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**1. About this document**

**1.1 Function**

This operating instructions manual provides all the information you need for the mounting, set-up and commissioning to ensure the safe operation and disassembly of the safety switchgear. The operating instructions must be available in a legible condition and a complete version in the vicinity of the device.

**1.2 Target group: authorised qualified personnel**

All operations described in this 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.

**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 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: [www.schmersal.net](http://www.schmersal.net).

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



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. The entire concept of the control system, in which the safety component is integrated, must be validated to EN ISO 13849-2.

There are no residual risks, provided that the safety instructions as well as the instructions regarding mounting, commissioning, operation and maintenance are observed.



### 4. Rear side Electrical connection

#### 4.1 General information for electrical connection



The electrical connection to the AS-i system may only be carried out by authorised personnel in a de-energised condition (refer to EN 50295).

#### Connection to the AS-Interface system

The connection to the AS-Interface system is realised through an M12 connector (ST) or an open connecting cable (L). For the different AS-i slaves, the following wiring configurations are available:

ST variant with (\*) or without semi-conductor output  
(Wiring to EN 50295):

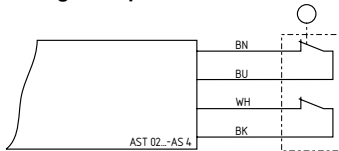
1:	AS-i +	
2:	Aux – (*)	
3:	AS-i –	
4:	Aux + (*)	

L variant with (\*) or without semi-conductor output  
(Wiring to EN 50295):

1:	BN (brown)	AS-i +
2:	White (WH)*	Aux –
3:	Blue (BU)	AS-i –
4:	Black (BK)*	Aux +

The supply voltage (stabilised PELV unit, IEC 364-4-41 with 24 VDC, +10/–15%) for the interlocking solenoids is externally supplied (Aux) for the AST .. ST-AS 6 or AST .. L-AS 6 variants. The switching output for the interlocking solenoid can be loaded with max. 0.5 A.

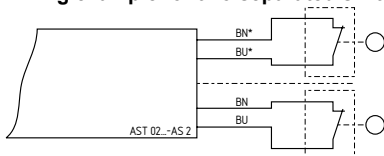
#### Wiring example for one switch



Module variants: AST .. ST/L-AS 4

Colour:	Description:
1: BN (brown)	NC/NO
2: Blue (BU)	NC/NO
3: White (WH)	NC contacts
4: BK (black)	NC contacts

#### Wiring example for two separated switches

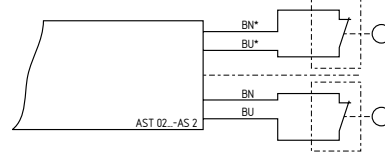


Module variants:

Colour:	Description:
1: BN (brown)	NC/NO*
2: Blue (BU)	NC/NO*
3: BN (brown)	NC contacts
4: Blue (BU)	NC contacts

\* Cable for NO contacts labelled "13-14"

#### Wiring example for a solenoid interlock



Module variants: AST .. ST/L-AS 6

Colour:	Description:
1: BN (brown)	NC/NO
2: Blue (BU)	NC/NO
3: WH (white)	NC contacts
4: BK (black)	NC contacts
5: Red (RD)	Solenoid (+) disabled
6: Grey (GY)	Solenoid GND

#### Wiring configuration switch (contacts & solenoid)

The safety components are connected through open connecting cables in different versions depending on the AST variant. The length of the cable between the AS-Tube and the components must be 5 metres at the most.

### 5. Configuration

#### 5.1 Programming the slave address

The slave address is programmed through the M12 connector (ST) or through the open connecting cable (L). Any address from 1 to 31 can be set by means of the AS-i bus master or a hand-held programming device.

#### 5.2 Configuration of the safety monitor

The AST module can be configured application-dependent in the ASM safety monitor. To this effect, the following monitoring devices are recommended: Double channel with positive break, double channel dependent with and without filtering, double channel independent as well as in addition to the monitoring device double channel conditionally dependent. Each of these safety-monitoring modules can be used in conjunction with the AS-Tube, anyhow with different behaviour of the safety monitor (refer to asimon software manual).



The configuration of the safety monitor must be tested and confirmed by a qualified and authorised safety expert/safety engineer.

#### 5.3 Cross-wire short diagnostic

In case of cross-wire short between the connecting cables of both contacts, a safety shutdown of the ASM safety monitor is performed. The fault is signaled to the user by a red LED flashing on the slave concerned (AST) and on the ASM. The error message is deleted after elimination of the cross-wire short and a manual reset using the "service button" on the ASM. The information regarding a "cross-wire short" in a slave (AST) can be read out in the AS-i master in the corresponding status registry, flag S1 (FID input).

#### 5.4 Semi-conductor output for the solenoid control

When door locking devices without integrated AS-i Safety at Work interface are used, the AST module additionally provides for the solenoid control in addition to the transmission of the safe switching signals. The solenoid is enabled or disabled through output bit A0 of the addressed AS-i slave AST, thus locking or unlocking the corresponding guard depending on the solenoid interlock variant. The solenoid control of the AST module is reverse polarity-proof as well as short circuit-proof.

### 5.5 Status signal "safety release"

The "safety release" status signal from a Safety at Work slave can be cyclically queried by the control system through the AS-i master. To that effect, the 4 input bits with the varying SaW code of a Safety at Work slave are evaluated through an OR operation with 4 inputs in the control system.



In order for the AS-Tube (AST) to function correctly, the parameter port must be set to the default value Fhex (1111) according to the AS-i specification. During the project planning with AS-Tube devices with connecting cable (L), please observe that the cable length of every individual AST module is included in the overall length of the AS-i network. For nonwired safe inputs, a bridge must be established. The contact inputs have a filter time of  $\geq 10$  ms. This could lead to a dropout delay of up to 24 ms.

## 6. Set-up and maintenance

### 6.1 Functional testing

The safety function of the AS-Tube (AST) connecting module must be tested. The following conditions must be previously checked and met:

1. Check for damages
2. Check the integrity of the cables and connections

### 6.2 Maintenance

A regular visual inspection and functional test, including the following steps, is recommended:

1. Check for damages
2. Remove particles of dust and soiling
3. Check the integrity of the cables and connections

**Damaged or defective components must be replaced.**

## 7. Disassembly and disposal

### 7.1 Disassembly

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

### 7.2 Disposal

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

8. EU Declaration of conformity

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We hereby certify that the hereafter described components both in their basic design and construction conform to the applicable European Directives.

**Name of the component:** AST ... AS

**Type:** See ordering code

**Description of the component:** Connecting module with two safe inputs and one optional output for non-safety-relevant functions with integrated AS-i Safety at Work interface.

**Relevant Directives:**  
Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC  
EMC-Directive 2014/30/EU  
RoHS-Directive 2011/65/EU

**Applied standards:** DIN EN 60947-5-1:2010,  
DIN EN ISO 13849-1:2016,  
IEC 61508 parts 1-7:2010

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