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# SECTION 1 — SAFETY PRECAUTIONS — READ BEFORE USING

-  Protect yourself and others from injury – read, follow, and save these important safety precautions and operating instructions.

## 1-1 Symbol Usage

-  **DANGER!** – Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury. The possible hazards are shown in the adjoining symbols or explained in the text.

-  Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury. The possible hazards are shown in the adjoining symbols or explained in the text.


**NOTICE** – Indicates statements not related to personal injury.


 – Indicates special instructions.



This group of symbols means Warning! Watch Out! ELECTRIC SHOCK, MOVING PARTS, and HOT PARTS hazards. Consult symbols and related instructions below for necessary actions to avoid the hazards.

## 1-2 Arc Welding Hazards

-  The symbols shown below are used throughout this manual to call attention to and identify possible hazards. When you see the symbol, watch out, and follow the related instructions to avoid the hazard. The safety information given below is only a summary of the more complete safety information found in section 1-4 Principal Safety Standards on page 3, and in welding power source Owner's Manual. Read and follow all Safety Standards.

-  Only qualified persons should install, operate, maintain, and repair this equipment. A qualified person is defined as one who, by possession of a recognized degree, certificate, or professional standing, or who by extensive knowledge, training and experience, has successfully demonstrated ability to solve or resolve problems relating to the subject matter, the work, or the project and has received safety training to recognize and avoid the hazards involved.

-  During operation, keep everybody, especially children, away.

### ELECTRIC SHOCK can kill.

- Always wear dry insulating gloves.
- Insulate yourself from work and ground.
- Do not touch live electrode or electrical parts.



- Do not store or use equipment in standing water.
- Replace worn, damaged, or cracked guns or cables.
- Turn off welding power source before changing contact tip or gun parts.
- Keep all covers and handle securely in place.

### FUMES AND GASES can be hazardous.

- Keep your head out of the fumes.
- Ventilate area, or use breathing device. The recommended way to determine adequate ventilation is to sample for the composition and quantity of fumes and gases to which personnel are exposed.
- Read and understand the Safety Data Sheets (SDSs) and the manufacturer's instructions for adhesives, coatings, cleaners, consumables, coolants, degreasers, fluxes, and metals.



### MOVING PARTS can injure.

- Keep away from moving parts.
- Keep away from pinch points such as drive rolls.



### WELDING can cause fire or explosion.

- Do not weld near flammable material.
- Do not weld on containers that have held combustibles, or on closed containers such as tanks, drums, or pipes unless they are properly prepared according to AWS F4.1 and AWS A6.0 (see Safety Standards).
- Watch for fire; keep extinguisher nearby.
- Read and understand the Safety Data Sheets (SDSs) and the manufacturer's instructions for adhesives, coatings, cleaners, consumables, coolants, degreasers, fluxes, and metals.



### BUILDUP OF GAS can injure or kill.

- Shut off compressed gas supply when not in use.
- Always ventilate confined spaces or use approved air-supplied respirator.



### ARC RAYS can burn eyes and skin.

Arc rays from the welding process produce intense visible and invisible (ultraviolet and infrared) rays that can burn eyes and skin. Sparks fly off from the weld.



- Wear an approved welding helmet fitted with a proper shade of filter lenses to protect your face and eyes from arc rays and sparks when welding or watching (see ANSI Z49.1 and Z87.1 listed in Safety Standards).
- Wear approved safety glasses with side shields under your helmet.
- Use protective screens or barriers to protect others from flash, glare and sparks; warn others not to watch the arc.
- Wear body protection made from leather or flame-resistant clothing (FRC). Body protection includes oil-free clothing such as leather gloves, heavy shirt, cuffless trousers, high shoes, and a cap.

### HOT PARTS can burn.

- Allow gun to cool before touching.
- Do not touch hot metal.
- Protect hot metal from contact by others.



### NOISE can damage hearing.

Noise from some processes or equipment can damage hearing.



- Check for noise level limits exceeding those specified by OSHA.
- Use approved ear plugs or ear muffs if noise level is high.
- Warn others nearby about noise hazard.

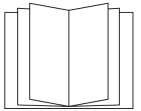
### WELDING WIRE can injure.

- Keep hands and body away from gun tip when trigger is pressed.



### READ INSTRUCTIONS.

- Read and follow all labels and the Owner's Manual carefully before installing, operating, or servicing unit. Read the safety information at the beginning of the Manual and in each section.
- Use only genuine replacement parts from the manufacturer.
- Perform installation, maintenance, and service according to the Owner's Manuals, industry standards, and national, state, and local codes.



## 1-3 California Proposition 65 Warnings



**WARNING:** This product can expose you to chemicals including lead, which are known to the state of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

For more information, go to [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

## 1-4 Principal Safety Standards

*Safety in Welding, Cutting, and Allied Processes*, American Welding Society standard ANSI Standard Z49.1. Website: [www.aws.org](http://www.aws.org).

*Safe Practice For Occupational And Educational Eye And Face Protection*, ANSI Standard Z87.1, from American National Standards Institute. Website: [www.safetysupply.com](http://www.safetysupply.com).

*Safe Practices for the Preparation of Containers and Piping for Welding and Cutting*, American Welding Society Standard AWS F4.1. Website: [safetysupply.com](http://safetysupply.com).

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## 1-5 EMF Information

Electric current flowing through any conductor causes localized electric and magnetic fields (EMF). The current from arc welding (and allied processes including spot welding, gouging, plasma arc cutting, and induction heating operations) creates an EMF field around the welding circuit. EMF fields may interfere with some medical implants, e.g. Pacemakers. Protective measures for persons wearing medical implants have to be taken. For example, restrict access for passersby or conduct individual risk assessment for welders. All welders should use the following procedures in order to minimize exposure to EMF fields from the welding circuit:

1. Keep cables close together by twisting or taping them, or using a cable cover.
2. Do not place your body between welding cables. Arrange cables to one side and away from the operator.

3. Do not coil or drape cables around your body.
4. Keep head and trunk as far away from the equipment in the welding circuit as possible.
5. Connect work clamp to workpiece as close to the weld as possible.
6. Do not work next to, sit or lean on the welding power source.
7. Do not weld whilst carrying the welding power source wire feeder.

### About Implanted Medical Devices:

Implanted Medical Device wearers should consult their doctor and the device manufacturer before performing or going near arc welding, spot welding, gouging, plasma arc cutting, or induction heating operations. If cleared by your doctor, then following the above procedures is recommended.

# SECTION 2 — CONSIGNES DE SÉCURITÉ — LIRE AVANT UTILISATION

 Pour écarter les risques de blessure pour vous-même et pour autrui — lire, appliquer et ranger en lieu sûr ces consignes relatives aux précautions de sécurité et au mode opératoire.

## 2-1 Symboles utilisés

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*AVIS* – Indique des déclarations pas en relation avec des blessures personnelles.


 – Indique des instructions spécifiques.



Ce groupe de symboles veut dire Avertissement! Attention! DANGER DE CHOC ELECTRIQUE, PIECES EN MOUVEMENT, et PIECES CHAUDES. Reportez-vous aux symboles et aux directives cidessous afin de connaître les mesures à prendre pour éviter tout danger.

## 2-2 Dangers relatifs au soudage à l'arc

 Les symboles donnés ci-après sont utilisés dans tout le manuel pour attirer l'attention sur les dangers possibles et pour indiquer le type de danger dont il s'agit. Quand on voit le symbole, prendre garde et suivre les directives correspondantes pour éviter le danger. Les consignes de sécurité présentées ci-après ne font que résumer l'information contenue dans les Normes de sécurité principales, et dans le Guide d'utilisation de la source de courant de soudage. Lire et suivre toutes les Normes de sécurité.

 L'installation, l'utilisation, l'entretien et les réparations ne doivent être confiés qu'à des personnes qualifiées. Une personne qualifiée est définie comme celle qui, par la possession d'un diplôme reconnu, d'un certificat ou d'un statut professionnel, ou qui, par une connaissance, une formation et une expérience approfondies, a démontré avec succès sa capacité à résoudre les problèmes liés à la tâche, le travail ou le projet et a reçu une formation en sécurité afin de reconnaître et d'éviter les risques inhérents.

 Au cours de l'utilisation, tenir toute personne à l'écart et plus particulièrement les enfants.

## UN CHOC ÉLECTRIQUE peut tuer.



- Porter toujours des gants secs et isolants.
- S'isoler de la pièce et de la terre.
- Ne jamais toucher une électrode ou des pièces électriques sous tension.
- Ne stockez pas et n'utilisez pas l'équipement dans de l'eau stagnante.
- Remplacer les pistolets ou câbles de soudage qui sont endommagés, usés ou craquelés.
- Mettre la soudeuse hors tension avant de remplacer un bec contact ou des pièces de pistolet.
- S'assurer que tous les couvercles et poignées sont fermement assujettis.

## LES FUMÉES ET LES GAZ peuvent être dangereux.



- Garder la tête hors des fumées.
- Aérer la zone de travail ou porter un appareil respiratoire. Pour déterminer la bonne ventilation, il est recommandé de procéder à un prélèvement pour la composition et la quantité de fumées et de gaz auxquels est exposé le personnel.
- Lire et comprendre les fiches de données de sécurité et les instructions du fabricant concernant les adhésifs, les revêtements, les nettoyants, les consommables, les produits de refroidissement, les dégraisseurs, les flux et les métaux.

## Les PIÈCES MOBILES peuvent causer des blessures.



- Ne pas s'approcher des organes mobiles.
- Ne pas s'approcher des points de coincement tels que des rouleaux de commande.

## Le SOUDAGE peut provoquer un incendie ou une explosion.



- Ne pas souder à proximité de matériaux inflammables
- Ne pas effectuer le soudage sur des conteneurs fermés tels que des réservoirs, tambours, ou conduites, à moins qu'ils n'aient été préparés correctement conformément à AWS F4.1 et AWS A6.0 (voir les Normes de Sécurité).
- Prendre garde aux incendies et toujours avoir un extincteur à proximité.



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### L'ACCUMULATION DE GAZ risquent de provoquer des blessures ou même la mort.



- Fermer l'alimentation du gaz comprimé en cas de non utilisation.
- Veiller toujours à bien aérer les espaces confinés ou se servir d'un respirateur d'adduction d'air homologué.

### LE RAYONNEMENT DE L'ARC peut brûler les yeux et la peau.



Le rayonnement de l'arc du procédé de soudage génère des rayons visibles et invisibles intenses (ultraviolets et infrarouges) susceptibles de provoquer des brûlures dans les yeux et sur la peau. Des étincelles sont projetées pendant le soudage.

- Porter un casque de soudage approuvé muni de verres filtrants approprié pour protéger visage et yeux pendant le soudage (voir ANSI Z49.1 et Z87.1 énuméré dans les normes de sécurité).
- Porter des lunettes de sécurité avec écrans latéraux même sous votre casque.
- Avoir recours à des écrans protecteurs ou à des rideaux pour protéger les autres contre les rayonnements les éblouissements et les étincelles ; prévenir toute personne sur les lieux de ne pas regarder l'arc.
- Porter une protection corporelle en cuir ou des vêtements ignifuges (FRC). La protection du corps comporte des vêtements sans huile, comme des gants de cuir, une chemise solide, des pantalons sans revers, des chaussures hautes et une casquette.

### LES PIÈCES CHAUDES peuvent provoquer des brûlures.



- Laisser refroidir le pistolet avant de le toucher.
- Ne pas toucher d'objets métalliques chauds.
- Abrisser les objets métalliques contre tout contact par les personnes à proximité.

### Le BRUIT peut endommager l'ouïe.



Le bruit des processus et des équipements peut affecter l'ouïe.

- Vérifier si les niveaux de bruit excèdent les limites spécifiées par l'OSHA.
- Utiliser des bouches-oreilles ou des serre-tête antibruit approuvés si le niveau de bruit est élevé.

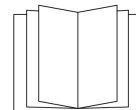
- Avertir les personnes à proximité au sujet du danger inhérent au bruit.

### LES FILS DE SOUDAGE peuvent provoquer des blessures.



- Éloigner les mains et le corps de la buse du pistolet après avoir appuyé sur la gâchette.

### LIRE LES INSTRUCTIONS.



- Lire et appliquer les instructions sur les étiquettes et le Mode d'emploi avant l'installation, l'utilisation ou l'entretien de l'appareil. Lire les informations de sécurité au début du manuel et dans chaque section.
- N'utiliser que les pièces de remplacement provenant du fabricant.
- Effectuer l'installation, l'entretien et toute intervention selon les manuels d'utilisateurs, les normes nationales, provinciales et de l'industrie, ainsi que les codes municipaux.

## 2-3 Proposition californienne 65 avertissements



**AVERTISSEMENT** – Ce produit peut vous exposer à des produits chimiques tels que le plomb, reconnus par l'État de Californie comme cancérigènes et sources de malformations ou d'autres troubles de la reproduction

Pour plus d'informations, consulter [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

## 2-4 Principales normes de sécurité

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## 2-5 Informations relatives aux CEM

Le courant électrique qui traverse tout conducteur génère des champs électromagnétiques (CEM) à certains endroits. Le courant issu d'un soudage à l'arc (et de procédés connexes, y compris le soudage par points, le gougeage, le découpage plasma et les opérations de chauffage par induction) crée un champ électromagnétique (CEM) autour du circuit de soudage. Les champs électromagnétiques produits peuvent causer interférence à certains implants médicaux, p. ex. les stimulateurs cardiaques. Des mesures de protection pour les porteurs d'implants médicaux doivent être prises: par exemple, des restrictions d'accès pour les passants ou une évaluation individuelle des risques pour les soudeurs. Tous les soudeurs doivent appliquer les procédures suivantes pour minimiser l'exposition aux CEM provenant du circuit de soudage:


1. Rassembler les câbles en les torsadant ou en les attachant avec du ruban adhésif ou avec une housse.
2. Ne pas se tenir au milieu des câbles de soudage. Disposer les câbles d'un côté et à distance de l'opérateur.

3. Ne pas courber et ne pas entourer les câbles autour de votre corps.
4. Maintenir la tête et le torse aussi loin que possible du matériel du circuit de soudage.
5. Connecter la pince sur la pièce aussi près que possible de la soudure.
6. Ne pas travailler à proximité d'une source de soudage, ni s'asseoir ou se pencher dessus.
7. Ne pas souder tout en portant la source de soudage ou le dévidoir.


### En ce qui concerne les implants médicaux :


Les porteurs d'implants doivent d'abord consulter leur médecin avant de s'approcher des opérations de soudage à l'arc, de soudage par points, de gougeage, du coupage plasma ou de chauffage par induction. Si le médecin approuve, il est recommandé de suivre les procédures précédentes.

# SECTION 3 — PRECAUCIONES DE SEGURIDAD — LEA ANTES DE USAR

 Protéjase usted mismo y a otros contra lesiones — lea, cumpla y conserve estas importantes precauciones de seguridad e instrucciones de utilización.

## 3-1 Uso de símbolos

 **PELIGRO!** — Indica una situación peligrosa que, si no se la evita, resultará en muerte o lesión grave. Los peligros posibles se muestran en los símbolos adjuntos o se explican en el texto.

 Indica una situación peligrosa que, si no se la evita, podría resultar en muerte o lesión grave. Los peligros posibles se muestran en los símbolos adjuntos, o se explican en el texto.


**AVISO** — Indica precauciones no relacionadas a lesiones personales.


 — Indica instrucciones especiales.




Este grupo de símbolos significa ¡Advertencia!, ¡Cuidado! CHOQUE O DESCARGA ELÉCTRICA, PIEZAS QUE SE MUEVEN, y peligros de PARTES CALIENTES. Consulte los símbolos y las instrucciones relacionadas que aparecen a continuación para ver las acciones necesarias para evitar estos peligros.

## 3-2 Peligros en soldadura de arco

 Los símbolos mostrados abajo se usan en todo este manual para llamar la atención a e identificar los posibles peligros. Cuando vea el símbolo, preste atención y siga las instrucciones relacionadas para evitar el peligro. La información de seguridad dada abajo es solamente un resumen de la información más completa de seguridad que se encuentra en los estándares de seguridad, y la fuente de alimentación para soldadura del Manual del usuario. Lea y siga todas las normas de seguridad.

 Solamente personal cualificado debe instalar, utilizar, mantener y reparar este equipo. La definición de personal cualificado es cualquier persona que, debido a que posee un título, un certificado o una posición profesional reconocida, o gracias a su gran conocimiento, capacitación y experiencia, haya demostrado con éxito la capacidad para solucionar o resolver problemas relacionados con el trabajo, el proyecto o el tema en cuestión, además de haber asistido a una capacitación en seguridad para reconocer y evitar los peligros que implica el proceso.

 Durante su operación mantenga lejos a todos, especialmente a los niños.

**UNA DESCARGA ELÉCTRICA puede matarlo.**



- Siempre use guantes aislantes secos.
- Aíslese usted mismo del trabajo y la tierra.
- No toque electrodo eléctricamente vivo o partes eléctricamente vivas.
- No guarde ni use el equipo en aguas quietas.
- Reemplace antorchas o cables desgastados, dañados o rotos.
- Repare o reemplace aislamiento de la pistola o del cable que esté desgastado, dañado o agrietado.
- Apague la máquina de soldar antes de cambiar los tubos de contacto o piezas de la antorcha.
- Mantenga todas las tapas y asa bien seguras en sitio.

**HUMO y GASES pueden ser peligrosos.**



- Mantenga su cabeza fuera del humo.
- Ventile el lugar o use un aparato para respirar. El método recomendado para determinar la ventilación adecuada es tomar muestras de la composición y cantidad de humos y gases a los que está expuesto el personal.
- Lea y entienda las Hojas de datos del material (SDS) y las instrucciones del fabricante relacionadas con los adhesivos, metales, consumibles, recubrimientos, limpiadores, refrigerantes, desengrasadores, fundentes y metales.

**Las PIEZAS MÓVILES pueden provocar lesiones.**



- Aléjese de toda parte en movimiento.
- Aléjese de todo punto que pellizque, tal como rodillos impulsados.

**EL SOLDAR puede causar fuego o explosión.**



- No suelde cerca de material inflamable
- No suelde en recipientes que han contenido combustibles, ni en recipientes cerrados como tanques, tambores o tuberías, a menos que estén preparados correctamente de acuerdo con la norma AWS F4.1 y AWS A6.0 (vea las normas de seguridad).
- Siempre mire que no haya fuego y mantenga un extinguidor de fuego cerca.
- Lea y entienda las Hojas de datos del material (SDS) y las instrucciones del fabricante relacionadas con los adhesivos, metales, consumibles, recubrimientos, limpiadores, refrigerantes, desengrasadores, fundentes y metales.

## EL AMONTONAMIENTO DE GAS puede enfermarle o matarle.



- Cierre el suministro de gas comprimido cuando no lo use.
- Siempre dé ventilación a espacios cerrados o use un respirador aprobado que reemplaza el aire.

## LOS RAYOS DEL ARCO pueden quemar sus ojos y piel.



Los rayos del arco de un proceso de solda producen un calor intenso y rayos ultravioletas fuertes que pueden quemar los ojos y la piel. Las chispas se escapan de la soldadura.

- Use una careta para soldar aprobada equipada con un filtro de protección apropiado para proteger su cara y ojos de los rayos del arco y de las chispas mientras esté soldando o mirando. (véase los estándares de seguridad ANSI Z49.1 y Z87.1).
- Use anteojos de seguridad aprobados que tengan protección lateral.
- Use pantallas de protección o barreras para proteger a otros del destello, reflejos y chispas, alerte a otros que no miren el arco.
- Use protección para el cuerpo hecha de cuero o de prendas resistentes a las llamas (FRC). Entre la protección para el cuerpo se incluye la ropa sin aceite, como guantes de cuero, una camisa gruesa, pantalones sin vuelta, calzado alto y una gorra.

## PARTES CALIENTES puedan causar quemaduras severas.



- Permita que la antorcha se enfríe antes de tocarla.
- No toque metal caliente.
- Proteja a otros del contacto con el metal caliente.

## EL RUIDO puede trastornar su oído.



Ruido proveniente de algunos procesos o equipo puede dañar el oído.

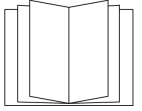
- Chequee los límites del nivel del ruido si exceden aquellos especificados por OSHA.
- Use tapas para los oídos o cubiertas para los oídos si el nivel del ruido es demasiado alto.
- Advierta a otros que estén cerca acerca del peligro del ruido.

## El ALAMBRE de SOLDAR puede causarle heridas.




- Mantenga las manos y el cuerpo lejos del tubo de contacto de la antorcha cuando se haya presionado el gatillo.

## LEER INSTRUCCIONES.



- Lea y siga cuidadosamente las instrucciones contenidas en todas las etiquetas y en el Manual del usuario antes de instalar, utilizar o realizar tareas de mantenimiento en la unidad. Lea la información de seguridad incluida en la primera parte del manual y en cada sección.
- Utilice únicamente piezas de reemplazo legítimas del fabricante.
- Los trabajos de instalación y mantenimiento deben ser ejecutados de acuerdo con las instrucciones del manual del usuario, las normas del sector y los códigos nacionales, estatales y locales.

### 3-3 Advertencias de la Proposición 65 del estado de California

 **ADVERTENCIA:** Este producto puede exponerlo a químicos, incluso plomo, que el estado de California conoce como causantes de cáncer, defectos de nacimiento u otros daños reproductivos.

Para obtener más información, acceda a [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

### 3-4 Estándares principales de seguridad

*Safety in Welding, Cutting, and Allied Processes*, American Welding Society standard ANSI Standard Z49.1. Website: [www.aws.org](http://www.aws.org).

*Safe Practice For Occupational And Educational Eye And Face Protection*, ANSI Standard Z87.1, from American National Standards Institute. Website: [www.safetysafetyequipment.org](http://www.safetysafetyequipment.org).

*Safe Practices for the Preparation of Containers and Piping for Welding and Cutting*, American Welding Society Standard AWS F4.1 from Global Engineering Documents. Website: [www.aws.org](http://www.aws.org).

*National Electrical Code*, NFPA Standard 70 from National Fire Protection Association. Website: [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org).

*Safe Handling of Compressed Gases in Cylinders*, CGA Pamphlet P-1 from Compressed Gas Association. Website: [www.cganet.com](http://www.cganet.com).

*Safety in Welding, Cutting, and Allied Processes*, CSA Standard W117.2 from Canadian Standards Association. Website: [www.csagroup.org](http://www.csagroup.org).

*Standard for Fire Prevention During Welding, Cutting, and Other Hot Work*, NFPA Standard 51B from National Fire Protection Association. Website: [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org).

OSHA, Occupational Safety and Health Standards for General Industry, Title 29, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 1910.177 Subpart N, Part 1910 Subpart Q, and Part 1926, Subpart J. Website: [www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov).

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### 3-5 Información sobre los campos electromagnéticos (EMF)

La corriente que fluye a través de un conductor genera campos eléctricos y magnéticos (EMF) localizados. La corriente del arco de soldadura (y otras técnicas afines como la soldadura por puntos, el ranurado, el corte por plasma y el calentamiento por inducción) genera un campo EMF alrededor del circuito de soldadura. Los campos EMF pueden interferir con algunos dispositivos médicos implantados como, por ejemplo, los marcapasos. Por lo tanto, se deben tomar medidas de protección para las personas que utilizan estos implantes médicos. Por ejemplo, aplique restricciones al acceso de personas que pasan por las cercanías o realice evaluaciones de riesgo individuales para los soldadores. Todos los soldadores deben seguir los procedimientos que se indican a continuación con el objeto de minimizar la exposición a los campos EMF generados por el circuito de soldadura:

1. Mantenga los cables juntos retorciéndolos entre sí o uniéndolos mediante cintas o una cubierta para cables.
2. No ubique su cuerpo entre los cables de soldadura. Disponga los cables a un lado y apartelos del operario.

3. No enrolle ni cuelgue los cables sobre su cuerpo.
4. Mantenga la cabeza y el tronco tan apartados del equipo del circuito de soldadura como le sea posible.
5. Conecte la pinza de masa en la pieza lo más cerca posible de la soldadura.
6. No trabaje cerca de la fuente de alimentación para soldadura, ni se siente o recueste sobre ella.
7. No suelde mientras transporta la fuente de alimentación o el alimentador de alambre.

#### **Acerca de los aparatos médicos implantados:**

Las personas que usen aparatos médico implantados deben consultar con su médico y el fabricante del aparato antes de llevar a cabo o acercarse a soldadura de arco, soldadura de punto, ranurar, hacer corte por plasma, u operaciones de calentamiento por inducción. Si su doctor lo permite, entonces siga los procedimientos de arriba.

# SECTION 4 — PRODUCT WARRANTY

## 4-1 Product Warranty

### Limited Warranty

Bernard® and Tregaskiss® Products shall, from the date of original purchase (or, solely with respect to Low Stress Robotic Unicables packaged with any Bernard and Tregaskiss Robotic MIG Gun, from the date the product goes into production for its intended use) and for the period set forth below, be free from defects in material and workmanship. To obtain repair or replacement of any Product, the covered Product must be delivered, transportation pre-paid by Purchaser, to the address specified by Bernard and Tregaskiss on its Returned Materials Authorization, with: (i) written proof of warranty coverage (e.g., Purchaser dated purchase order); (ii) serial number on product (if any); (iii) the Product's installed location within Purchaser's facility and usage of the Product; and (iv) written specification of any alleged defect(s). In the event the foregoing materials are not timely provided to Bernard and Tregaskiss by claimant, warranty coverage will be determined by Bernard and Tregaskiss, in its sole discretion. For the avoidance of doubt, the warranty period for any Product or part/component of any Product that is replaced or repaired by Bernard and Tregaskiss under the foregoing warranty is not extended or renewed at the time of such replacement or repair. **The Warranty against defects does not apply to: (1) consumable components or ordinary wear items; (2) products which are improperly altered, modified, stored, installed, operated, handled, used or neglected or use of the Products with equipment, components or parts not specified or supplied by Bernard and Tregaskiss or contemplated under the Product documentation; or (3) Products which have not been operated, maintained, and repaired pursuant to Product documentation provided by Bernard® and Tregaskiss®.** Purchaser shall pay Bernard and Tregaskiss for all warranty claim costs incurred by Tregaskiss (including inspection, labor, parts, testing, scrap and freight) due to warranty claims submitted by Purchaser which are not covered by Bernard and Tregaskiss' warranty.

- Bernard® BTB Semi-Automatic Air-Cooled MIG Guns: **1 year**; *Lifetime warranty on straight handles, straight handle switches, and rear strain relief*
- Bernard® W-Gun™ and T-Gun™ Semi-Automatic Water-Cooled MIG Guns: **180 days**
- Bernard® TGX® Chassis and Bernard TGX Ready To Weld MIG Guns: **90 days**
- Tregaskiss® Robotic MIG Guns and Components: **1 year**
- Tregaskiss® Automatic MIG Guns: **1 year**
- Tregaskiss® TOUGH GUN® Reamer: **1 year**
  - When factory-equipped with lubricator: **2 years** when factory-equipped with lubricator
  - When (i) factory-equipped with lubricator and (ii) used exclusively with Tregaskiss® TOUGH GARD® Anti-Spatter Liquid: **3 years** when both (i) and (ii)

- Tregaskiss® TOUGH GUN® Robotic Peripheral (Clutch, Sprayer, Wire Cutter, Arms): **1 year**
- Tregaskiss® Low-Stress Robotic Unicables (LSR+ Unicables): **6 months**

### Service Warranty

Bernard and Tregaskiss warrants the Services shall conform to any mutually agreed upon specifications or statements of work. Purchaser's sole remedy, and Bernard and Tregaskiss's sole liability, for a breach of the foregoing warranty is for Tregaskiss, at its option, to re-perform the Services or credit Purchaser's account for such Services.

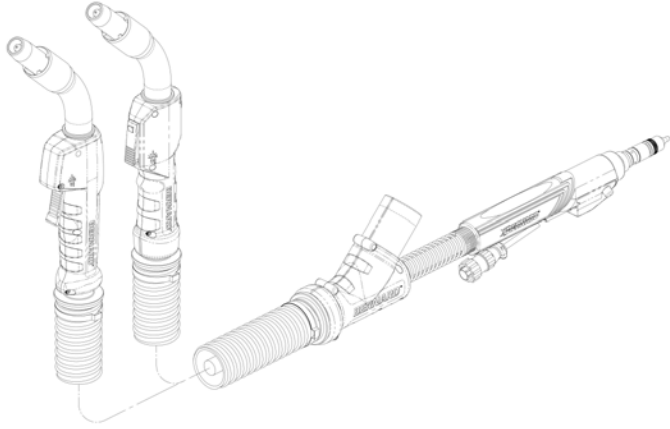
### Limitation of Liability and Remedies

BERNARD AND TREGAKISS WILL NOT BE LIABLE, AND PURCHASER WAIVES ALL CLAIMS AGAINST BERNARD AND TREGAKISS FOR INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL, PUNITIVE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, DOWN TIME, LOST PROFITS OR COMMERCIAL LOSSES, WHETHER OR NOT BASED UPON BERNARD AND TREGAKISS' NEGLIGENCE OR BREACH OF WARRANTY OR STRICT LIABILITY IN TORT OR ANY OTHER CAUSE OF ACTION. IN NO EVENT WILL BERNARD AND TREGAKISS' LIABILITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE AGREEMENT OR SALE OF BERNARD AND TREGAKISS' PRODUCTS OR SERVICES EXCEED THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THE SPECIFIC PRODUCTS OR SERVICES AS TO WHICH THE CLAIM IS MADE.

# SECTION 5 — SPECIFICATIONS

## 5-1 Specifications

### Fume Extraction MIG (GMAW) Welding Gun



300 amp gun feeds maximum wire size of 0.052" (1.3 mm)

**Duty Cycle Rating:**

60%: 300 amp with Mixed Gases

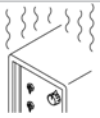
400 amp gun feeds maximum wire size of 5/64" (2.0 mm)

**Duty Cycle Rating:**

60%: 400 amp with Mixed Gases

**NOTE:** To ensure proper duty cycle and fume extraction performance, always use the welding gun with the designated vacuum unit. Failure to do so may reduce efficiency and exceed the equipment's duty cycle.

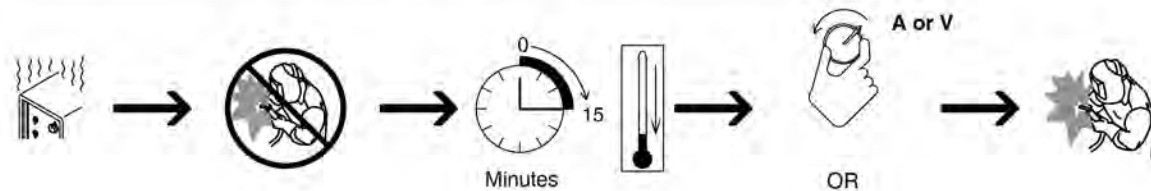
## 5-2 Duty Cycle and Overheating



Duty Cycle is percentage of 10 minutes that unit can weld at rated load without overheating.

Using mixed gases other than CO<sub>2</sub> reduces duty cycle ratings 10-50% depending on gas mixture and welding parameters.

Please reference Section 1 — Specifications on page 1 for duty cycle ratings by amperage.



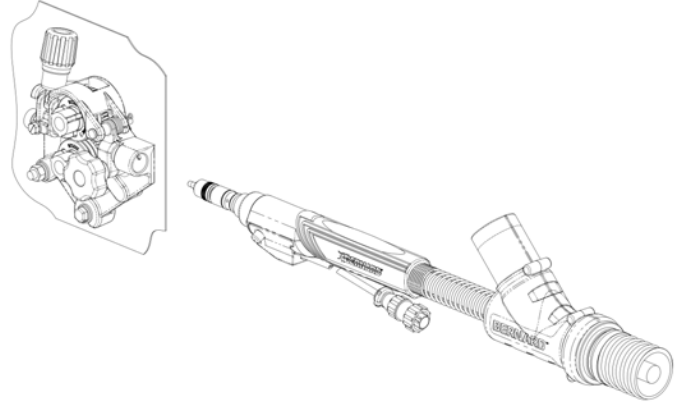
## SECTION 6 — INSTALLATION

### 6-1 Installing to a Feeder with a Power Pin



1. Insert power pin to shoulder and secure tightly.
2. Insert control plug into feeder.
3. Feed welding wire into power pin by hand and tighten drive rolls.

Figure 6-A

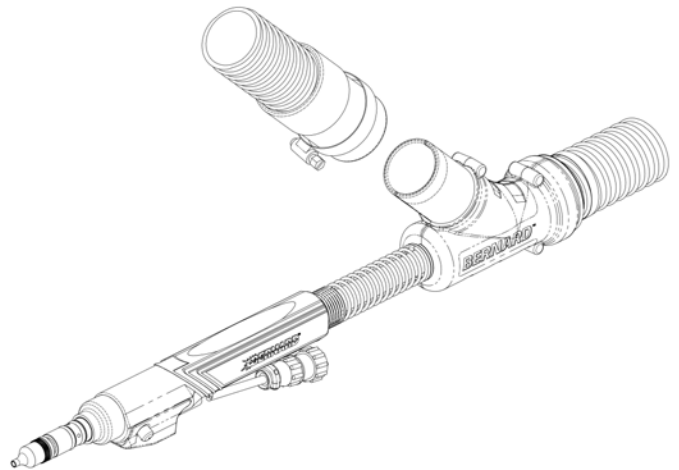


### 6-2 Installing to a Fume Extraction Unit



1. Thread hose onto the fume port of the fume extraction unit and tighten securely.
2. Attach the opposite end of hose to the 1-3/4" port on the Y-Connector, ensuring all connections are tight.

Figure 6-B





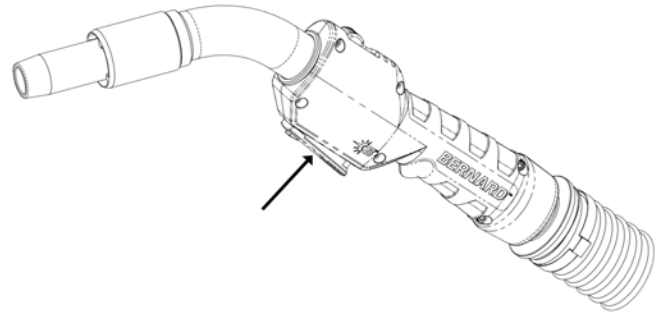
## SECTION 7 — OPERATION

### 7-1 Pulling the Trigger



1. Trigger - When pressed, energized wire feeds and shielding gas flows.

Figure 7-A

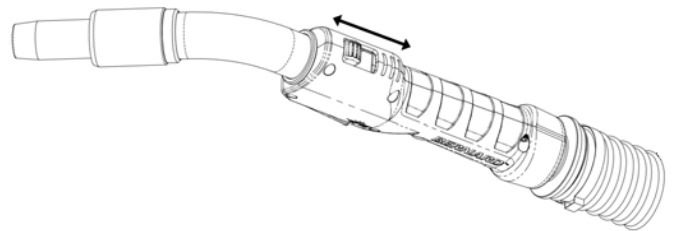


### 7-2 Adjusting the Vacuum Slide Switch



1. Vacuum Slide Switch – The vacuum slide switch can be used to adjust the amount of vacuum at the front of the gun.
2. Slide switch backward to decrease vacuum and forward to increase vacuum.

Figure 7-B



## SECTION 8 — REPLACEMENT

### 8-1 Changing E-Z Feed Front Load Liner



#### A. Removal

1. Loosen the set screw in the power pin cap and remove the cap from the rear of the gun.
2. Unthread the knurled smoke shroud from the smoke tube assembly. Remove the nozzle. Loosen and remove the diffuser.
3. Pull the liner out of the gun from the neck.

#### B. Installation

1. Insert the heat-shrink end of the liner in through the neck, and push the liner all the way through the gun using short strokes to avoid kinking until the brass end of the liner stops on the neck face.
2. Reinstall gas diffuser by threading in a clockwise rotation. Tighten with a wrench and torque to 144 in-lbs (12 ft-lbs).
3. Reinstall the contact tip by threading into the gas diffuser by hand and tighten with non-marring pliers. Torque to 30 in-lbs (3.5 Nm). NOTE: AccuLock tip tool part # T-ALTOOL is recommended.
4. Reinstall the thread-on nozzle by turning clockwise onto the gas diffuser and hand tighten.
5. Reinstall the knurled smoke shroud by turning clockwise onto the smoke tube assembly
6. Place the power pin cap over the liner extending from the rear of the gun, and thread the cap onto the power pin.
7. Tighten cap snug against the power pin shoulder with welding pliers.
8. Lay the gun straight, making sure there are no twists in the cable. Holding a hex wrench by its shank, tighten the set screw "finger tight" against the liner.
9. Hold the hex wrench by the handle and tighten the set screw an additional half turn (180°) to fully secure the liner.
10. Trim the exposed portion of the liner flush with power pin cap.
11. Insert a piece of welding wire into the liner to check for burrs or obstructions. If needed, loosen screw slightly until wire slides freely.

Figure 8-A

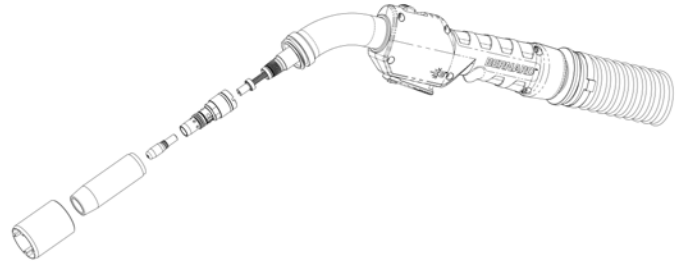


Figure 8-B



## 8-2 Changing Rear Load Liner



### A. Changing Rear Load Liner

1. Remove front-end consumables and lay cable straight.
2. Using a 10 mm wrench, turn liner counterclockwise until it is free from the power pin. Remove liner from gun assembly.
3. With cable laying straight, insert new liner into power pin and feed through gun using short strokes to prevent kinking. Twist liner clockwise if necessary.
4. Use a 10 mm wrench to turn liner lock clockwise to tighten into power pin.
5. Trim liner to dimensions in the **New Liner Trim Lengths** chart illustrated below.
6. Remove all burrs from end of liner and replace front-end consumables.

New Liner Trim Lengths		
AccuLock Diffuser Part Number	Liner Trim Length	
D-A1-C	3/4"	19.1 mm
DS-A1-C	3/4"	19.1 mm

### B. Changing Consumables

1. Unthread the knurled smoke shroud from the smoke tube assembly and unthread the nozzle from the diffuser.
2. Cut electrode and remove all burrs before removing the contact tip. Remove the AccuLock contact tip from the gas diffuser with a counterclockwise turn. To replace, slide the contact tip over electrode into gas diffuser and tighten with a clockwise rotation. Torque to 30 in-lbs (3.5 Nm). NOTE: Use Tregaskiss® AccuLock tip tool part # T-ALTOOL for best results.
3. Gas diffuser may be removed with an appropriate wrench in a counterclockwise rotation. To install, firmly secure gas diffuser with an appropriate wrench in a clockwise rotation. Torque to 144 in-lbs.

Figure 8-C

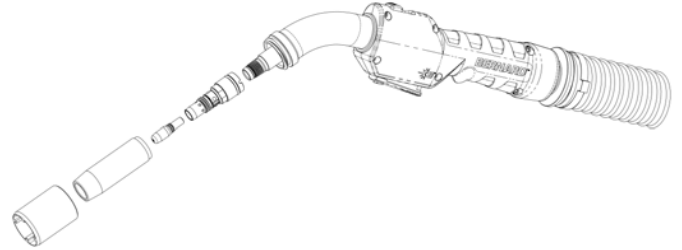


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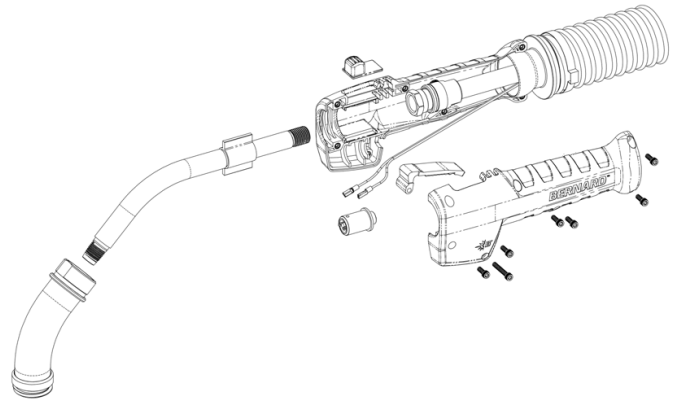
## 8-3 Changing the Neck and Switch



### A. Changing Inner Neck Assembly

1. Unthread the knurled smoke shroud from the smoke tube assembly and remove front end consumables (see instructions in sections 8-1 and 8-2).
2. Separate the handle halves. Remove socket head cap screws (7/64" hex) and retain them for future use.
3. Remove the smoke tube assembly by sliding it forward and off the inner neck assembly.
4. Place the neck snug in a vise (be careful not to damage the neck by over tightening) and use a wrench to loosen the cable connection to the neck. Remove from vise and unthread by hand.
5. To replace the neck, thread into the cable end fitting and tighten by hand. Secure the neck in a vise, then torque cable/neck connection to 13 ft-lbs (17.6 Nm).
6. Position the neck assembly and smoke tube assembly into the handle. Position the trigger components and vacuum slide into the handle, ensuring trigger wires are routed correctly into the trigger cavity (Button model requires the small grommet around the trigger wires to be inserted into cutout in right handle half).
7. Secure handle halves using the handle screws. Torque to 10 in-lbs (1.1 Nm).

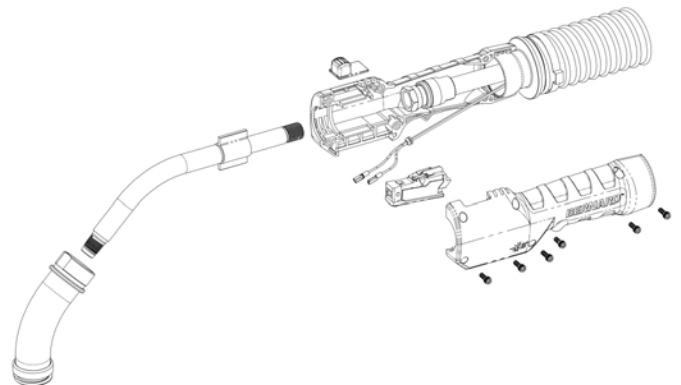
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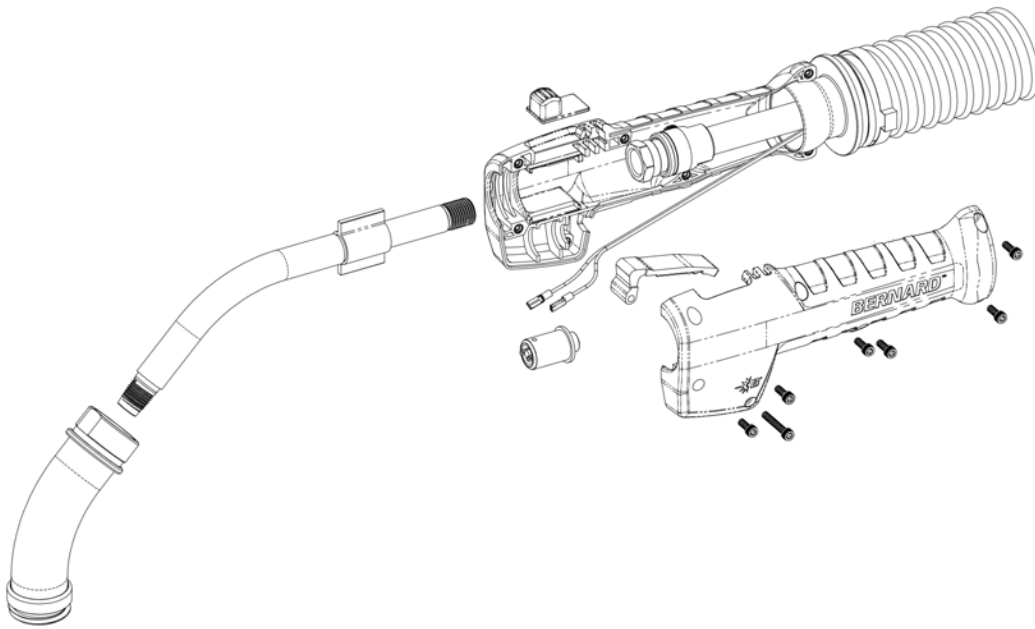


### B. Changing the Switch – Button Model

1. If replacing the trigger, remove the screws to separate handle halves completely.
2. Use needle nose pliers to remove the terminals from the trigger switch.
3. Secure terminals to the new trigger. Then, position trigger and all other components into right handle half, ensuring trigger wires are routed correctly into trigger cavity and small grommet around wires is positioned in cutout.
4. Reinstall the second handle half, tighten all screws and torque to 10 in-lbs (1.1 Nm).

Figure 8-F





### C. Changing the Switch - Lever Model

1. If replacing the trigger, remove the screws to separate handle halves completely.
2. Remove the switch assembly from its mounting cavity. Then, use needle nose pliers to disconnect the terminals.
3. Remove the lever from its location carefully to avoid damage.
4. Secure terminals to the new switch assembly and install into the mounting cavity. Reinstall lever and check for proper alignment between components.
5. Position all other components into right handle half, ensuring trigger wires are routed correctly into trigger cavity. Ensure neck is assembled into the desired position.
6. Reinstall the second handle half, starting with the lever screw. Tighten all screws and torque to 10 in-lbs (1.1 Nm).

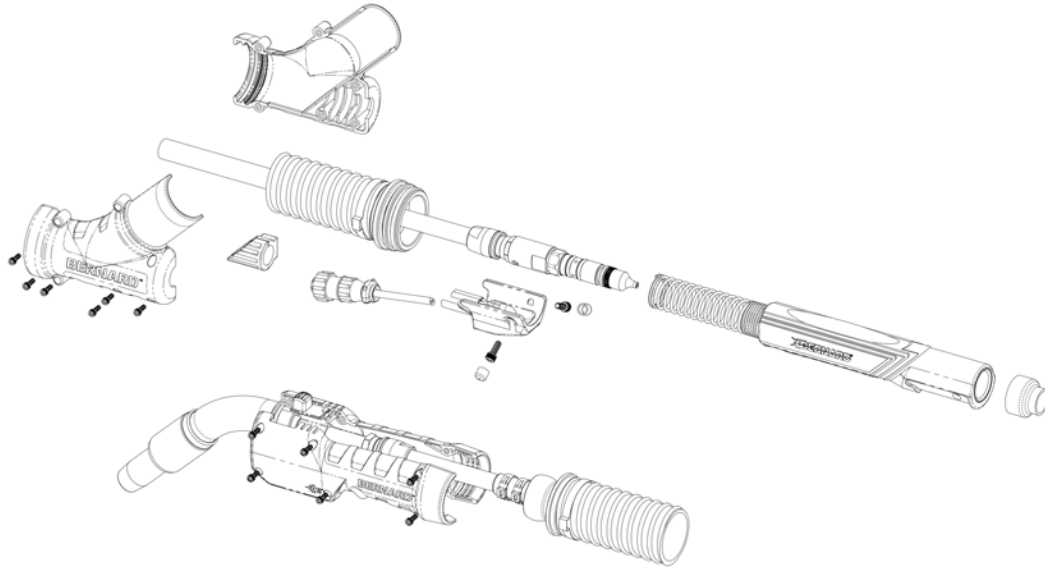
### D. Changing the Vacuum Slide Switch

1. If replacing the slide switch, remove screws to separate handle halves completely.
2. Remove slide switch out of channel in handle half carefully to avoid damage to surrounding components.
3. Position new slide switch in channel, ensuring it is seated properly and moves freely along designated path.
4. Reassemble handle halves, keeping slide switch properly aligned.
5. Reinstall the screws, tightening them evenly and torquing to 10 in-lbs (1.1 Nm).

## 8-4 Changing the Vacuum Hose Assembly



Figure 8-H



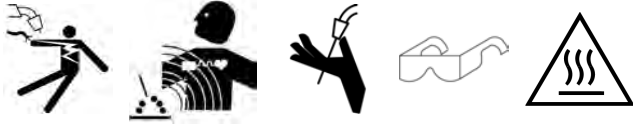
### A. Vacuum Hose

1. If replacing the vacuum hose assembly, remove all screws to separate the handle halves and remove the front hose swivel from its cavity.
2. Remove screw covers and two screws securing the rear handle, then slide the rear handle and strain relief backward to remove them.
3. Remove screws on the Y Connector and open to expose the cable assembly and rear hose swivel.
4. Pull the vacuum hose assembly backward to remove it from the cable assembly.
5. Slide the new vacuum hose assembly forward over the cable assembly until the front hose swivel rests in its cavity. Align the handle halves and reinstall all screws to retain hose assembly within handle.
6. With the cable straight, pull the hose and position it into the Y Connector, ensuring no slack. Tighten Y Connector screws, correctly positioning rubber boot within the Y Connector.
7. Slide rear handle and strain relief forward onto the cable assembly and secure with screws and screw covers.

### B. Y Connector

1. If replacing the Y Connector, remove all screws and separate connector halves.
2. Push rear hose swivel forward to slide it out of the cavity. Slide the hose assembly forward and remove the remaining Y Connector half.
3. Place the new rubber boot into the new Y Connector set.
4. Position the cable assembly in the Y Connector channel, ensuring proper alignment with rubber boot.
5. Pull the hose assembly back into the swivel cavity and ensure it is taut (no slack).
6. Confirm the hose and cable assemblies are properly seated and secure.
7. Align the Y Connector halves and reinstall screws.

## 8-5 Changing the Power Pin



### A. Universal Power Pin

1. Remove the liner by following steps listed in section 8-1 Changing E-Z Feed Front Load Liner on page 14.
2. Use wrenches and rotate power pin in a counterclockwise direction to remove it from the adaptor block.
3. Thread new power pin into adaptor block and use wrenches in a clockwise direction to thread power pin into adaptor block. Torque to 18 ft-lbs (24 Nm).
4. Reinstall liner by following the steps listed in section 8-1 Changing E-Z Feed Front Load Liner on page 14.

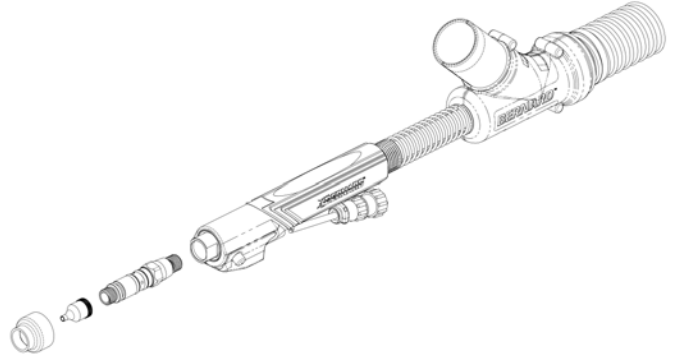


Figure 8-I

### B. Euro Power Pin

1. Remove Y Connector and separate connector halves.
2. Remove liner, screw cover, and the screw that attaches the strain relief to the Euro block.
3. Slide strain relief and adaptor nut toward cable, exposing Euro block.
4. Disconnect the Euro block control leads from the gun.
5. Remove Euro block from end fitting using appropriate wrenches in a counterclockwise rotation.
6. Thread new Euro block into end fitting using appropriate wrenches in a clockwise rotation. Torque to 18 ft-lbs (24 Nm).
7. Attach Euro block control leads to the gun.
8. Slide adaptor nut forward and ensure Euro block rests on retaining shoulder.
9. Align strain relief with threaded hole in Euro block and install screw. Add screw cover and assemble liner.
10. Reinstall Y Connector.

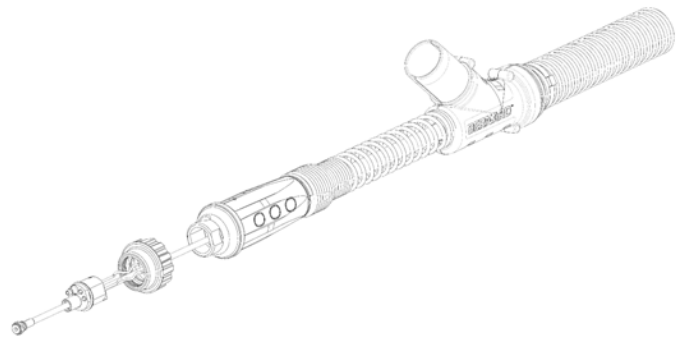


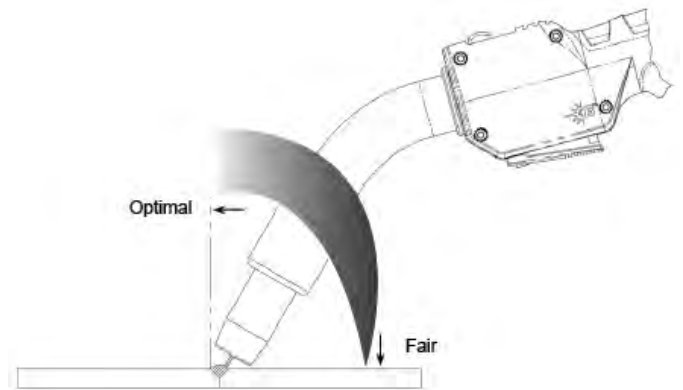
Figure 8-J

# SECTION 9 — OPTIMIZING FUME CAPTURE

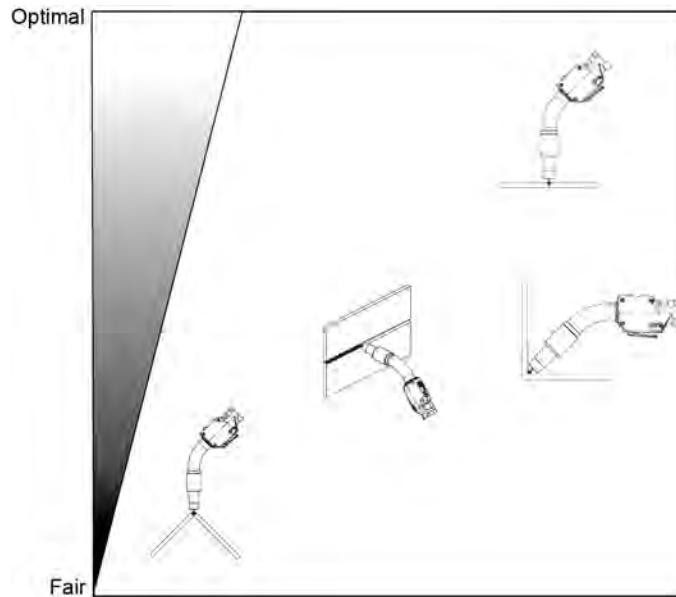
## 9-1 Optimizing Fume Capture

Follow the diagram below for optimizing the efficiency of fume capture from your fume extraction MIG gun. The joints and positions of welds will affect the efficiency of fume capture.

Figure 9-A



Optimal capture efficiency is achieved when fume gun is positioned directly above the weld puddle.

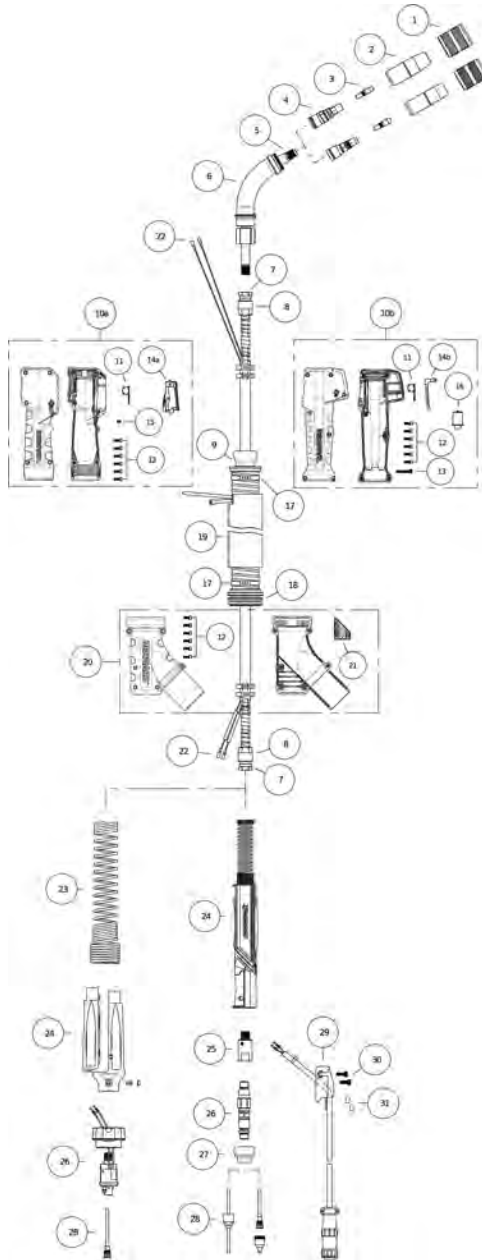




# SECTION 10 — PARTS LIST

ITEM	PART #		DESCRIPTION
	CLE30	CLE40	
1		ES-L1	Extraction Shroud, Large, Short
		ES-L2	Extraction Shroud, Large, Medium
		ES-L3	Extraction Shroud, Large, Long
		ES-L1S	Extraction Shroud, Small, Short
		ES-L2S	Extraction Shroud, Small, Medium
		ES-L3S	Extraction Shroud, Small, Long
2		NS-A5818C	Nozzle Assembly, Small
		N-A5818C	Nozzle Assembly, Large
3		See SP-CLE	Contact Tip
4		DS-A1-C	Gas Diffuser, Small, Rear Load
		D-A1-C	Gas Diffuser, Large, Rear Load
		DS-A1	Gas Diffuser, Small, Front Load
		D-A1	Gas Diffuser, Large, Front Load
5		EN-345	Extraction Neck, 45 Deg.
		EN-360	Extraction Neck, 60 Deg.
6		ENT-45	Extraction Neck Tube, 45 Deg.
		ENT-60	Extraction Neck Tube, 60 Deg.
7		318	End Fitting
8	317	319	Cone Nut
NS		4992	Clamp, Conduit
NS		4823	Clamp, Jacket
9		2520106	Swivel, Front
10a		EHK-B	Extraction Handle Kit, Button (includes items 11, 12, 14a, 15, & 22)
10b		EHK-L	Extraction Handle Kit, Lever (includes items 11, 12, 13, 14b, 16, & 22)
11		2810014	Vacuum Slide, Clean Air "E"
12		2280073	Socket Head Cap Screw, 6-32 X 3/8, Black (6 req'd)
13		2280074	Socket Head Cap Screw, 6-32 X 7/8, Black (1 req'd)
14a		211-5-BZ	Trigger, Microswitch Style, Bronze
14b		411-2-BZ	Trigger Lever, Bronze
15		3020008	Grommet, SBR Rubber, 5/32" Hole
16		411-1	Switch Assembly, Lever Model
17		1520029	Clamp, Hose
NS		1520025	Cable Tie
18		2520108	Hose Connection, Rear
NS		2040030	O-Ring, Square
19		EHK-15	Extraction Hose Kit, 15'
		EHK-20	Extraction Hose Kit, 20'
		EHK-25	Extraction Hose Kit, 25'
20	EYK-3	EYK-4	Extraction Y Connector Kit (includes items 12 & 21)
21	2520109-A	2520109-B	Boot, Y Connector
22		412-1	Switch LD (4 req'd)
23		2520041	Spring, Strain Relief
24		2520111	Handle, Straight Rear Strain Relief
		2520069	Clamshell RSR ( <i>Euro</i> )

ITEM	PART #	DESCRIPTION
25	414-400-CLE	Adapter Block, Rear
26	See SP-CLE	Power Pin
27	See SP-CLE	Power Pin Insulator
28	See SP-CLE	Liner
29	1810052	Rear Trigger Pod
30	2280075	Screw, Rear (2 req'd)
31	1620006	Screw Cover (2 req'd)



## SECTION 11 — TROUBLESHOOTING

### 11-1 Troubleshooting Table

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
1. Electrode does not feed.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Feeder relay.</li> <li>2. Broken control lead.</li> <li>3. Poor adaptor connection.</li> <li>4. Improper / worn drive roll.</li> <li>5. Drive roll tension misadjusted.</li> <li>6. Burn back to contact tip.</li> <li>7. Wrong size liner.</li> <li>8. Buildup inside of liner.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Consult feeder manufacturer.</li> <li>2. <b>a.</b> Test and connect spare control lead. <b>b.</b> Install new cable.</li> <li>3. Test and replace leads and/or contact pins.</li> <li>4. Replace drive roll.</li> <li>5. Adjust tension at feeder.</li> <li>6. See '<b>Contact tip burn back</b>'.</li> <li>7. Replace with correct size.</li> <li>8. Replace liner or clean out with compressed air, check condition of electrode.</li> </ol>
2. Contact tip burn back.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Improper voltage and/or wire feed speed.</li> <li>2. Erratic wire feeding.</li> <li>3. Improper tip stickout.</li> <li>4. Improper electrode stickout.</li> <li>5. Faulty ground.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adjust parameters.</li> <li>2. See '<b>Erratic wire feeding</b>'.</li> <li>3. Adjust nozzle / tip relationship.</li> <li>4. Adjust wire stickout.</li> <li>5. Repair all cables &amp; connections.</li> </ol>
3. Tip disengages from the gas diffusers.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Worn gas diffuser/retaining head.</li> <li>2. Improper tip installation.</li> <li>3. Extreme heat or duty cycle.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace tip and/or gas diffuser / retaining head.</li> <li>2. Install as per section 8-2 Changing Rear Load Liner on page 15.</li> <li>3. Replace with heavy duty consumables. See appropriate Spec Sheet for details.</li> </ol>
4. Short contact tip life.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Contact tip size</li> <li>2. Electrode eroding contact tip.</li> <li>3. Exceeding duty cycle.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace with proper size.</li> <li>2. Inspect and/or change drive rolls.</li> <li>3. Replace with properly rated Bernard MIG Gun.</li> </ol>
5. Erratic arc.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Worn contact tip.</li> <li>2. Buildup inside of liner.</li> <li>3. Wrong tip size.</li> <li>4. Not enough bend in neck.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace contact tip.</li> <li>2. Replace liner, check conditions of electrode.</li> <li>3. Replace with correct tip size.</li> <li>4. Replace with 45 or 60 deg. neck.</li> </ol>
6. Erratic wire feeding.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Buildup inside of liner.</li> <li>2. Wrong size liner.</li> <li>3. Improper drive roll size.</li> <li>4. Worn drive roll.</li> <li>5. Improper guide tube relationship.</li> <li>6. Improper wire guide diameter.</li> <li>7. Gaps at liner junctions.</li> <li>8. Feeder malfunction.</li> <li>9. Worn contact tip.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace liner, check condition of electrode.</li> <li>2. Replace with new liner of proper size.</li> <li>3. Replace with proper size drive roll.</li> <li>4. <b>a.</b> Replace with new drive roll. <b>b.</b> Repair worn drive roll.</li> <li>5. <b>a.</b> Adjust / replace guide as close to drive rolls as possible. <b>b.</b> Eliminate all gaps in electrode path.</li> <li>6. Replace with proper guide diameter.</li> <li>7. <b>a.</b> Replace with new liner trimmed as per section 8-2 Changing Rear Load Liner on page 15. <b>b.</b> Replace guide tube / liner trimming as close to mating.</li> <li>8. Consult feeder manufacturer.</li> <li>9. Inspect and replace.*</li> </ol>
7. Extreme spatter.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Improper machine parameters.</li> <li>2. Improper tip installation.</li> <li>3. Improper shielding gas coverage.</li> <li>4. Contaminated wire or workpiece.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adjust parameters.</li> <li>2. Adjust nozzle / tip relationship.</li> <li>3. <b>a.</b> Verify shielding gas coverage. <b>b.</b> Verify gas mixture.</li> <li>4. Clean wire and workpiece.</li> </ol>

8. Porosity in weld.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Insulator worn.</li> <li>2. Gas diffuser damaged</li> <li>3. Extreme heat or duty cycle.</li> <li>4. Solenoid faulty.</li> <li>5. No gas.</li> <li>6. Flow improperly set.</li> <li>7. Gas ports plugged.</li> <li>8. Ruptured gas hose.</li> <li>9. Control circuit loss.</li> <li>10. Worn, cut, or missing o-rings.</li> <li>11. Loose fittings.</li> <li>12. AccuLock™ S power pin cap not torqued to the correct spec.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace nozzle / insulator.</li> <li>2. Replace gas diffuser or o-rings</li> <li>3. Replace with heavy duty consumables.</li> <li>4. Replace solenoid</li> <li>5. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Install full tanks</li> <li>b. Check supply</li> <li>c. Check for hose leaks</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. Adjust flow</li> <li>7. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Clean or replace gas diffuser.</li> <li>b. Clean nozzle.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. Repair or replace cable liner.</li> <li>9. See '<b>Electrode does not feed</b>'.</li> <li>10. Replace o-rings.</li> <li>11. Tighten gun and cable connections to specified torque. See 8-3 Changing the Neck and Switch on page 16.</li> <li>12. Tighten power pin cap to specified torque. See 8-5 Changing the Power Pin on page 19.</li> </ol>
9. Gun running hot.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Exceeding duty cycle.</li> <li>2. Loose or poor power connection.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Replace with properly rated Bernard MIG Gun.</li> <li>b. Decrease parameters to within gun rating.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Clean, tighten or replace cable grounding connection.</li> <li>b. Tighten gun and cable connections to specified torque. See 8-3 Changing the Neck and Switch on page 16.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
10. Liner is discolored full length.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Short circuit to electrode.</li> <li>2. Broken copper stranding in power cable.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Isolate electrode reel from feeder and drive block. Consult feeder manufacturer's manual.</li> <li>2. Replace MIG gun.</li> </ol>
11. Sporadic feeding of aluminum electrode.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Tip galling.</li> <li>2. Synthetic liner melting.</li> <li>3. Wire deformed by feeder rolls.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Inspect and replace the contact tip. *</li> <li>2. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Replace liner.</li> <li>b. Replace with composite liner.</li> <li>c. Replace the neck and jump liner.</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Adjust drive rolls as per feeder manufacturer's manual.</li> </ol>
12. Weak or insufficient extraction	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Vacuum unit not sealed.</li> <li>2. Vacuum unit not connected to the Y-Connector.</li> <li>3. Clogged extraction hose, Y-Connector, or gun handle.</li> <li>4. Vacuum unit filter is full or dirty.</li> <li>5. Hose is damaged or kinked, restricting airflow.</li> <li>6. Vacuum control slide is in the open position.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cap off all unnecessary openings in vac system.</li> <li>2. Ensure the vacuum hose is securely attached to the Y Connector and the vacuum unit.</li> <li>3. Inspect and remove debris or clogs from the hose, Y Connector, and handle.</li> <li>4. Replace or clean the vacuum filter according to the vacuum unit manual.</li> <li>5. Inspect the hose for damage, kinks, or restrictions, and repair or replace as needed.</li> <li>6. Slide the vacuum control slide up so that it is in the closed position</li> </ol>
13. Debris buildup in gun handle	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fumes and debris accumulating inside the gun handle due to improper vacuum operation.</li> <li>2. Vacuum unit filter not effectively trapping debris.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open the gun handle and remove debris periodically to ensure proper operation.</li> <li>2. Replace or clean the vacuum filter as recommended in the vacuum unit manual.</li> </ol>

# ADDITIONAL SUPPORT MATERIALS

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For additional support materials such as Spec Sheets, troubleshooting information, how-to guides and videos, animations, online configurators and much more, please visit Bernard. Scan the QR Code with your smart phone for immediate access to [bernardtregaskiss.com/TechnicalSupport](http://bernardtregaskiss.com/TechnicalSupport).



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