



# REOVIB

Control units for vibratory conveyor technology

**MFS 368** 

Frequency converter for vibratory feeders



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## Safety instructions for the user

## IMPORTANT!

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE USE AND KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE!

This description contains the information required for correct use of the products described in it. It is intended for technically qualified personnel.

Qualified personnel are persons who, because of their training, experience and instruction, as well as their knowledge of applicable standards, regulations, health and safety requirements and operating conditions, have been authorized by those responsible for the safety of the equipment to carry out required activities at any time, and who can recognize and avoid possible hazards in the course of these activities (definition of qualified employees according to IEC 364).

## **General safety instructions**

The following instructions are provided for the personal safety of operating staff and also for the safety of the products described and connected equipment.

## MARNUNG Hazardous voltage



Non-observance can result in serious or fatal injury as well as material damage.

- Isolate from the mains before installation or dismantling work, as well for post-installation modifications.
- Observe the accident prevention and safety rules applicable for the specific application
- Before putting into operation, check if the rated voltage for the unit conforms with the local mains supply voltage.



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## Electric shock in the absence of earthing

If the protective earth connection of devices with protection class I is missing or incorrectly executed, high voltages may be applied to exposed parts and the housing which, if touched, can result in serious or fatal injury.

- Ground the unit correctly.

# A warning

#### Electric shock in case of damaged equipment



Improper handling may result in damage to equipment. If units are damaged, dangerous voltages may be present on the housing or on exposed components which, if touched, can result in serious or fatal injury.

- During transport, storage and operation, observe the limit values specified in the technical data.
- Do not use damaged equipment.





Electric shock if the cable shield is not connected

Capacitive coupling can cause life-threatening touch voltages if the cable shields are not connected.

 Connect cable shields and unused cores of power lines to earthed housing potential on at least one side.



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Arcing when disconnecting a plug connection during operation

Disconnecting a plug connection during operation can cause an electric arc, which can result in serious or fatal injury.

- Only open plug connections when they are de-energised.



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Before opening the housing, pull out the mains plug

Before any intervention in the unit, allow at least 5 minutes for the capacitors to discharge.



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Injury due to hot surfaces

In case of malfunction, overload and insufficient ventilation, contact with a hot surface may cause skin burns. With the 6A and 8A versions, the heat sink temperature can reach 70  $^{\circ}$ C during operation.



# Material damage due to incorrect output voltage

Independent of the input voltage, the frequency converter's output voltage is 205 VAC when delivered. When using 110 VAC feeder coils, the output voltage must be set with parameter: "Umax", otherwise the feeder coil may be damaged.

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## Improper assembly of parts

Unsuitable assembly tools, screwing methods, or non-observance of the assembly instructions can lead to falling parts or equipment.



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#### Influence of electromagnetic fields on active implants

Frequency converters generate electromagnetic fields (EMF) during operation. Electromagnetic fields can affect active implants, e.g. pacemakers. This puts people with active implants in the immediate vicinity of an frequency converter at risk.

As the operator of an EMF-emitting installation, assess the individual risk to persons with active implants.

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### Total failure of power supply

Interrupting and restoring the power supply to the control unit can lead to hazardous situations. In particular, once the power supply has been restored, the system can restart without additional enabling.

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### Unintentional or accidental breach of safety

An unintentional or accidental change of the unit's parameters can disable the protective functions of the control unit.

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## Unrecognised dangers due to missing or illegible warning signs

Missing or illegible warning signs can lead to hazards going unrecognised. Unrecognised hazards can result in accidents with serious or fatal injury. See Chapter 4.6 "Warning signs". Missing signs must be replaced.

## CAUTION

#### Equipment damage due to unsuitable screwing tools

Unsuitable screwing tools or unsuitable screwing methods can damage the screws of the unit.

- Use screw drives that exactly match the screw head.
- Tighten the screws with the torques specified in the technical documentation.

#### CAUTION

#### Material damage due to loose power connections

Insufficient tightening torques or vibrations can lead to loose power connections. This may cause fire damage, defects in the unit or malfunctions.

- Tighten all power connections to the prescribed tightening torques.
- Check all power connections at regular intervals, especially after transport.



#### NOTE Current consumption

The current specified in the technical data is the maximum permissible value for the unit over the entire input voltage range. A higher current than specified can lead to malfunctions and failure. See also chapter 4.5 "Current consumption".

## Intended use

The units described here are classed as electrical equipment for use in industrial plants. They are designed for controlling vibratory feeders.

The housing version (IP54) is <u>not</u> suitable for installation in control cabinets. Failure to maintain the ambient temperature may result in a shortened life span.

Please mount the units on a vibration-free surface.

#### **Declaration of Conformity**

We declare that these products conform with the following standards:

Guideline: Standard:

| 2014/30/EU | EMC  | EN 61000-6-4:2007 +A1:2011; EN 61000-6-2:2019 |
|------------|------|---|
| 2014/35/EU | LVD  | EN 62477-1:2012 +A11:2014 +A1:2017            |
| 2011/65/EU | RoHs |   |

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### 1.0 General

The control unit generates an adjustable output frequency for the vibratory feeder independently of the mains frequency. The PFC circuit on the input side ensures a constant output voltage both at an input voltage of 110 V and 230 V.

Mains voltage fluctuations have no influence on the feed rate. In addition, the operating mode "Amplitude control" combined with an accelerometer enables a constant feed rate even with changing feeder loads. In this operating mode, the feeder's resonant frequency can also be determined and the output frequency for the feeder continuously tracked.

An integrated track control enables a backlog circuit to be set up for material control via a PNP distance sensor.

For the operation of a blowing air valve, a 24 VDC output is available in the IP54 housing version.

The unit is operated via an LC display and programming buttons. All the settings can be done using this display without opening the housing.

#### **Special features:**

- Output voltage up to 205 VAC, independent of mains supply.
- Mains frequency independent, adjustable output frequency
- Min and max limits of the frequency range adjustable
- Adjustable current limit for maximum coil current
- Constant feed rate in the event of mains fluctuations
- Control of the resonant frequency
- Status relay On / Off
- Ready relay (IP20 only)
- Track control
- 24 VDC Output for e.g. air valve (IP54 only)
- Four application-specific parameter sets can be stored
- With option "Interface operation via field bus"
- Thermal switch input for coil temperature monitoring



Housing version

Control cabinet version

#### 2.0 Function

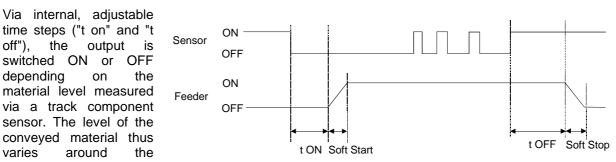
The controller generates an adjustable output voltage with an adjustable output frequency that is independent of the mains supply. The input-side PFC circuit ensures a constant output voltage at an input voltage of 99 V to 264 V. The output voltage is changed to control the feed rate. The output can be switched on or off via the keyboard or an enable input by a higher-level external control unit. After switching on the unit, the output is ramped up over an adjustable time ramp (soft start) or ramped down after switching off (soft stop). The unit can be operated in a manual mode at constant output frequency or in controller mode with amplitude control and frequency control. For controller mode an acceleration sensor e.g. SW10 is required, which is mounted on the vibrating part of the feeder. This sensor detects the feeder's vibration movement and reports this actual value back to the internal controller. In this operating mode, in addition to the amplitude control, the feeder's resonant frequency is determined and adjusted accordingly with different loads, so that a constant flow of parts results with an optimum vibrating frequency of the feeder. The setpoint for the feed rate is specified as standard via the internal display but can also be supplied externally by means of a 0...10 V or 0/4...20 mA DC signal. For feed rate control, an integrated track control allows the realisation of a material flow control. This function requires an external 24 V PNP distance sensor to detect the conveyed parts. This creates a defined material flow via adjustable time stages for switch-on and switch-off delay. The "time out" function can be used to monitor

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whether parts pass the sensor within a period of time (e.g. no-load signal). As an alternative to the material flow control, the sensor input can be used for switching to a second, internally adjustable setpoint, e.g. to realise a "fast/slow" function. In parallel with control of the feeder, a 24 V DC output is available for the IP54 housing version, which can control a blowing air valve to support the parts flow. This output can switch on before the feeder starts and switch off with a time delay after the feeder has switched off. The time delays are adjustable. Depending on the conveyor, the nominal unit current can be set between 5% and 100%. If the current limit is reached, the output voltage is reduced so that the current limit is not exceeded. Sensitive settings such as current limit and frequency limits are combined in a limit menu. Settings in the menu can only be made after enabling the key number in the "Service menu". In the service menu, the current settings can also be saved and the factory settings of the units can be restored.

#### 2.1 Track control



position of the track component sensor installed on the feeder. The output of the control unit is switched on when the conveyed material falls below the sensor and the set switch-on time delay has elapsed. If the conveyed material exceeds the position of the sensor, the control unit's output is switched off after expiry

of the switch-off delay (indication in the display: " full"). Gaps in the flow of conveyed material reset the time stages. The times are always determined by the last or first conveyed part.

The switch-on or switch-off delay time is set in the programming menu. The run-down of the internal time stages is shown by the clock  $\bigcirc$  in the display.

When the feeder is switched on, a further time stage "**sensor timeout**" can be started, which switches the feeder off after an adjustable time (1...240 sec.) if no material parts have passed the sensor within this time. When the feeder is switched off, the status relay also switches off. The display then shows "Track Timeout and Info 0001" flashing alternately. This function is optional and must be activated in the track control menu with function "Timeout On" =  $\square$ .

#### 2.2 Operation with two speeds (2<sup>nd</sup> setpoint for coarse/fine switching)

Instead of track control, coarse/fine operation can also be used. Switching to the second setpoint is done via the sensor input that is otherwise used for track control. Switching can be done with a contact or an external 24 VDC signal voltage. If a 24 V signal is present, the system switches to the second setpoint "Fine" without any time delay.

(The track control function is not available.)



#### 2.3 Control inputs and outputs

#### 2.3.1 Enable input

Potential-free contact or 24 VDC signal.

External control option for switching the power output On/Off, e.g. for linking several units or control by a PLC.

#### 2.3.2 Sensor input for track control

Sensor for monitoring the material level in a backlog section or input for switching to a second setpoint. 24 VDC (PNP).

#### 2.3.3 External setpoint

The feeder amplitude set point can be provided from and external, analogue reference value 0...10 VDC, 0/4...20 mA. The parameter "External setpoint" must be activated in the "Feeder" menu, for an external setpoint source to be used.

Adjust the desired minimum value using the "arrow keys". Switch only now to the external setpoint. The adjusted value remains at setpoint "0" as a minimum.

#### 2.3.4 Control output status relay

Relay contact 250 V (changeover contact (IP20))

Relay contact 24 V (normally open contact (IP54))

The relay is energised while the feeder is running, and is de-energised if there is no enable signal or fault message.

#### 2.3.5 Control output 24 VDC Timeout (IP54)

The "Timeout" message is active if no material is detected by the sensor after the set time. (Adjustable with parameter "Timeout On")

#### 2.3.6 Ready relay

Relay contact 250 V (changeover contact). If an error occurs (e.g. overload error), or if the current limit is reached, contact 44,45 opens. (Only for IP20)

#### 2.3.7 Control output 24 VDC Valve (IP54)

Output for a blowing air valve. "On" with feeder start, "Off" 4 sec. after feeder stop (factory setting). Switch-off and switch-on times can be adjusted with the parameters "Air lead time" and "Air delay time".

#### 2.3.8 Thermal switch

The frequency converter has a special input for the connection of a thermal switch, which can be attached to the magnet by the user. This can effectively protect the conveyor system from overheating.



## 2.4 Touch panel

The units are operated via the operating keys and the text/graphic display.

Open sub-menu

| Start / Reset   Stop | A : 90.0 %                              | tatus line<br>onveyor setpo<br>requency con | <ul> <li>A</li> <li>O</li> <li>A</li> <li>O</li> <li>O</li></ul> | nbols "Function"<br>Conveying capacity<br>Feeder<br>Locked<br>(no enable)<br>Track Ctrl.<br>Limits<br>Information<br>Language<br>Time out<br>nbols of the status line<br>Stop-Button<br>"Busy" on storage<br>Key set<br>Service enabled<br>Mains undervoltage |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|
| Кеу                  | Function for menu navigation            |   | Function values   | for changing  |
| Arrow keys<br>F key  | Select menu item<br>One menu level back |   | Change v<br>Abort duri  | alues<br>ing value entry  |
| <b>D</b> 1           |   |   |   |   |

Apply value

P key



The unit is available as IP54 or IP 20 version.

#### 3.1 IP54

- Power switch
- Control and display panel
- Mains supply lead (optional)
- Output cable or output socket for feeder connection
- Sensor sockets. 24 VDC sensors with PNP output are provided.

### 3.2 IP20

Fixing points for attachment to a mounting plate. Electrical connection on external terminals.

#### 4.0 Technical data

| Protection type  | IP54  | IP20        |  |
|--|---|-------------|--|
| Protection class   |   |             |  |
| Supply voltage   | 99264 VAC                                   |             |  |
| Max. permissible input current*1<br>(Important information in Chapter 4.5) | In:   | 2 A         |  |
| Input frequency  | 50 /  | 60 Hz       |  |
| Inrush current   | Î= 9 A                                      | , 20 ms     |  |
| Power loss   | max   | . 55 W      |  |
| Output voltage   | 0 205                                       | V +/- 5%    |  |
| Output current   | 3/6/8                                       | A +/- 5%    |  |
| Output frequency*2   | 20  | 140 Hz      |  |
| Recommended automatic circuit breaker                                      | 6 A   | B/C         |  |
| RCD  | Туре "В".                                   |             |  |
| Mains system   | TN system                                   |             |  |
| Rated short-time withstand current (I <sub>cw</sub> )                      | <10 kA                                      |             |  |
| Rated short-circuit current (Icc)  | <1  | 0 kA        |  |
| Enable input   | Contact                                     | : / 24 VDC  |  |
| Analogue setpoint  | 0+10 VDC                                    | C, 0/420 mA |  |
| Air valve output   | 24 V, 100 mA, DC                            | -/-         |  |
| Timeout output   |   |             |  |
| Backlog sensor   | 24 V, PNP (100 mA, DC)                      |             |  |
| Status relay (On/Off)*3  | Make contact (24 V, 1 A) Changeover contact |             |  |
| Ready relay (fault)  | -/-   | 1 A)        |  |
| Operating temperature  | 0+40 °C                                     |             |  |
| Storage temperature  | -10+65 °C                                   |             |  |
| Rel. humidity (storage)  | 1095 % RH without condensate                |             |  |
| Weight   | approx. 2.7 kg approx. 2.3 kg               |             |  |

\*<sup>1</sup>Important information in Chapter 4.5 "Current consumption".

Non-observance can lead to malfunction and failure.

\*<sup>2</sup>Other frequencies on request.

\*<sup>3</sup>The connections of status and ready relays cl. 21-23 and cl. 44-46 must not be combined with different mains classes. Both relay contacts may only be used with signals of the same mains class.





#### 4.1 Load supply requirements

The unit is not suitable for feeder coils with a power of <18 VA (100 mA).

#### 4.2 Terminal details

#### **Tightening torque:**

Terminals MSTB/GMSTB, GMSTB-GIC: 0.5-0.6 Nm MC terminals: 0.22-0.25 Nm Connections: 21-29 and 44-46 Connections: 1-9, 31-34 and 51-52

#### 4.3 Temperature of protective housing

Only suitable for mounting on concrete or other non-combustible surfaces.

#### 4.4 Coolant type

Free convection.

#### 4.5 Current consumption

The current consumption specified in the technical data is the maximum permissible value for the unit. A higher current consumption than specified can lead to malfunctions and failure. Please note that the input current is inversely proportional to the input voltage. When the input voltage is high, the input current is low and when the input voltage is low, the input current is high.

#### Example:

A 230 V vibratory feeder is operated on a 230 V mains supply using the MFS368. A current of 1 A is detected at the input of the controller. The same 230 V vibratory feeder is then operated on a 110 V mains supply. The input voltage is only half as high as before and the input current is therefore twice as high. This means that the input current of the controller on the 110 V mains supply is then 2 A.

NOTE: When dimensioning, especially for international markets, ensure that the maximum specified input current is not exceeded at the lowest expected supply voltage.

#### 4.6 Warning signs

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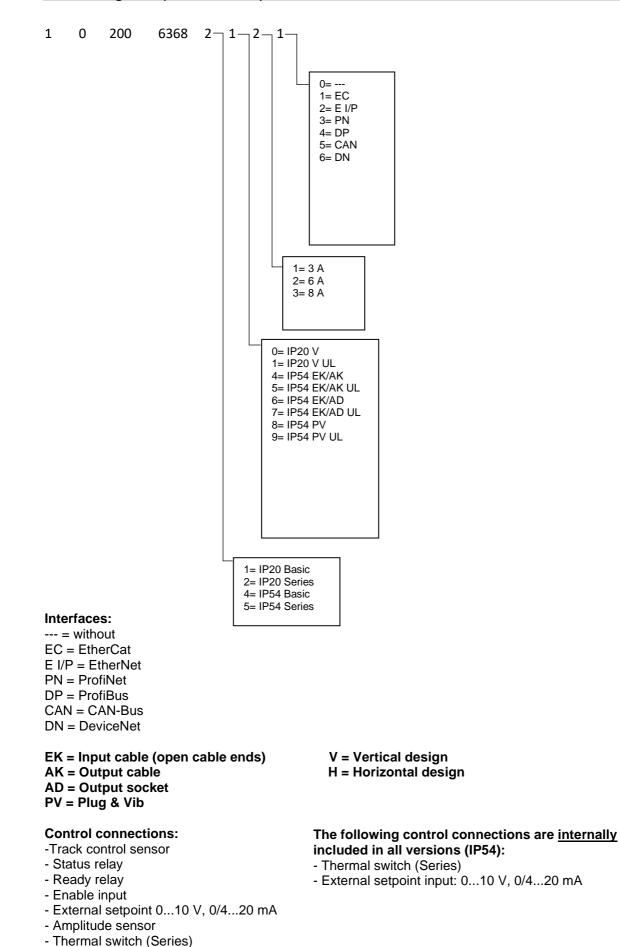




Warning sign "Warning of too hot surface" must be visibly attached to the heat sink.

#### 5.0 Ordering code (Standard units)





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## 6.0 Possible settings

| No.   | lcon    | Menu item              | Meaning   | Setting                  | Factory setting |
|-------|---------|------------------------|---|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 1     | Ø       | Output                 |   |                          |                 |
| 1.1   | $\odot$ | Feeder                 | Feed rate   | 0100%                    | 0%              |
| 1.1.1 |         | Fine                   | Setpoint "Fine" (previously "Activate coarse / fine")   | 0100%                    | 0%              |
| 2     |         | Feeder                 |   |                          |                 |
| 2.1   |         | Frequency              | Set frequency   | 35140 Hz                 | 100 Hz          |
| 2.2   |         | Invert Enable          | Invert Enable   | $\square$                | switched Off    |
| 2.3   |         | External setpoint      | Activate external setpoint  | $\square$                | switched Off    |
| 2.3.1 |         | Setpoint               | Setpoint type 0/2/110 V / 0/420 mA  | 0/2/110 V /<br>0/420 mA  | 010 V           |
| 2.4   |         | Soft start             | Set soft start time (setpoint 0100 %)   | 060 sec.                 | 1 sec.          |
| 2.5   |         | Rundown                | Set soft stop time (setpoint 1000 %)  | 060 sec.                 | 0.1 sec.        |
| 2.6   |         | Max.                   | Limit maximum feed rate   | 0100%                    | 90%             |
| 2.7   |         | Acc. controller        | Activate Acc. controller (switch-off deactivates Auto. freq.)                                 | $\square$                | switched Off    |
| 2.7.1 |         | Prop. gain             | Adjust P setting of Acc. controller   | 0.01100                  | 0.40            |
| 2.7.2 |         | Integral               | Adjust I portion of Acc. controller   | 0.01100<br>sec.          | 0.15 sec.       |
| 2.7.3 |         | Auto. freq.            | Activate frequency search and<br>frequency tracking (only if Acc.<br>controller is activated) |                          | switched Off    |
| 2.8   |         | Air jet present*1      | Activate air blow function  |                          | switched Off    |
| 2.8.1 |         | Air lead time*1        | Air blow lead time  | 060 sec.                 | 0 sec.          |
| 2.8.2 |         | Air delay time*1       | Blowing air shut-off delay  | 060 sec.                 | 4 sec.          |
| 2.9   |         | Hopper cycle           | Feeder output is cycled   | $\square$                | switched Off    |
| 2.9.1 |         | Time On                | Hopper On time  | 060 sec.                 | 15 sec.         |
| 2.9.2 |         | Time Off               | Hopper Off time   | 060 sec.                 | 4 sec.          |
| 3     |         | Track control          |   |                          |                 |
| 3.1   |         | Coarse / Fine          | Coarse / Fine   | $\square$                | switched Off    |
| 3.2   |         | T-On                   | Switch-on time delay  | 060 sec.                 | 5 sec.          |
| 3.3   |         | T-Off                  | Switch-off time delay   | 060 sec.                 | 5 sec.          |
| 3.4   |         | Timeout On             | Activate sensor timeout   | $\square$                | switched Off    |
| 3.5   |         | Timeout                | Set sensor timeout time   | 1240 sec.                | 180 sec.        |
| 3.6   |         | Inv. sensor            | Invert sensor   | $\square$                | switched Off    |
| 4     | 100     | Limit values           |   |                          |                 |
| 4.1   |         | Actual current         | Actual current display  | View only                |                 |
| 4.2   |         | Current limit*3        | Current limit   | 5100%                    | 100%            |
| 4.3   |         | El. fuse* <sup>3</sup> | Output switch-off, instead of output<br>current limitation                                    |                          | switched Off    |
| 4.4   |         | Min. freq.*3           | Set minimum frequency   | 20140 Hz*2               | 35 Hz           |
| 4.5   |         | Max. freq.*3           | Set maximum frequency   | 20140 Hz*2               | 140 Hz          |
| 4.6   |         | Umax* <sup>3</sup>     | Output voltage limiting<br>230 V coil -> Umax: 100%<br>115 V coil -> Umax: 50%                | 0100%                    | 100%            |
| 5     |         | Interface              |   |                          |                 |
| 5.1   |         | Bus operation          | Activate / deactivate bus mode  | $\square$                | Switched Off*4  |
| 5.2   |         | Bus address            | Internal bus address (do not change)  | 116                      | 1               |
| 5.3   |         | Bit rate               | Internal bus bit rate (do not change)   | 1 Mbit/s / 500<br>kbit/s | 1 Mbit/s        |
| 5.4   |         | Protocol               | Interface protocol (do not change)  | V1.i / V2.f              | V1.i            |
|       |         |                        |   |                          |                 |



| 6   | (j)    | Info                |  |                      |              |
|-----|--------|---------------------|--|----------------------|--------------|
| 6.1 |        |                     | Software version   |                      |              |
| 7   | ₽<br>₽ | Service             |  |                      |              |
| 7.1 |        | Clear ERROR & reset | Clear ERROR & reset  | execute              |              |
| 7.2 |        | Factory settings*5  | Load factory settings  | execute              |              |
| 7.3 |        | Parameter set       | Select parameter set   | 1/2/3/4              |              |
| 7.4 |        | Save parameters     | Save current parameters in the selected parameter set (only if key no. 143 is activated) |                      |              |
| 7.5 |        | Load parameter set  | Load and apply selected parameter set  | execute              |              |
| 7.6 |        | Language            | Select language  | DE, EN               | EN           |
| 7.7 |        | Кеу                 | Enter key number   | 117 / 127 /<br>143   |              |
| 7.8 |        | Backlight           | Backlight: Permanently On / Off / timeout  | On/Off /<br>0999 sec |              |
| 7.9 |        | Display inverted    | Invert display colours   | $\square$            | switched Off |

\*<sup>1</sup>only available with the housing version

\*2Other frequencies on request

\*3These menu items are only displayed if key no. 127 is activated.

\*4depending on unit type

\*5After loading the factory settings, check the "UMax" parameter.

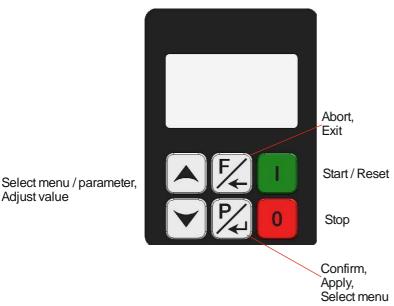
Key 117: Entry "Close" becomes visible. This can be used to hide/show various menus.

Key 137: "Lock" entry This can be used to hide/show additional menus.

Key 127: Entry "Service On" becomes visible. This makes further items visible in the service menu. Key 143: Entry "Save parameters" becomes visible.

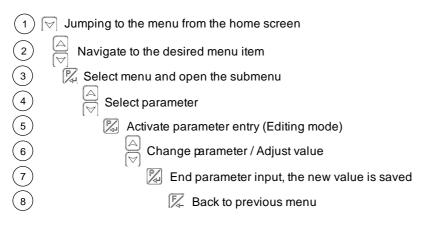


## 7.0 Operating elements



#### 7.1 Setting behaviour

#### Start on the Homescreen



## Use shortcut menu

Start on the Homescreen

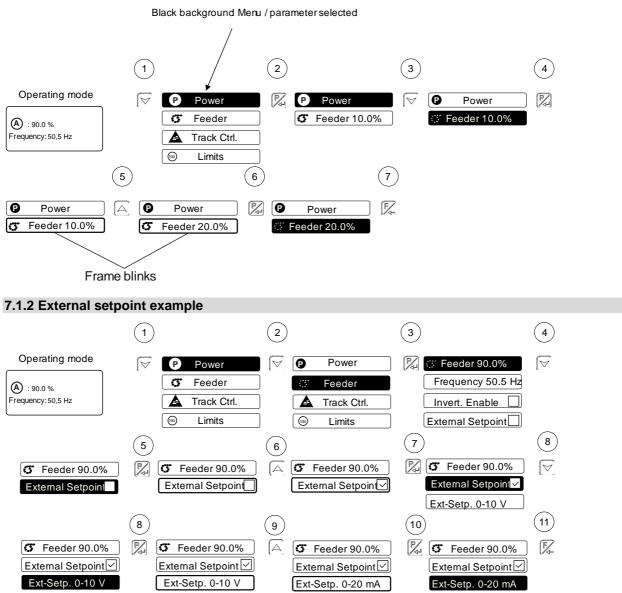
(1) 🔀 Leads to the shortcut menu (to the setpoint parameter)

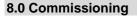
#### Activate parameter entry (Editing mode)

- Adjust parameters (Setpoint)
  - End parameter input
  - 🕅 Back to Homescreen



#### 7.1.1 Parameter setting example







#### 8.1 Preparatory measures



**Notes** With the control units described here, it is possible to adjust the resonant frequency of the connected feeder. Since in this case even a small setpoint value can lead to full operation of the feeder, appropriate care must be taken to ensure that no damage occurs in the feeder due to coil hammering.

In practice, however, the resonant frequency range cannot be used without feedback of the acceleration, as the feeder would not be loadable or controllable. Therefore, a certain frequency offset from the resonant frequency must be set. The frequency offset can be both below and above the resonant frequency.



Independent of the input voltage, the frequency converter's output voltage is 205 VAC when delivered. When using 110V VAC coils, the output voltage must be set using parameter: "Umax", otherwise the feeder coil and the drive or the vibratory feeder may be damaged.

- Check whether the local supply voltage corresponds to that of the unit (type plate information) and whether the connected power of the feeder is within the permissible power range.
- Check that the output voltage and frequency of the control unit are compatible with the selected magnet.
- · Connect the control unit according to the enclosed connection diagram
- Adjust setpoint to zero
- Switch off Enable (if used)

The control unit is now basically ready for operation and can be switched on (mains, Enable).

**Resonance frequencies:** Due to the structure of the spring-mass system of the feeders, the system can resonate at several vibrating frequencies. The additional resonant points are at a multiple of the desired frequency. In critical cases, the automatic frequency search cannot reliably detect the desired vibrating frequency; in this case, the frequency may have to be adjusted manually.

**Storage:** After a storage period of one year, the internal DC link capacitors must be reformed. To do this, connect the MFS to the supply voltage for 60 minutes without load; for the IP54 version, also switch on the mains switch. If the product is stored for more than one year, the manufacturer must take care of the reforming. Failure to observe the reforming prescriptions may result in the destruction of the unit.

#### 8.2 Operating frequency of the feeder coils



When using the unit for the first time the current in the solenoid circuit should be checked with an RMS meter or the heat development at the coil should be monitored, as the current through the coil may increase at low frequency settings.

In order to avoid excessive power consumption and thus possibly an overload of the coils, please make sure that the coils are designed for the operating frequency.

An incorrect vibrating frequency may lead to the destruction of the coils and the drive or the vibratory feeder. Make sure that suitable feeder coils are used for the desired vibrating frequency.

#### 8.3 Measurement of output voltage and output current

Since the unit output is an electronic frequency converter with pulse-width modulated switching signals, the voltage and current values cannot be measured with any standard measuring device. Moving iron meters are recommended for measuring these values.



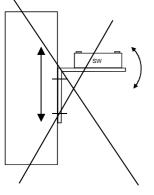
### 9.0 Settings

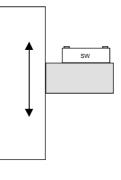
#### 9.1 Notes on controller mode

- For controller mode, an accelerometer mounted on the vibratory feeder is required, e.g. SW 70 (for IP54 units) or SW10 (for IP20 units).
- In control mode with sensor feedback, all vibrations detected by the sensor are processed in the control circuit. External vibrations caused by neighbouring machines, by an unstable position of the feeder, or by unstable mounting of the accelerometer can lead to erroneous control performance. Especially during the AFS automatic frequency search, no external influences must be allowed to affect the feeder.

#### 9.2 Mounting the accelerometer

The accelerometer must return the movement and the acceleration of the feeder to the control circuit of the control unit. It is therefore very important that no additional spurious vibrations caused by an unfavourable sensor mounting are measured.

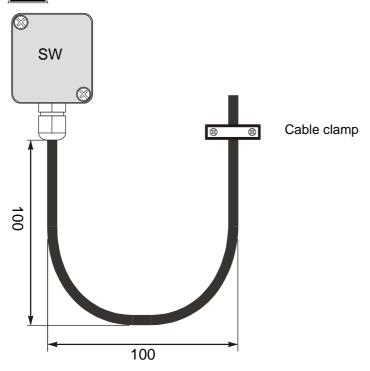




The sensor should be mounted in the direction of vibration (ideally at the same inclination as the feeder springs) on a solid mounting block which does not generate any natural vibrations.

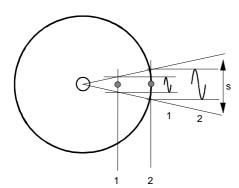


The accelerometer cable must be supported with a cable clamp to prevent the cable from being damaged.



In control mode, the output signal level directly determines the feeder's maximum vibration amplitude.





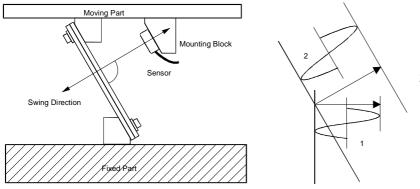
In the case of bowl feeders, it is advisable to mount the sensor as far as possible on the outer diameter so that the largest possible vibration displacement is covered.

If the sensor signal is too low, the setpoint's control range is significantly restricted.

s = vibration displacement

Mounting point 1 = small vibration amplitude Mounting point 2 = large vibration amplitude

Example of bowl feeder



- 1. small amplitude with vertical mounting.
- 2. larger amplitude when mounted at the same inclination angle as the springs.

Example of linear feeder

The control system and the sensor attached to the feeder form a closed control loop, whereby the signal supplied by the sensor has a decisive influence on the setpoint's control range. I.e. the feeder is controlled so that the actual value (feed rate or vibration intensity) corresponds to the specified setpoint (ideal: 100 % setpoint = 100 % actual value). However, since the actual value depends on the feeder (frequency, acceleration, vibration amplitude) and also on the sensor's mounting location, the control range must usually be adjusted.

The adjustment is made with the "Max" parameter in the "Feeder" menu. The measured sensor signal is adjusted with the value that can be set here. In most cases, a value below 100 must be entered so that the setpoint's control range reaches 100 % or appears to be as large as possible.

If no satisfactory adjustment is possible, the accelerometer should be mounted at a location with a larger vibration amplitude (see example of bowl feeder).

The importance of adjusting this value can be seen, for example, in the time response of the controller. Where the actual value is badly adjusted, for example, the result can be that the feeder only ramps up very slowly when it is switched on.



#### 9.3 Correlation between acceleration and vibration amplitude

The sensor measures the feeder's instantaneous acceleration. This results in a sinusoidal output voltage of the sensor. The acceleration increases with increasing vibrating frequency. Therefore, the sensor output signal can be larger at high frequencies and small vibration amplitude than at low frequencies and larger vibration amplitude.

| Acceleration  | Put into practice, where 497 ~ 500 results in, for example:        |
|---|--|
| $a = \omega^2 s$ where $\omega = 2 \pi f$   | 1.<br>Vibrating frequency 50 Hz, vibration amplitude<br>3 I        |
| Since, in practice, the acceleration is referred to the gravity acceleration, and the effective vibration amplitude is measured in mm, the following rule of thumb applies: | $a = \frac{50^2 \cdot 3}{\approx 500} = 15 g$                      |
| $a[g] = \frac{2^2 \pi^2 f^2 [Hz]^2 s_n [mm]}{9,81 2 \cdot 10^3} = \frac{f^2 [Hz]^2 s_n [mm]}{497}$  | or<br>2.<br>Vibrating frequency 33 Hz, vibration amplitude<br>5 mm |
| a[g] = acceleration (referred to gravity acceleration 9.81 m/s <sup>2</sup> )<br><sub>Sn</sub> [mm] = effective vibration amplitude   | $a = \frac{33^2 \cdot 5}{\approx 500} = 10,89g$                    |

With a sensor output voltage of 0.3 V/g, the sensor produces a peak voltage of 4.5 V at a peak acceleration of 15 g (example 1), which corresponds to an RMS value of 3.18 V. Example 1: => 15 g=> 4.5 V => 3.18 Vrms. Example 2: => 11 g=> 3.3 V => 2.33 Vrms.

Therefore, the widely differing acceleration values of the various feeders may result in large differences in the feedback signals, which makes it necessary to adjust the control unit to the maximum value.

#### 9.4 Determining the resonant frequency



# **Caution!**

When operating at resonance frequency, small setpoints can cause very large vibration amplitudes.

# Manual vibration frequency setting (operation without accelerometer)

It is essential that the output frequency is set at a low value, as a large vibration amplitude can be generated even with a low output voltage at the resonant frequency. To determine the resonant frequency, an RMS current meter must be connected on the output cable. Please adjust a low setpoint. Then change the frequency and observe the current and the vibration amplitude. The resonant frequency is reached at maximum vibration amplitude and minimum output current. For stable feeder operation, it is recommended to offset the value by approx. 1...2 Hz, depending on the requirements, below or above the determined resonant frequency. This frequency offset must be determined by the user, as different conditions prevail with different feeders.



#### 9.5 Commissioning the control unit in control mode

Connect the control unit Mount and connect the sensor

## Automatic frequency search and controller mode Initial commissioning using the example of a 50 Hz feeder:

| Procedure  | Adjustment menu and<br>parameters                      | Value          | Note  |
|--|--|----------------|---|
| Adjust setpoint to zero                                | Output \ Feeder  | 0%             | Avoid unintended and uncontrolled feeder operation  |
| Limiting output<br>frequency*                          | Limit values \ Min. freq.<br>Limit values \ Max. freq. | 35 Hz<br>65 Hz | Limit the minimum and maximum output<br>frequency. Please note that the minimum<br>and maximum frequency limit values<br>exclude the multiples of the vibrating<br>frequency in the resonant frequency<br>search.<br>For safe operation, it is recommended to<br>limit the frequency range as much as<br>possible. In this example, the minimum<br>value is set to 35 Hz and the maximum<br>value to 65 Hz.   |
| Switch Acc. controller<br>On<br>Switch Acc. controller | Feeder \ Acc. controller<br>Feeder \ Auto freq.        | $\square$      | This activates the amplitude control.<br>This activates the frequency control.  |
| On<br>Carefully increase the<br>setpoint               | Output \ Feeder  | >0 %           | As soon as the feeder's acceleration<br>generates a sufficiently strong sensor<br>signal, the frequency converter<br>automatically starts the automatic<br>frequency search and control.<br><b>Note!</b> A setpoint set too low can lead to<br>incorrect results.<br><b>Caution!</b> The increments of the setpoint<br>setting increase automatically when the<br>key is pressed for a longer time. Please<br>always press the button briefly for small<br>increments<br>The frequency converter automatically<br>saves the last frequency found. |
| Adjusting the vibration amplitude                      | Output \ Feeder  | >0%            | As soon as the frequency converter regulates stably at the resonant frequency found, the desired vibration amplitude can be set.  |

\*only visible if the service menu is enabled.



### **10.0 Troubleshooting**

### **Error messages**

If there is an error, a message flashes in the first line of the display.

Error\_2401/2402 Acc sensor fault: Acc. sensor not connected, or defective.

Error\_0005 Overvoltage: Mains input voltage too high.

Error\_0002 Overload: Output power exceeded e.g. wrong frequency set, magnetic air gap too large.

**Error\_0088 Overcurrent:** Defective coil, earth fault, defective cable.

Error\_0001 Track Timeout: If sensor timeout function is exceeded.

Error\_0112 Control overheated

Error\_0113 Feeder coil overheated: (signal from external temperature switch)

Error\_0087 Peak current: Set frequency too low for coil used, or frequency changes too fast with this setting.

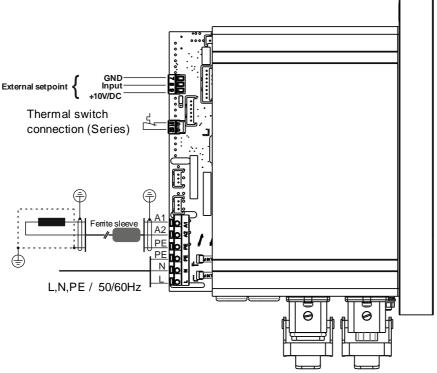
Acknowledgement with the menu item Service -> Execute error. For most (but not all) errors, pressing the green "I" key will suffice.

| Problem                        | Additional information           | Possible cause                      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Feeder is not running          | Display shows the symbol 🗢       | Enable is locked.                   |
|                                |                                  | Check the connection and the        |
|                                |                                  | Enable parameters.                  |
| Feeder is not running          | Display shows the symbol         | The red "Stop" button has been      |
|                                |                                  | pressed.                            |
|                                |                                  | Press the green button              |
|                                |                                  | "Start / Reset".                    |
| Feeder is not running          | Display shows a setpoint         | Check if the feeder is properly     |
|                                |                                  | connected.                          |
| Acc. sensor error              | Error message: Acc. sensor error | Check if the Acc. sensor is         |
|                                | 2401/2402                        | properly connected.                 |
| Automatic frequency search     | Display shows a static frequency | AFC controller is not switched on.  |
| does not start                 |                                  | Switch "Auto. freq." On.            |
| Automatic frequency search     | Feeder vibration amplitude is    | Sensor signal is too low.           |
| does not start                 | small                            | Increase the setpoint.              |
| Automatic frequency search     | Feeder vibration amplitude is    | Sensor signal is too low.           |
| does not start                 | large                            | Check the sensor's mounting         |
|                                |                                  | location.                           |
|                                |                                  | Check the V/g ratio of the sensor.  |
| The automatic frequency search |                                  | The resonance frequency is below    |
| stops at the limit value "Min. |                                  | the limit value "Min. freq."        |
| freq."                         |                                  | Check the setting.                  |
| The automatic frequency search |                                  | The resonance frequency is above    |
| stops at the limit value "Max. |                                  | the limit value "Max. freq."        |
| freq."                         |                                  | Check the setting.                  |
| The automatic frequency search |                                  | Exclusively during first            |
| deviates from the resonant     |                                  | commissioning, it is possible that  |
| frequency                      |                                  | the frequency converter initially   |
|                                |                                  | shifts away from the resonant       |
|                                |                                  | frequency. In this case, the search |
|                                |                                  | will reverse at the frequency       |
|                                |                                  | limits and move back towards the    |
|                                |                                  | resonant frequency.                 |



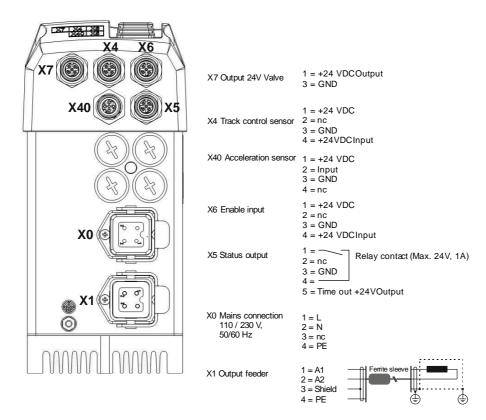
## 11.0 Housing version connection

Internal connection 3...8 A units



Different connection options are available depending on the unit design.

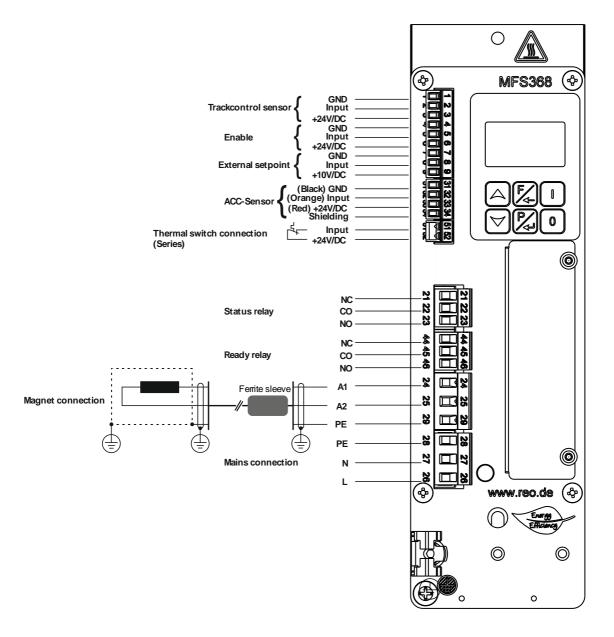
### Plug and Vib (PV) version:

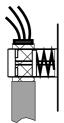


To comply with EMC regulations, a shielded output cable must be installed to the feeder, which must also be routed through supplied the ferrite sleeve.



#### 12.0 Connection of control cabinet version





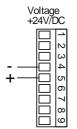
Spring clamp for the shield connection fc the output cable and the acceleration sensor

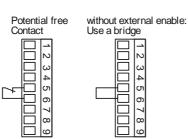
EMC shield clamp (accessory) Order No.: 27100190100

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#### external enable





#### external setpoint

Potentiometer

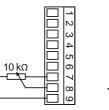
Control voltage / Control current (switchable in menu: "Feeder")

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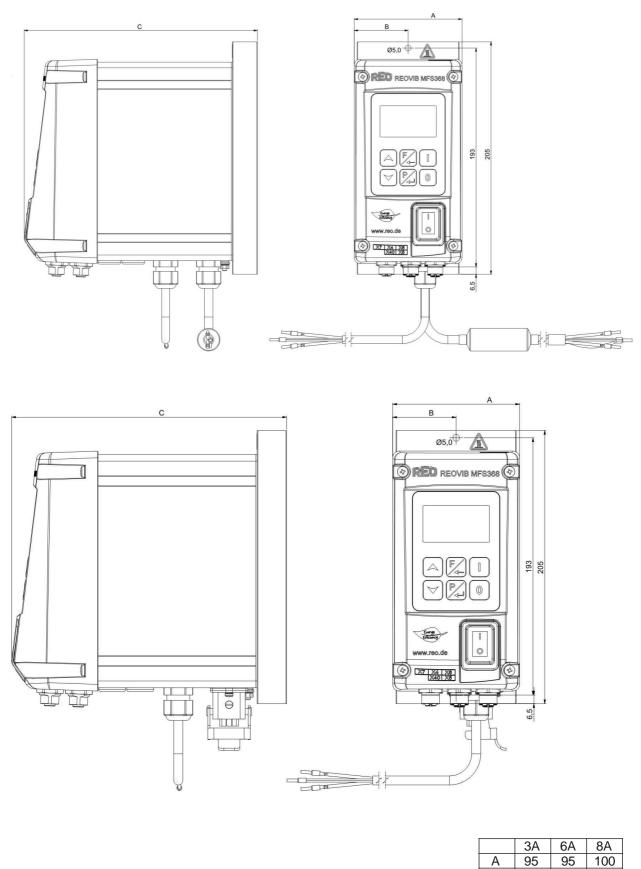






## 13.0 Dimension drawing

Housing versions



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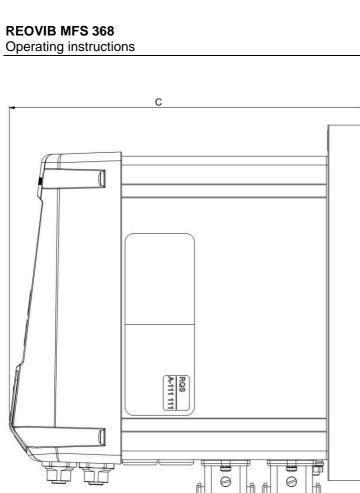
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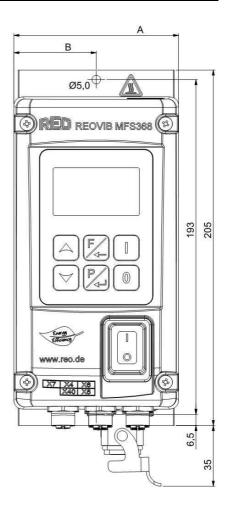
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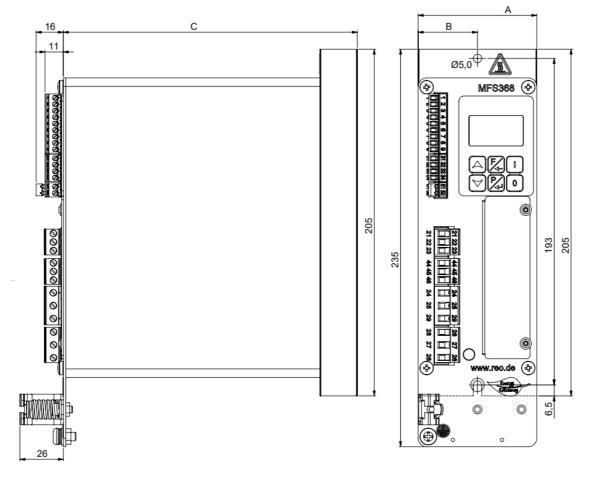
Installation clearances



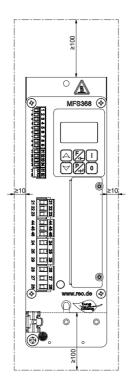




## Control cabinet version



Installation clearances



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 6A
 8A

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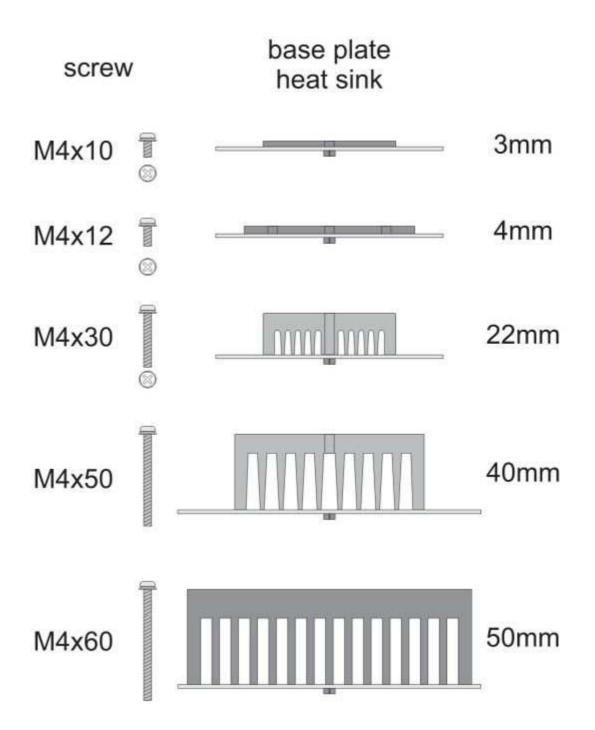
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All dimensions in [mm]



#### 14.0 Assembly instruction

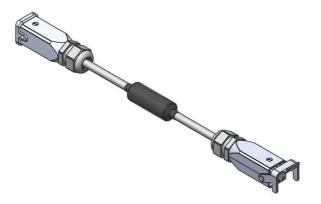
Only suitable for mounting on concrete or other non-combustible surfaces.

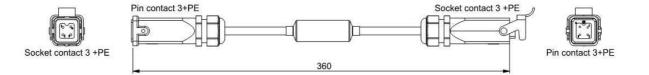




## A 1.0 Accessories / Options

| Product                                  | Ordering number |
|--|-----------------|
|  |                 |
| Ferrite sleeve for output cable          | 22180000000600  |
| Plug-in output cable with ferrite sleeve | 900090359       |
| Shield connection terminal KLBUE 3-8 SC  | 27100190100     |
| REOVIB MEASUREMENT BOX 10A IP40 300V     | 20001220101     |





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