

Directional spool valves, direct operated, with solenoid actuation

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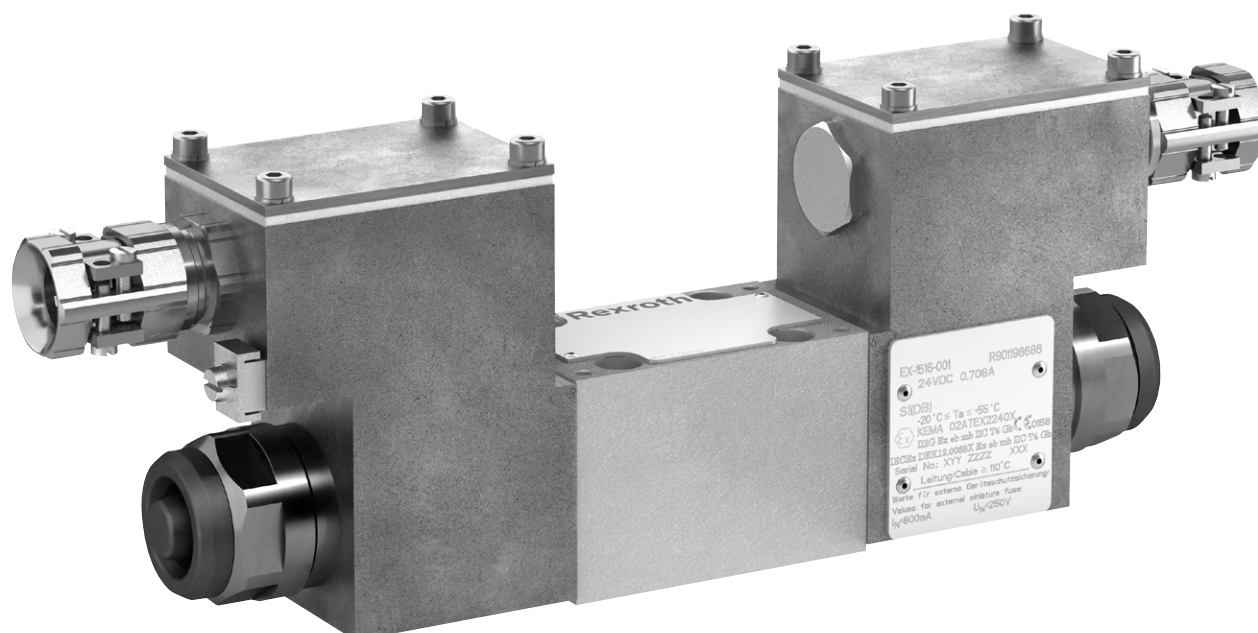
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The cover shows an example configuration. The product supplied may therefore differ from the figure shown.

The original operating instructions were prepared in German.

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1 About this documentation

1.1 Validity of the documentation

This documentation applies to the following products:

- WE6..6X/...XE...

This documentation is intended for assemblers, operators, service engineers, system end-users, machine and system manufacturers.

This documentation contains important information on the safe and proper assembly, transport, commissioning, operation, use, maintenance, disassembly and simple troubleshooting of the product.

- You should read this documentation thoroughly and in particular chapter 2 "Safety instructions" and chapter 3 "General information on damage to property and damage to product", before working with the product.



The documentation version with which the product was supplied is valid.

1.2 Required and amending documentation

- The product must not be commissioned until you have been provided with the documentation marked with the book symbol  and you have understood and observed it.

Table 1: Required and amending documentation

Title	Document number	Document type
 Directional spool valves, direct operated, with solenoid actuation	23178-XE	Data sheet
 General product information on hydraulic products	07008	Data sheet
Subplates	45100	Data sheet
Declaration of conformity WE6...6X/...XE...	Document	Refer to chapter 17

1.3 Representation of information

Uniform safety instructions, symbols, terms and abbreviations are used so that you can quickly and safely work with your product using this documentation. For a better understanding, they are explained in the following sections.

1.3.1 Safety instructions

In this documentation, safety instructions are included in chapter 2.6 "Product-specific safety instructions" and in chapter 3 "General information on damage to property and damage to product" and whenever a sequence of actions or instructions is explained which bears the danger of personal injury or damage to property. The hazard avoidance measures described must be observed.

Safety instructions are set out as follows:

 SIGNAL WORD
Type and source of danger! Consequences in case of non-compliance ▶ Hazard avoidance measures ▶ <Enumeration>

- **Warning sign:** Draws attention to the danger
- **Signal word:** Identifies the degree of danger
- **Type and source of danger:** Specifies the type and source of danger
- **Consequences:** Describes the consequences in case of non-compliance
- **Precaution:** Specifies how the danger can be prevented

Table 2: Risk classes according to ANSI Z535.6-2006

Warning sign, signal word	Meaning
 DANGER	Indicates a dangerous situation which will cause death or severe injury if not avoided.
 WARNING	Indicates a dangerous situation which may cause death or severe injury if not avoided.
 CAUTION	Indicates a dangerous situation which may cause minor or medium personal injury if not avoided.
NOTICE	Damage to property: The product or the environment could be damaged.

1.3.2 Symbols

The following symbols indicate notes which are not safety-relevant but increase the comprehensibility of the documentation.

Table 3: Meaning of the symbols

Symbol	Meaning
	If this information is not observed, the product cannot be used and/or operated optimally.
▶	Individual, independent action
1.	Numbered instruction:
2.	The numbers indicate that the actions must be carried out one after the other.
3.	

1.3.3 Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are used in this documentation:

Table 4: Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Meaning
ATEX	EU Directive for Explosion Protection (<i>Atmosphère explosible</i>)
EN	European Standard
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
RE	Rexroth document in English language
IP	Ingress protection class of electric operating equipment

Abbreviation	Meaning
A, B	Hydraulic connections (actuators)
T	Hydraulic connection (tank)
P	Hydraulic connection (pump)
ANSI	American National Standards Institute

2 Safety instructions

2.1 General information on this chapter

The product has been manufactured according to the generally accepted codes of practice. However, there is still the danger of personal injury and damage to property if you do not observe this chapter and the safety instructions in this documentation.

- ▶ Read this documentation completely and thoroughly before working with the product.
- ▶ Keep this documentation in a location where it is accessible to all users at all times.
- ▶ Always include the required documentation when you pass the product on to third parties.

2.2 Intended use

The product is a hydraulic component.

You may use the product as follows:

- as a direct operated directional spool valve with solenoid actuation for intended use in explosive atmospheres.

The product is only intended for professional use and not for private use.

Intended use includes having read and understood this documentation completely, especially chapter 2 "Safety instructions".

The valve is designed and constructed for the control of oil flows.

It complies with the requirements of the ATEX Directive 2014/34/EU.

You can find details about the device group, category, temperature class and equipment protection level (EPL) in accordance with ATEX Directive 2014/34/EU and the derived standards in "Data sheet 23178-XE" under "Information on explosion protection" and on the name plate of the valve.

The valve may only be operated in a technically perfect condition and used as described in these operating instructions. The connection conditions, application conditions and performance data defined in these operating instructions must not be changed.

If you intend to use the valve with other connection, application or performance data than those defined by Bosch Rexroth AG in these operating instructions, please contact Bosch Rexroth AG beforehand. The valve must not be used with other connection, application and performance data than those defined in these operating instructions without the written approval by Bosch Rexroth AG.

2.3 Improper use

Any use deviating from the intended use is improper and thus inadmissible.

The installation or use of inappropriate products in safety-relevant applications could result in unintended operating states when being used which in turn could cause personal injuries and/or damage to property. Therefore, please only use a product for safety-relevant applications if this use is expressly specified and permitted in the documentation of the product. For example, in explosion-protected areas or in safety-related control components (functional safety).

Improper use of the product includes:

- Faulty assembly
- Incorrect transport
- Lack of cleanliness during storage and assembly
- Incorrect installation
- Use of inappropriate/non-admissible hydraulic fluids
- Non-compliance with the specified performance limits

Changes and/or modifications to the valve are not admissible, refer to chapter 13 "Extension and modification".

Bosch Rexroth AG does not assume any liability for damage caused by improper use. The user assumes all risks involved with improper use.

2.4 Qualification of personnel

The activities described in this documentation require basic knowledge of mechanics, electrics, hydraulics, pneumatics as well as knowledge of the appropriate technical terms. For transporting and handling the product, additional knowledge of how to handle lifting gear and the necessary attachment devices is required. In order to ensure safe use, these activities may only be carried out by an expert in the respective field or an instructed person under the direction and supervision of an expert.

Experts are those who are able to recognize potential dangers and apply the appropriate safety measures due to their professional training, knowledge and experience, as well as their understanding of the relevant conditions pertaining to the work to be undertaken. An expert must observe the relevant specific professional rules and have the necessary expert knowledge.

For example, for hydraulic products, the term expert knowledge refers to the following:

- Reading and completely understanding hydraulic schemes,
- In particular, completely understanding the correlations regarding the safety equipment and
- Having knowledge of the function and set-up of hydraulic components.

Qualification of personnel for the installation and commissioning of valves in explosion-proof areas

Personnel shall be qualified as follows to the extent necessary to fulfill their tasks:

- Understanding of the general principles of explosion protection, protection classes and device identification
- Understanding of the corresponding aspects affecting the protection concept
- Understanding of the contents of certificates and relevant parts of this standard
- General understanding of the test, maintenance and repair requirements from IEC 60079-17
- Familiarity with the specific methods to be used for selection and construction of devices referenced in this standard
- Understanding of the additional importance of work authorization systems and safe electrical isolation with regards to the explosion protection



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2.5 General safety instructions

- Observe the valid regulations on accident prevention and environmental protection.
- Observe the safety regulations and provisions of the country in which the product is used/applied.
- Only use Bosch Rexroth products in a technically perfect condition.
- Observe all notes on the product.
- Persons assembling, operating, disassembling or maintaining Bosch Rexroth products must not be under the influence of alcohol, other drugs or medications influencing the ability to react.
- Only use original Bosch Rexroth accessories and spare parts in order to prevent any hazard to persons due to unsuitable spare parts.
- Comply with the technical data and environmental conditions specified in the product documentation.
- The installation or use of inappropriate products in safety-relevant applications could result in unintended operating states when being used which in turn could cause personal injuries and/or damage to property. Therefore, only use a product for safety-relevant applications if this use is expressly specified and permitted in the documentation of the product, e.g. in explosion protection zones or in safety-related parts of control systems (functional safety).
- Do not commission the product until you can be sure that the end product (for example a machine or system) in which the Bosch Rexroth products are installed complies with the country-specific provisions, safety regulations and standards of the application.

2.6 Product-specific safety instructions

The following safety instructions apply to chapters 6 to 14.



WARNING

Explosion hazard due to ignitable atmosphere during all work on the valve!

During all work on the valve (assembly, disassembly etc.), an explosive atmosphere must be avoided! Otherwise, an ignition may be triggered which may lead to an explosion.

- ▶ Before working with the valve, ensure that no explosive atmosphere can occur during the work.

Easily inflammable liquid!

In connection with an explosive atmosphere or other heat sources, the use of fluids (e.g. hydraulic fluid, coolants etc.) may lead to explosions.

- ▶ Only use the valve in the intended explosion protection area.
- ▶ The ignition temperature of the liquid used must be 50 K higher than the maximum surface temperature.

Exceeding the maximum temperatures!

The use of the valve outside the approved temperature ranges may lead to functional failures like overheating of the solenoid coil. Explosion protection is therefore no longer ensured.

- ▶ Only use the valve within the intended environmental and hydraulic fluid temperature range.

Hot surface at the valve!

Risk of burning!

- ▶ Provide for a suitable touch guard.
- ▶ During operation, only touch the valve using heat-protective gloves. Allow the valve to cool down to room temperature before touching it directly with your hands during maintenance work.

Pressurized system parts and leaking hydraulic fluid!

When working at hydraulic systems with stored energy (accumulator or cylinders working under gravity), valves may even be pressurized after switching off the pressure supply. During assembly and disassembly works, the valve or parts may be ejected and cause personal injury and/or damage to property. Furthermore, there is the danger of severe injury caused by a powerful leaking hydraulic fluid jet.

- ▶ Ensure before working at the hydraulic product that the hydraulic system is depressurized and the electrical control de-energized.
- ▶ Completely depressurize machines and systems before working at the valve.



WARNING

Non-compliance with functional safety!

The valve controls movements in machines or systems. In case of mechanical and electric faults, e.g. failure of the energy supply, persons may be caught by the system, kicked away or bruised.

- ▶ During set-up of your circuit, observe functional safety e.g. according to EN ISO 13849.

Penetrating water and humidity!

In case of use in humid or wet environments, water or humidity may penetrate electrical connections or the valve electronics. This may cause malfunctions at the valve and unexpected movements in the hydraulic system, which may result in personal injury and damage to property.

- ▶ Only use the valve within the intended IP protection class or lower.
- ▶ Before the assembly, ensure that all seals and caps of the plug-in connections are tight and intact.



CAUTION

Contaminated hydraulic fluid!

Contamination in the hydraulic fluid may cause functional failures e.g. jamming or blocking of nozzles of the valve. In the worst case, this may result in unexpected system movements and thus constitute a risk of injury for persons.

- ▶ Ensure an adequate hydraulic fluid cleanliness according to the details in the data sheet over the entire operating range.

Leakage in case of incorrect working temperatures!

Use of the valve outside the approved temperature range may lead to permanent leakage at the valves. Thus, hydraulic fluid in the form of a leaking hydraulic fluid jet may injure persons, lead to damage to property and endanger the environment.

- ▶ Only use the valve within the intended environmental and hydraulic fluid temperature range.
- ▶ In case of leakage, immediately exchange damaged seal rings or the valve.

Corrosion!

The valve described has surface protection (see "*Data sheet 23178-XE*"). Use of the valve in humid environments still holds the danger of corrosion on the valve and on the valve mounting screws and thus a reduction of the preload force of the screw connection. To prevent the valve from becoming loose and causing a risk of injury:

- ▶ Exchange the valves with corrosion damage as soon as possible.
- ▶ Check the surface protection on the valve and the valve mounting screws at regular intervals.



Contact with salt water leads to increased corrosion on the valve. This can lead to chemical corrosion of individual components of the valve.
Therefore, take suitable corrosion protection measures.

2.7 Notes on the valve use

- ▶ The valve must always be filled with hydraulic fluid.
- ▶ To ensure proper functioning, the valve must be vented.

2.8 Personal protective equipment

The machine end-user must provide the personal protective equipment (such as gloves, working shoes, safety goggles, working clothes, etc...).

2.9 Obligations of the machine end-user

The machine end-user is obligated to check in the order confirmation whether the delivered valve corresponds to the required category and associated zone or equipment protection level.

The machine end-user of the Bosch Rexroth valve is responsible that

- the valve is only being used according to the intended use as defined in these operating instructions.
- the valve is only stored, operated and maintained according to the technical data, operating and environmental conditions indicated in "*Data sheet 23178-XE*", in particular that the limit values indicated in "*Data sheet 23178-XE*" are not exceeded.
- the applicable provisions, rules and directives on explosion protection are being complied with.
- the operating personnel are instructed at regular intervals.
- a danger zone is marked, if required.
- the safety measures for the specific area of application of the valve are complied with.

3 General information on damage to property and damage to product

The warranty only applies to the delivered configuration.

- The claim to warranty expires if the product is assembled, commissioned and operated incorrectly, not used as intended and/or handled improperly.
- The following safety instructions apply to chapters 6 to 14.

NOTICE

Inadmissible mechanical load!

Impact or shock forces on the valve may damage or even destroy it.

- ▶ Never use the valve as handle or step. Do not place/put any objects on top of it.

Dirt and foreign particles in the valve!

Penetrating dirt and foreign particles in the valve lead to wear and malfunctions. The safe function of the valve can no longer be ensured.

- ▶ During installation, ensure utmost cleanliness in order to prevent foreign particles, such as welding beads or metal chips, from getting into the hydraulic lines.
- ▶ Before commissioning, ensure that all hydraulic connections are tight and that all seals and caps of the plug-in connections are correctly installed and undamaged.
- ▶ Do not use linting fabric for cleaning.
- ▶ Ensure that no cleaning agents are able to penetrate the hydraulic system.

Environmentally harmful hydraulic fluid!

Leaking hydraulic fluid leads to environmental pollution.

- ▶ Immediately remedy possible leakage.
- ▶ Dispose of the hydraulic fluid in accordance with the currently applicable national regulations in your country.

4 Scope of delivery

The scope of delivery includes:

- Directional spool valve, direct operated, with solenoid actuation type WE6..6X/...XE...
 - Product documentation (operating instructions with declaration of conformity and data sheet)
- Check the scope of delivery for completeness.
- Check the scope of delivery for possible transport damage, see chapter 6 "Transport and storage".



In case of complaints, please contact Bosch Rexroth AG, see chapter 16.1 "List of addresses".

Accessories such as valve subplates and valve mounting screws are not included in the scope of delivery and must be ordered separately. See chapter 7.6 "Required accessories".

5 Product information



For information on the performance and product description please refer to "*Data sheet 23178-XE*" of your valve.

5.1 Product identification

The meaning of the information on the name plate can be obtained from the correspondingly numbered fields of the following table.

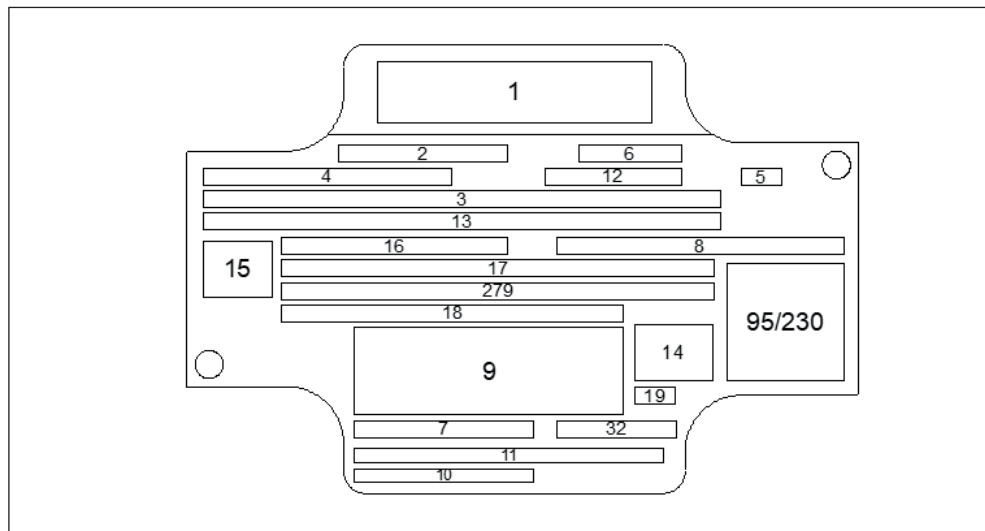


Fig. 1: Name plate of the valve

Table 5: Information on the name plate

No.	Type of information
1	Manufacturer's logo
2	Material no. of the valve
3	Type designation valve
4	Serial number of the valve
5	Manufacturer's factory number
6	Date of manufacture (year and week)
7	Maximum operating pressure
8	Ambient temperature range
9	Hydraulic symbol according to ISO 1219
10	Designation of origin
11	Name and address of the manufacturer
12	Customer's or production order number
13	Customer material number or additional information
14	CE mark
15	Explosion protection mark
16	Mark - according to ATEX Directive 2014/34/EU - for the type of protection of the mechanical part according to EN 80079-36
17	Mark - according to ATEX Directive 2014/34/EU - for the type of protection of the mechanical part according to EN 80079-36
230	Bosch Rexroth QR code

The meaning of the information on the name plate of the solenoid coil can be obtained from the correspondingly numbered fields of the following table.

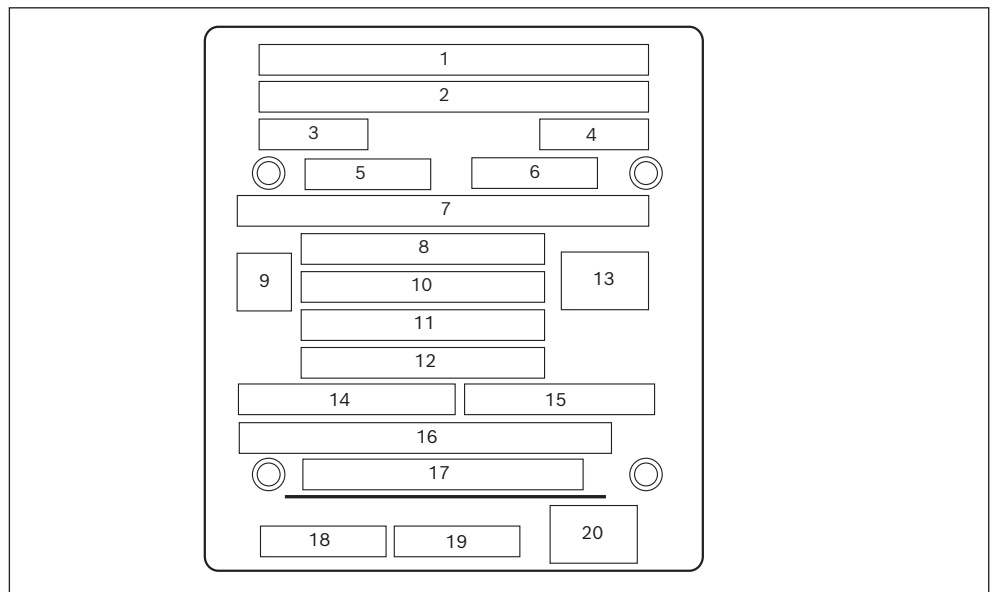


Fig. 2: Name plate solenoid coil

Table 6: Information on the name plate

No.	Type of information
1	Name / logo of the solenoid coil manufacturer
2	Address of the solenoid coil manufacturer
3	Internal identification number
4	Customer material number
5	Nominal voltage
6	Rated current
7	Electrical characteristic values: Duty cycle according to IEC 34-1 (VDE 0580) and frequency
8	Admissible ambient temperature range for the solenoid coil ¹⁾
9	Explosion protection mark
10	Type examination certificate number
11	Mark according to ATEX directive 2014/34/EU and for the type of protection according to EN 60079-7 or EN 60079-18
12	Mark according to ATEX directive 2014/34/EU and for the type of protection according to EN 60079-31
13	CE mark and identification number of the notified body
14	IECEx Certificate of Conformity
15	Ex marking according to EN IECEx
16	Serial number of the solenoid coil and date of production
17	Application note
18	Rated current for external miniature fuse
19	Rated voltage for external miniature fuse
20	Data matrix code of the solenoid coil manufacturer

¹⁾ Depending on valve sizes and the configuration of the solenoid coils, higher ambient temperatures of up to 70 °C are admissible. Also observe the "Special conditions for safe use" in "Data sheet 23178-XE".

5.1.1 Explosion protection marking

Zones, device groups and categories

The user/machine end-user has to classify potentially explosive atmospheres according to EU directive 1999/92/EC into zones. In the following table, the corresponding zones for device groups and categories are shown. The valve may only be used in the areas and zones which correspond to the device group and category. During use, also observe the other information on explosion protection in "Data sheet 23178-XE".

Table 7: Device groups and categories

Device group according to 2014/34/EU	Category according to 2014/34/EU	Area of application, properties (excerpt from the directives)	Usable in zone according to 1999/92/EC
I	M1	Firedamp areas (= device group I), i.e. underground parts of mines and their overground systems. In case of an explosive atmosphere, further operation is possible. Very high safety level.	-
I	M2	Firedamp areas (= device group I), i.e. underground parts of mines and their overground systems. In case of an explosive atmosphere, it must be possible to deactivate the device. High safety level.	-
II	1G	Potentially explosive atmospheres in which explosive gases, mists or vapors (= device group II) occur permanently or for a long time or frequently. Corresponds to zone 0 according to Directive 1999/92/EC. Very high safety level.	0, 1, 2
II	2G	Potentially explosive atmospheres where explosive gases, mists or vapors (= device group II) are occasionally present. Corresponds to zone 1 according to Directive 1999/92/EC. High safety level.	1, 2
II	3G	Potentially explosive atmospheres in which explosive gases, mists or vapors (= device group II) do not normally occur or only rarely or for a short time. Corresponds to zone 2 according to Directive 1999/92/EC. Normal safety level.	2
II	1D	Potentially explosive atmospheres where explosive dust/air mixtures (= device group II) are continually, long-term or often present. Corresponds to zone 20 according to Directive 1999/92/EC. Very high safety level.	20, 21, 22
II	2D	Potentially explosive atmospheres where explosive dust/air mixtures (= device group II) are occasionally present. Corresponds to zone 21 according to Directive 1999/92/EC. High safety level.	21, 22
II	3D	Potentially explosive atmospheres where an explosive atmosphere due to stirred dust (= device group II) is normally not present or occurs only rarely or short-time. Corresponds to zone 22 according to Directive 1999/92/EC. Normal safety level.	22

6 Transport and storage

6.1 Transporting the valve

CAUTION

Danger of damage to property and personal injuries!

With improper transport, the valve can fall and lead to damage and/or injuries since the parts are e.g. sharp-edged, oily, instable, loose or bulky.

- ▶ Use the original packaging for transport.
- ▶ Use personal protective equipment (such as gloves, working shoes, safety goggles, working clothes, etc.)
- ▶ Comply with the national laws and regulations regarding occupational health and safety and transport.
- ▶ Do not transport the valve using components with low stability, e.g. valve solenoids, connectors or cables.

Sharp edges!

Danger of cut injuries!

- ▶ Wear suitable protective equipment for the transport of the valve.



Further information regarding transport is available from Bosch Rexroth, see chapter 16.1 "List of addresses".



Report any transport damage to your responsible sales contact person within one week. The addresses of the sales subsidiaries can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.boschrexroth.com/adressen>

6.2 Storing the hydraulic valve

Valves are delivered in a perfect state.



For transportation and storage of the product, always observe the environmental conditions specified in "Data sheet 23178-XE". Improper storage may damage the valve.

Valves can be stored for up to 12 months under the following conditions:

- ▶ Observe the storage temperature range indicated in "*Data sheet 23178-XE*".
- ▶ The relative air humidity must not exceed 65%.
- ▶ The storage rooms must provide 100 % UV protection.
- ▶ No ozone formation may occur near the storage facility.
- ▶ The storage facilities must be free from etching substances and gases.
- ▶ Do not store the valve outdoors but in a well-ventilated room.
- ▶ Protect the valve against humidity, particularly ground humidity. Store the valve on a shelf or on a pallet.
- ▶ Store the valve protected against impacts and sliding and do not stack it.
- ▶ Store the valve in the original packaging or comparable packaging in order to protect it from dust and dirt.
- ▶ All connections at the valve must be closed with cap elements.
- ▶ After opening the transport packaging, it must be closed properly again for storage. Use the original packaging for storage.

Procedure after the expiration of the maximum storage time of 12 months



1. Check the complete valve for damage and corrosion prior to installation.
2. In a test run, check the valve for correct function and leak-tightness.

After expiry of the maximum storage time, we recommend having the valve checked by the Bosch Rexroth service department responsible for you. In case of questions regarding spare parts, please contact the Bosch Rexroth service responsible for your valve, see chapter 10.6 "Spare parts".

Following disassembly

If a dismantled valve is to be stored, it has to be preserved for protection against corrosion for the duration of storage.

Bosch Rexroth recommends you proceed as follows:

1. Clean the valve; refer to chapter 10.1 "Cleaning and care".
 2. Close all connections so that they are airtight.
 3. Pack the valve with a desiccant air-tightly in corrosion protection film.
 4. Store the valve protected against shocks.
- ▶ In each case, please observe any applicable provisions and laws regarding the handling of substances hazardous to water or to health.

7 Assembly

CAUTION

High pressure!

Risk of injury due to parts shooting out during works at hydraulic accumulators which have not been unloaded.

- ▶ Only work on the valve after the system has been depressurized.
- ▶ Unload accumulators which may have been mounted at the system.
- ▶ Check the system with test pressure according to ISO 4413.
- ▶ Assembly and commissioning may only be carried out by specialists.

7.1 Unpacking

CAUTION

Falling parts!

Risk of injury! If the packaging is opened improperly, parts may fall out and cause injuries or damage of the parts.

- ▶ Put the packaging on level, bearing ground.
- ▶ Only open the packaging from the top.

- ▶ Dispose of the packaging in accordance with the national regulations of your country.

7.2 Changes to the surface protection of the valve

WARNING

Explosion hazard due to modifications on the valve!

In the event of changes to the surface protection of the valve, the following points must be observed:

- ▶ The valve solenoid must not be painted or otherwise coated with non-conductive substances. This leads to a loss of the explosion protection.
- ▶ Painting of the valve housing may only be applied according to the provisions of EN 80079-36, section 6.7; otherwise, explosion protection can no longer be ensured.

7.3 Installation conditions

- ▶ For installing the product, always observe the environmental conditions specified in "Data sheet 23178-XE".
- ▶ It is imperative to ensure absolute cleanliness. The valve must be protected from dirt during installation. Contamination of the hydraulic fluid may considerably reduce the life cycle of the valve.
- ▶ Observe the installation position specified in "Data sheet 23178-XE".

7.3.1 Requirements on the valve subplate



WARNING

Explosion hazard caused by overheating!

Non-compliance with the requirements for the valve subplate will void the explosion protection.

- ▶ Observe the prescribed minimum distance when assembling several valves to a valve battery.
- ▶ Observe the prescribed minimum size and minimum thermal conductivity of the valve connection surface.



Recommended subplates, see chapter 7.6 "Required accessories".

7.4 Prior to assembly



WARNING

Explosion hazard due to wrong area of application!

A valve which is not approved for the area of application may cause an explosion!

- ▶ Check whether all the explosion protection marks on the name plate of the valve comply with the information in these operating instructions.
 - ▶ Please check if you have the right valve type by means of the type designation on the name plate of the valve.
 - ▶ Make sure that the zone and the temperature class correspond to the area of application of the valve.
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- ▶ Check the scope of delivery for completeness and possible transport damage.
 - ▶ Also observe the safety instructions in chapter 2.6 "Product-specific safety instructions".
 - ▶ Transport protection elements (e.g. cover plates, protective plugs) must be removed prior to use in an explosive atmosphere.

7.5 Required tools

Assembly of the valve only requires standard tools.

7.6 Required accessories

The following accessories are recommended for the connection of the valve. These accessories are not included in the scope of delivery and can be ordered separately from Bosch Rexroth:

Valve mounting screws

Table 8: Valve mounting screws

Type	Quantity	Friction coefficient according to VDA 235-101	Material number
Hexagon socket head cap screw ISO 4762-M5x50-10.9 (corrosion-protected)	4	0.09...0.14	R913043758

Subplates



Subplates with dimensions for valves with porting pattern according to ISO 4401 are listed in the "Data sheet 45100".

Ordering address for accessories and valves

The address of our responsible sales organizations can be found on the Intranet at www.boschrexroth.com and in appendix 16.1 "List of addresses".

7.7 Assembling the valve

7.7.1 Installing the valve in the system



WARNING

Faulty installation of plug screws and lines!

Improperly fastened plug screws and lines may become loose during subsequent operation and may be ejected due to the pressure. This may cause severe injuries!

- ▶ Only pressurize your system after all plug screws and lines have been completely and properly mounted according to the specification.

Faulty mounting!

Mounting of the valve with valve mounting screws of reduced stability, insufficient mounting or fastening at blocks and plates with insufficient stability may lead to the valve becoming loose and falling down. Consequently, hydraulic fluid may leak and lead to personal injuries and/or damage to property. Particular caution applies to valves with suspended installation.

- ▶ Completely assemble the valve according to the assembly specifications by means of suitable assembly aids.
- ▶ Only assemble the valve at blocks or plates suitable for the weight of the valve.
- ▶ Observe the tightening torques, screw stability and the minimum length of the valve mounting screws.



CAUTION

Insufficient installation space!

Insufficient installation space may lead to jamming or abrasions in case of actuation and adjustment work at the valve.

- ▶ Provide for sufficient installation space.
- ▶ Ensure that actuation, adjustment elements and plug-in connectors are easily accessible.

Leaking hydraulic fluid!

Hydraulic fluid may leak during assembly and disassembly of the valve. This might cause persons to slip or fall.

- ▶ Do not remove the protective caps of the valve until assembly.
- ▶ After disassembly, seal the hydraulic fluid bores with suitable cap elements.
- ▶ Immediately remove hydraulic fluid that has leaked out.

NOTICE

Wear, tear and malfunctions!

The cleanliness of the hydraulic fluid has a considerable impact on the cleanliness and life cycle of the valve. Any contamination of the hydraulic fluid will result in wear and malfunctions. Particularly foreign particles may damage the valve.

- ▶ Always ensure absolute cleanliness.
- ▶ Install the valve in a clean condition.
- ▶ Make sure that all connections, hydraulic lines and attachment parts are clean.
- ▶ Ensure that no cleaning agents are able to penetrate the hydraulic system.
- ▶ Only use seal kits as listed in chapter 10.6 "Spare parts".

1. Before any assembly and disassembly work starts, the environment must be cleaned so that no dirt can get into the oil circuit. Only fiber-free cloth or special paper may be used for cleaning.
2. Remove existing preservative agent.
3. Check the valve contact surface for the required surface quality (see "*Data sheet 23178-XE*"). Remove the protective plate from the valve and keep it safe for returns in case any repairs become necessary later.
4. Dry the valve connection surface using suitable cleaning materials.
5. Check the seal rings at the valve connection surface for completeness. Other sealants are not admissible.
6. Check whether at the subplate, the pressure connecting line is connected to P and the return line to T.



Swapping P and T may cause damage at the valve when pressurized.

7. Place the valve on the contact surface.



Only use valve mounting screws with the thread diameters, screw lengths and strength properties listed in chapter 10.6 "Spare parts"!

Always fasten the valve with all 4 valve mounting screws, otherwise leak-tightness is not guaranteed.

8. When using the subplates mentioned under 7.6 "Required accessories" or in case of assembly on comparable cast iron installation surfaces, tighten all four valve mounting screws with a tightening torque of $7 \text{ Nm} \pm 0.7 \text{ Nm}$ (with a friction coefficient of $\mu_{\text{total}} = 0.09 \dots 0.14$). This tightening torque refers to the maximum admissible operating pressure.



If the valve is to be used at a reduced maximum pressure and in this connection is to be mounted on connection surfaces made of a different material, it might be necessary to use a lower tightening torque in order to exclude any damage.

7.7.2 Hydraulic connection of the valve



CAUTION

Damage to the valve!

During operation, hydraulic lines and hoses installed under mechanical stress create additional mechanical forces, which reduces the life cycle of the valve and the complete machine or system.

- Assemble lines and hoses without stress.

1. Depressurize the relevant system part.
2. Establish all connections observing the operating instructions of the system.
3. Make sure that pipes and/or hoses are connected to all ports and/or that the ports are closed with plug screws.
4. Carry out a special check to make sure that the cap nuts and flanges are correctly tightened at the pipe fittings and flanges.



Mark all checked fittings, e.g. using a permanent marker.

5. Make sure that all pipes and hose lines and every combination of connection pieces, couplings or connection points with hoses or pipes are checked for their operational safety by a person with appropriate knowledge and experience.

7.7.3 Establishing the electrical connection

WARNING

High electrical voltage!

Danger to life, risk of injury caused by electric shock due to incorrect connection and faulty pin assignment.

- ▶ The valve may only be connected by or under the supervision of a specialized electrician.
- ▶ De-energize the system before the assembly, pulling and connecting plug-in connectors and all other installation works. Secure the electrical equipment against restarting.
- ▶ Provide for proper, safe connection for protective grounding conductor.
- ▶ Before switching on the device, check whether the protective grounding conductors at all electric devices are firmly connected according to the connection diagram.
- ▶ Close the terminal box according to the guidelines in these operating instructions.

Explosion hazard due to missing equipotential bonding!

Electrostatic processes, an incorrect grounding concept or a lack of equipotential bonding may lead to an explosion. Apart from this, malfunctions or uncontrolled movements at the machine may be caused!

- ▶ Provide for correct grounding and provide for proper equipotential bonding.
- ▶ The base plate or subplate on which the valve is fitted must be electrically conductive and included in the equipotential bonding according to EN 60079-14 and IEC 60364-4-41.

Explosion hazard caused by overheating!

An incorrectly dimensioned fuse protection may lead to overheating and thus cause an explosion!

- ▶ A fuse which corresponds to the rated current according to DIN 41571 and EN / IEC 60127 has to be connected upstream of every solenoid coil (max. $3 \times I_{rated}$). The shut-off threshold of the fuse has to match the prospective short-circuit current of the supply source.
- ▶ The prospective short-circuit current of the supply source may amount to a maximum of 1500 A.
- ▶ This fuse may only be installed outside the potentially explosive atmosphere or must be of an explosion-proof design.

Explosion hazard caused by improper assembly!

No precautions are taken for safe connection of the shielding or sheathing in the terminal box of the solenoid coil and on the cable and line entry. The use of connection lines with shielding or sheathing can lead to potential backfeeding and is thus an explosion hazard!

- ▶ Only use connection lines without shielding or sheathing.



For information on the prescribed pre-fuse, refer to "Data sheet 23178-XE".

! CAUTION

Danger of damage to property and personal injuries!

Faulty energy supply may lead to uncontrolled valve movements. These could result in possible malfunctions or failure of the valve and cause injuries.

- ▶ Only use a power supply unit with safe separation.
- ▶ Always observe country-specific regulations.

Danger of short circuit caused by missing seals and caps!

Fluids may enter the valve and cause a short-circuit.

- ▶ Before commissioning, ensure that all seals and caps of the plug-in connections are leak-proof.

- ▶ Only the cable and line entry included in the scope of delivery and the installed blind plug may be used.
- ▶ When selecting the connection line, please observe the requirements regarding the temperature rating and/or avoid contact of the connection line with the surface of the solenoid coil. For selection and installation, observe the requirements of EN 60079-14.
- ▶ Ensure that there are no bends in the connection line and braided wires to avoid short-circuits and interruptions.
- ▶ Only assemble the cable and line entries according to the assembly instructions. Before assembly, check whether the individual components of the cable and line entry are complete and that the sealing elements are undamaged.
- ▶ The sealing elements of the cable and line entry are only intended for single use.
- ▶ Only use finely stranded conductors if they have pressed-on wire end ferrules.
- ▶ Use only lines which satisfy the requirements for the terminal areas of the connection terminals and the cable and line entries, see "*Data sheet 23178-XE*".
- ▶ During the assembly, ensure leak-tightness between cable and line entry and terminal box. Route the connection line in a strain-relieved form. The first mounting point must be within 15 cm of the cable and line entry.



The connection of the solenoid coil is polarity-independent. Solenoid coils for connection to alternating voltage have a bridge rectifier which is integrated into the solenoid coil.

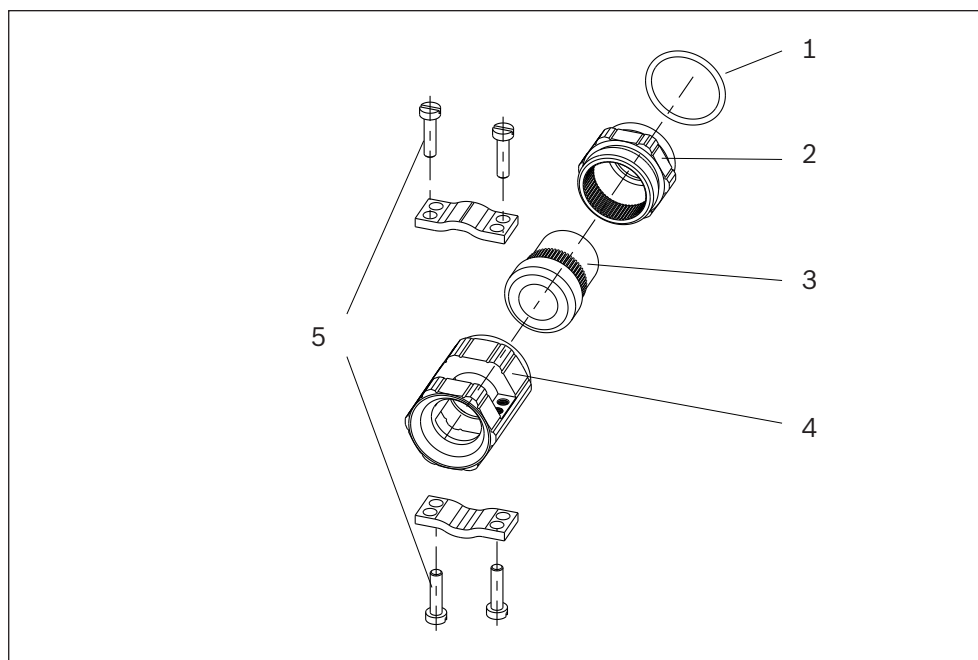


Fig. 3: Cable and line entry

- 1 O-ring
- 2 Double nipple
- 3 Seal insert
- 4 Pressure nut (with clamping collar)
- 5 Clamping screws of the strain relief



In the state as delivered, the cable and line entry is already screwed in the terminal box of the valve.

1. De-energize and depressurize the relevant system part.
2. Open the terminal box (internal hexagon, wrench size 3)
3. Remove the outer sheath of the connection line and the insulation of the individual conductors. Press the wire end ferrules to the individual conductors.



For the stripping lengths, refer to Fig. 4 and Table 9.

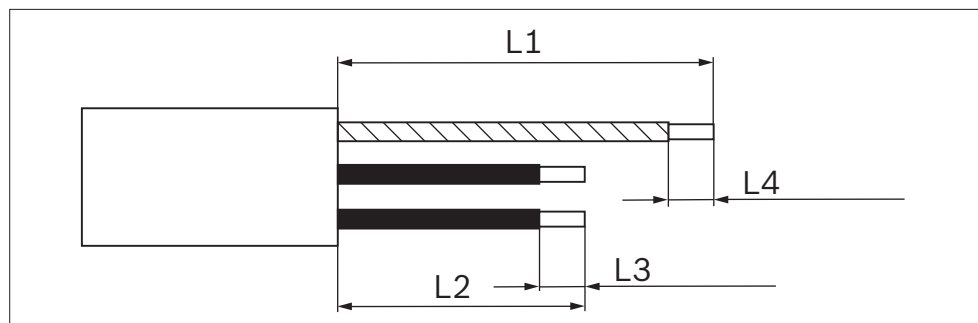


Fig. 4: Stripping lengths

- L1** Stripping length of the cable sheath and simultaneously resulting length of the individual conductor for the connection of the protective grounding conductor
- L2** Length of the individual conductors of the voltage supply
- L3** Stripping length of the insulation of the individual conductor for the attachment of the wire end ferrules
- L4** Stripping length of the individual conductor for protective equipotential bonding (internal)

Table 9: Stripping lengths

Cable and line entry position	Length L1 [mm]	Length L2 [mm]	Length L3 [mm]	Length L4 [mm]
Manual override side	≥ 44	24	5 +1	5.5 ±0.5
Valve housing side	≥ 84	64	5 +1	5.5 ±0.5

4. Disassemble the screw-in bushing and the clamping screws of the strain relief.
5. Ensure that the seal insert is sitting correctly in the double nipple.
6. Assemble the pressure nut (with clamping collar) **(4)** to the connection line and insert it through the seal insert **(3)** and the double nipple **(2)** in the terminal box.



The outer sheath of the connection line must lie in the sealing insert **(3)**. Otherwise, explosion protection and the IP protection are no longer ensured.

7. Screw the pressure nut (with clamping collar) **(4)** to the double nipple **(2)** and tighten it securely, applying a torque of 10...12 Nm (hexagon nut, wrench size 22). When tightening the pressure nut (with clamping collar) **(4)**, the solenoid coil must be supported in an appropriate manner or held up at the double nipple **(2)** using an open-end wrench (wrench size 22).
8. Securely tighten the clamping screws of the strain relief **(5)**. The required tightening torque depends on the line diameter.
9. Guide the individual conductor into the connection terminal and screw this into place with the clamping screws.
Tightening torques for the clamping screws:

Table 10: Tightening torques

Operating voltage connection	0.4...0.5 Nm
Connection for protective grounding conductor	1.0...1.2 Nm
Connection for potential equalization conductor	2.0...2.4 Nm

10. Assemble the cover with the sealing device underneath.
Tighten the mounting screws with their spring washers diagonally, one after the other.
Tightening torque of the cover screws: 1...1.1 Nm.

Assembling the cable and line entry on the opposite side of the terminal box

1. Dismount the solenoid coil (see chapter 7.7.4 "Rotating the solenoid coil by ± 90°").
2. Remove the blind plug (hexagon, wrench size 22).
3. Remove the cable and line entry. To do this, unscrew the cable and line entry from the double nipple **(2)**. Make sure not to lose the O-ring **(1)** between housing and double nipple.

4. Assemble the cable and line entry at the opposite side of the terminal box.
Tightening torque of the double nipple **(2)**: 10..12 Nm
5. Assemble the blind plug. Tightening torque of the blind plug 7...9 Nm
6. Assemble the solenoid coil (see chapter 7.7.4 "Rotating the solenoid coil by $\pm 90^\circ$ ").

7.7.4 Rotating the solenoid coil by $\pm 90^\circ$



WARNING

Explosion hazard caused by improper assembly!

Improper assembly will result in the loss of the explosion protection!

- ▶ Strictly observe the following modification instructions for rotating the solenoid coil.
- ▶ When turning the solenoid coil, make sure that it does not project over the valve connection surface.
- ▶ Make sure that the solenoid coil moves freely and does under no circumstance rest on the base plate.
- ▶ A gap between the valve housing and the solenoid coil is not admissible.
- ▶ Ensure that every solenoid coil is re-assigned to the original valve.
- ▶ After the rotation of the solenoid coil, the coil pin must engage in the bore of the valve housing.

Solenoid coils can be assembled in staggered assembly around the pole tube, i.e. the longitudinal axis of the valve, displaced by $\pm 90^\circ$.



The pole tube of the valve solenoid is completely sealed towards the oil circuit. The solenoid coil can therefore still be twisted if the valve has already been installed.

1. Detach the mounting nut of the valve solenoid at the pole tube (hexagon nut, wrench size 32).
2. Remove the solenoid coil and the O-ring from the valve and rotate it by 90° in the desired direction.
3. Re-attach the solenoid coil in the desired position. After the rotation of the solenoid coil, the coil pin must engage in the bore of the valve housing.
4. Assemble the O-ring onto the pole tube and slide it forward up to the solenoid coil.
5. Re-tighten the mounting nut of the valve solenoid (hexagon nut, wrench size 32, tightening torque 4 + 1 Nm). Afterwards, there must be no visible gap between the solenoid coil and the valve housing.

8 Commissioning



WARNING

Faulty assembly!

If the valve is not correctly mounted, persons might be injured and the valve or system could be damaged when commissioning the valve.

- ▶ Only commission your system after all hydraulic connections and the valve have been completely and properly mounted according to the specifications.
- ▶ Look out for defective sealing points and exchange defective seal rings immediately.
- ▶ Wear personal protective equipment during the initial commissioning.
- ▶ The solenoid coil may only be commissioned if mounted to the valve including pole tube and mounting nut and if the protective grounding conductor and the connection for potential equalization conductor are connected.

Inadmissibly high operating pressure!

In hydraulic applications with different area ratios, the hydraulic pressure is fortified and may - in case of incorrect design - lead to exceedance of the maximum admissible operating pressure. Thus, the valve may burst or the closing elements may be ejected and cause personal injury.

- ▶ Before commissioning the hydraulic system, ensure that the maximum admissible pressure of the valve in the system is not exceeded by any means.
- ▶ Ensure that in your system, the maximum admissible operating pressure is secured by means of a pressure limitation element.

Damage to persons and property!

Commissioning the valve requires basic hydraulic and electrical knowledge.

- ▶ Only qualified personnel (see chapter 2.4 "Qualification of personnel") is authorized to commission the valve.

NOTICE

Risk of short-circuit!

Condensed water can build up in the terminal box and cause a short-circuit!

- ▶ Allow the valve to acclimatize for a few hours prior to commissioning as the electronics might be damaged by the generation of condensed water.

In order to commission the valve, proceed as described in the sections below:

Checking the connection line

The following applies to all valves irrespective of the type of connection:

- ▶ The connection line must be checked for proper condition by or under the guidance and supervision of a specialized electrician before the initial commissioning or any re-commissioning.
- ▶ Replace damaged connection lines.

Checking electrical connections

- ▶ Check the inside of the terminal box for corrosion. Do not install the valve if you find any visible corrosion.
- ▶ Electrical connections in the terminal box must be checked for proper condition by or under the guidance and supervision of a specialized electrician before the initial commissioning or any re-commissioning.
- ▶ Seals are subject to a natural process of aging and, for this reason, are to be checked for damage every time the terminal box is opened and replaced if required.

Bleeding the hydraulic system



Observe the operating instructions of the device and/or system into which the valve is installed.

- ▶ Before the actual operation, switch the valve several times with reduced pressure (50 % operating pressure). This will press out any remaining air from the valve. Thus, mechanical damage caused by inadmissibly high acceleration of the fluid and the valve control spool is avoided and the life cycle of the valve is extended.



Do not switch the valve under operating pressure as this may cause damage.

- ▶ You can also achieve the switching movement of the valve control spool necessary for the bleeding procedure by manual actuation of the manual override, see chapter 9.2 "Operating the manual override (only relevant for type .WE6.6X/.NXE...)".

Performing a leak test

- ▶ Ensure that no hydraulic fluid leaks at the valve and the connections during operation.
- ▶ Check for internal leakage. The check must be carried out according to the possibilities present at the hydraulic system.



Internal leakage can be valve-specific but does not necessarily affect the functionality of the valve.

9 Operation

9.1 General information



WARNING

Explosion hazard caused by overheating!

Loss of explosion protection due to overheating.

- ▶ In case of valves with two solenoid coils, only one of the solenoid coils may be energized at a time.
- ▶ A simultaneous power supply of several valves in bank assembly is possible if the ambient temperature does not exceed 60 °C.
- ▶ In case of bank assembly, if only one of the solenoid coils is energized at a time, and during individual operation, the maximum ambient temperature may not exceed 70 °C.

Explosion hazard by the ignition of dust accumulations!

If the maximum dust layer thickness of > 5 mm is exceeded, there is an explosion hazard!

- ▶ Make sure that the maximum dust layer thickness is not exceeded.
- ▶ Regularly remove dust accumulations.



CAUTION

Loud noise!

An unfavorable arrangement of valves results in resonance or fluid noises, such as whistling. In continuous operation, these noises may cause hearing damage in persons or damage at the valves.

- ▶ In this case, contact a service engineer.

Only use the valve within the performance range provided in "*Data sheet 23178-XE*".

The machine and/or system manufacturer is responsible for the correct project planning of the hydraulic system and its control.

Changing the settings at the valve is not admissible.



For information on the operation, please refer to the operating instructions for the hydraulic system into which the valve is installed.

If errors occur, refer to chapter 14 "Troubleshooting".

9.2 Operating the manual override (only relevant for type .WE6.6X/.NXE...)

NOTICE

Danger of damage to property!

An uncontrolled operation of the manual override bears the danger of damaging the system!

- ▶ Only operate the manual override if it is ensured that this will not trigger any dangerous working movement of the connected actuator.
- ▶ Only operate the manual override when the pressure in the tank channel does not exceed 50 bar. Above this pressure value, the actuating force to be applied is too large.
- ▶ Do not use sharp-edged tools to operate the manual override.

Valve type **.WE6.6X/.NXE...** is equipped with a manual override. Using this manual override, the switching function of the valve can also be triggered if the solenoid coil is not energized.

The manual override is only intended for manual operation. It is not suitable for frequently recurring manual operations.

The manual override is located on the side of the valve solenoid facing away from the valve.

10 Maintenance and repair

10.1 Cleaning and care

NOTICE

Penetrating dirt and fluids will cause faults!

When dirt and fluids penetrate, safe function is no longer ensured.

- ▶ Always ensure absolute cleanliness when working at the valve.

Solvents and aggressive, highly inflammable cleaning agents!

Aggressive cleaning agents may damage the seals and the surface of the valve and cause them to age faster.

- ▶ Never use solvents or aggressive or highly inflammable cleaning agents.

Damage to the hydraulic system and seals!

A high-pressure washer's water pressure could damage the hydraulic system and the seals of the valve. The water displaces the hydraulic fluid from the hydraulic system and seals.

- ▶ Do not use a high-pressure washer for cleaning.

For cleaning and care of the valve, please observe the following:

- ▶ Close all openings with appropriate protective caps/devices.
- ▶ Check that all seals and caps of the plug-in connections are firmly fitted so that no humidity can penetrate the valve during cleaning.
- ▶ Remove external dirt and keep sensitive and important parts like valve solenoids clean.
- ▶ Remove dust and dirt accumulations from the valve at regular intervals.
Observe the max. admissible dust layer thickness.

10.2 Inspection and maintenance



WARNING

Uncontrolled machine movements!

Risk of injury due to maintenance work at an activated machine.

- ▶ Unless expressly prescribed otherwise, deactivate the machine via the main switch, lock it and remove the key before carrying out any work.

The following inspection, testing and maintenance work is to be carried out regularly. The intervals for the same have to be selected in a way that - also depending on the operating conditions - expected deficiencies are identified in good time. The check must, however, at least be carried out every **three years from the date of manufacture of the valve**. The date of manufacture of the valve is indicated on the name plate.



Before the initial commissioning or re-commissioning of the valve in a system, check whether the valve requires maintenance. If required, carry out maintenance.

For order details for seal kits, please refer to chapter 10.6 "Spare parts".

In order to ensure a long life cycle and functionality, include the following activities in your maintenance schedule for the overall system:

1. De-energize and depressurize the relevant system part.
2. Remove coarse dirt from the exterior.

CAUTION! Damage to persons and property caused by electrostatic charging!

► In order to avoid electrostatic charging, clean the valve using a damp cloth only.

3. Check all external fittings for completeness and tight seat.
4. Check cable and line entry, blind plug, external grounding connection and connection line for tight seat.
5. Check the valve for external leakage and replace the sealing devices, if required, see chapter 10.5 "Rectifying external leakages".
6. Open the terminal box and replace any damaged seals.
7. Check the inside of the terminal box for corrosion. Corrosion is an indication of leakage. In case of visible corrosion, remove the valve and have it repaired.
8. Check the potting compound of the solenoid coil, the internal lines and braided wires of the solenoid coil for visible damage. In case of visible damage, remove the valve and have it repaired.
9. Check all screws and connections for tight seat.
10. Check all connection lines for damage. Replace the connection line if there is any visible damage.
11. The sealing elements of the cable and line entry are only intended for single use. Replace the cable and line entry and the blind plug each time it is released; for spare parts, see chapter 10.6.
12. Re-assemble the cover of the terminal box with the seal beneath it. Tighten the mounting screws with the spring washers diagonally, one after the other. Tightening torque of the cover screws: 1...1.1 Nm.

10.3 Maintenance schedule

Valves require low maintenance if used as intended.

For a long and reliable operation of the valve, Bosch Rexroth recommends regularly checking the hydraulic system and the valve.

10.3.1 Checking for leakage

Check the valve for leakage. An early detection of hydraulic fluid loss may help you to identify and remedy errors. Bosch Rexroth therefore recommends that you keep the valve and/or the system permanently clean.

10.3.2 Checking for noise development

Check the valve for noise development. Based on noise development or the increase of noise development, a possible failure of one or several components can be recognized in time and consequential damage can be avoided.

10.3.3 Checking the mounting elements

Check the mounting elements for tight seat. All mounting elements are to be checked with the system being switched off, depressurized and cooled down.

10.4 Repair



WARNING

Explosion hazard due to improper repair!

Improper repair will void the explosion protection!

- For repair works, the valve may only be disassembled to the extent described in these operating instructions.
- Defective parts may only be replaced by new, interchangeable components in original equipment quality.

10.5 Rectifying external leakages

External leakage at the valve connection surface can be rectified on site.

Other leakages have to be rectified by specialists of the manufacturer.

10.5.1 Rectifying leakage at the valve connection surface

1. Remove the valve, see chapter 11 "Disassembly and removal".
2. Inspect the contact surfaces for seal rings at the valve for cleanliness and damage.
3. Inspect the seal rings and recesses on the connection flanges for cleanliness and damage.
4. Dry the mounting surface and the contact surface using suitable cleaning materials.
5. Assemble the new seals.
6. Re-assemble the valve at the contact surface, see chapter 7 "Assembly".

10.6 Spare parts

Seal kit for the valve connection surface

Table 11: Replacement seal kit for the valve connection surface

Spare part	Material number
NBR seal kit for the valve connection surface	R961000837
FKM seal kit for the valve connection surface	R961000838



Ensure the suitability of the sealing materials for the hydraulic fluid used!
See "Data sheet 23178-XE".

Terminal box spare part kit

Table 12: Terminal box spare part kit

Spare part	Material number
Terminal box spare part kit contains: 1 x complete cable and line entry 1 x blind plug with O-ring 4 x M4 hexagon socket head cap screws for the terminal box 4 x spring washers for the terminal box 1 x flat seal	upon request



Valves with two solenoid coils require two spare part kits.

Valve mounting screws

Table 13: Valve mounting screws

Type	Quantity	Friction coefficient according to VDA 235-101	Material number
Hexagon socket head cap screw ISO 4762-M5x50-10.9 (corrosion-protected)	4	0.09...0.14	R913043758

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11 Disassembly and removal



WARNING

Danger of damage to property and personal injuries at energized or pressurized system parts!

Works at pressurized or energized system parts may pose a danger of injury due to escaping hydraulic fluid or electric energy.

- ▶ Before disassembly, ensure that the hydraulic system is depressurized, and the electrical control is de-energized.



CAUTION

Falling of an incompletely disassembled valve!

An incompletely disassembled valve may fall down and cause injuries.

- ▶ During disassembly, secure the valve against falling.

Have sufficiently dimensioned collecting containers, sufficient cleaning cloths and medium-binding materials ready in order to collect or bind leaking hydraulic fluid.

1. De-energize and depressurize the relevant system part.
2. Disconnect the electrical connections professionally.
3. Prepare a container for collecting leaking hydraulic fluid.
4. Use suitable tools to loosen the valve mounting screws of the valve.
5. Remove the valve mounting screws and remove the valve from the connection surface.
6. Collect escaping hydraulic fluid in the provided container and dispose of it properly.
7. If the valve is to be returned to the manufacturer for repair, please close the valve connection surface using the supplied protective plate or protect it using equivalent packaging in order to avoid contamination and damage.
8. Close the hydraulic channels of the subplate (on the customer side) to avoid contamination.

If the valve is exchanged, all further steps are analogous to mounting, see chapter 7 "Assembly".

12 Disposal

12.1 Environmental protection

Careless disposal of the valve and the hydraulic fluid could lead to environmental pollution.

- ▶ Thus, dispose of the product and the hydraulic fluid in accordance with the currently applicable national regulations in your country.
- ▶ Dispose of hydraulic fluid residues according to the applicable safety data sheets for these hydraulic fluids.
- ▶ Please observe the following information for the environmentally-friendly disposal of the valve.

12.2 Return to Bosch Rexroth AG

The hydraulic products manufactured by us can be returned to us for disposal purposes at no cost. There must be no inappropriate foreign substances or third-party components when products are returned. Valves must be drained before being returned. The components should be delivered free to the following address:

Bosch Rexroth AG
 Service Industriehydraulik [Industrial Hydraulics Service]
 Bürgermeister-Dr.-Nebel-Straße 8
 97816 Lohr am Main
 Germany

12.3 Packaging

Upon request, reusable systems can be used for regular deliveries.

The materials for disposable packaging are mostly cardboard, wood, and expanded polystyrene. They can be recycled without any problems. For environmental reasons, disposable packaging should not be used for returning products to Bosch Rexroth.

12.4 Materials used

Hydraulic components from Bosch Rexroth do not contain any hazardous materials that could be released during intended use. Normally, no unfavorable effects on human beings and on the environment have to be expected.

The valves basically comprise of:

- Cast iron
- Steel
- Aluminum
- Copper
- Plastics
- Electronics components and assemblies
- Elastomers

12.5 Recycling

Due to the high metal content, hydraulic products can mostly be recycled. In order to achieve an ideal metal recovery, disassembly into individual assemblies is required. The metals contained in electric and electronic assemblies can be recovered by means of special separation procedures as well.

13 Extension and modification



WARNING

Explosion hazard due to inadmissible modification!

Every non-permitted modification will void the explosion protection.

- ▶ Modifications exceeding the extent described in these operating instructions are not permitted.

14 Troubleshooting

14.1 How to proceed for troubleshooting

- ▶ Always work systematically and purposefully, even when under time pressure. In the worst case, random, thoughtless disassembly and changing settings might result in the inability to identify the original cause of error.
- ▶ First, get an overview of the functions of the valve in conjunction with the overall system.
- ▶ Try to find out whether the valve has worked properly in conjunction with the overall system before the error occurred.
- ▶ Try to determine any changes to the overall system in which the valve is integrated:
 - Were there any changes to the application conditions or area of application of the valve?
 - Have changes (e.g. refitting) or repair work been carried out on the overall system (machine/system, electrical systems, control) or at the valve? If so: What were they?
 - Was the valve and/or the machine used as intended?
 - How did the fault become apparent?
- ▶ Try to get a clear idea of the cause of error. Ask the direct (machine) operator, if necessary.

Fault table The valve is not sensitive to faults as long as the specified application conditions are complied with, in particular the oil quality and the operating temperature.

Table 14: Fault table

Error	Possible cause(s)	Remedy
Valve does not switch on	Electrical connection interrupted, no current continuity	
	• Cable break	Replace connection line
	• Electrical defect in the solenoid coil	Remove valve and have it repaired
	• No pressure at P	Check and/or reapply pressure at port P
	• Control spool is jammed due to contamination	If possible, try to release the control spool by manually actuating the manual override. See chapter 9.2 "Operating the manual override (only relevant for type .WE6.6X/.NXE...)". In case of failure: Remove valve and replace it with a new one.
	Contact problems at the connection terminal	Check the mounting screws of the connection terminal and tighten them using a manual torque wrench. Observe the instructions in chapter 7 "Assembly".
External leakage	Seal defective	
	• Seal at the connection surface is defective	Remove the valve and replace the seals
	• Other leakage	Remove valve and replace it with a new one

Following faults due to contamination, it is - in addition to the repair - essential to check the oil quality and improve it, if necessary, by suitable measures such as flushing or the additional installation of filters.

15 Technical data

For the technical data of your valve please refer to "*Data sheet 23178-XE*".

16 Appendix

16.1 List of addresses

Contacts for service and spare parts

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Weitere Erläuterungen / Further explanations:

Die Montage- und Installationshinweise gemäß Produktdokumentation 23178-XE sind zu beachten. / The assembling and installation instructions according to the manual 23178-XE have to be followed.

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