**Operating instructions** 



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## **General instructions**

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#### Read the operating instructions!

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

- Read and observe the operating instructions for all system components, especially the safety instructions and warning notices!
- Observe the accident prevention regulations and any regional regulations!
- The operating instructions must be kept at the location where the machine is operated.
- Safety and warning labels on the machine indicate any possible risks.
  Keep these labels clean and legible at all times.
- The machine has been constructed to state-of-the-art standards in line with any applicable regulations and industrial standards. Only trained personnel may operate, service and repair the machine.
- Technical changes due to further development in machine technology may lead to a differing welding behaviour.

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## 2 Safety instructions

## 2.1 Notes on the use of these operating instructions

#### 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. • A 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. The hazard is also highlighted using a symbol in the page margin. • A CAUTION Working or operating procedures which must be closely observed to prevent possible minor personal injury. The safety information includes the "CAUTION" keyword in its heading with a general • warning symbol. The risk is explained using a symbol on the edge of the page. • Technical aspects which the user must observe to avoid material or equipment damage.

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.

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# 2.2 Explanation of icons

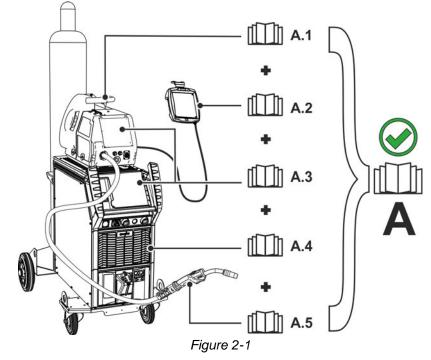
Symbol	Description	Symbol	Description
r S	Indicates technical aspects which the user must observe.		Activate and release / Tap / Tip
	Switch off machine	ÞĘ	Release
	Switch on machine		Press and hold
		Î	Switch
	Incorrect / Invalid	ØŢ	Turn
$\bigcirc$	Correct / Valid	$\square$	Numerical value – adjustable
÷	Input		Signal light lights up in green
$\bigcirc$	Navigation	•••••	Signal light flashes green
F	Output		Signal light lights up in red
45	Time representation (e.g.: wait 4 s / actuate)	•••••	Signal light flashes red
-//-	Interruption in the menu display (other setting options possible)		
X	Tool not required/do not use		
	Tool required/use		



## 2.3 Part of the complete documentation

These operating instructions are part of the complete documentation and valid only in combination with all other parts of these instructions! Read and observe the operating instructions for all system components, especially the safety instructions!

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A.1	Wire feeder
A.2	Remote adjuster
A.3	Controller
A.4	Power source
A.5	Welding torch
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A Complete documentation



## 3 Intended use

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Hazards due to improper usage!

The machine has been constructed to the state of the art and any regulations and standards applicable for use in industry and trade. It may only be used for the welding procedures indicated at the rating plate. 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 its designated purpose and by trained or expert personnel!
- Do not improperly modify or convert the equipment!

## 3.1 Applications

Remote controls are used for the remote operation of various machine functions (see operating instructions for remote control).

## 3.2 Documents which also apply

### 3.2.1 Warranty

For more information refer to the "Warranty registration" brochure supplied and our information regarding warranty, maintenance and testing at <u>www.ewm-group.com</u>!

### 3.2.2 Declaration of Conformity

### The concept and design of the product meets the EC directives:

- Low Voltage Directive (LVD)
  - Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) directive
  - Restriction of Hazardous Substance (RoHS)

Unauthorized modifications, improper repairs, failure to meet the deadlines for "Arc welding equipment -Inspection and testing during operation" and/or not approved modifications not expressly authorized by the manufacturer will render this declaration null and void. Each product is supplied with a specific declaration of conformity in the original.

### 3.2.3 Service documents (spare parts)



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)!

Spare parts can be obtained from the relevant authorised dealer.

#### Machine description – quick overview 4

4.1 Front view / rear view

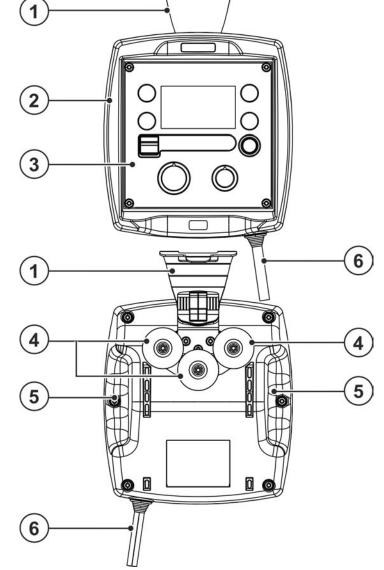


Figure 4-1

ltem	Symbol	Description
1		Holder for suspending the remote control
2		Operating panel
3		Machine control, see the relevant control operating instructions
4		Fixing magnet
		To mount remote control on magnetisable surfaces
5		Recessed grip
6		Connection cable between operating panel and power source





5 Design and function



Risk of accidents due to supply lines!

During transport, attached supply lines (mains leads, control cables, etc.) can cause

A CAUTION

risks, e.g. by causing connected machines to tip over and injure persons!

• Disconnect all supply lines before transport!

Read and observe the documentation to all system and accessory components!

## 5.1 Scope of delivery

The delivery is checked and packaged carefully before dispatch, however it is not possible to exclude the possibility of damage during transit.

#### **Receiving inspection**

Check that the delivery is complete using the delivery note!

#### In the event of damage to the packaging

Check the delivery for damage (visual inspection)!

#### In the event of complaints

If the delivery has been damaged during transport:

- Please contact the last haulier immediately!
- Keep the packaging (for possible checking by the haulier or for the return shipment).

#### Packaging for returns

If possible, please use the original packaging and the original packaging material. If you have any queries on packaging and protection during transport, please contact your supplier.

### 5.1.1 Ambient conditions

#### Equipment damage due to contamination!

Unusually high amounts of dust, acids, corrosive gases or substances can damage the machine (observe maintenance intervals > see 6 chapter).

• Avoid large amounts of smoke, steam, oily fumes, grinding dust and corrosive ambient air!

#### 5.1.1.1 In operation

#### Temperature range of the ambient air:

-25 °C to +40 °C (-13 F to 104 F)

Relative humidity:

- up to 50 % at 40 °C (104 F)
- up to 90 % at 20 °C (68 F)

#### 5.1.1.2 Transport and storage

Storage in a closed room, temperature range of the ambient air:

-30 °C to +70 °C (-22 F to 158 F)

#### **Relative humidity**

• up to 90 % at 20 °C (68 F)

### 5.2 Establishing the connections

Damage to the machine due to improper connection! The remote controls have been developed to be connected to welding machines or wire feed units only. Connecting them to other machines may cause damage to the machines!

- Observe the operating instructions for the welding machine or wire feed unit!
- Switch off the welding machine before connecting!
- Switch off the welding machine.
- Insert the male connector plug (socket) into the remote control connection socket and lock by turning to the right.
- Insert the male connector plug (pin) into the remote control connection socket of the welding machine and lock by turning to the right.



#### 5.3 **Functional characteristics**

The operation of the remote control and its settings are directly dependent on the configuration of the respective welding machine or wire feed unit. The settings are defined by changeover switches or by setting special parameters (dependent on the control).

The position of the key switch, to protect against unauthorised use, also has a direct influence on the operation of the respective remote control.



## 6 Maintenance, care and disposal

### 6.1 General

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- 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!

## **MARNING**

Incorrect maintenance, testing and repair!

Maintenance, testing and repair of the machine may only be carried out by skilled and qualified personnel. A qualified person is one who, because of his or her 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.

- Observe the maintenance instructions > see 6.2 chapter.
- In the event that the provisions of one of the below-stated tests are not met, the machine must not be operated again until it has been repaired and a new test has been carried out!

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 parts.

Under the specified ambient conditions and normal working conditions this machine is essentially maintenance-free and requires just a minimum of care.

Contamination of the machine may impair service life and duty cycle. The cleaning intervals depend on the ambient conditions and the resulting contamination of the machine. The minimum interval is every six months.

### 6.1.1 Cleaning

- Clean the outer surfaces with a moist cloth (no aggressive cleaning agents).
- Purge the machine venting channel and cooling fins (if present) with oil- and water-free compressed air. Compressed air may overspeed and destroy the machine fans. Never direct the compressed air directly at the machine fans. Mechanically block the fans, if required.
- Check the coolant for contaminants and replace, if necessary.

### 6.1.2 Dirt filter

The duty cycle of the welding machine decreases as an effect of the reduced cooling air volume. The dirt filter must be remove at regular intervals and cleaned by blowing out with compressed air (depending on the level of soiling).

Maintenance work, intervals



## 6.2 Maintenance work, intervals

### 6.2.1 Daily maintenance tasks

Visual inspection

- Mains supply lead and its strain relief
- Gas cylinder securing elements
- Check hose package and power connections for exterior damage and replace or have repaired by specialist staff as necessary!
- Gas tubes and their switching equipment (solenoid valve)
- Check that all connections and wearing parts are hand-tight and tighten if necessary.
- Check correct mounting of the wire spool.
- Wheels and their securing elements
- Transport elements (strap, lifting lugs, handle)
- Other, general condition

Functional test

- Operating, message, safety and adjustment devices (Functional test)
- Welding current cables (check that they are fitted correctly and secured)
- Gas tubes and their switching equipment (solenoid valve)
- Gas cylinder securing elements
- Check correct mounting of the wire spool.
- Check that all screw and plug connections and replaceable parts are secured correctly, tighten if necessary.
- Remove any spatter.
- Clean the wire feed rollers on a regular basis (depending on the degree of soiling).

### 6.2.2 Monthly maintenance tasks

Visual inspection

- Casing damage (front, rear and side walls)
- Wheels and their securing elements
- Transport elements (strap, lifting lugs, handle)
- · Check coolant tubes and their connections for impurities

Functional test

- Selector switches, command devices, emergency stop devices, voltage reducing devices, message and control lamps
- Check that the wire guide elements (inlet nipple, wire guide tube) are fitted securely.
- Check coolant tubes and their connections for impurities
- Check and clean the welding torch. Deposits in the torch can cause short circuits and have a negative impact on the welding result, ultimately causing damage to the torch.

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

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. For more information refer to the "Warranty registration" brochure supplied and our information regarding warranty, maintenance and testing at <u>www.ewm-group.com</u>!



## 6.3 Disposing of equipment

#### 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!
- According to European provisions (Directive 2012/19/EU on Waste of Electrical and Electronic Equipment), 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 has to be disposed of, or recycled, in accordance with the waste separation systems in use.

- According to German law (law governing the distribution, taking back and environmentally correct disposal of electric and electronic equipment (ElektroG)), 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 returning used equipment or about collections can be obtained from the respective municipal administration office.
- In addition to this, returns are also possible throughout Europe via EWM sales partners.



# 7 Technical data

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

## 7.1 RCX

Protection classification	IP 23
Ambient temperature	-25 °C to +40 °C
Dimensions L x W x D in mm	310 x 230 x 110
Weight	2.0 kg
EMC class	А
Constructed to standard	IEC 60974-1, -10 CC / ERI



# 8 Appendix A

## 8.1 Searching for a dealer

Sales & service parteners www.ewm-group.com/en/specialist-dealers



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