

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPERATION AND ASSEMBLY

## Safety switch with separate actuator AZ 16-12ZVRK-M20-1637

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## 1 About this document

### 1.1 Function

This document provides all the information you need for the mounting, set-up and commissioning to ensure the safe operation and disassembly of the switchgear. The operating instructions enclosed with the device must always be kept in a legible condition and accessible.

### 1.2 Target group of the operating instructions: authorised qualified personnel

All operations described in the operating instructions manual must be carried out by trained specialist personnel, authorised by the plant operator only.

Please make sure that you have read and understood these operating instructions and that you know all applicable legislations regarding occupational safety and accident prevention prior to installation and putting the component into operation.

The machine builder must carefully select the harmonised standards to be complied with as well as other technical specifications for the selection, mounting and integration of the components.

The information contained in this operating instructions manual is provided without liability and is subject to technical modifications.

## 1.3 Explanation of the symbols used



**Information, hint, note:** This symbol is used for identifying useful additional information.



**Caution:** Failure to comply with this warning notice could lead to failures or malfunctions.

**Warning:** Failure to comply with this warning notice could lead to physical injury and/or damage to the machine.

## 1.4 Appropriate use

The Schmersal range of products is not intended for private consumers.

The products described in these operating instructions are developed to execute safety-related functions as part of an entire plant or machine. It is the responsibility of the manufacturer of a machine or plant to ensure the correct functionality of the entire machine or plant.

The safety switchgear must be exclusively used in accordance with the versions listed below or for the applications authorised by the manufacturer. Detailed information regarding the range of applications can be found in the chapter "Product description".

## 1.5 General safety instructions

The user must observe the safety instructions in this operating instructions manual, the country specific installation standards as well as all prevailing safety regulations and accident prevention rules.



Further technical information can be found in the Schmersal catalogues or in the online catalogue on the Internet:

[products.schmersal.com](https://products.schmersal.com).

# 2 Product description

## 2.1 Ordering code

Product type description:  
AZ 16-(1)ZV(2)K-(3)-(4)-(5)

(1)

<b>without</b>	1 NO contacts/1 NC contact
<b>02</b>	2 NC contact
<b>03</b>	3 NC contact
<b>12</b>	1 NO contact/2 NC contacts

(2)

<b>without</b>	Ejection force
<b>R</b>	Latching force 30 N

(3)

<b>G24</b>	with LED (only available for version with one NO and one NC contact)
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(4)

<b>M16</b>	cable entry M16
<b>M20</b>	Cable entry M20
<b>ST</b>	Connector M12, 4 pole, bottom
<b>STL</b>	Connector M12, 4 pole, left
<b>STR</b>	Connector M12, 4 pole, right

(5)

<b>2254</b>	Latching force 5 N
<b>1762</b>	Front mounting
<b>1637</b>	Gold-plated contacts

## 2.2 Special versions

For special versions, which are not listed in the ordering code, these specifications apply accordingly, provided that they correspond to the standard version.

## 2.3 Purpose

The safety switches with separate actuator are suitable for sliding, hinged and removable safety guards, which need to be closed in order to ensure the necessary operational safety.

The safety switches are used for applications, in which the hazardous situation is terminated without delay when the safety guard is opened.

When the safety guard is opened, the NC contacts are positively opened and the NO contacts are closed.



The safety switchgears are classified according to EN ISO 14119 as type 2 interlocking devices.



The user must evaluate and design the safety chain in accordance with the relevant standards and the required safety level.



The entire concept of the control system, in which the safety component is integrated, must be validated to the relevant standards.

## 2.4 Warning about misuse



In case of improper use or manipulation of the safety switchgear, personal hazards or damages to machinery or plant components cannot be excluded. There are no residual risks, provided that the safety instructions as well as the instructions regarding mounting, commissioning, operation and maintenance are observed.

## 2.5 Exclusion of liability

We shall accept no liability for damages and malfunctions resulting from defective mounting or failure to comply with the operating instructions manual. The manufacturer shall accept no liability for damages resulting from the use of unauthorised spare parts or accessories.

For safety reasons, invasive work on the device as well as arbitrary repairs, conversions and modifications to the device are strictly forbidden, the manufacturer shall accept no liability for damages resulting from such invasive work, arbitrary repairs, conversions and/or modifications to the device.

## 2.6 Technical Data

### Approvals - Standards

Certificates

IFA  
cULus  
CCC  
UKCA

### General data

Standards

EN ISO 13849-1  
EN ISO 14119  
EN IEC 60947-5-1

Coding level according to EN ISO 14119

Low

Working principle

electromechanical

Housing material

Plastic, glass-fibre reinforced thermoplastic, self-extinguishing

Gross weight

120 g

## General data - Features

Number of actuating directions	3
Number of auxiliary contacts	1
Number of safety contacts	2
Number of cable glands	3

### Safety classification

Standards	EN ISO 13849-1
Performance Level, up to	c
Category	1
B <sub>10D</sub> Normally-closed contact (NC)	2,000,000 Operations
Note	Electrical life on request.
B <sub>10D</sub> Normally-open contact (NO)	1,000,000 Operations
Note	at 10% I <sub>e</sub> and ohmic load
Mission time	20 Year(s)

### Safety classification - Fault exclusion

Please note:	Can be used when fault exclusion for dangerous damage to the 1-channel mechanism is permissible and sufficient protection against manipulation is guaranteed.
Performance Level, up to	d
Category	3
Note	for 2-channel use and with suitable logic unit.
Mission time	20 Year(s)

## Mechanical data

Mechanical life, minimum	1,000,000 Operations
Latching force	30 N
Positive break travel	8 mm
Positive break force per NC contact, minimum	10 N
Positive break force, minimum	20 N
Actuating speed, maximum	2 m/s
Mounting	Screws
Type of the fixing screws	2x M6

## Mechanical data - Connection technique

Cable entry	3 x M20 x 1,5
Termination	Screw terminals
Cable section, minimum	0.25 mm <sup>2</sup>
Cable section, maximum	2.5 mm <sup>2</sup>
Note	All indications including the conductor ferrules.
Allowed type of cable	solid single-wire solid multi-wire flexible

## Mechanical data - Dimensions

Length of sensor	30 mm
Width of sensor	52 mm
Height of sensor	90 mm

## Ambient conditions

Degree of protection	IP67
Ambient temperature	-30 ... +80 °C
Storage and transport temperature	-40 ... +85 °C
Permissible installation altitude above sea level, maximum	2,000 m

## Ambient conditions - Insulation values

Rated insulation voltage $U_i$	500 V
Rated impulse withstand voltage $U_{imp}$	6 kV
Overvoltage category	III
Degree of pollution	3

## Electrical data

Thermal test current	10 A
Required rated short-circuit current	1,000 A
Switching element	1 NO contact, 2 NC contacts
Switching principle	slow action, positive break NC contact
Maximum switching frequency	4,000 /h
Material of the contacts, electrical	Gold-plated silver (AgNi 15 + Au 0,3µm)

## Electrical data - Safety contacts

Voltage, Utilisation category AC-15	230 VAC
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Current, Utilisation category AC-15	4 A
Voltage, Utilisation category DC-13	24 VDC
Current, Utilisation category DC-13	4 A

## Electrical data - Auxiliary contacts

Voltage, Utilisation category AC-15	230 VAC
Current, Utilisation category AC-15	4 A
Voltage, Utilisation category DC-13	24 VDC
Current, Utilisation category DC-13	4 A

### Note about the safety classification

Basically suitable up to Cat. 1 / PL c.

With 2-channel usage with fault exclusion mechanism (if a fault exclusion to the 1-channel mechanics is authorised) and suitable logic applicable up to Cat. 3 / PL d

$$MTTF_D = \frac{B_{10D}}{0,1 \times n_{op}} \quad n_{op} = \frac{d_{op} \times h_{op} \times 3600 \text{ s/h}}{t_{cycle}}$$

(Determined values can vary depending on the application-specific parameters  $h_{op}$ ,  $d_{op}$  and  $t_{cycle}$  as well as the load.)

If multiple safety components are wired in series, the Performance Level to EN ISO 13849-1 will be reduced due to the restricted error detection under certain circumstances.

## 3 Mounting

### 3.1 General mounting instructions



Please observe the relevant requirements of the standards ISO 12100, ISO 14119 and ISO 14120.

The mounting dimensions are indicated on the rear of the component. The enclosure must not be used as an end stop.

Any mounting position. The mounting position however must be chosen so that the ingress of dirt and soiling in the used opening is avoided. The unused openings must be sealed by means of slot sealing plugs (AZ 15/16 - 1476-1 available as accessory) after fitting.

### 3.2 Mounting of the actuator

See operating instructions Actuator.



The actuator must be permanently fitted to the safety guards and protected against displacement by suitable measures (tamperproof screws, gluing, drilling of the screw heads).

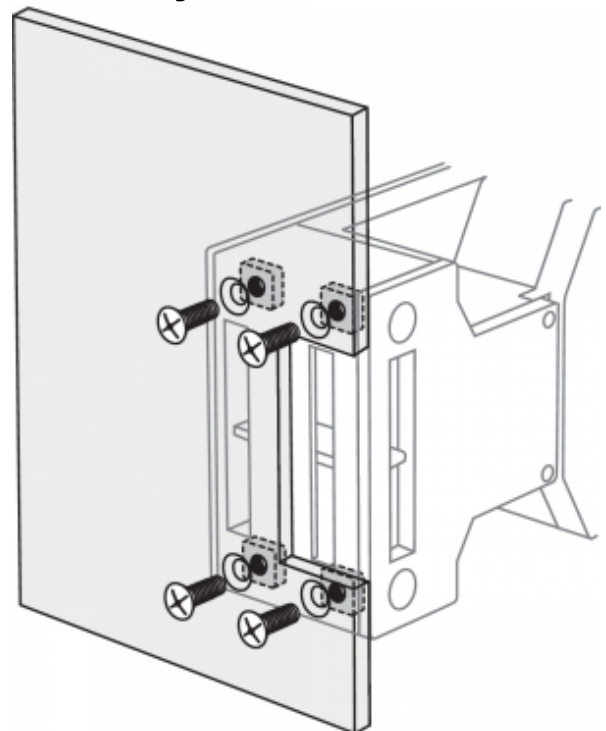
Actuating radii [mm]				
	over the small edge of the actuator		over the wide edge of the actuator	
	$R_{min}$	d	$R_{min}$	d
AZ 15/16-B2	-	-	45	11
AZ 15/16-B2-1747	-	-	45	11
AZ 15/16-B3	32	11	-	-
AZ 15/16-B3-1747	32	11	-	-
AZ 15/16-B6	25	11	38	11

### 3.3 Dimensions

All measurements in mm.



Front mounting



## 4 Electrical connection



4.1 General information for electrical connection



The electrical connection may only be carried out by authorised personnel in a de-energised condition.


The contact labelling can be found in the wiring compartment of the switch. Appropriate cable glands with a suitable degree of protection are to be used.

Settle length x of the conductor: 6 mm



After wiring, dust and soiling must be removed from the wiring compartment. The safety switch is double insulated. The use of a protective ground connector therefore is not authorised.

4.2 Contact Options

Contacts are shown with safety guard closed. All NC contacts have positive break .

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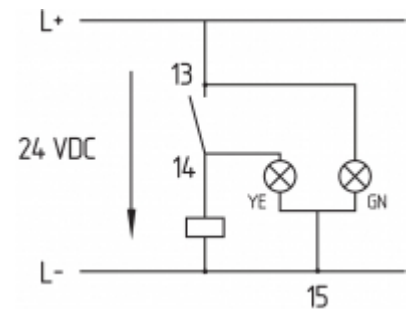
AZ 16-12ZV.K-ST



LED



LED



## Key



Automatic opener, NC contact



Normally-open contact



Normally-closed contact

## 5 Set-up and maintenance

The safety function of the safety components must be tested. In the case of correct installation and adequate use, the safety switchgear features maintenance-free functionality. A regular visual inspection and functional test, including the following steps, is recommended:

1. Check for free movement of the actuating element
2. Check cable entry and connections
3. Check the switch enclosure for damage
4. Remove particles of dust and soiling



Adequate measures must be taken to ensure protection against tampering either to prevent tampering of the safety guard, for instance by means of replacement actuators.



Damaged or defective components must be replaced.

## 6 Disassembly and disposal

### 6.1 Disassembly

The safety switchgear must be disassembled in a de-energised condition only.

### 6.2 Disposal



The safety switchgear must be disposed of in an appropriate manner in accordance with the national prescriptions and legislations.