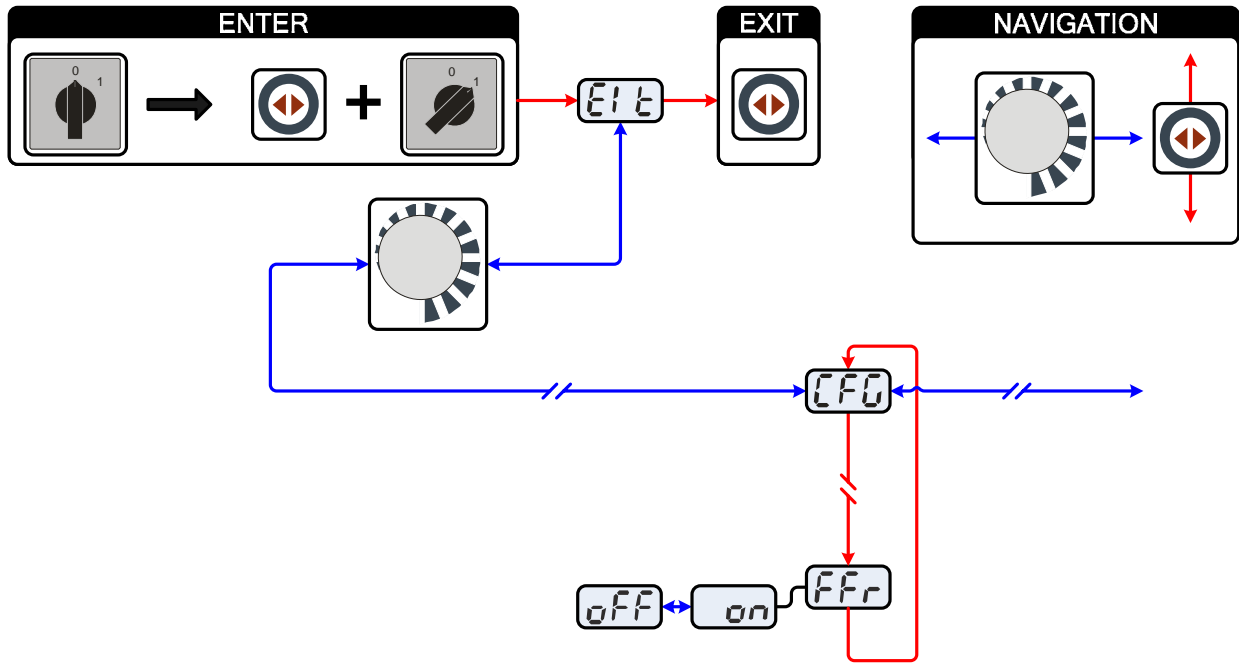


Figure 5-29

Display	Setting/selection
El t	Exit the menu Exit
CFG	Machine configuration Settings for machine functions and parameter display
FFr	Ramp function Remote control RTF 1 The ramp function can be switched on and off
on	Switch on Switching on machine function
off	Switch off Switching off machine function

### 5.13 Menus and sub-menus on the machine control

#### 5.13.1 Direct menus (direct access to parameters)

Functions, parameters and their values can be accessed directly, e.g. can be selected by pressing a button once.

#### 5.13.2 Expert menu (TIG)

The expert menu includes functions and parameters which are either not set on the machine control, or which do not require regular setting.

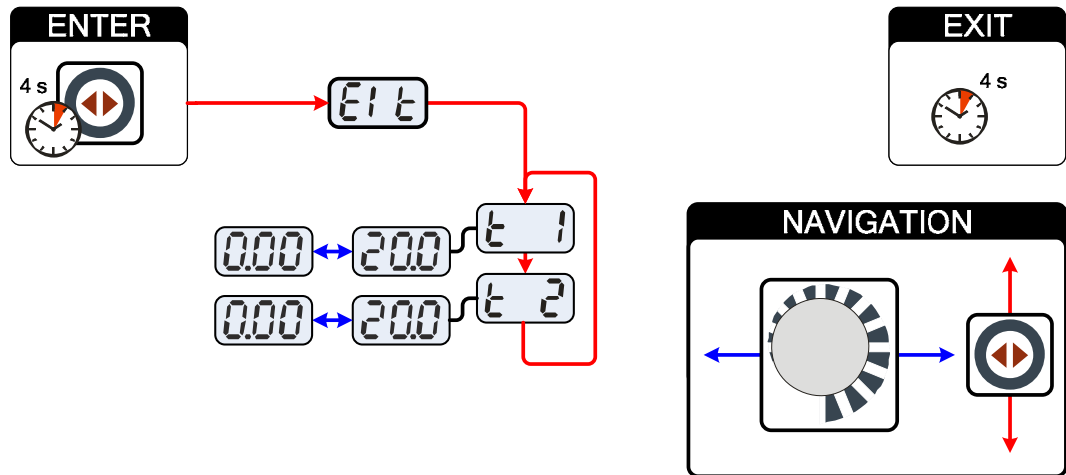


Figure 5-30

Display	Setting/selection
	<b>Expert menu</b>
	<b>Pulse time t1</b> Setting: 0.00 s to 20.0 s (factory setting 0.01 s)
	<b>Pulse pause t2</b> Setting: 0.00 s to 20.0 s (factory setting 0.01 s)

#### NOTE



#### ENTER (enter the menu)

- Keep the "welding parameters" button pressed for 4 s.

#### Navigating in the menu

- Parameters are selected by pressing the "welding parameters" button.
- Set or change the parameters by turning the "welding parameter setting" rotary dial.

#### EXIT (leave the menu)

- After 4 s, the machine will return automatically to the ready-to-operate status.

## 5.13.3 Machine configuration menu

### NOTE



#### ENTER (enter the menu)

- Switch off machine at the main switch
- Press and hold the "welding parameters" button and switch the machine on again at the same time.

#### NAVIGATION (navigating in the menu)

- Parameters are selected by pressing the "welding parameters" button.
- Set or change the parameters by turning the "welding parameter setting" rotary dial.

#### EXIT (leave the menu)

- Select the "Elt" menu item.
- Press the "welding parameters" button (settings will be applied, machine changes to the ready-to-operate status).

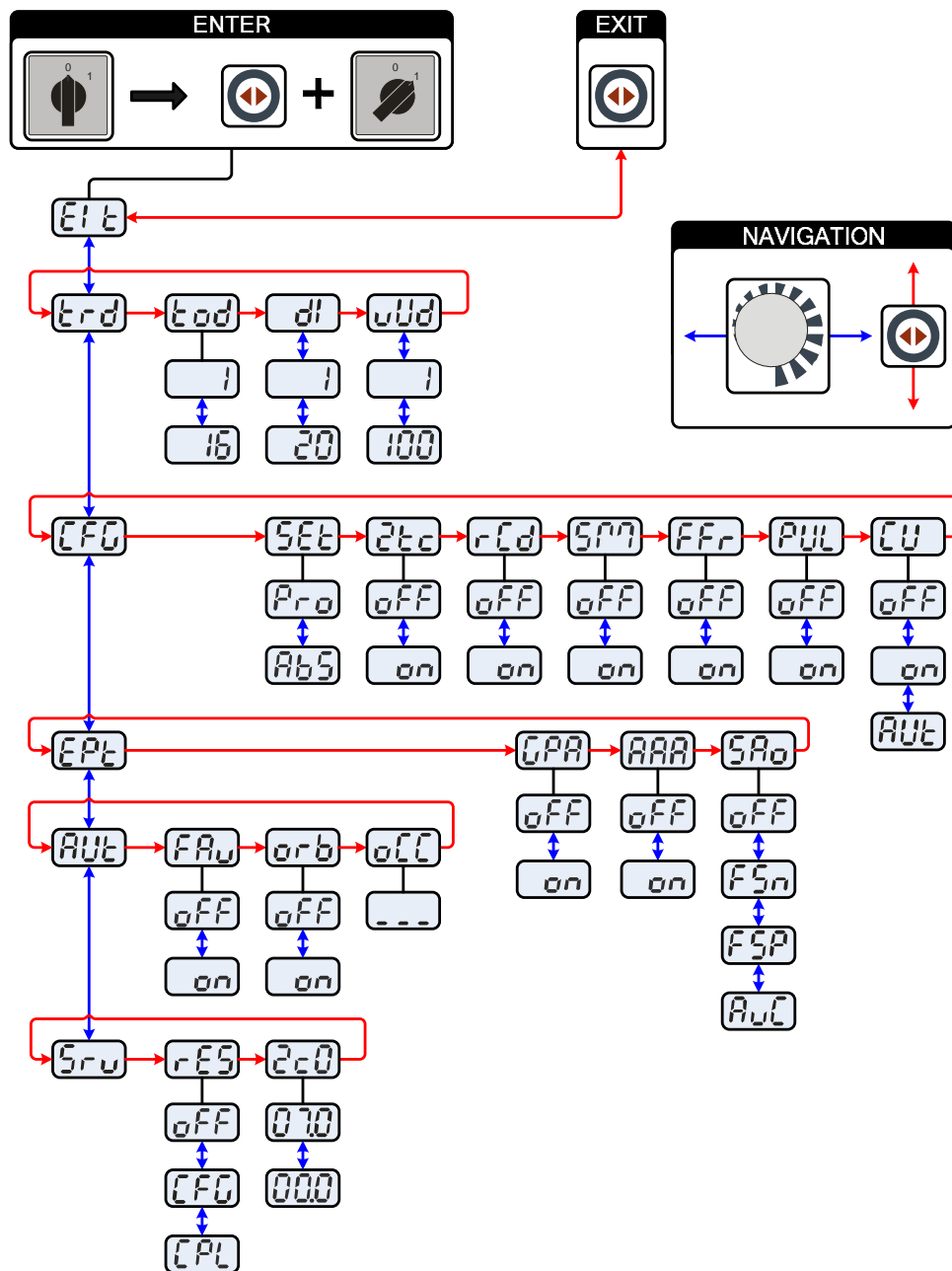








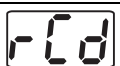




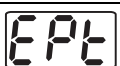













Figure 5-31

Display	Setting/selection
	<b>Exit the menu</b> Exit
	<b>Torch configuration menu</b> Set welding torch functions
	<b>Torch mode</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modes 1-6: with tapping function (factory setting 1)</li> <li>• Modes 11-16: without tapping function</li> </ul>
	<b>Setting the first increment</b> Setting: 1 to 20 (factory setting 1)
	<b>Up-/Down speed (not available in modes 4 and 14)</b> Increase value = rapid current change (factory setting 10) Reduce value = slow current change
	<b>Machine configuration</b> Settings for machine functions and parameter display
	<b>Welding current display (ignition, secondary, end and hotstart currents)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pro = welding current display as a percentage of the main current (factory setting)</li> <li>• Abs = absolute welding current display</li> </ul>
	<b>Non-latched operation (C version)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• on = on</li> <li>• off = off (factory setting)</li> </ul>
	<b>Power display switching (MMA)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• on = actual value display</li> <li>• off = setpoint value display (factory setting)</li> </ul>
	<b>spotMatic</b> Variation of operation mode spotArc, ignition with workpiece contact <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• on = on</li> <li>• off = off (factory setting)</li> </ul>
	<b>Ramp function Remote control RTF 1</b> The ramp function can be switched on and off
	<b>Pulses in the upslope and downslope phases</b> The function can be switched on or off
	<b>Torch cooling mode</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AUt = automatic operation (ex works)</li> <li>• on = permanently switched on</li> <li>• off = permanently switched off</li> </ul>
	<b>Expert menu</b>
	<b>Automatic gas post-flow</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• on = function on (factory setting)</li> <li>• off = function off</li> </ul>
	<b>activArc voltage measuring</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• on = function on (factory setting)</li> <li>• off = function off</li> </ul>
	<b>Error output to automated welding interface, contact SYN_A</b> off AC synchronisation or hot wire (factory setting) FSn Error signal, negative logic FSP Error signal, positive logic AvC AVC (Arc voltage control) connection
	<b>Automation menu</b>
	<b>Fast take-over of control voltage (automation)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• on = function on</li> <li>• off = function off (factory setting)</li> </ul>

Display	Setting/selection
	<b>Orbital welding</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• off = off (ex works)</li> <li>• on = on</li> </ul>
	<b>Orbital welding</b> Correction value for orbital current
	<b>Service menu</b> Modifications to the service menu may only be carried out by authorised maintenance staff!
	<b>Reset (reset to factory settings)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• off = aus (factory setting)</li> <li>• CFG = Reset the values in the machine configuration menu</li> <li>• CPL = Complete reset of all values and settings</li> </ul> The reset is performed when leaving the menu (EXIT).
	<b>Software version query (example)</b> 07=        System bus ID 02c0=    Version number System bus ID and version number are separated by a dot.
	

## 6 Maintenance, care and disposal



### DANGER



**Risk of injury from electric shock!**

**Cleaning machines that are not disconnected from the mains can lead to serious injuries!**

- Disconnect the machine completely from the mains.
- Remove the mains plug!
- Wait for 4 minutes until the capacitors have discharged!

### 6.1 General

When used in the specified environmental conditions and under normal operating conditions, this machine is largely maintenance-free and requires a minimum of care.

There are some points, which should be observed, to guarantee fault-free operation of your welding machine. Among these are regular cleaning and checking as described below, depending on the pollution level of the environment and the length of time the unit is in use.

### 6.2 Maintenance work, intervals

#### 6.2.1 Daily maintenance tasks

- Mains supply lead and its strain relief
- Welding current cables (check that they are fitted correctly and secured)
- Gas tubes and their switching equipment (solenoid valve)
- Operating, message, safety and adjustment devices (Functional test)
- Other, general condition

#### 6.2.2 Monthly maintenance tasks

- Casing damage (front, rear and side walls)
- Transport elements (strap, lifting lugs, handle)
- Selector switches, command devices, emergency stop devices, voltage reducing devices, message and control lamps

#### 6.2.3 Annual test (inspection and testing during operation)

### NOTE



**The welding machine may only be tested by competent, capable persons!**

**A capable person is one who, because of his training, knowledge and experience, is able to recognise the dangers that can occur while testing welding power sources as well as possible subsequent damage and who is able to implement the required safety procedures.**



**For further information, please see the accompanying supplementary sheets "Machine and Company Data, Maintenance and Testing, Warranty"!**

A periodic test according to IEC 60974-4 "Periodic inspection and test" has to be carried out. In addition to the regulations on testing given here, the relevant local laws and regulations must also be observed.

## 6.3 Maintenance work



### DANGER



**Do not carry out any unauthorised repairs or modifications!**

**To avoid injury and equipment damage, the unit must only be repaired or modified by specialist, skilled persons!**

**The warranty becomes null and void in the event of unauthorised interference.**

- Appoint only skilled persons for repair work (trained service personnel)!

Repair and maintenance work may only be performed by qualified authorised personnel; otherwise the right to claim under warranty is void. In all service matters, always consult the dealer who supplied the machine. Return deliveries of defective equipment subject to warranty may only be made through your dealer. When replacing parts, use only original spare parts. When ordering spare parts, please quote the machine type, serial number and item number of the machine, as well as the type designation and item number of the spare part.

## 6.4 Disposing of equipment

### NOTE



#### Proper disposal!

**The machine contains valuable raw materials, which should be recycled, and electronic components, which must be disposed of.**

- Do not dispose of in household waste!
- Observe the local regulations regarding disposal!



### 6.4.1 Manufacturer's declaration to the end user

- According to European provisions (guideline 2002/96/EG of the European Parliament and the Council of January, 27th 2003), used electric and electronic equipment may no longer be placed in unsorted municipal waste. It must be collected separately. The symbol depicting a waste container on wheels indicates that the equipment must be collected separately.  
This machine is to be placed for disposal or recycling in the waste separation systems provided for this purpose.
- According to German law (law governing the distribution, taking back and environmentally correct disposal of electric and electronic equipment (ElektroG) from 16.03.2005), used machines are to be placed in a collection system separate from unsorted municipal waste. The public waste management utilities (communities) have created collection points at which used equipment from private households can be disposed of free of charge.
- Information about giving back used equipment or about collections can be obtained from the respective municipal administration office.
- EWM participates in an approved waste disposal and recycling system and is registered in the Used Electrical Equipment Register (EAR) under number WEEE DE 57686922.
- In addition to this, returns are also possible throughout Europe via EWM sales partners.

## 6.5 Meeting the requirements of RoHS

We, EWM HIGHTEC Welding GmbH Mündersbach, hereby confirm that all products supplied by us which are affected by the RoHS Directive, meet the requirements of the RoHS (Directive 2002/95/EC).

## 7 Rectifying faults

All products are subject to rigorous production checks and final checks. If, despite this, something fails to work at any time, please check the product using the following flowchart. If none of the fault rectification procedures described leads to the correct functioning of the product, please inform your authorised dealer.

### 7.1 Customer checklist

#### Legend

↘: Fault/Cause

✕: Remedy

#### NOTE



**The correct machine equipment for the material and process gas in use is a fundamental requirement for perfect operation!**

#### Functional errors

- ↘ Machine control without displaying the signal lights after switching on
  - ✕ Phase failure > check mains connection (fuses)
- ↘ No welding performance
  - ✕ Phase failure > check mains connection (fuses)
- ↘ Various parameters cannot be set
  - ✕ Entry level is blocked, disable access lock (see chapter entitled "Lock welding parameters against unauthorised access")
- ↘ Connection problems
  - ✕ Make control lead connections and check that they are fitted correctly.

#### No arc ignition

- ↘ Incorrect ignition type setting.
  - ✕ Set ignition type changeover switch to the HF ignition setting.

#### Bad arc ignition

- ↘ Material inclusions in the tungsten electrode due to contact with filler material or workpiece
  - ✕ Regrind or replace the tungsten electrode
- ↘ Bad current transfer on ignition
  - ✕ Check the setting on the "Tungsten electrode diameter/Ignition optimisation" rotary dial and increase if necessary (higher ignition energy).

#### Welding torch overheated

- ↘ Loose welding current connections
  - ✕ Tighten power connections on the torch and/or on the workpiece
  - ✕ Tighten contact tip/collet correctly
- ↘ Overload
  - ✕ Check and correct welding current setting
  - ✕ Use a more powerful welding torch

## Unstable arc

- ✓ Material inclusions in the tungsten electrode due to contact with filler material or workpiece
  - ✗ Regrind or replace the tungsten electrode
- ✓ Incompatible parameter settings
  - ✗ Check settings and correct if necessary

## Pore formation

- ✓ Inadequate or missing gas shielding
  - ✗ Check shielding gas setting and replace shielding gas cylinder if necessary
  - ✗ Shield welding site with protective screens (draughts affect the welding result)
  - ✗ Use gas diffuser for aluminium applications and high-alloy steels
- ✓ Unsuitable or worn welding torch equipment
  - ✗ Check size of gas nozzle and replace if necessary
- ✓ Condensation (hydrogen) in the gas tube
  - ✗ Rinse hose package with gas or replace

## 7.2 Machine faults (error messages)

**NOTE**

A welding machine error is indicated by the collective fault signal lamp (A1) lighting up and an error code (see table) being displayed in the machine control display. In the event of a machine error, the power unit shuts down.

- If multiple errors occur, these are displayed in succession.
- Document machine errors and inform service staff as necessary.

Error message	Possible cause	Remedy
Err 3	Speedometer error	Check wire guide/tube package
	Wire feed unit not connected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Switch off cold wire mode in the device configuration menu (off status)</li> <li>• Connect wire feed unit</li> </ul>
Err 4	Temperature error	Allow machine to cool down.
	Error in emergency stop circuit (interface for mechanised welding)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the external shut-down equipment</li> <li>• Check plug-in jumper JP 1 on PCB T320/1</li> </ul>
Err 5	Overvoltage	Switch off the machine and check mains voltages
Err 6	Undervoltage	
Err 7	Coolant error (only if cooling module connected)	Check coolant level and refill if necessary
Err 8	Gas error	Check gas supply
Err 9	Secondary overvoltage	Switch the machine off and on again.
Err 10	PE error	If the error persists, inform the service dept.
Err 11	FastStop position	Edge "Acknowledge error" signal (0 to 1) via robot interface (if available)
Err 51	Error in emergency stop circuit (interface for mechanised welding)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the external shut-down equipment</li> <li>• Check plug-in jumper JP 1 on PCB T320/1</li> </ul>

## 7.3 Resetting welding parameters to the factory settings

### NOTE



All customised welding parameters that are stored will be replaced by the factory settings.

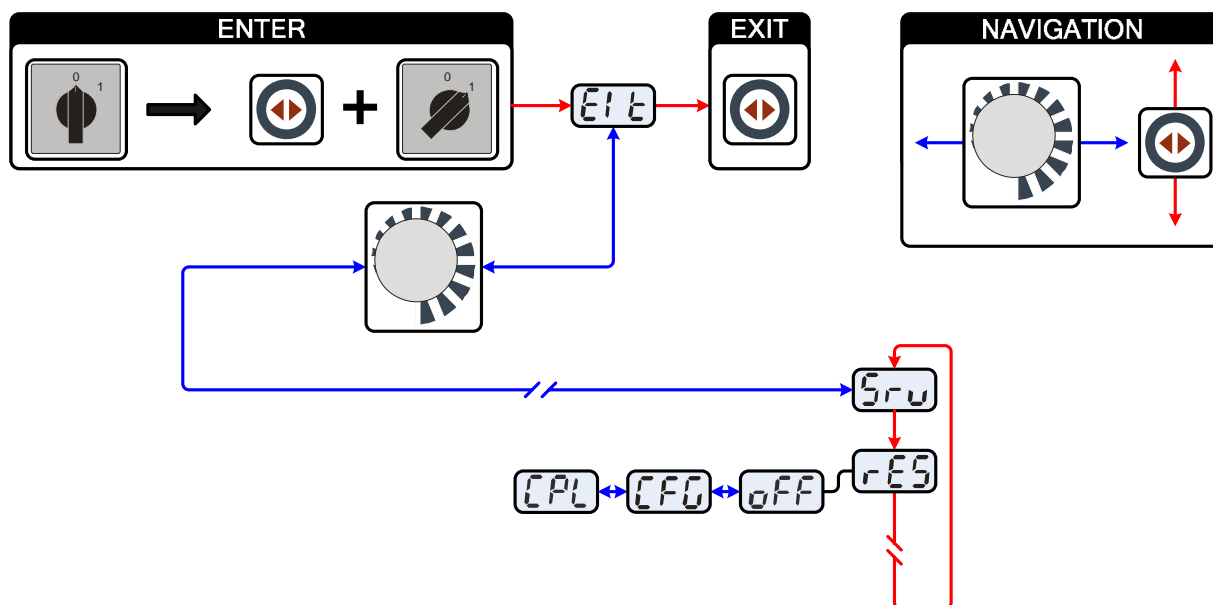


Figure 7-1

Display	Setting/selection
	<b>Exit the menu</b> Exit
	<b>Service menu</b> Modifications to the service menu may only be carried out by authorised maintenance staff!
	<b>Reset (reset to factory settings)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• off = aus (factory setting)</li> <li>• CFG = Reset the values in the machine configuration menu</li> <li>• CPL = Complete reset of all values and settings</li> </ul> The reset is performed when leaving the menu (EXIT).
	<b>Switch off</b> Switching off machine function
	<b>Reset machine configuration</b> Resetting the values in the machine configuration menu
	<b>Complete reset</b> Complete reset of all values and settings by the factory settings

## 7.4 Display machine control software version

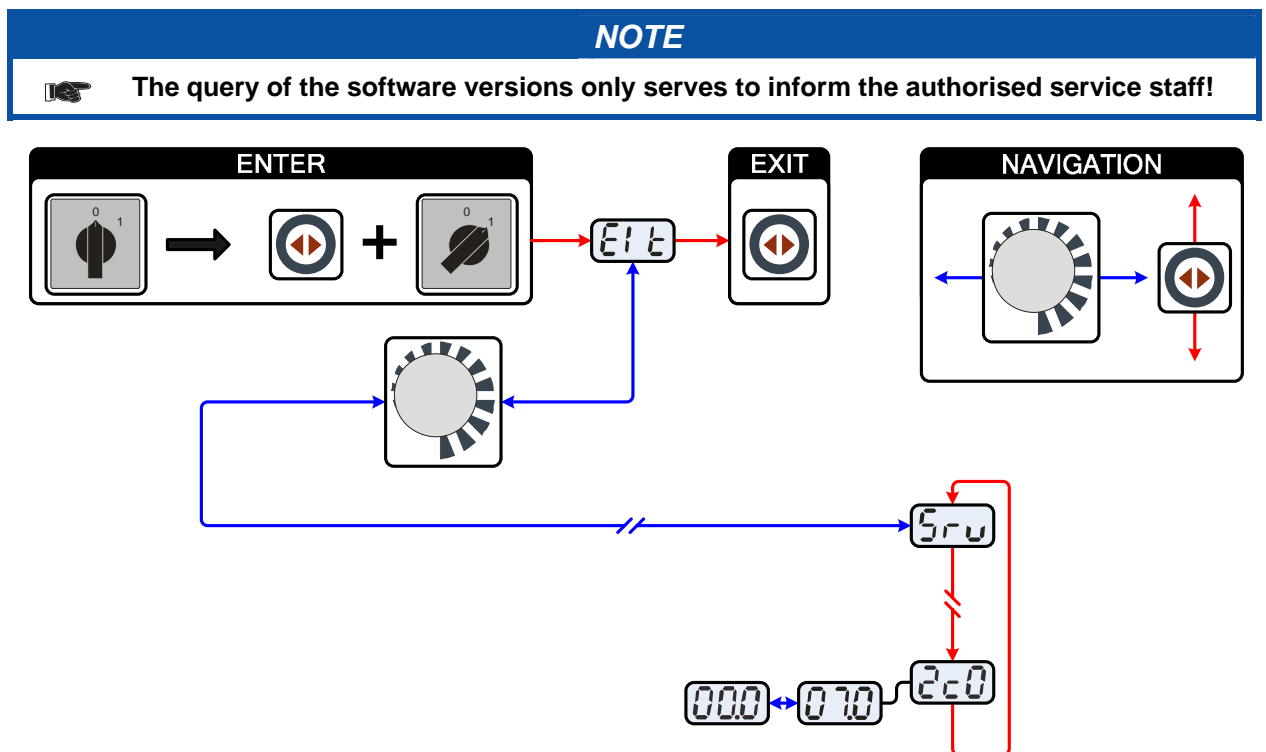


Figure 7-2

Display	Setting/selection
	<b>Exit the menu</b> Exit
	<b>Service menu</b> Modifications to the service menu may only be carried out by authorised maintenance staff!
	<b>Software version query (example)</b> 07= System bus ID 02c0= Version number System bus ID and version number are separated by a dot.

## 7.5 General operating problems

### 7.5.1 Interface for mechanised welding

#### WARNING



**No function of the external shut-down devices (emergency stop switch)!**

If the emergency stop circuit has been realised using an external shut-down device via the interface for mechanised welding, the device must be set for this setup. If this is not observed, the power source will ignore the external shut-down devices and will not shut down!

- Disconnect jumper 1 on PCB T320/1 (Tetrix) or M320/1 (Phoenix / alpha Q)!

## 8 Technical data

### NOTE



Performance specifications and guarantee only in connection with original spare and replacement parts!

### 8.1 Tetrix 300 Classic

	TIG	MMA
Welding current setting range	5 A to 300 A	
Welding voltage setting range	10.2 V to 22.0 V	20.2 V to 32.0 V
Duty cycle at 25 °C	300 A (80% DC)	
	270 A (100% DC)	
Duty cycle at 40 °C	300 A (60% DC)	
	250 A (100% DC)	
Load alternation	10 min. (60% DC $\triangle$ 6 min. welding, 4 min. break)	
Open circuit voltage	98 V	
Mains voltage (tolerances)	3 x 400 V (-25% to +20%)	
Frequency	50/60 Hz	
Mains fuse (safety fuse, slow-blow)	3 x 16 A	
Mains connection lead	H07RN-F4G2.5	
Max. connected power	8.3 kVA	12.0 kVA
Recommended generator rating	16.4 kVA	
cos $\phi$ /efficiency	0,99	
Insulation class/protection classification	H/IP 23	
Ambient temperature	-20 °C to +40 °C	
Machine cooling	Fan	
Workpiece lead	50 mm <sup>2</sup>	
Dimensions L/W/H	590 x 230 x 380 mm	
Weight	29 kg	
EMC class	A	
Constructed to standards	IEC 60974-1, -3, -10; S; C $\epsilon$	

## 8.2 Tetrix 400-2 Classic

	TIG	MMA
Welding current setting range	5 A to 400 A	
Welding voltage setting range	10,2 V bis 26,0 V	20,2 V bis 36,0 V
Duty cycle at 25 °C	400 A (30% ED)	
	350 A (40% ED)	
Duty cycle at 40 °C	300 A (60% ED)	
	250 A (100% ED)	
Load alternation	10 min. (60% DC $\triangle$ 6 min. welding, 4 min. break)	
Open circuit voltage	98 V	
Mains voltage (tolerances)	3 x 400 V (-25% to +20%)	
Frequency	50/60 Hz	
Mains fuse (safety fuse, slow-blow)	3 x 16 A	
Mains connection lead	H07RN-F4G2.5	
Max. connected power	13,2 kVA	18,2 kVA
Recommended generator rating	24,5 kVA	
cos $\phi$ /efficiency	0,99	
Insulation class/protection classification	H/IP 23	
Ambient temperature	-20 °C to +40 °C	
Machine cooling	Fan	
Workpiece lead	50 mm <sup>2</sup>	
Dimensions L/W/H	590 x 230 x 380 mm	
Weight	29 kg	
EMC class	A	
Constructed to standards	IEC 60974-1, -3, -10; S; C $\epsilon$	

## 9 Accessories

### NOTE



Performance-dependent accessories like torches, workpiece leads, electrode holders or intermediate hose packages are available from your authorised dealer.

### 9.1 General accessories

Type	Designation	Item no.
DM1 32L/MIN	Manometer pressure regulator	094-000009-00000
DM2 16L/MIN	Flowmeter pressure reducer	094-001980-00000
ADAP 8-5 POL	8 to 5-pole adapter	092-000940-00000
ADAP1 G1/4-G1/8	Threaded adapter, G1/4 to G1/8	094-001650-00000
GH 2X1/4" 2M	Gas hose	094-000010-00001
5POLE/CEE/16A/M	Machine plug	094-000712-00000

### 9.2 Welding torch cooling system

Type	Designation	Item no.
cool35 U31	Air cooling unit	090-008235-00502

### 9.3 Remote controls and accessories

Type	Designation	Item no.
RTF1 19POLE 5M	Foot-operated remote control current with connection cable	094-006680-00000
RT1	Remote control current	090-008097-00000
RTG1 19POL	Remote control, current	090-008106-00000
RTP1	Remote control spots/pulses	090-008098-00000
RTP2	Remote control spots/pulses	090-008099-00000
RTP3	spotArc remote control for spots/pulses	090-008211-00000
RA5 19POL 5M	Remote control e.g. connection cable	092-001470-00005
RA10 19POL 10M	Remote control e.g. connection cable	092-001470-00010
RA20 19POL 20M	Remote control e.g. connection cable	092-001470-00020
RV5M19 19POLE 5M	Extension cable	092-000857-00000

### 9.4 Options

Type	Designation	Item no.
ON 19POL Tetrix 300/351	Optional 19-pole retrofit connection socket Accessory components and analogue A interface	092-001827-00000

### 9.5 Transportsysteme

Type	Designation	Item no.
Trolly 35-2	Transport vehicle	090-008198-00000
Trolly 38-2 E	Transport vehicle, long wheelbase	090-008270-00000

### 9.6 Computer communication

Type	Designation	Item no.
PC300.NET	PC300.Net welding parameter software set incl. cable and SECINT X10 USB interface	090-008265-00000
CD-ROM PC300.NET	PC300.Net Update on CD-ROM	092-008172-00001

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