

# ESR 21

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Simple solar control unit



Operation  
Installation instructions

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## **Generally applicable rules** for the correct use of this control unit:

The manufacturer of the control unit cannot be held liable for any indirect damage to the system if the party that installs the system does not install any additional electromechanical devices (thermostat, possibly in combination with a one-way valve) to protect the system from damage as a result of a malfunction under the following conditions:

- ◆ Solar thermal system for swimming pools: An excess temperature thermostat and a self-actuating one-way valve (normally closed) must be installed in the supply line in combination with a high-performance collector and heat-sensitive system components (such as plastic lines). The valve can also be supplied from the control unit's pump outlet. Thus, all of the heat-sensitive parts are protected from excess temperature if the system is at standstill, even if steam (stagnation) occurs in the system. This arrangement is prescribed in particular for systems with heat exchangers as a failure of the secondary pump would otherwise cause great damage to the plastic tubes.
- ◆ Conventional solar thermal systems with external heat exchangers: in such systems, the secondary heat transfer medium is usually pure water. If the pump runs at temperatures below freezing because the control unit has failed, there is a danger of the heat exchanger and other parts of the system being damaged by frost. In this case, a thermostat has to be installed directly after the heat exchanger on the supply line of the secondary side to switch off the primary pump automatically if the temperature drops below 5°C regardless of the control unit's output.
- ◆ In combination with floor and wall heaters: here, a safety thermostat is prescribed as with conventional control units for heaters. It must switch off the heating circulation pump to prevent indirect damage due to excess temperature regardless of the output of the control unit.

## **Stagnation- Solar thermal systems - tips for system standstill:**

In principle, stagnation is not a problem and cannot be ruled out, for instance due to a blackout. In summer, the limited storage capacity of the control unit can cause the system to shut down repeatedly. A system thus always has to be intrinsically safe. This safety is ensured if the expansion tank has the proper dimensions. Tests have shown that the heat transfer medium (antifreeze) is under less stress during stagnation than shortly before the steam phase.

The data sheets of all collector manufacturers have standstill temperatures above 200°C, but these temperatures generally only occur in the operating phase with "dry steam", i.e. when the heat transfer medium in the collector has completely evaporated or when the steam has completely emptied the collector. The humid steam dehumidifies quickly and loses its heat conductivity. Thus, it can be generally assumed that these high temperatures cannot occur at the measuring point of the collector sensor (if installed in the collecting tube as usual) as the remaining thermal line cools down the medium with its metal connections from the absorber to the sensor.

## **Safety requirements:**



**All installation and wiring work on the controller must only be carried out in a zero-volts state.**

**The opening, connection and commissioning of the device may only be carried out by competent personnel. In so doing, all local security requirements must be adhered to.**

The device corresponds to the latest state of the art and fulfils all necessary safety conditions. It may only be used or deployed in accordance with the technical data and the safety conditions and rules listed below. When using the device, the legal and safety regulations apposite to the particular use are also to be observed.

- ▶ The device must only be installed in a dry interior room.
- ▶ It must be possible to isolate the controller from the mains using an all-pole isolating device (plug/socket or double pole isolator).
- ▶ Before starting installation or wiring work, the controller must be completely isolated from the mains voltage and protected against being switched back on. Never interchange the safety extra-low voltage connections (sensor connections) with the 230V connections. Destructive and life-threatening voltages at the device and the connected sensors may occur.
- ▶ Solar thermal systems can become very hot. Consequently there is a risk of burns. Take care when fitting temperature sensors!
- ▶ For safety reasons, the system should only be left in manual mode when testing. In this operating mode, no maximum temperatures or sensor functions are monitored.
- ▶ Safe operation is no longer possible if the controller or connected equipment exhibits visual damage, no longer functions or has been stored for a lengthy period of time under unsuitable conditions. If this is the case, place the controller and equipment out of service and secure against unintentional use.

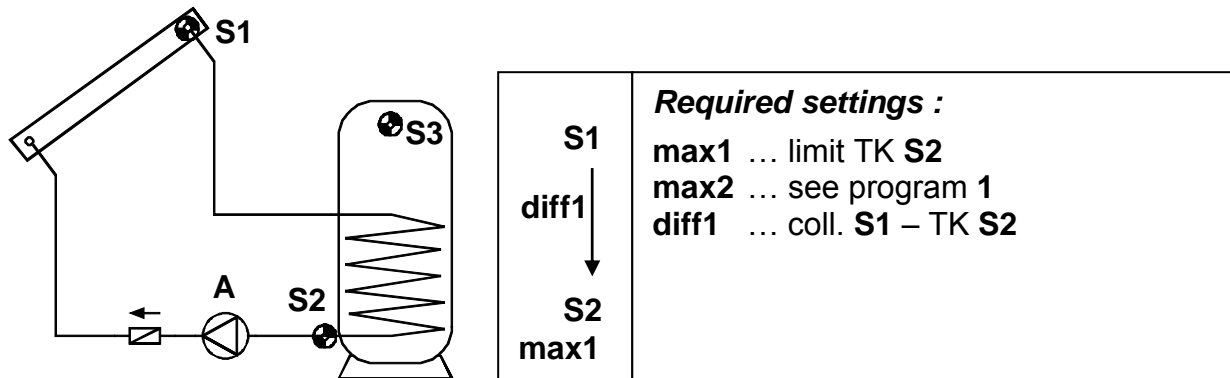
## **Maintenance**

If used properly, the system does not require maintenance. A cloth moistened with a soft alcohol (such as spirit) should be used for cleaning. Harsh solvents such as chlorethenes or tri-gases are not admissible.

As the components relevant to accuracy are not subjected to loads if used properly, long-term deviation is very low. The unit thus cannot be adjusted. Hence, no calibration is possible. The construction characteristics of the unit must not be changed for repairs. Spare parts must correspond to the original parts and be used as intended.

# Hydraulic diagrams

## Solar thermal system - program 0 = factory settings



The solar pump **A** runs when S1 has a temperature of **diff1** higher than S2 and S2 has not exceeded the threshold **max1**.

In addition, the pump's protective function takes effect: During a standstill, steam can occur in the system. When automatically switched on again, the pump does not have the required pressure in the steam phase to lift the fluid level to the collector's supply line (highest point in the system). This represents a considerable load on the pump. The collector's excess temperature shut-down function can be used to block the pump whenever a certain temperature has been reached at the collector's sensor until a second threshold, which can also be set, is fallen short of again. The settings ex works are 130°C for the blockage and 110°C for the release. The settings can be changed in the menu **MEN**, sub-menu **SYS PF/CET** (collector excess temperature).

### Program 1:

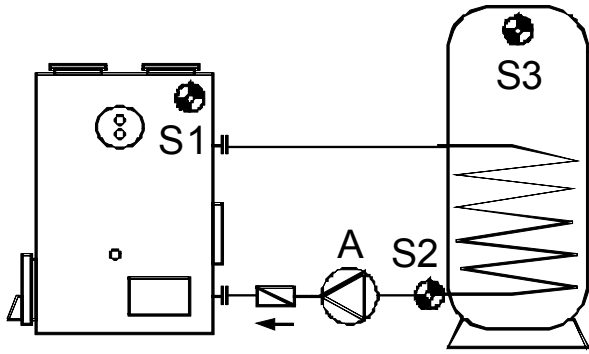
With this program, the solar thermal system has an additional storage limit **max2** via sensor **S3**. There is no guarantee that the actual storage temperature will lead to a cut-off in time, especially if the reference sensor S2 is installed at the return outlet for the heat exchanger.

### Note:

In both programs, the special system condition "Collector - excess temperature reached" is indicated in the menu **Stat** by the instruction **CETOFF** for **Collector Excess Temperature Off**.

Some countries only offer subsidies for the installation of solar thermal systems if the control units have a function check to detect a sensor defect and a lack of circulation. In the menu command **F CHCK**, the mechanic can activate this function check for the ESR21. This is possible for both programs and is disabled ex works. For details, see "Status display **Stat**".

## Loading pump control - program 4



<b>S1</b> <b>min1</b>  <b>diff1</b> ↓  <b>S2</b> <b>max1</b>	<b>Required settings :</b> <b>max1</b> ... limit TK <b>S2</b> <b>max2</b> ... see program 5 <b>min1</b> ... switch-on temp. boiler <b>S1</b> <b>diff1</b> ... boiler <b>S1</b> – TK <b>S2</b>
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The loading pump **A** runs when **S1** has exceeded the threshold **min1**, the temperature of **S1** is **diff1** higher than **S2**, and **S2** has not yet crossed the threshold **max1**.

## Program 5

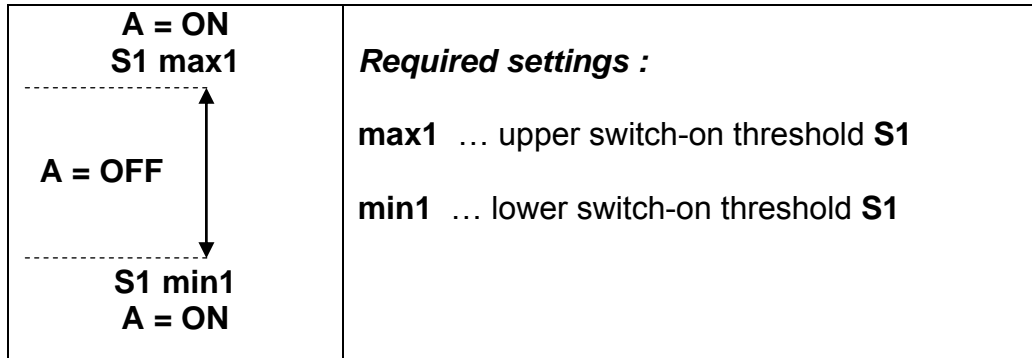
The loading pump function has an additional storage limiter **max2** via sensor **S3**.

## Program 6

<b>S1</b> <b>min1</b>  <b>diff1</b> ↘  <b>S3</b> <b>min2</b>  <b>diff2</b> ↙  <b>S2</b> <b>max1</b>	<b>Required settings :</b> <b>max1</b> ... limit TK <b>S2</b> <b>min1</b> ... switch-on temp. energy generator 1 <b>S1</b> <b>min2</b> ... switch-on temp. energy generator 2 <b>S3</b> <b>diff1</b> ... energy generator 1 <b>S1</b> – TK <b>S2</b> <b>diff2</b> ... energy generator 2 <b>S3</b> – TK <b>S2</b>
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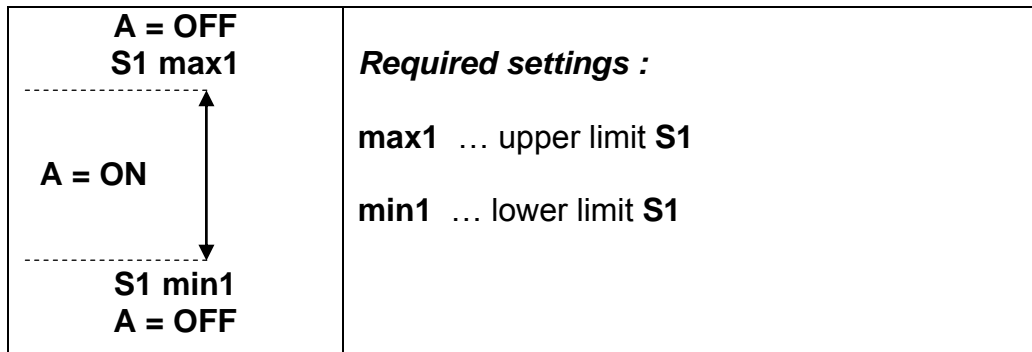
The loading pump function has an additional threshold **min2** via sensor **S3** and temperature difference **diff2** between **S3** and **S2**. Hence, the system can be switched off via two energy generators (**S1** and/or **S3**).

## Air flap control for an earth collector - program 8



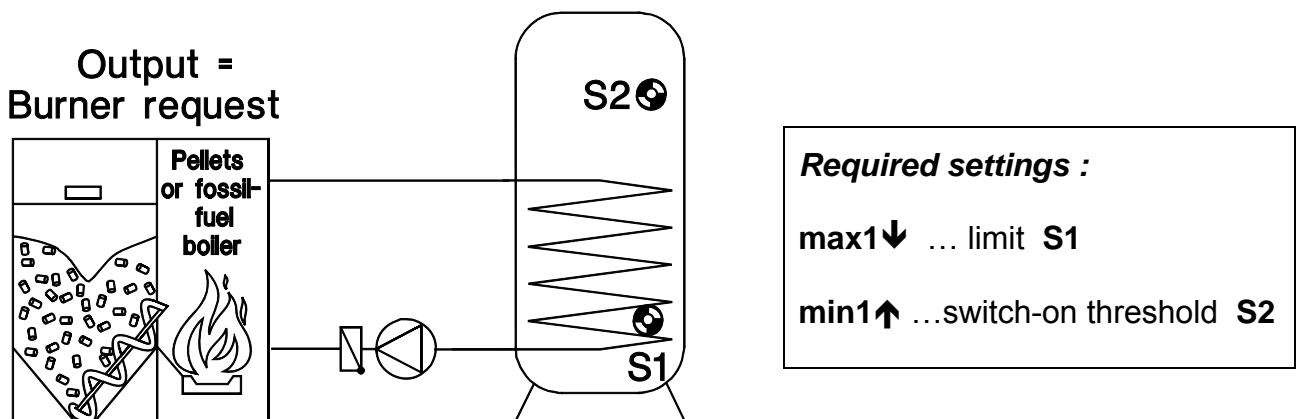
The output switches when  $S1 > \mathit{max1}$  or  $< \mathit{min1}$ . An air/water heat pump thus has a flap for the airflow from the earth collector above the outside ambient temperature  $\mathit{max1}$  (regeneration) and below the outside ambient temperature  $\mathit{min1}$  (heating). S2 and S3 have no function.

## Program 9



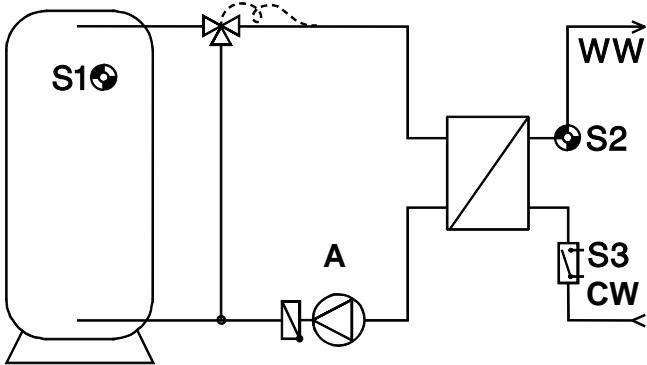
The output switches when  $S1 < \mathit{max}$  and  $> \mathit{min}$ . Hence, while program 8 switches above and below a temperature window, program 9 switches within a temperature window.

## Burner requirement using holding circuit - program 12



The output switches on when  $S2 < \mathit{min1}\uparrow$  and only switches off when  $S1 > \mathit{max1}\downarrow$ . In other words, boiler requirement when S2 falls short of  $\mathit{min1}\uparrow$  in the upper storage area and switch-off when S1 exceeds  $\mathit{max1}\downarrow$  in the lower part of the tank. **The output terminal is not potential-free.**

**Preparation of hot water – program 16, 17** (only ESR21-D)



**Required settings :**

**DVA** ... desired value for **absolute** value control **S2**

**DVD** ... desired value for **differential** control **S1–S2**

**Program 17:** Setting of sensor **S3** as a digital input in the menu **MEN/Sensor**

possible other settings in the **PSC**-menu (PRO/INT/DIF/MIN/MAX)

**Program 16** (only ESR21-D)

By using the speed control the heat exchange outlet can be kept permanently at a constant temperature via the **ultrafast sensor S2** (non-standard accessory). Low stand-by losses may occur. A volume flow switch S3 is not necessary.

**Program 17** (only ESR21-D)

The speed control is only activated, if the **volume flow switch S3** (non-standard accessory) indicates a flow. Very few stand-by losses may occur. When starting, the system is a little lazier and a volume flow switch is necessary.

**Generally for both programs (16, 17):**

No thermostat function or differential switching function is activated. Calling one of these two programs the measuring speed of the input S2 is automatically increased from AV 1.0 to AV 0.4 (see in the menu **MEN** under **SENSOR**) and the speed control is activated as an alternative parameter list with the following factory settings(see in the menu **MEN** under **PSC**):

Abs. value control AC..... I 2	Desired value DVA.....48 °C	
Differential control DC.. N12	Desired value DVD.....7.0 K	
Event control EC..... ---		
Waveform.....WAVEP		
Proportional part PRO.... 3	Integral part INT..... 1	Differential part DIF..... 4
Minimum speed MIN.....0	Maximum speed MAX...30	Delay time ALV ..... 0

In addition, the set values for the desired hot water temperature (**DVA**) and the mixing difference (**DVD**) is put down in the parameter menu to provide the user with quick access.

For more detailed data related to speed process and stability see: Pump speed control **PSC**.

## Speed adjustment piece for 0-10V, 4-20mA - program 20, 21 (only ESR21-D)

Using input S1 the device can also be used as a speed adjuster. For this purpose however it is necessary to make a small intervention. After removal of the rear protective plate of the electronics two soldered areas are visible in the area of the sensor inputs. Depending on application (input signal 0 - 10V or 4 - 20mA) these are to be bridged with the soldering iron according to their designation.

S1 is the signal input. S2 and S3 are available purely for temperature measuring purposes with no control functions.

By opening program 20 (for voltage) or 21 (for current) in menu parameters the speed control is automatically activated and the input signal corresponding to an rpm increment between 0 and 30 issued (see also menu **MEN** under **PSC**). In this process only the following **PSC**- parameters are active:

minimum speed ....MIN 0            maximum speed ...MAX 30

In order to adapt the input signal on the speed adjuster in its entirety the following values are displayed in the parameter menu:

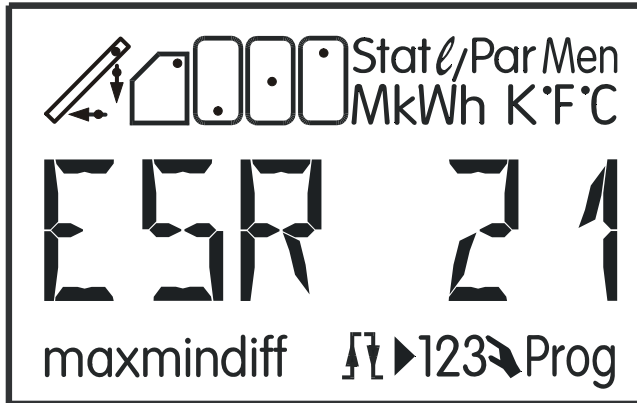
**DVA** (here as start signal value) for the signal height at which the speed stage 0 only just applies and **DVD** (nominal value difference) as signal height **from the start signal value DVA** which already represents speed stage 30.

The measured signal is displayed as a dimensionless number from 0 to around 220, i.e. 10V or 20mA roughly correspond to the value 220 (display: 22.0 – the decimal point of 22.0 must be ignored). The parameters **DVA** and **DVD** are therefore also related to this point. Additionally to limit the speed stages the parameters **MIN** (minimum speed stage) and **MAX** (maximum speed stage) can be drawn on in menu **PSC**.

For simple monitoring the actual speed stage **SPS** is displayed after the measured values of inputs.

## Operation:

The large display contains all of the icons for all of the important information and a field for plain text. Navigation with the co-ordination keys is adapted to the display structure.

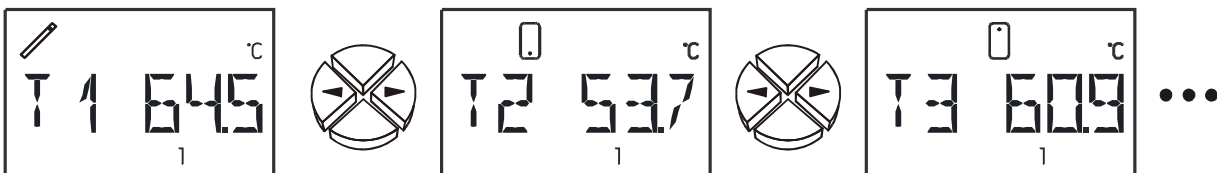


↔ = Navigation keys to select an icon and change parameters.

↓ = Enter a menu, release a value to change using the navigation keys.

↑ = Return to the last menu level selected, exit the setting of parameters for a value.

In normal operation, the left/right arrows ↔ are the navigation keys to select the desired display, such as collector or storage tank temperature. Each time a key is pressed, another icon appears with the respective temperature. In the start display (start level), only icons on the upper display line can be selected in some program numbers.

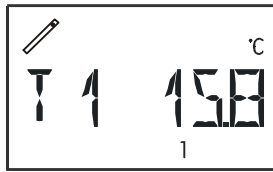


Above the text line, the icon for the text is always displayed (in the example given, the collector temperature).

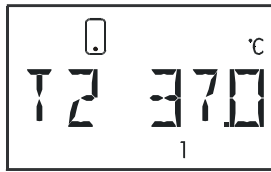
Moreover, an active output (pump running) is identifiable, if the symbol combination comprising collector, pre-run and return arrows are displayed as a rotating graphic.

Below the text line, all of the tips are displayed during the setting of parameters.

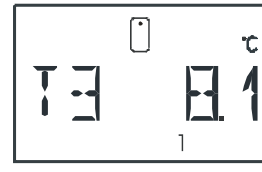
## The main level:



Temperature  
Sensor 1



Temperature  
Sensor 2



Temperature  
Sensor 3



External value 1  
Only displayed if  
external DL is  
activated

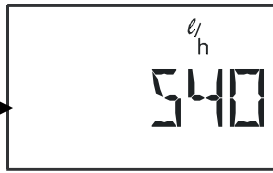
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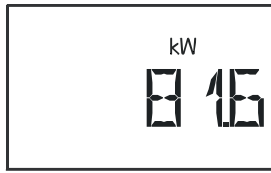
External value 6  
Only displayed if  
external DL is  
activated



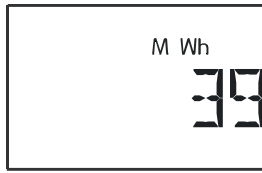
Speed stage  
only displayed if  
speed control is  
activated  
(ESR21-D only)



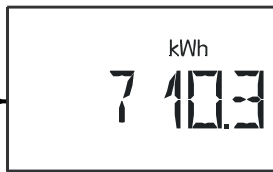
Volume flow  
only displayed if  
heat counter is  
activated



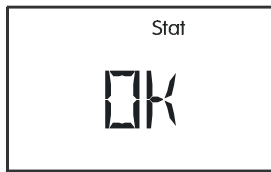
Current power  
only displayed if  
heat counter is  
activated



MWh only dis-  
played if heat coun-  
ter is activated



kWh only displayed  
if heat counter is  
activated



Status-bar indica-  
tor status menu



Parameter  
menu



Menu



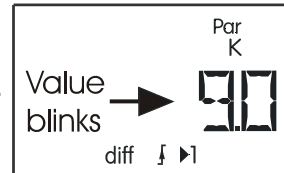
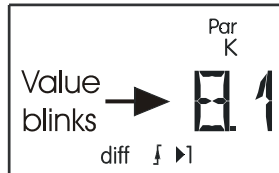
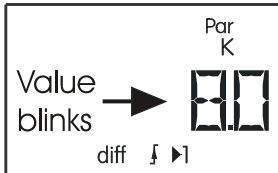
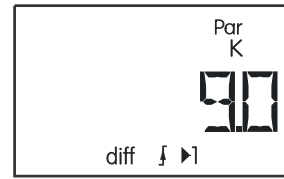
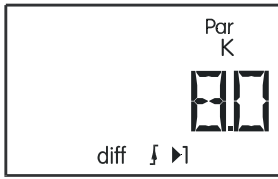
Temperature  
Sensor 1

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- T1 to T3** Displays the value measured at the sensor (S1 - T1, S2 - T2, S3 – T3).
- E1 to E6** Displays the values from external sensors which are read via the data link. Only activated inputs are displayed.  
**ERR** means that no valid value has been read. In this case the external value is set to 0.
- SPS** Speed stage, indicates the current speed stage. This menu item is only displayed if the speed control is activated.  
 Display range:     0     = output is off  
                           30     = speed control is running at the highest stage
- l/h** The volume flow, indicates the flow rate of the volume flow encoder (only sensor 3), or the volume flow rate of an external sensor via DL, or the fixed volume flow in litres per hour.
- kW** The current output of the heat counter indicated in kW.
- MWh** Megawatt hours, indicates the megawatt hours of the heat counter.
- kWh** Kilowatt-hours, indicates the kilowatt-hours of the heat counter.  
 When 1000 kWh have been reached the counter restarts at 0 and the MWh are increased by 1.  
 Menu items **l/h**, **kW**, **MWh**, and **kWh** are only displayed if the heat counter has been activated.
- Stat:** Display of the system's status. Depending on the program selected, various system statuses are monitored. If any problems have occurred, this menu contains all of the information.
- Par:** The navigation keys on the parameter level (⇐, ⇒) allow you to select the icons under the temperature display and the text line. The parameter selected can now be released for selection with the down key ↓ (enter). The parameter blinks to indicate release. Press one of the navigation keys to change the value by one increment. Keep the key pressed to keep the value running. The changed value is adopted when the up key ↑ (return) is pressed. To prevent unintended changes in parameters, entry in **Par** is only possible using the code 32.
- Men:** The menu contains basic settings to determine additional functions such as the sensor type, language, the system protection functions, etc. Use the keys for navigation and to make changes as usual. The dialogue is only set up via the text line. As the settings in the menu change the basic features of the control unit, entry is only possible with a code that only the technician knows.

**The settings of the parameters and menu functions ex works can be restored at any time using the down key (entry) when plugging the unit in. If this occurs, WELOAD will appear in the display for three seconds.**

## Changing a value (parameter) :



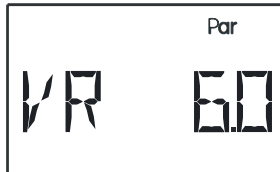
If a value is to be changed, press the down arrow key. This value will then blink and can be set to the desired value with the navigation keys. Use the arrow key up to save the value.

# The parameter menu *Par*

(Version number, program number, min, max, diff, auto/manual mode)



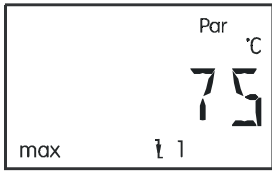
Code to enter menu



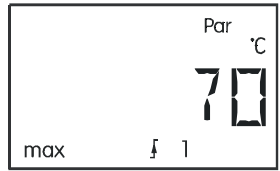
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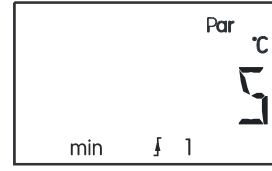
Program number



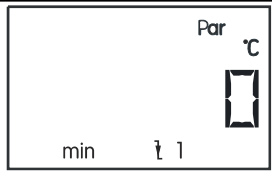
Max limit switch-off threshold



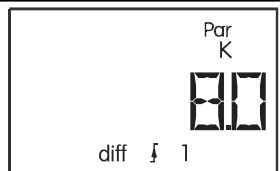
Max limit switch-on threshold



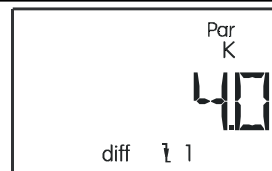
Min limit switch-on threshold



Min limit switch-off threshold



Difference switch-on threshold



Difference switch-off threshold



Automatic / Manual mode



Once the parameter menu has been opened (using the **code 32**), the following tips and setting options appear depending on the program selected:

**VR 6.0** Software version of the device (**VR** = version with relay output, **VD** = speed version). It cannot be changed as it indicates the intelligence of the device and must be provided if there are any queries.

**PR** Selection of the appropriate **program** according to the selected diagram. For a solar thermal system, that would be the number 0.

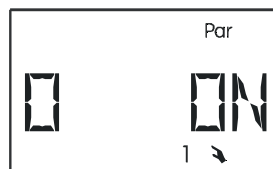
The device does not have any switching differentials (difference between temperatures to switch on or off); rather, all of the threshold values are divided into switch-on and switch-off values. In addition, some programs have several similar thresholds such as **max1**, **max2**. To make a distinction, the index for max is also displayed in the same line.

**CAUTION:** When setting the parameter, the computer always limits the threshold value (such as **max1 on**) when it approaches a certain temperature of the second threshold (such as **max1 off**) to prevent negative hysteresis. If a threshold cannot be changed any longer, the second threshold has to be changed first.

- max ↓** When this temperature has been reached, the output is blocked (ex works = 75°C).
- max ↑** The output blocked at **max ↓** is released again when this temperature has been reached. **max** generally serves to limit storage. Recommendation: The switch-off point should be some 3-5K higher than the switch-on point in the storage area and some 1-2K higher than in the pool area. The software does not allow for differences less than 1K (factory settings = 70°C).
- min ↑** When this temperature has been reached at the sensor, the output is released (display only with the corresponding program diagram) (ex works = 5°C).
- min ↓** The output previously released via **min ↑** is blocked again when this temperature has been reached. **min** generally protects the boilers from soot. Recommendation: The switch-on point should be some 3-5K higher than the switch-off point. The software does not allow for differences less than 1K (ex works = 0°C).
- diff ↑** If the temperature difference between the two set sensors surpasses this value, the output is released. For most programs, **diff** is the basic function (differential controller) of the system. Recommendation: For solar applications, **diff ↑** should be set to around 7-10K (ex works = 8K). Slightly lower values suffice for the loading pump program.
- diff ↓** The output previously released when **diff ↑** was reached is blocked again when this temperature difference is reached. Recommendation: **diff ↓** should be set to around 3-5K (ex works = 4K). Although the software allows for a minimum difference of 0.1K between the switch-on and switch-off points, no value less than 2K can be entered for sensor and measurement tolerance.



Automatic mode



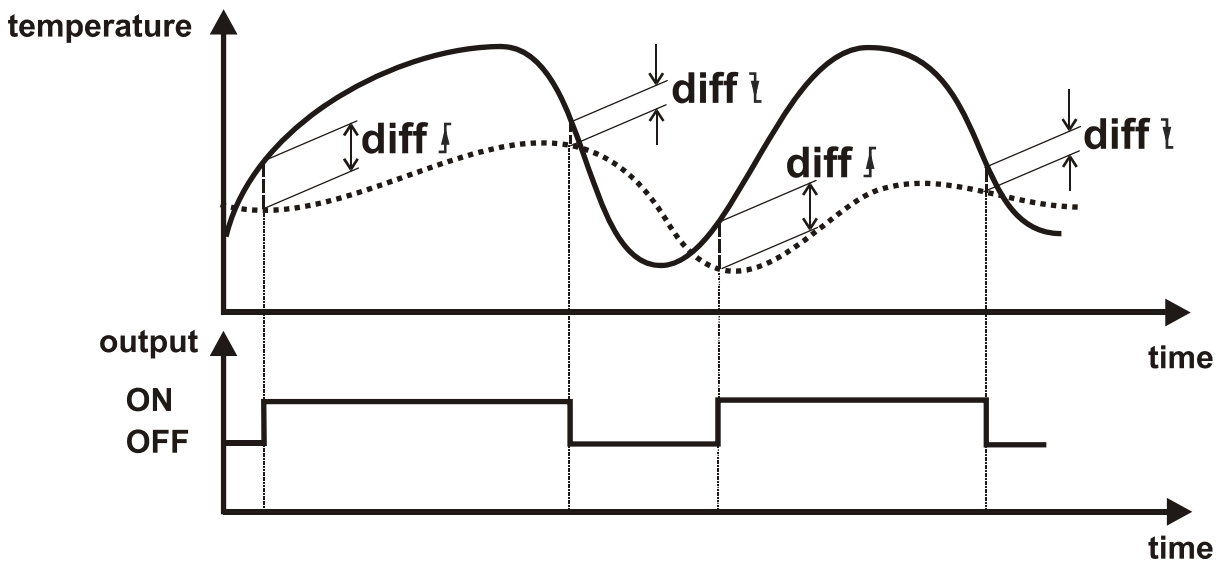
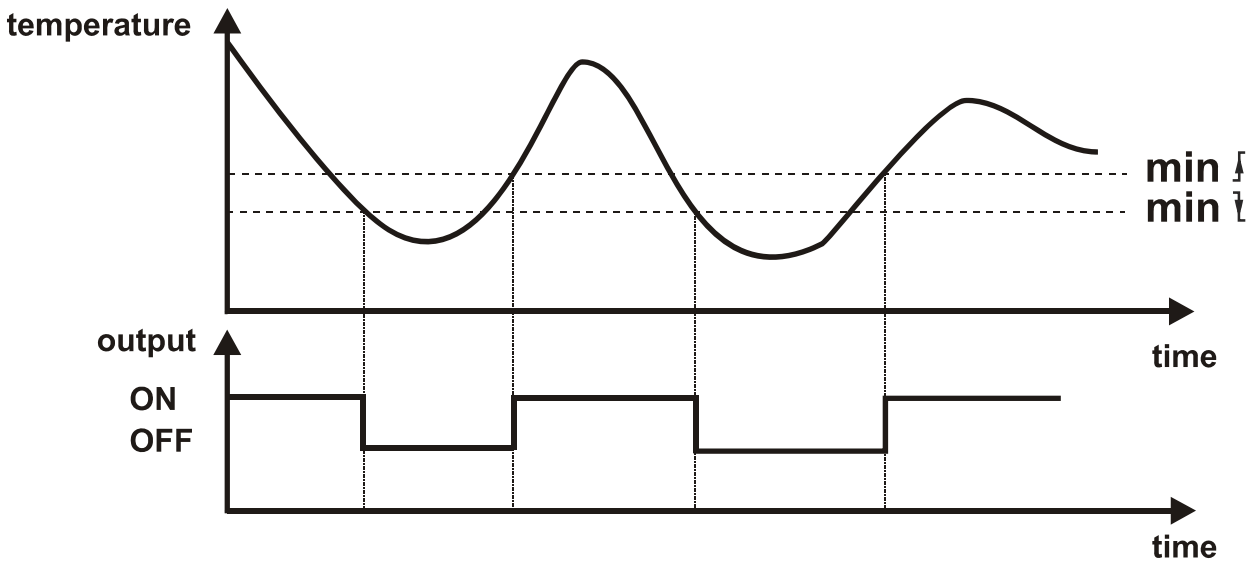
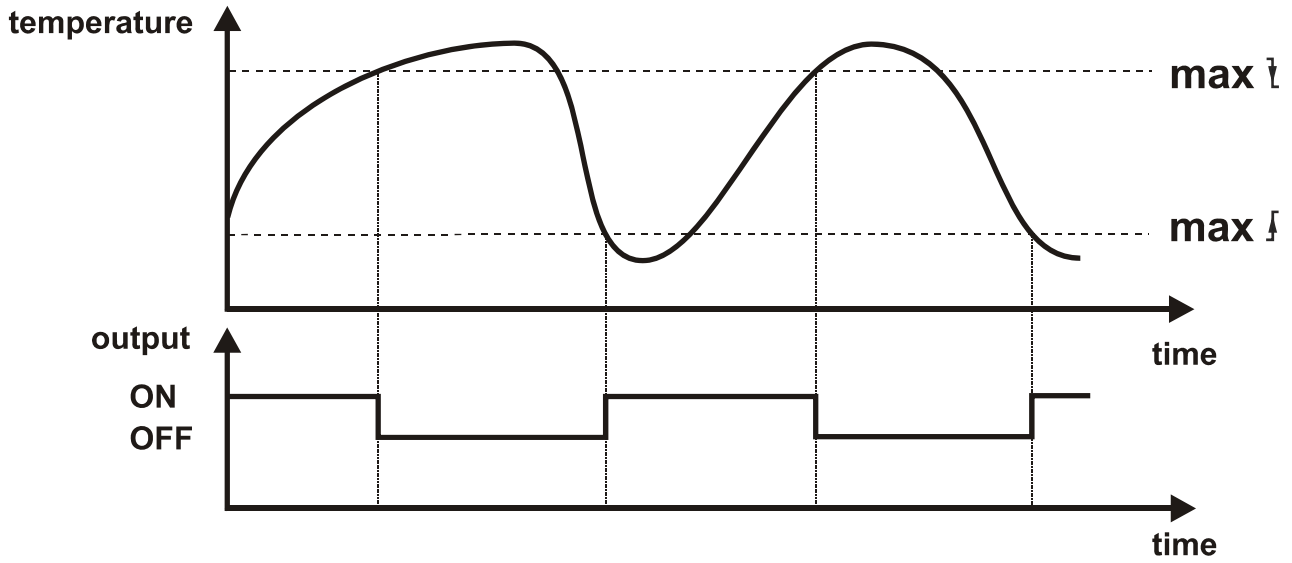
Manual ON



Manual OFF

**0 AUTO** The output is set to automatic mode and can be switched for test purposes to manual mode (**0 ON**, **0 OFF**). When the manual mode has been selected, an icon appears under the text line. An active output (pump running) is identifiable, if the symbol combination comprising collector, pre-run and return arrows are displayed as a rotating graphic.

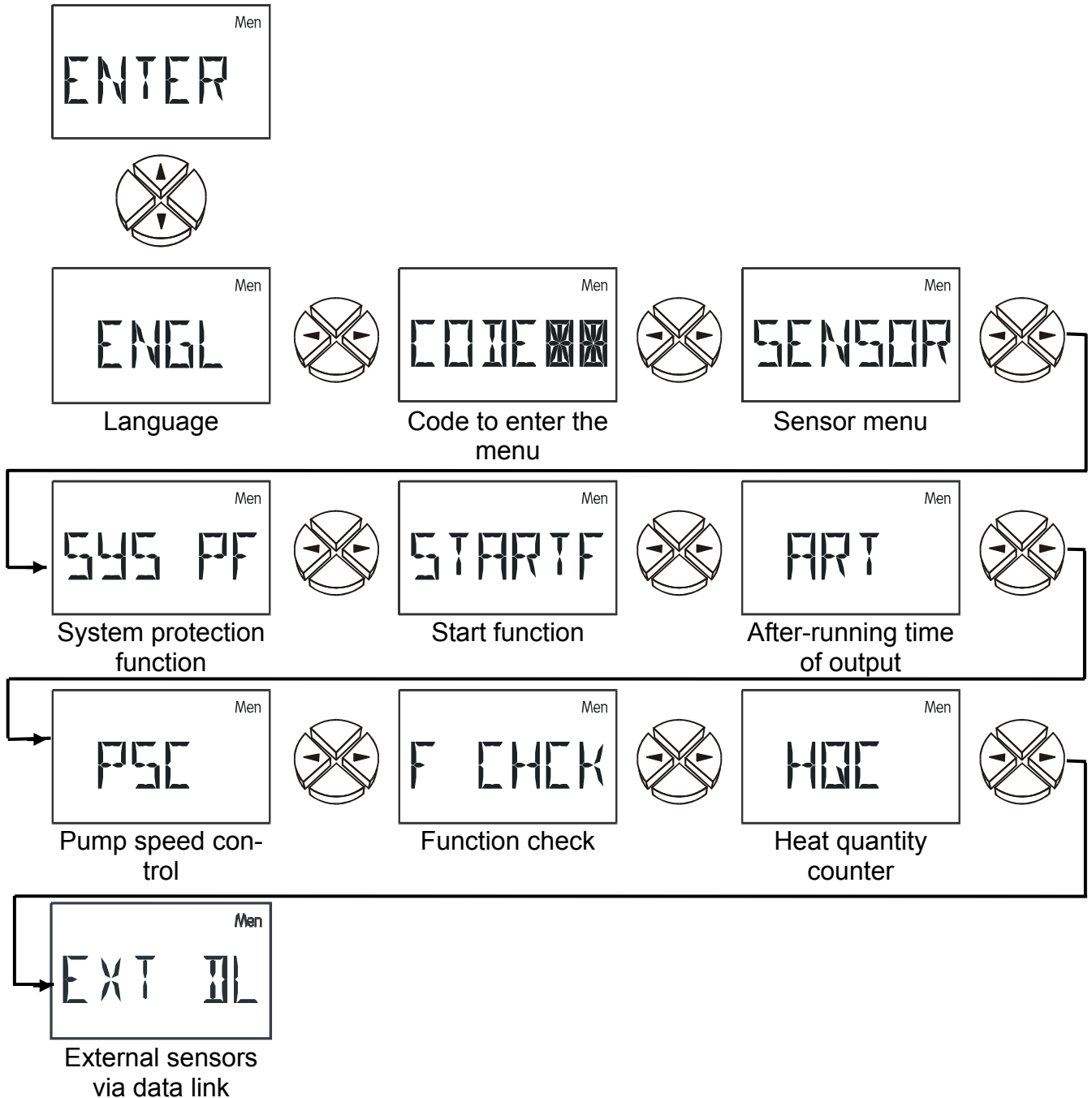
# Schematic representation of setting values



## The menu *Men*

The menu contains basic settings to specify additional functions such as sensor type, function check, etc. Navigation and changes are done as usual with the keys  $\Rightarrow \uparrow \downarrow \Leftarrow$ , while the dialogue is only set up in the text line.

As the settings in the menu can change the basic features of the control unit, only a technician who has the code can open this level.



**ENGL** Language selection: The entire menu can be switched to the desired user language even before the code is provided. The following languages are available: German (**DEUT**), English (**ENGL**).

**CODE** **Code** number for entering the menu. The rest of the menu items are only displayed once the correct code number is entered.

- SENSOR** - **Sensor** menu: indication of the type of sensor or a fixed temperature for an input that is not used.
- SYS PF** - **System protective functions**: switch off the solar thermal system when a critical collector temperature has been reached; anti-freeze function for the collector.
- STARTF** - **Start function**: start help for solar thermal systems.
- ART**      **After-running time**: can be set for the output.
- PSC**      **Pump speed control** (only for speed version V D)
- F CHCK** - **Function check**: activates a monitoring function to detect various errors and critical situations.
- HQC**      - **Heat quantity counter** - activate and make settings
- EXT DL**    **External sensor values** from the data link.

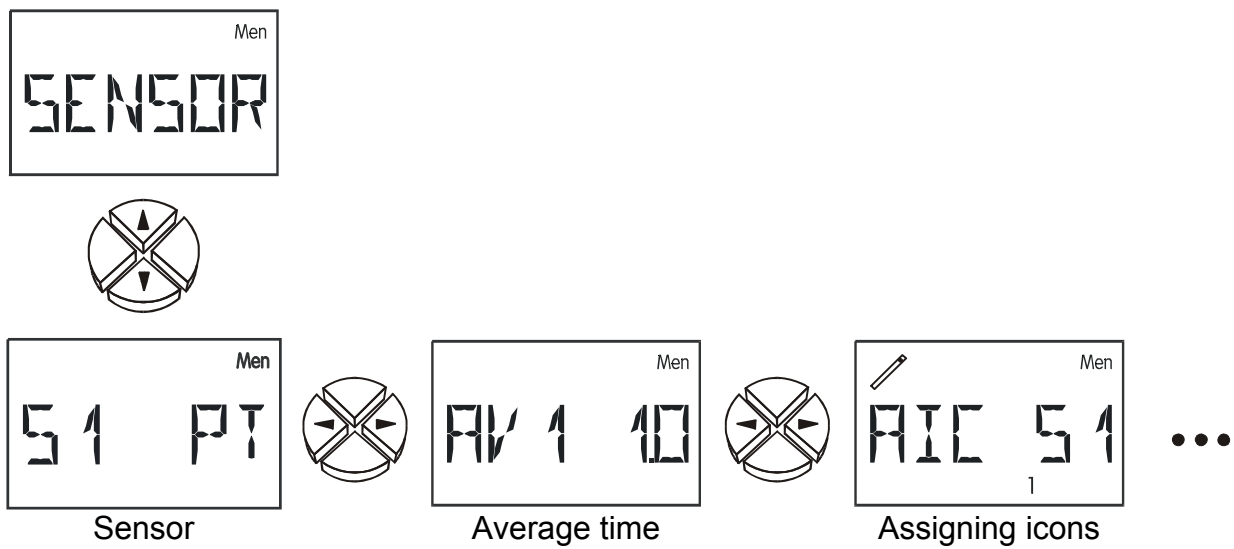
**Language DEUT, ENG:**

Language selection: The entire menu can be switched to the desired user language even before the code is provided. The following languages are available: German (**DEUT**) and English (**ENGL**).  
 Factory settings are made in German (**DEUT**).

**Code number CODE:**

The other menu items of the parameter menu are displayed only after the correct code has been entered. Since the settings in the menu change the basic properties of the control module entry is restricted by code number which is only available to the technician.

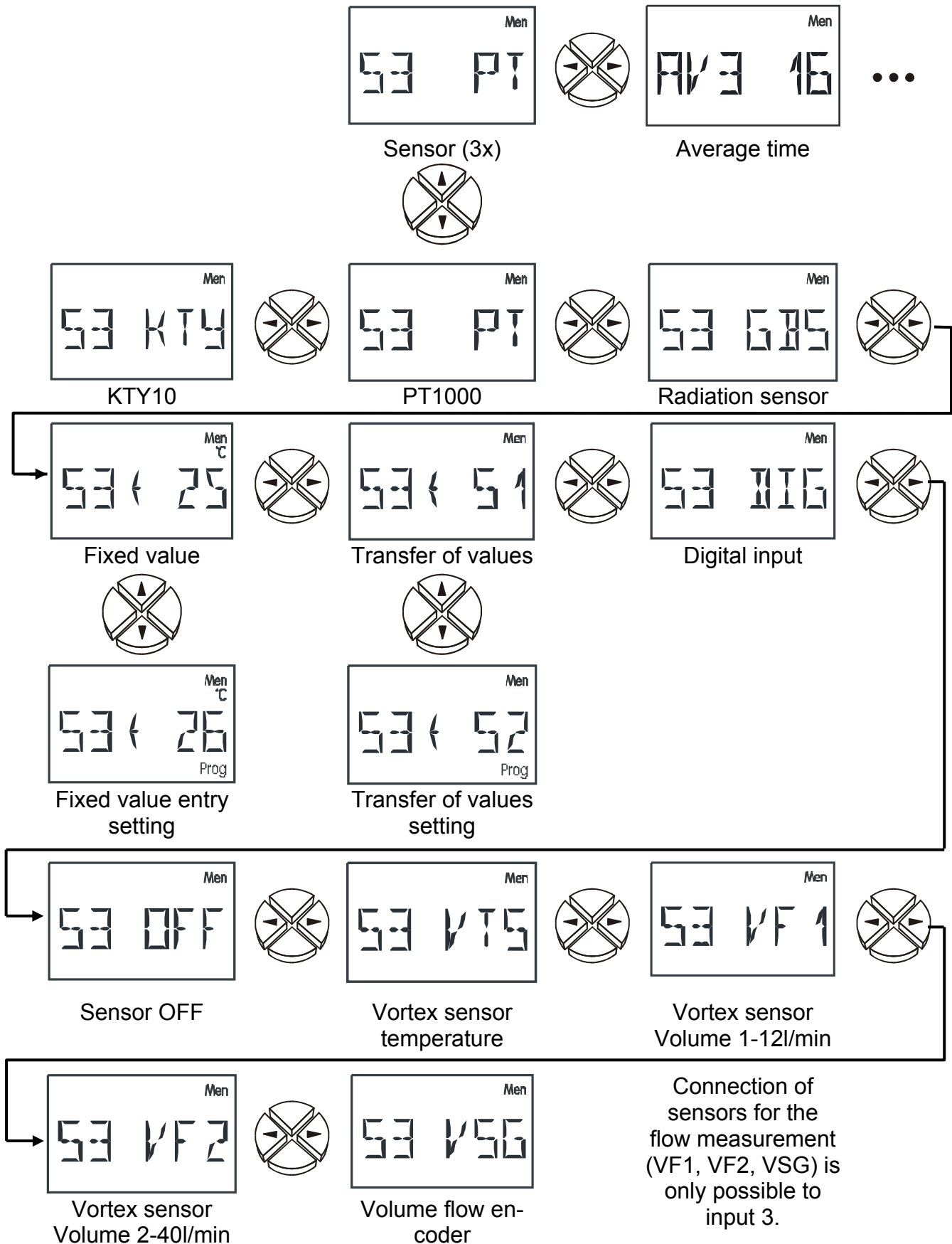
**Sensor menu SENSOR:**



These 3 menu items are available for each sensor.

## Sensor settings:

Sensor S3 has been used as example for the sensor settings, since this sensor has the most setting options.



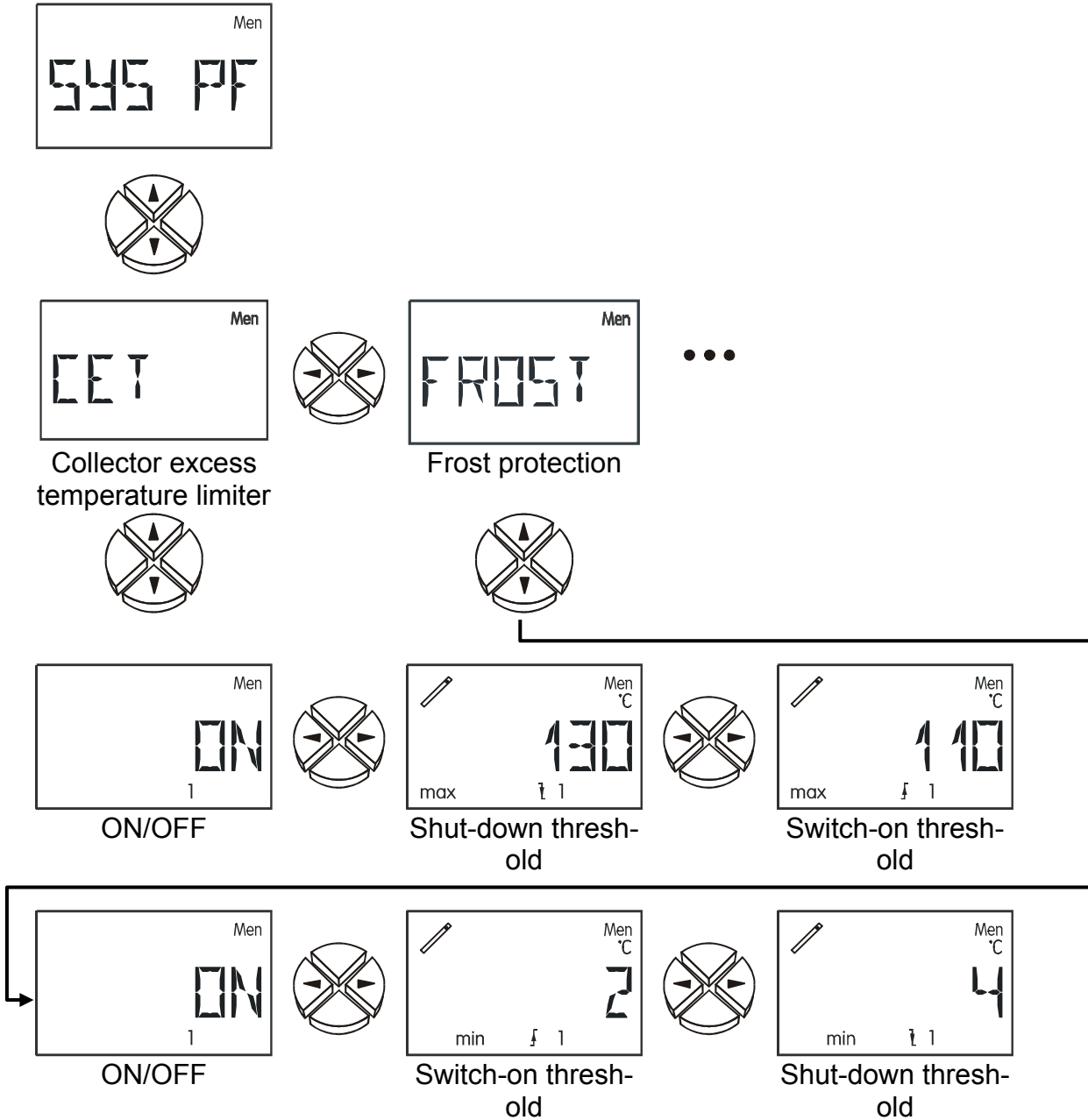


**Assigning icons:**

One of the icons can be assigned to each sensor. Each icon is available three times, which is displayed in the bottom line by the index (1, 2 or 3). Each symbol appears three times with a different index before switching to the next. Although it doesn't make a great deal of sense it is also possible to assign several inputs (sensors) the same symbol and the same index.

**Symbol allocation has no influence on the control function.**

**System protection functions SYS PF:**



**Collector excess temperature CET:** Steam occurs in the system during standstill. When the system automatically switches on again, the pump does not have enough pressure to raise the fluid level above the highest point in the system (collector supply line). This represents a considerable load on the pump when there is no circulation. This function allows the pump to be blocked whenever the collector reaches a certain temperature (**max ↓**) until a second settable threshold (**max ↑**) has been crossed.

**ON / OFF** Collector excess temperature limit ON/OFF (ex works = ON)

**max ↓** Temperature above which the outputs set are to be blocked  
(ex works = 130°C)

Setting range: 0°C to 200°C in increments of 1°C

**max ↑** Temperature above which the outputs set are to be released.  
(ex works = 110°C)

Setting range: 0°C to 199°C in increments of 1°C

**Collector anti-freeze FROST:** in the south, a minimum temperature in the collector can bridge the few hours near freezing using energy from the tank. The settings in the chart cause the solar pump to be released when the threshold **min ↑** of 2°C is exceeded at the collector sensor and blocked again when the threshold **min ↓** of 4°C is surpassed.

**ON / OFF** Frost-protection function ON/OFF (ex works = OFF)

**min ↑** Temperature above which the outputs set are to be switched on (ex works = 2°C)  
Setting range: -20°C to 29°C in increments of 1°C

**min ↓** Temperature above which the outputs set are to be switched off (ex works = 4°C)  
Setting range: -20°C to 30°C in increments of 1°C

**NOTICE:** If the frost protection function is activated and an error occurs at the set collector sensor (short circuit, interruption), the set output is switched on at the top of every hour for 2 minutes.

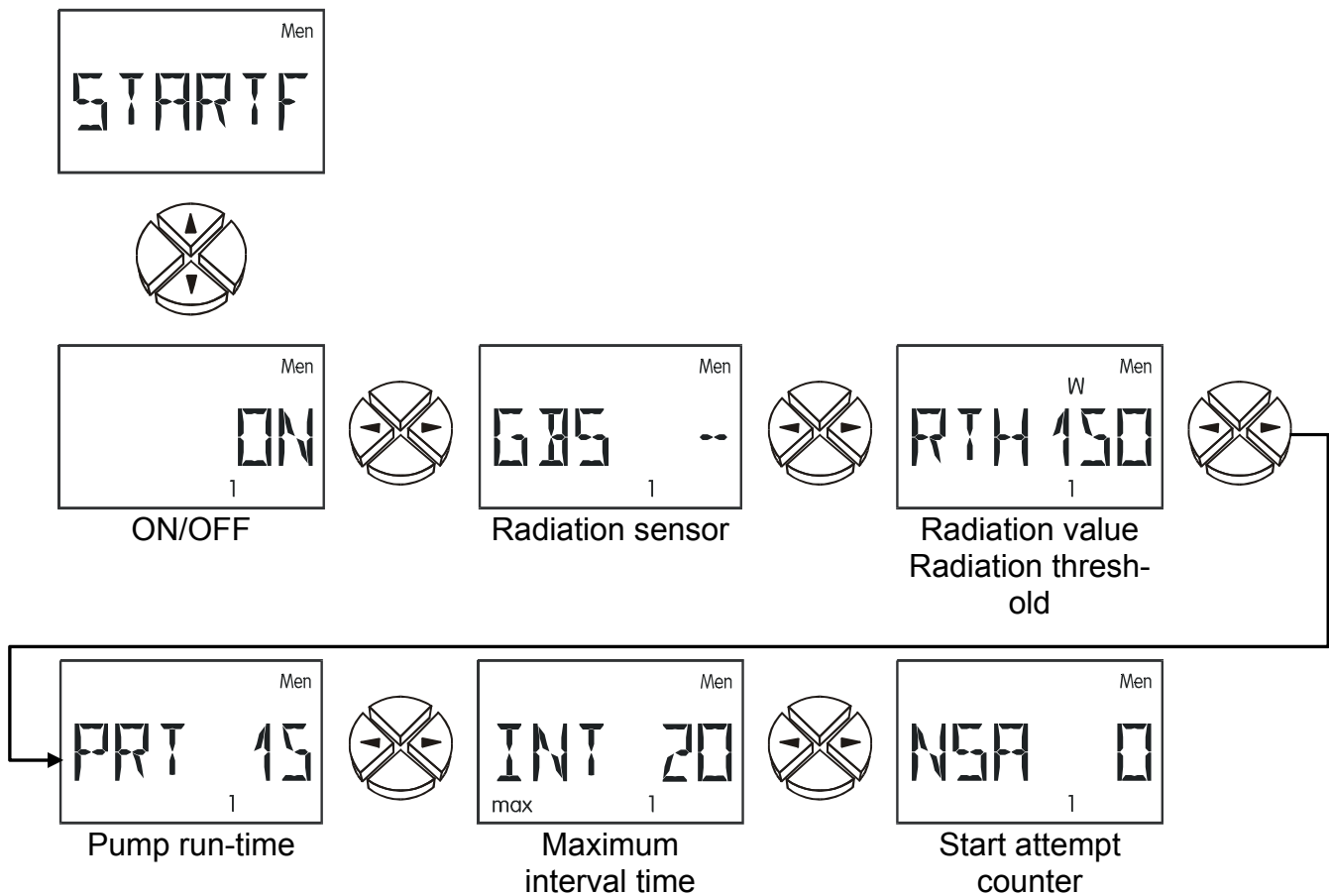
## Start function **STARTF** (ideal for tube collectors):

Solar thermal systems sometimes start too late in the morning when the collector sensor does not come into contact with the warm heat transfer medium in time. Flat collector fields or **vacuum tubes with forced circulation** often lack sufficient gravity pull.

The start function tries to release a rinsing interval while constantly monitoring the collector temperature. The computer first determines the current weather based on constant measurements of the collector temperature. It then calculates the best time for a brief rinsing interval to maintain the temperature for normal operation.

When the radiation sensor is used, the solar radiation is used for the calculation of the start function (radiation sensor **GBS 01** - non-standard accessory).

The start function is disabled ex works and only useful with solar thermal systems. When activated, the following flow diagram applies:



**ON / OFF** Start function ON/OFF (ex works = OFF)

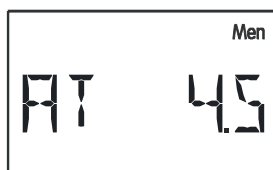
**GBS** Indicates a sensor input if a radiation sensor is used. If no radiation sensor is used, the average temperature (long-term mean regardless of the weather) is calculated. (ex works = --)

Setting range:	S1 to S3	Input of radiation sensor
	E1 to E6	value of the external sensor
	GBS --	= no radiation sensor

- RTH** Radiation value (radiation **threshold**) in  $W/m^2$  above which rinsing is allowed. Without a radiation sensor, the computer calculates the necessary temperature increase for the long-term mean that launches rinsing from this value. (ex works =  $150W/m^2$ )  
Setting range: 0 to  $990W/m^2$  in increments of  $10W/m^2$
- PRT** Pump run-time (rinsing time) in seconds. During this time, the pump should have pumped roughly half of the content of the collector's heat transfer medium past the collector sensor. (ex works = 15s)  
Setting range: 0 to 99s in increments of 1s
- INT(max)** Maximum allowable **interval** between two rinses. This time is automatically reduced according to the temperature increase after rinsing. (ex works = 20min)  
Setting range: 0 to 99min in increments of 1min
- NSA** Number of **start attempts** (= counter). The system is automatically reset for a start attempt if the last start attempt was more than four hours ago.

### After-running time **ART**:

During the start phase, the pumps may repeatedly switch on and off for a long time, especially with solar and heating systems with long hydraulic system lines. This response can be reduced by using a speed control or increasing the pump after-run time.



After-running time  
output

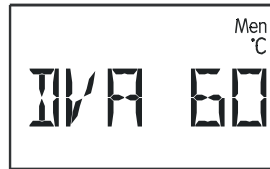
- AT** After-running time output (ex works = 0)  
Setting range: 0 (no after-running time) to 9 minutes in increments of 10 sec

**Pump speed control PSC (only ESR21-D):**

**Warning!** The values in the following description are by way of example only; they must, in all cases, be matched to the system!



Absolute value control system



Desired value for absolute value control



Differential control system



Desired value for differential control



Event control system



Desired value of the event



Desired value of the control system



Wave package or phase angle



Proportional part



Integral part



Differential part



Minimum speed stage



Maximum speed stage



Delay time



Current speed

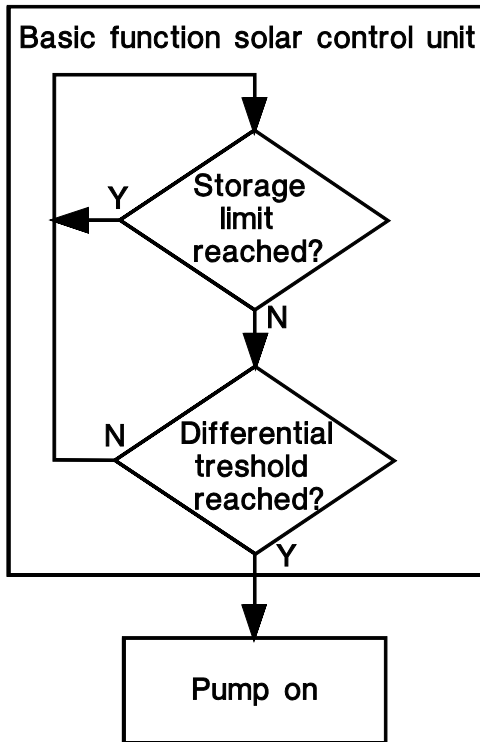


Setting of test speed

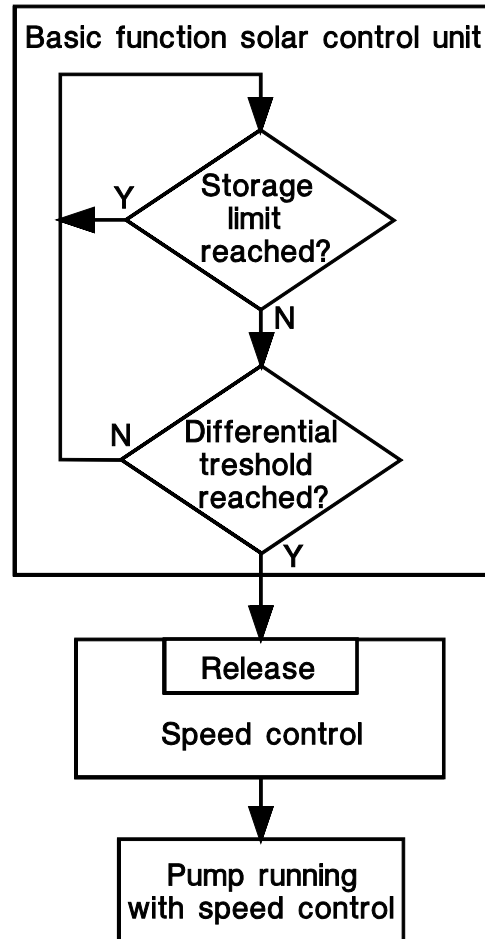
The pump speed control can be used to change the delivered quantity - i.e. the volume flow - of usual commercial circulating pumps in 30 steps. This provides constant levels of (differential) temperatures in the system.

The speed control is disabled ex works. When active, it receives the signal to control from the overriding differential switch, i.e. the basic function determined by the diagram and program number.

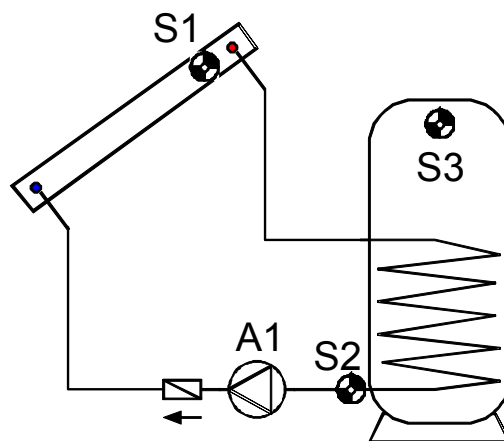
Simple solar controller



Solar controller with activated speed control



This simple solar diagram will now be used to show the possibilities of this process:



**Absolute value control** = maintaining a sensor

S1 can be kept at one temperature (such as 60°C) very well by using the speed control. If the solar radiation is reduced, S1 becomes colder. The control unit then lowers the speed and hence the flow rate. However, that causes the warm-up time of the heat transfer medium in the collector to increase, thus increasing S1 again.

A constant return (S2) may make sense as an alternative in various systems (such as boiler feeds). Inverse control characteristics are necessary for this. If S2 increases, the heat exchanger does not provide enough energy to the tank. The flow rate will then be reduced. The longer dwell time in the exchanger cools the heat transfer medium more, thus reducing S2. It does not make sense to keep S3 constant as the variation in the flow rate does not directly affect S3; hence, no regulator circuit will result.

The absolute control is set via two parameter windows. The example has typical settings for the hydraulics:



**AC N 1** Absolute value control in normal operation, with sensor S1 being kept constant.

Normal operation **N** means that the speed increases as temperatures do and is valid for all applications to keep a “feed sensor” constant (collector, boiler, etc.)

Inverse operation **I** means that the speed decreases as temperatures drop and is necessary to maintain a return or control the temperature of a heat exchange outlet via a primary circulating pump (such as hygienic hot water). If the temperature at the heat exchanger’s outlet is too high, too much energy yield enters the heat exchanger, thus reducing the speed and hence the input. (ex works = --)

Setting range: AC N 1 to AC N 3, AC I 1 to AC I 3

AC -- = absolute value control is disabled (ex works = --).

**DVA 60** The desired value for absolute value control is 60°C. In the example, S1 is thus kept at 60°C. (ex works = 50°C)

Setting range: 0 to 99°C in increments of 1°C

**Differential control** = keeps the temperature constant between two sensors.

Keeping the temperature difference constant between S1 and S2, for instance, allow for “shifting” operation of the collector. If S1 drops due to lower irradiation, the difference between S1 and S2 thus drops. The control unit then lowers the speed, which increases the dwell time of the medium in the collector and hence the difference between S1 and S2.



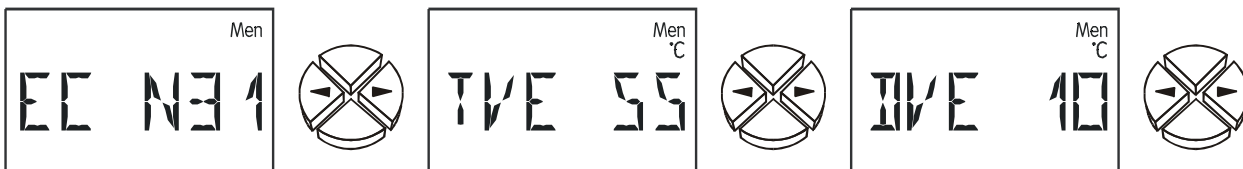
**DC N12** Differential control in normal operation between sensors S1 and S2 (ex works = --).  
 Setting range: DC N12 to DC N32, DC I12 to DC I32)  
 DC -- = differential control is disabled.

**DVD 7.5** The desired value for differential control is 7.5K. In the example, the temperature difference between S1 and S2 is maintained at 7.5K.  
 Warning: DVD always has to be greater than the switch-off difference of the basic function. If the DVD is lower, the basic function of pump release blocks before the speed control has reached the desired value. (ex works = 10K)  
 Setting range: 0.0 to 9.9K in increments of 0.1K  
 10 to 99K in increments of 1K

If the absolute value control (maintaining a sensor) and the differential control (maintaining the difference between two sensors) are both active, the slower of the two speeds “wins out”.

**Event control** = If a set temperature event occurs, the speed control starts, thus keeping a sensor constant.

If, for instance, S3 reaches 55°C (activation threshold), the collector should be kept at a certain temperature. Maintaining a sensor then works as with absolute value control.



**EC N31** Event control in normal operation, an event at sensor S3 leads to a constant level at sensor S1. (ex works = --)  
 Setting range: EC N12 to EC N32, EC I12 to EC I32)  
 EC -- = event control is disabled.

**TVE 55** The threshold value for event control is 55°C. At a temperature of 55°C at S3, the speed control is activated. (ex works = 60°C)  
 Setting range: 0 to 99°C in increments of 1°C

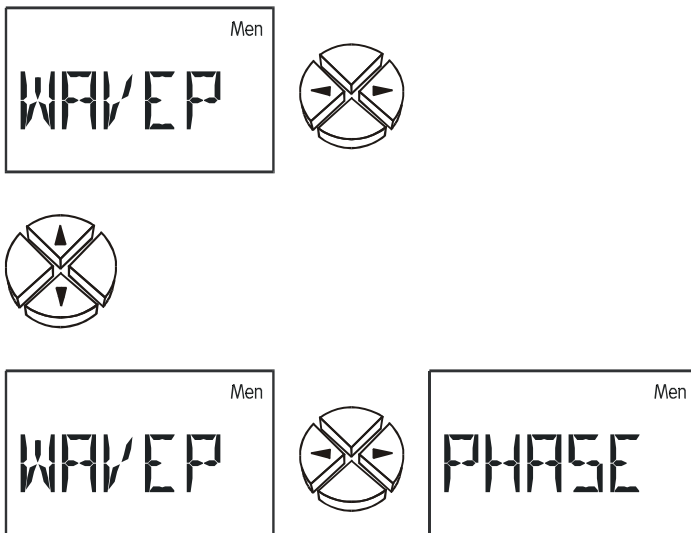
**DVE 10** The desired value for event control is 10°C. As soon as the event has occurred, S1 is kept at 10°C. (ex works = 130°C)  
 Setting range: 0 to 199°C in increments of 1°C

The event control “overwrites” the speed results from other control methods. A set event can thus block the control of absolute values or differences.

In the example, keeping the collector temperature at 60°C with the absolute value control is blocked when the tank has already reached 55°C at the top = the fast provision of hot water is complete and is now to be continued with full volume flow (and hence a lower temperature but slightly better efficiency). To do so, a value that value automatically requires full speed (such as S1 = 10°C) has to be entered as the new desired temperature in the event control.

## Waveform

Two waveforms are available for motor control. (ex works = WAVEP)



**WAVEP** Wave packets - only for circulating pumps with standard motor dimensions. Here, individual half cycles are bled in to the pump motor. The pump runs on pulses and only produces a smooth flow of the heat transfer medium when the rotor's moment of inertia has been overcome.

**Benefit:** Great dynamics of 01:10, well suited for usual commercial pumps without internal electronics and a motor length of around 8 cm.

**Drawback:** Linearity depends on the pressure loss; there is some noise, not suitable for pumps with evidently deviating motor diameters and / or length from 8 cm.

**PHASE** **Phase** angle - for pumps and ventilation motors without internal electronics. The pump is switched to the grid within each half cycle at a certain point (phase).

**Benefit:** Suitable for almost all motor types

**Drawback:** Low dynamics of 01:03 for pumps. **The device has to have a filter with at least 1.8mH and 68nF upstream to fulfill the CE standards for interference suppression**

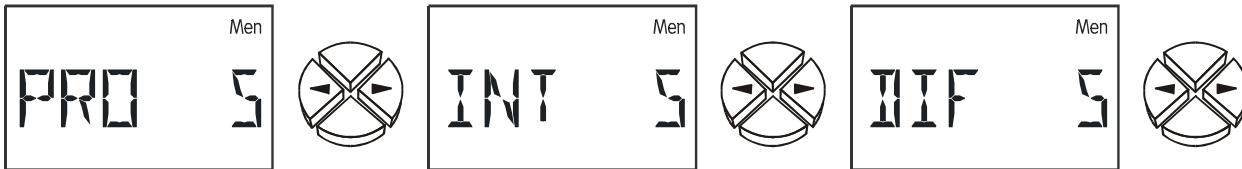
## NOTICE

The menu allows a choice between wave packet and phase angle however in the standard version the output of waveform "phase angle" is not possible!

Special versions on request.

## Stability problems

The speed control has a “PID controller”. It ensures an exact and fast adjustment of the actual value to the set point. **In applications such as solar power systems or feed pumps, the following parameters should be left in factory settings.** With a few exceptions, the system will run stably. These two values have to be balanced, however, especially for hygienic hot water from the external heat exchanger. In addition, in this case the use of an ultrafast sensor (non-standard accessory) is recommended at the hot water outlet.



Set value = desired value

Actual value = temperature measured

- PRO 5** **Proportional part of the PID controller 5.** It represents the reinforcement of the deviation between the desired and the actual value. The speed is changed by one increment for each 0.5K of deviation from the desired value. A large number leads to a more stable system but also to more deviation from the predefined temperature. (ex works = 5)      Setting range: 0 to 9
- INT 5** **Integral part of the PID controller 5.** It periodically adjusts the speed relative to the deviation remaining from the proportional part. For each 1K of deviation from the desired value, the speed changes one increment every 5 seconds. A large number provides a more stable system, but it then takes longer to reach the desired value. (ex works = 0)      Setting range: 0 to 9
- DIF 5** **Differential part of the PID controller 5.** The faster a deviation occurs between the desired and the current value, the greater the short-term overreaction will be to provide the fastest compensation possible. If the desired value deviates at a rate of 0.5K per second, the speed is changed by one increment. Large numbers provide a more stable system, but it then takes longer to reach the desired value. (ex works = 0)      Setting range: 0 to 9

The parameters PRO, INT, and DIF can also be determined in a test: Assume that the pump is running in automatic mode in a unit that is ready for operation with appropriate temperatures. With INT and DIF set to zero (= switched off), PRO is reduced every 30 seconds starting at 10 until the system is instable. In other words, the pump speed changes rhythmically and can be read in the menu with the command ACT. Every proportional part that becomes instable is noted as  $P_{krit}$  just as the duration of the oscillation (= time between the two highest speeds) is noted as  $t_{krit}$ . The following formulas can be used to determine the correct parameters.

$$PRO = 1,6 \times P_{krit}$$

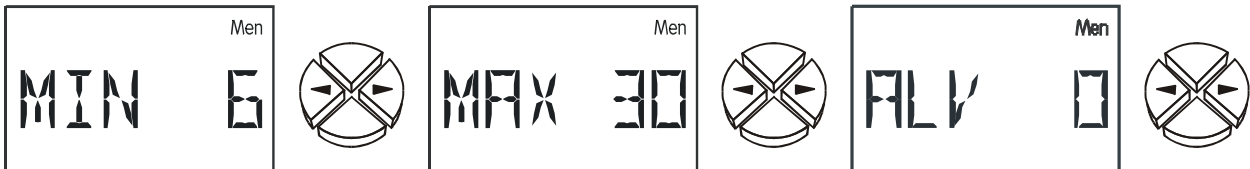
$$INT = \frac{PRO \times t_{krit}}{20}$$

$$DIF = \frac{PRO \times 8}{t_{krit}}$$

A typical result of hygienic service water with the ultrafast sensor is PRO = 8, INT = 9, DIF = 3. For reasons not entirely understood, the setting PRO = 3, INT = 1, DIF = 4 has proven practical. Probably, the control unit is so unstable that it oscillates very quickly and appears to be balanced due to the system's and the fluid's inertia.

## Pump standstill

The wave packet method (standard) allows for variations in the volume flow by a factor of 10 in 30 increments. If the flow rate is too low, flap valves may cause a system standstill. In addition, low power stages at low speeds may cause the rotors to stop. Such a standstill may sometimes be desired, which is why stage 0 is allowed as the lowest stage. The following parameters determine the lower and upper limit for speeds:



**MIN** Lower speed limit (ex works = 0)

**MAX** Upper speed limit (ex works = 30)

The best speed limit is found in a simple test. Use the command TST to set a speed for testing. Remove the rotor lid to see the rotor. Then lower the speed until the rotor stops. Set the limit three increments above this point to ensure safe pumping.

**ALV** Delay time - After switching the output on via the differential function the circulating pump runs for the period entered with no speed control and at full speed. Only after expiry of the period is control of the speed allowed and the output controlled.

This function is envisaged for drain-back systems which, after switching on the solar pump have to be filled at top speed (= maximum pressure).

Adjustment range: 0 to 9 minutes in 10-second increments (ex = 0)

## Control commands

The following commands provide a test of the system (see pump standstill) and allow you to monitor the current speed (see stability problems):



**ACT 19** The pump is currently running at stage **19** (actual value).

**TST 14** The speed stage **14** is currently being **tested**. Calling TST automatically switches to manual mode. As soon as the value blinks via the key ↓ (= entry), the pump runs at the speed displayed.

Setting range: 0 to 30

## Function check **F CHCK**:

Some countries only offer subsidies for the installation of solar thermal systems if the control units have a function check to detect a sensor defect and a lack of circulation. In the menu command **F CHCK**, the mechanic can activate this function check for the ESR21. This function check is disabled ex works.



ON/OFF

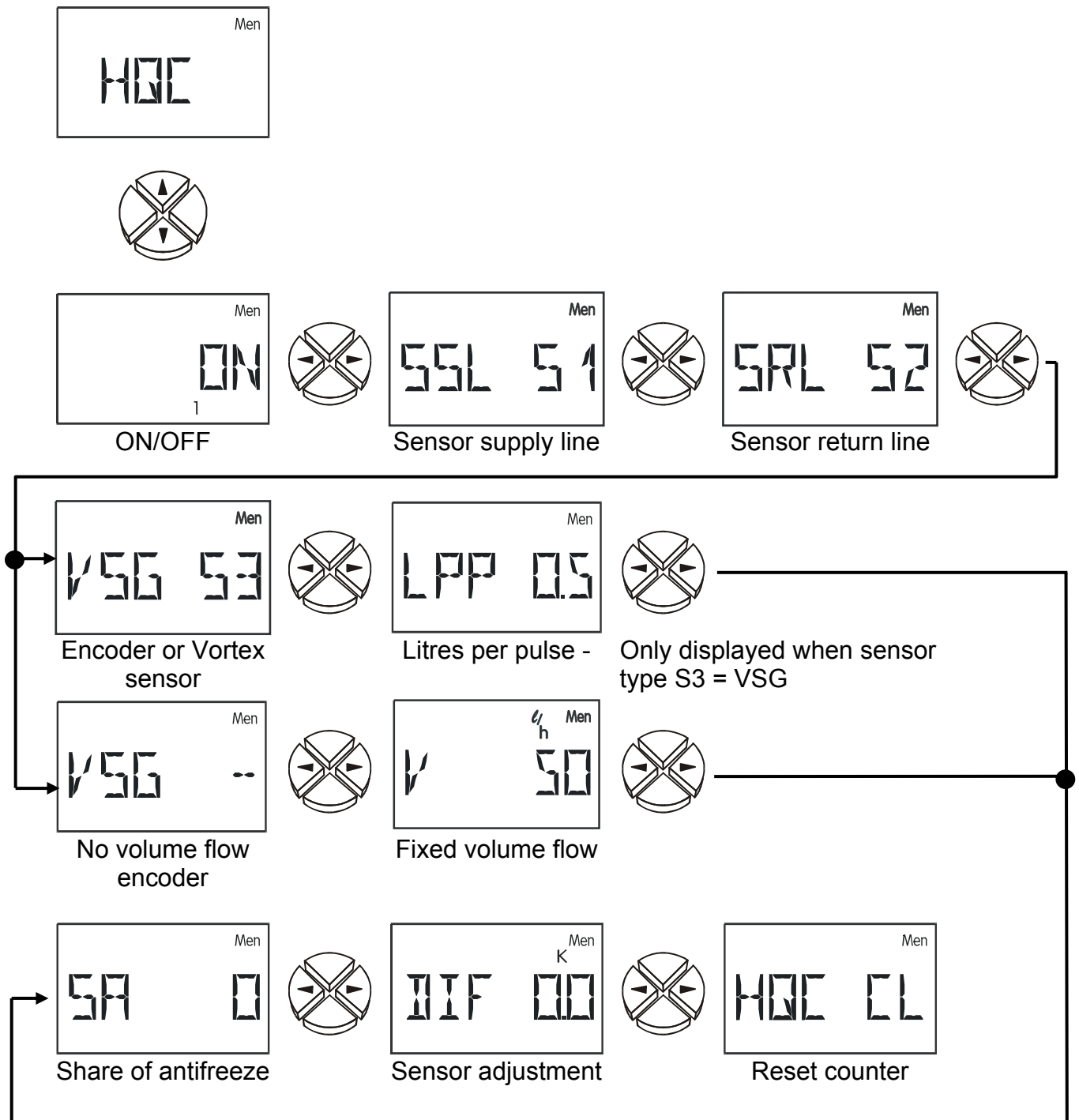
**FC OFF:** The function check is not active.

**FC ON:** The function check is active. Monitoring makes most sense in solar thermal systems. The following system statuses and sensors are monitored:

- ◆ An interruption or short circuit of sensors 1 or 2.
- ◆ Circulation problems - an error message is issued if the output is active and the differential temperature between collector S1 and tank S2 is greater than 60K for more than 30 minutes.

The error messages are entered in the menu **Stat**. If **Stat** is blinking, a malfunction or special system status has been detected (see "The status display Stat").

## Heat quantity counter HQC:



The device also has a function to count the heat quantity. It is disabled ex works. A heat quantity counter basically requires three types of information:

### **supply line temperature, return line temperature, and flow rate (volume flow)**

In solar thermal systems, the correct installation of sensors (see sensor installation - collector sensor on the supply line's collecting tube, tank sensor on the outlet of the return line) automatically leads to correct measurements of the required temperatures, though the losses in the supply line will be included in the heat quantity. To increase accuracy, in indication of the share of antifreeze in the heat transfer medium is necessary as the antifreeze lowers heat conduction.

**The setting of the type of volume flow encoder used is made in menu "SENSOR".**  
A volume flow encoder can only be connected to input S3.

**S3 = KTY, PT, GBS, fixed value, accept value or OFF**

No volume flow encoder

**S3 = VF1 (vortex sensor 1-12l/min), VF2 (vortex sensor 2-40l/min)**

A vortex volume flow encoder (electronic volume flow encoder) is connected to input S3.

**S3 = VSG**

The volume flow encoder on input 3 is a type with encoder.

**ON/OFF** select / disable heat counter (ex works = OFF)

**SSL** Sensor input for supply line temperature (ex works = S1)

Setting range: S1 to S3 Input of the pre-run sensor  
E1 to E6 Value from external sensor

**SRL** Sensor input for return line temperature (ex works = S2)

Setting range: S1 to S3 Input of the return sensor  
E1 to E6 Value from external sensor

**VSG** Sensor input for volume flow encoder. (ex works = --)

Settings: VSG S3 = Volume flow encoder on input 3  
VSG E1 to E6 = Value from external sensor  
VSG -- = no volume flow encoder → fixed volume flow. For the heat quantity calculation the fixed setting of the volume flow is taken, however only if the set output is activated. (Pump runs.)

**LPP** Litres per pulse = the volume flow encoder's pulse rate (only when a volume flow encoder is used) It depends on the system. The sensor supplied by the manufacturer of the control unit has a pulse rate of 0.5 litres per pulse. (ex works = 0.5)

Setting range: 0.0 to 10.0 litres/pulse in increments of 0.1 litre/pulse

**V** Volume flow in litres per hour. If no volume flow encoder has been set, a fixed volume flow can be preset in this menu. If a set output is not active, the volume flow is assumed to be 0 litres/hour.

As activated speed control can produce constant changes in volume flow, this method is not suited to use with speed control. (ex works = 50 l/h)

Setting range: 0 to 20000 litres/hour in increments of 10 litre/hour

**SA** Share of antifreeze in the heat transfer medium. An average has been calculated from the product specifications of all of the major manufacturers; this average is used in the table of mixing ratios. This method generally produces an additional maximum error of one percent. (ex works = 0%)

Setting range: 0 to 100% in increments of 1%

**DIF** Temporary temperature **difference** between the supply and return line sensor. If both sensors are immersed in one bath for test reasons (with both thus measuring the same temperatures), the device should display “**DIF 0**”. Sensor and measurement equipment tolerance may, however, lead to a displayed difference under **DIF**. If this display is set to zero, the computer saves the difference as a correction factor and then calculates the heat amount adjusted by the natural measurement error. **This menu item thus provides a way to calibrate to system. The display may only be set to zero (i.e. changed) if both sensors have the same measurement conditions (same bath).** In addition, the temperature of the test medium should be around 40-60°C.

**HQC CL** Clear heat quantity counter. The cumulative amount of heat can be reset with the ↵ key (=enter).

If the amount of heat is zero, **CLEAR** is displayed in this menu item.

If the heat counter has been activated, the following are displayed in the basic menu:

the current output in kW

the amount of heat in MWh and kWh

of the volume flow in litres/hour

**NOTICE:** If an error (short circuit, interruption) occurs at one of the two set sensors (supply sensor, return sensor) for the heat counter, the current output is set at 0, i.e. no heat is counted.

**NOTICE:** As the internal storage (EEPROM) has only a limited number of write cycles, the totalled heat quantity is saved only once per hour. For this reason, it is possible that a power failure can result in loss of the heat-quantity data for one hour.

### **Tips on accuracy:**

A heat counter can only be as exact as its sensors and equipment. In the range from 10°C to 90°C the standard solar control sensors (PT1000) have an accuracy of approximately +/- 0.5K. For KTY sensors the equivalent figure is +/- 1K. The unit's measurement equipment is accurate down to +/- 0.5K according to laboratory measurements. PT1000 sensors may be more accurate, but they have a weaker signal that increases the error. In addition, the proper installation of the sensors is crucial and can increase error considerably if installed improperly.

If all of the tolerances cumulate in a worst-case scenario, the error would be 40% (KTY) at a typical temperature difference of 10 K! However, normally the error should be below 10% as the equipment error affects all of the input channels the same, and the sensors are from the same production batch. The tolerances thus cancel each other out somewhat. In general, the greater the differential temperature, the smaller the error. The measurement results should always be seen just as guide values in all respects. The adjustment due to measurement differences (see **DIF:**) leads to a measurement error in standard applications of around 5%.

## "Step by step" setting of the heat quantity counter


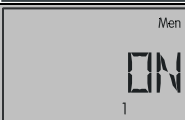
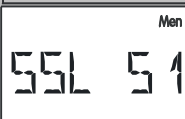
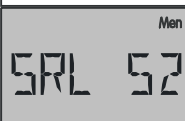




You have the option of using 3 different volume flow encoders:

- ◆ the pulse encoder VSG,
- ◆ the electronic volume flow encoder VFS.... and
- ◆ the FTS....DL, which is connected to the data link.

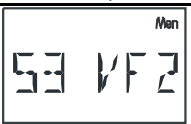


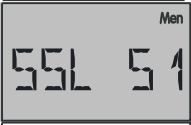




If you do not use a volume flow encoder, then you can only set a fixed volume flow.

In the following, the necessary settings are displayed "step by step".


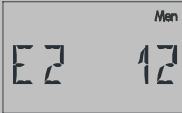







### VSG (pulse encoder)

1		The VSG (pulse encoder) must only be connected to input 3, hence: menu "SENSOR", sensor setting S3 to "S3 VSG"
2		Access to menu "HQC", setting to "ON"
3		Setting of the pre-run sensor in the SSL display, in the example shown, sensor S1
4		Setting of the return sensor in the SRL display, in the example shown, sensor S2
5		Entry of "S3" in the VSG display as the VSG is the sensor S3
6		Checking and possible alteration of the LPP value (litre per impulse)
7		Indication of the antifreeze fraction SA in %
8		Possible sensor compensation as per the operating manual


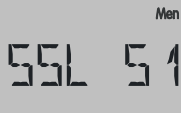
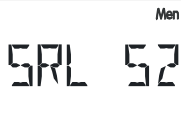
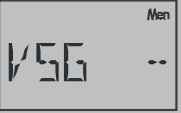

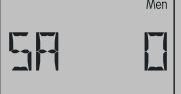

**VFS....** (Example: fitting of the VFS2-40 in the return)

1		The VFS2-40 (electronic) must be connected to the S3 sensor input, hence: menu "SENSOR", sensor setting to "VF2" (volume flow encoder)
2		Setting of the return sensor in the SENSOR menu, when using the temperature sensor on the VFS2-40: VTS setting, in the example shown, sensor S2, when using a "normal" sensor, the setting "KTY" or "PT" remains, dependent on sensor type
3		Access to menu "HQC", setting to "ON"
4		Setting of the pre-run sensor in the SSL display, in the example shown, sensor S1
5		Setting of the return sensor in the SRL display, in the example shown, sensor S2 (see point 2)
6		Entry of the sensor number for the VFS2-40 volume flow encoder in the "VSG" display, (see point 1)
7		Indication of the antifreeze fraction SA in %
8		Sensor compensation is only possible with difficulty

**FTS....DL** (Example: fitting in the return, use of an external sensor for the pre-run which is connected to the FTS4-50DL)

1		The FTS4-50DL is connected to the data link (external sensor), hence: menu "EXT DL", setting of the volume flow encoder in the display of the external sensor "E1": 11 (address 1, index 1)
2		Setting the sensor temperature of the FTS4-50DL for the return: menu "EXT DL", in the display "E2": 12 (address 1, index 2)
3		If an external temperature sensor is connected for the pre-run on the FTS4-50DL: menu "EXT DL", in the display "E3": 13 or 14, dependent on whether a Pt1000 or KTY sensor (address 1, index 3 or 4) is used
4		Access to menu "HQC", setting to "ON"
5		Setting of the pre-run sensor in the "SSL" display, if, as shown in the example, external sensor: E3 (see point 3), otherwise specification of the corresponding pre-run sensor S1 - S3
6		Setting of the return sensor in the SRL display, by using the temperature sensor on the FTS4-50DL: E2 (see point 2), otherwise specification of the corresponding return sensor S1 - S3
7		Display VSG: entry VSG E1, i.e. the volume flow encoder is external sensor E1 (see point 1)
8	 	Specification of the antifreeze fraction and sensor compensation

**No volume flow encoder:**

1		Access to menu "HQC", setting to "ON"
2		Setting of the pre-run sensor in the SSL display, in the example shown, sensor S1
3		Setting of the return sensor in the SRL display, in the example shown, sensor S2
4		Entry of "--" in the VSG display, as no volume flow encoder is being used
5		Entry of the fixed volume flow in litres/hour
6	 	Specification of the antifreeze fraction and sensor compensation

## External sensors EXT DL:



Address for  
external value 1



Address for  
external value 2

...



Address for  
external value 6

Up to 6 values from external sensors can be read via the data link.

E1 = -- The external value 1 is deactivated and faded out in the main level.

E1 = 11 The front number indicates the main address of the external sensor. This can be set to between 1 and 8 on the sensor according to its operating instructions.

The rear number indicates the sub-address of the sensor. Since external sensors can transmit numerous values the value required from the sensor is defined via the sub-address.

The setting of the address and index can be taken from the respective data sheets.

Due to the relatively high power requirement, the "**bus load**" must be considered:

The controller ESR21 has the maximum bus load, 65%. For example, the electronic sensor FTS4-50DL has a bus load of 36%, therefore up to a max. 1 FTS4-50DL can be connected to the DL bus. The bus loads of the electronic sensors are listed in the technical data of the respective sensors.

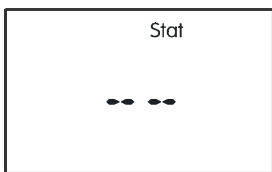
# Status display *Stat*

The status display provides information in special system situations and problems. It is mostly intended for use with solar thermal systems, but can also be useful with other diagrams. The status display can then only operate if an active function check is set off via defective sensors S1 or S2. For solar applications, a distinction has to be made between three status areas:

- ◆ Function check and collector excess temperature are not active = no system response is analyzed. Only a bar appears in the display in **Stat**.
- ◆ Collector excess temperature is active = the excess temperature that occurs during system standstill only leads to the display **CETOFF** (the collector's excess-temperature cutoff is active) during this time under **Stat**.
- ◆ Function check is active = monitoring of interruption (**IR**) and short circuit (**SC**) of the solar sensors and circulation problems. If this outlet is active and the differential temperature between collector S1 and tank S2 is greater than 60K for more than 30 minutes, the error message **CIRERR** (circulation error) is output. This status (**Stat** blinks) is maintained even after the error has been remedied and has to be cleared in the status menu using the command **CLEAR**.

In **Stat**, **OK** is displayed when the monitoring function is activated and the system's operation is correct. If there is anything unusual, **Stat** blinks regardless of the display position.

## Function check disabled



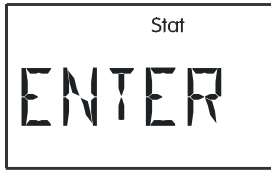
Function check disabled

or:



Collector - excess temperature - cut-off is active

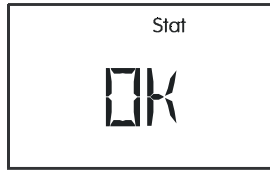
**Function check activated**



Function check activated → error occurred



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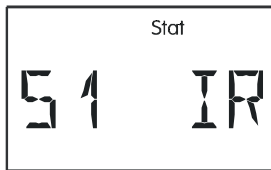


Function check → no error

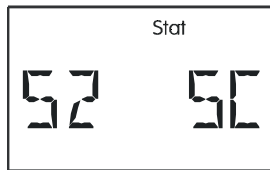
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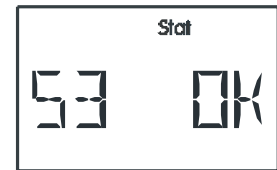
Collector - excess temperature cut-off active (no error occurred)



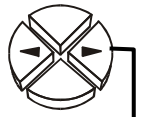
Error sensor 1 (interruption)



Error sensor 2 (short circuit)



Sensor 3 no error



Circulation error only displayed when activated



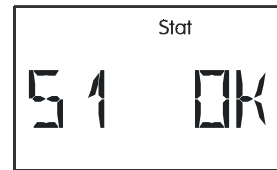
Delete errors (only possible, if all errors have been cleared)



No circulation error



No errors



Sensor 1 OK

...

# Installation instructions

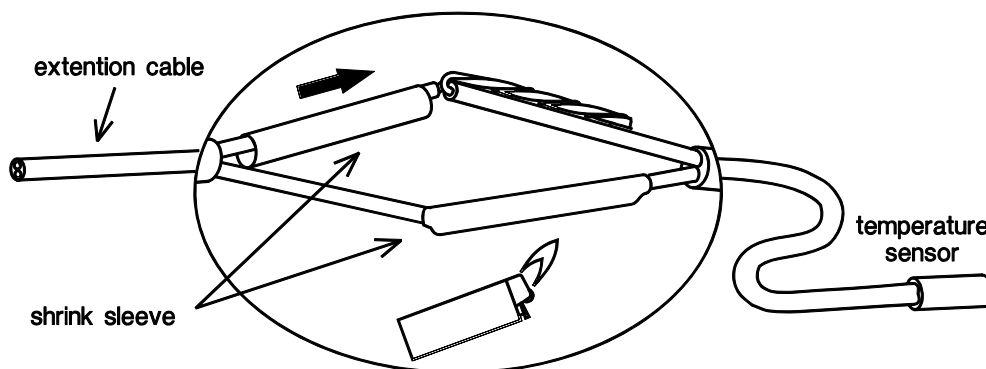
## Sensor installation:

The sensors must be properly arranged and installed for the system to function correctly.

- **Collector sensor (red cable):** Either insert the sensor in a pipe directly soldered or riveted to the absorber and extending out of the collector casing or screw the sensor onto a T piece on the end of the supply line's collecting tube using an immersion sleeve. No water may be allowed to enter the immersion sleeve (danger of freezing).
- **Storage sensor:** The sensor should be used with an immersion sleeve just above the outlet for the exchanger's return line if heat exchangers with ribbed tubes are used and with a T piece on the outlet of the exchanger's feed line if integrated non-ribbed tubes are used. It should not be installed below the respective register or heat exchanger in any case.
- **Boiler sensor (boiler supply line):** This sensor is either screwed into the boiler using an immersion sleeve or at a short distance from the boiler on the supply line.
- **Pool sensor (swimming pool):** Install directly at the outlet from the pool on the suction line as an attached sensor (see attached sensor). Installation using an immersion sleeve is not recommended due to the possibility of condensation within the sleeve.
- **Attached sensor:** Attach to the line using pipe or hose clamps. Make sure the material used is proper (corrosion, temperature resistance, etc.). Then, the sensor has to be well insulated so that the pipe temperature is measured exactly and the ambient temperature does not influence the measurement.
- **Warm water sensor:** to produce warm water using an external heat exchanger a rapid reaction to changes in water quantity is absolutely critical. For this purpose the ultra-fast warm water sensor (special accessory) must be installed directly to the heat-exchanger output using T-shaped connector and installation kit.

## Line extension

All of the sensor cables with a cross-section of  $0.75\text{mm}^2$  can be extended up to 30m. Beyond 30m they can be extended by use of a suitably larger cross section. The sensor and the extension can be connected as follows: cut the heat-shrinkable sleeve provided down to 4 cm and put it over a wire; twist the naked ends of the wires, and put the heat-shrinkable sleeve over the naked end; heat it carefully (such as with a cigarette lighter) until the sleeve has wrapped itself around the connection.



## Cable laying

In order to obtain interference-free signal transmission (to avoid measurement fluctuations) the sensor lines must not be subject to interference factors. With the generally accepted use of unshielded cables sensor lines are to be laid in their own cable channel at least 20 cm away from mains cables.

## Installing the device

### **WARNING! ALWAYS PULL THE MAINS PLUG BEFORE OPENING THE CASING!**

Only work on the inside of the control system when it is dead.

Loosen the screw on the top of the casing and remove the lid. The electronics for the control unit is in the lid. Contact pins provide a connection to the clamps in the lower part of the casing when the lid is put on again. The body of the casing can be screwed to the wall (**with the cable ducts facing down**) through the two holes using the fastening materials provided.

### **Electrical connection**

**Caution:** Only a trained electrician may provide the electrical connection in compliance with local guidelines. The sensor lines must not be laid in the same cable channel as the supply voltage. The maximum output load amounts to (VD) 1.5A in the speed version and (VR) 2.5A in the relay version. If filter pumps are directly connected, their rating plate must be minded. The appropriate strip terminal must be used for all protective conductors.

**Note:** To provide protection from lightning, the system has to be grounded in accordance with the regulations - sensor failures due to storms or static electricity are usually caused by improper grounding.

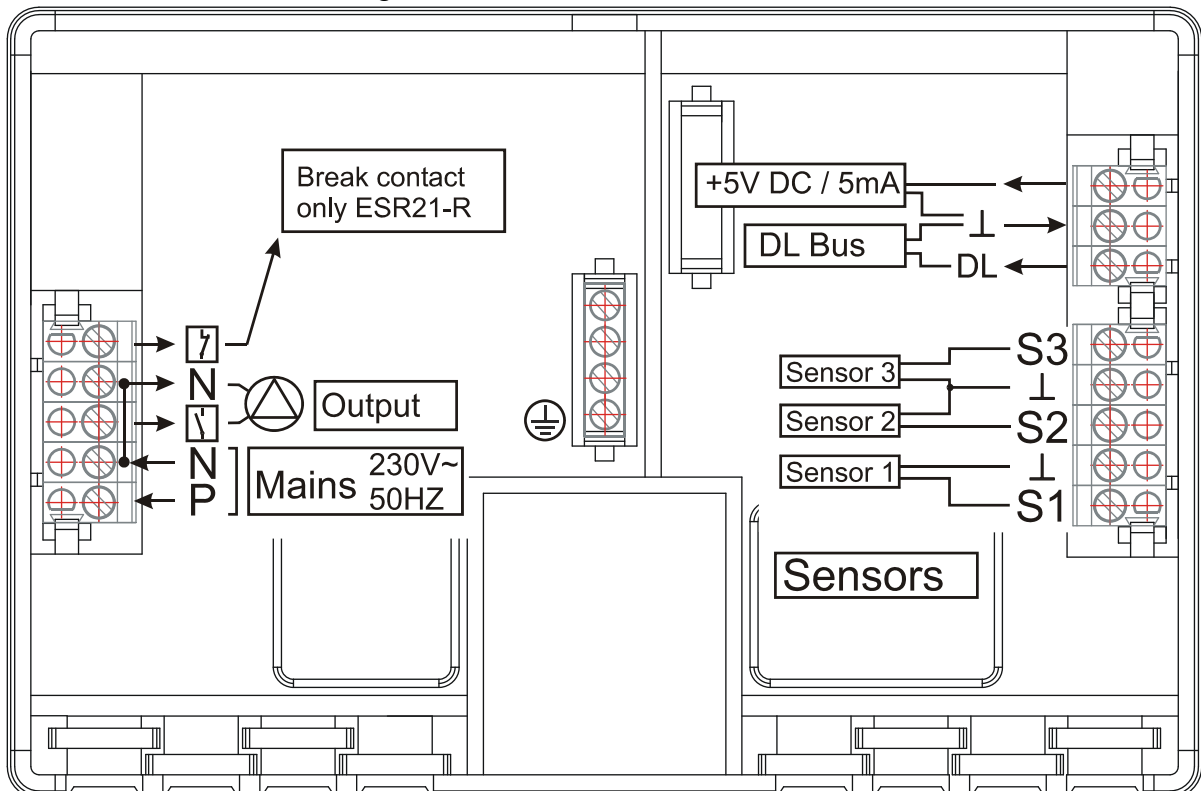
The sensor masses are internally connected and can be exchanged as needed.

### **Data link (DL)**

The bi-directional data link was developed for the ESR/UVR series and is only compatible with products of the Technische Alternative Company. Any cable with a cross section of 0.75 mm<sup>2</sup> can be used for the data link (e.g. twin-strand) having a max. length of 30 m. For longer cables, we recommend the use of shielded cable.

**Interface to PC:** The data is cached via the data converter **D-LOGG** or boot loader **BL-NET** and transferred to the PC on request. **WARNING:** an individual power pack for the power supply is required for **BL-NET**.

**External sensors:** Reading the values of external sensors with DL connector.



## Tips on troubleshooting

In general, all of the settings in the menus *Par* and *Men* and the terminal should first be checked if there is a malfunction.

### Malfunction, but “realistic” temperature values:

Check program number.

- ◆ Check the switch-on and switch-off thresholds and the set differential temperatures. Have the thermostat and differential thresholds already been reached?
- ◆ Were the settings in the submenus (*Men*) changed?
- ◆ Can the output be switched on and off in manual mode? If an endurance run and stand-still lead to the appropriate reaction at the output, the unit is certainly in order.
- ◆ Are all of the sensors connected with the right terminals? Heat up the sensor using a cigarette lighter and control from the display.

### Incorrect display of temperature(s):

Displayed values such as -999 if a sensor short-circuits or 999 if there is an interruption do not necessarily mean a material or terminal error. Are the right sensor types (KTY or PT1000) selected in the menu *Men* under *SENSOR*?

#### The factory settings set all inputs to PT (1000).

- ◆ The sensor can also be checked without a measuring instrument by replacing the presumed defective sensor on the strip terminal with one that works and checking the display. The resistance measured by an ohmmeter should have the following value depending on the temperature:

Temp. [°C]	0	10	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
R (Pt1000) [Ω]	1000	1039	1078	1097	1117	1155	1194	1232	1271	1309	1347	1385
R (KTY) [Ω]	1630	1772	1922	2000	2080	2245	2417	2597	2785	2980	3182	3392

The settings of the parameters and menu functions ex works can be restored any time by pressing the down arrow (enter) while plugging the machine in. The sign that appears for three seconds on the display is WELOAD for load factory settings.

If the system is not in operation although supply voltage is connected, the 3.15A quick-blowing fuse that protects the control system and the output should be checked and exchanged if necessary.

As the programs are constantly being revised and improved, there may be a difference in the numbering of the sensor, pumps, and program than indicated in old documents. Only the enclosed manual (identical serial number) applies for the equipment supplied. The program version for the manual must correspond to the equipment version.

If the control system is found to be malfunctioning despite the checks described above, please contact your retailer or the manufacturer directly. The cause of the error can only be determined if **the table of settings is completely filled out** and, if possible, the hydraulic diagram of the system in question is provided in addition to the description of the error.

## Table of settings

If the control system fails unexpectedly, all of the settings must be repeated for initiation. In such cases, problems can be prevented by entering all of the set values in the following table. **This table must be provided in any correspondence.** Only then is a simulation possible to detect the cause of the error.

**EX** ..... factory settings (ex works)

**CS** ..... Controller settings

	EX	CS		EX	CS
<b>Basic functions and values</b>					
Equipment version			Program <b>PR</b>	0	
Sensor <b>S1</b>		°C	Speed stage <b>SPS</b>		
Sensor <b>S2</b>		°C	Output	AUTO	
Sensor <b>S3</b>		°C			
max1 off ↓	75 °C	°C	max1 on ↑	70 °C	°C
max2 off ↓	75 °C	°C	max2 on ↑	70 °C	°C
min1 on ↑	5 °C	°C	min1 off ↓	0 °C	°C
diff1 on ↑	8 K	K	diff1 off ↓	4 K	K
diff2 on ↑	8 K	K	diff2 off ↓	4 K	K

<b>Sensor type <i>SENSOR</i> (if changed)</b>					
Sensor <b>S1</b>	PT1000		Average AV1	1,0 s	s
Sensor <b>S2</b>	PT1000		Average AV1	1,0 s	s
Sensor <b>S3</b>	PT1000		Average AV1	1,0 s	s

<b>System protection functions <i>SYS PF</i></b>					
<b>Collector excess temperature <i>CET</i></b>			<b>Frost protection function <i>FROST</i></b>		
ON/OFF	ON		ON/OFF	OFF	
Switch-off temp. max ↓	130°C	°C	Switch-on temp. min ↑	2°C	°C
Switch-on temp. max ↑	110°C	°C	Switch-off temp. min ↓	4°C	°C

<b>Start function <i>STARTF</i></b>					
ON/OFF	OFF				
Radiation sensor GBS	--		Radiation value RTH	150W	W
Pump run-time PRT	15 s	s	Interval time INT	20 min	min

<b>After-running time <i>ART</i></b>					
AT	0 s	s			

<b>Pump speed control <i>PSC</i> (only ESR21-D)</b>					
Abs. value control AC	--		Desired value DVA	50°C	°C
Diff. control system DC	--		Desired value DVD	10 K	K
Event control syst. EC	--		Desired value TVE	60°C	°C
			Desired value DVE	130°C	°C
Proportional part PRO	5				
Integral part INT	0				
Differential part DIF	0				
Min. speed MIN	0		Max. speed MAX	30	
Delay time ALV	0				

	EX	CS		EX	CS
<b>Function check <i>F CHCK</i></b>					
ON/OFF	OFF				

<b>Heat quantity counter <i>HQC</i></b>					
ON/OFF	OFF				
Feed sensor SSL	S1		Return sensor SRL	S2	
Vol.flow encoder VSG	--				
Litres pro pulse LPP	0,5		Volume flow V	50 l/h	l/h
Share of antifreeze SA	0%	%			

<b>External sensors <i>EXT DL</i></b>					
External value E1	--		External value E2	--	
External value E3	--		External value E4	--	
External value E5	--		External value E6	--	

## Technical data

<b>Power supply:</b>	210 ... 250V~ 50-60 Hz
<b>Power input:</b>	max. 3 VA
<b>Fuse:</b>	3.15 A fast-acting (device + output)
<b>Supply cable:</b>	3x 1mm <sup>2</sup> H05VV-F conforming to EN 60730-1
<b>Case:</b>	plastic: ABS, flame resistance: Class V0 to UL94 Norm
<b>Protection rating:</b>	2 - safety insulated
<b>Protection class:</b>	IP40
<b>Dimensions (W/H/D):</b>	152x101x48 mm
<b>Weight:</b>	210 g
<b>Allowed ambient temperature:</b>	0 to 45° C
<b>Inputs:</b>	3 inputs; optional for temperature sensor (KTY (2 k $\Omega$ ), PT1000), radiation sensor; as digital input or as impulse input for volume flow encoder (ONLY input 3)
<b>Output:</b>	1 output ESR21-R ... relay output ESR21-D ... Triac output (minimum load of 20W required)
<b>Rated current load:</b>	max. 1.5 A ohmic inductive cos phi 0.6 for ESR21-D max. 2.5 A ohmic inductive cos phi 0.6 for ESR21-R
<b>Supply for electronic volume flow encoder:</b>	+5 V DC / 5 mA
<b>Tank sensor BF:</b>	diameter 6 mm incl. 2 m cable BF KTY – to 90°C continuous load BF PT1000 – to 180°C continuous load
<b>Collector sensor KF:</b>	diameter 6 mm incl. 2 m cable with connection box and overvoltage protection KF KTY to 180°C continuous load KF PT1000 to 180°C continuous load (momentary to 240°C)

The sensor cables at the inputs having a cross section of 0.75 mm<sup>2</sup> can be extended by up to 30 m.

Consumers (e.g.: pumps, valves...) having a cross section of 0.75 mm<sup>2</sup> can be connected at a distance of up to 30 m.

**Temperature differential:** adjustable from 0 to 99°C

**Minimum threshold/Maximum threshold:** adjustable from -20 to +150°C

**Temperature display:** -40 to 140°C

**Resolution:** from -40 to 99.9°C in 0.1°C increments; from 100 to 140°C in 1°C increments

**Accuracy:** type. +-1%

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*Address:* A- 3872 Amaliendorf, Langestraße 124  
*Product:* ESR 21  
*The stated above product complies with the following essential requirements:*  
*EU requirements:* 2006/95/EG Low voltage standard  
2004/108/EG Electromagnetic compatibility

### *Employed standards:*

EN 60730-1:2009 08 01 Automatic electrical controls for household and similar use -  
Part 1: General requirements  
EN 61000-6-3:2007 11 01 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 6-3: Generic  
standards - Emission standard for residential, commercial  
and light-industrial environments  
EN 61000-6-2:2006 05 01 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 6-2: Generic  
standards - Immunity for industrial environments

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1. The company Technische Alternative elektronische Steuerungsgerätegesellschaft m. b. H. provides a two-year guarantee from the date of purchase by the end consumer for all the devices and parts which it sells. Defects must be reported immediately upon detection and within the guarantee period. Technical support knows the correct solution for nearly all problems. In this respect, contacting us immediately will help to avoid unnecessary expense or effort in troubleshooting.
2. The guarantee includes the free of charge repair (but not the cost of on site fault-finding, removal, refitting and shipping) of operational and material defects which impair operation. In the event that a repair is not, for reasons of cost, worthwhile according to the assessment of Technische Alternative, the goods will be replaced.
3. Not included is damage resulting from the effects of overvoltage or abnormal ambient conditions. Likewise, no guarantee liability can be accepted if the device defect is due to: transport damage for which we are not responsible, incorrect installation and assembly, incorrect use, non-observance of operating and installation instructions or incorrect maintenance.
4. The guarantee claim will expire if repairs or actions are carried out by persons who are not authorised to do so or have not been so authorised by us or if our devices are operated with spare, supplementary or accessory parts which are not considered to be original parts.
5. The defective parts must be sent to our factory with an enclosed copy of the proof of purchase and a precise description of the defect. A filled in "service advice note", which can be downloaded from our homepage [www.ta.co.at](http://www.ta.co.at), will accelerate processing. A prior clarification of the defect with our technical support is necessary.
6. Services provided under guarantee result neither in an extension of the guarantee period nor in a resetting of the guarantee period. The guarantee period for fitted parts ends with the guarantee period of the whole device.
7. Extended or other claims, especially those for compensation for damage other than to the device itself are, insofar as a liability is not legally required, excluded.

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