

## GESTRA Steam Systems

# NRG 16-41 NRG 17-41 NRG 19-41



### Installation Instructions 810743-01

Level Electrode NRG 16-41

Level Electrode NRG 17-41

Level Electrode NRG 19-41



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## Important Notes

### Usage for the intended purpose

Use level electrode type NRG 16-41, NRG 17-41 or NRG 19-41 only in conjunction with control equipment NRS 1-41 as high-water level limiter (high-level alarm).

### Safety note

The equipment must only be installed and commissioned by qualified staff.

Maintenance and service work must only be performed by adequately trained persons who have a recognized level of competence.



#### Danger

When loosening the electrode steam or hot water might escape.

This presents the danger of severe scalding. It is therefore essential not to remove the electrode unless the boiler pressure is verified to be zero.

The electrode is hot during operation. This presents the danger of severe burns to hands and arms. Installation and maintenance work should only be carried out when the system is cold.

If the internal ceramic insulation breaks, hot steam can escape through the lateral vent hole on the electrode body. This presents the risk of severe scalding. Do not stay near the electrode during operation.



#### Attention

The name plate indicates the technical specification of the equipment.  
Do not commission or operate equipment without a name plate.

### ATEX (Atmosphère Explosible)

According to the European Directive 94/9/EC the equipment must **not** be used in explosion-risk areas.

## Explanatory Notes

### Scope of supply

#### NRG 16-41

- 1 Level electrode type NRG 16-41
- 1 S. S. joint ring D 27 x 32 mm to DIN 7603 (made of 1.4301), bright annealed
- 1 Terminating resistor 120  $\Omega$
- 1 Installation manual

#### NRG 17-41

- 1 Level electrode type NRG 17-41
- 1 S. S. joint ring D 27 x 32 mm to DIN 7603 (made of 1.4301), bright annealed
- 1 Terminating resistor 120  $\Omega$
- 1 Installation manual

#### NRG 19-41

- 1 Level electrode type NRG 19-41
- 1 S. S. joint ring D 27 x 32 mm to DIN 7603 (made of 1.4301), bright annealed
- 1 Terminating resistor 120  $\Omega$
- 1 Installation manual

### Description

The level electrode operation is based on the conductive measuring principle. The NRG 1...-41 is designed for signalling the max. liquid level in electrically conductive liquids.

■ One liquid level with **one** switchpoint

The NRG 1...-41 is to be used in conjunction with the switching controller NRS 1-41 and further system components.

NRG 1...-41 in conjunction with the associated control equipment constitutes a water level limiter with periodic self-testing routine (SMART function) in accordance with TRD 604, sheet 1 and 2 and EN regulations. The level data are transferred from the electrode NRG 1...-41 to the control equipment via a CAN bus using the CANopen protocol.

### Function

The conductivity of the liquid is used to signal the liquid level. Some liquids are conductive, which means that they allow an electric current to flow through them. For the safe functioning of this device a minimum conductivity of the liquid to be measured is required.

The conductivity measurement method can detect two conditions: electrode rod submerged or exposed, meaning switchpoint reached (or exceeded) or not yet reached. Before installation, the length of the electrode rod must be cut to the required switching level, e. g. for “Pump OFF” or “Control valve CLOSED” or, in case of economiser and air heaters that are installed close to the steam-generating unit and exposed to a risk, “Firing/Burner OFF”.

An additional electrode fully integrated in the system automatically monitors the electrical resistance path between earth and measuring electrode. As soon as the actual value falls below the admissible resistance value the protection circuit is interrupted and cuts off the pump or heat supply to the boiler.

At regular intervals the level electrode NRG 1...-41 sends a data telegram to the switching controller NRS 1-41. The data are transferred via a CAN bus to DIN ISO 11898 using the CANopen protocol.

### System components

#### **NRS 1-41**

Digital switching controller for high-level limiter NRG 1...-41

Functions: High-level alarm (MAX)

Data exchange: CAN bus to DIN ISO 11898 using CANopen protocol.

#### **URB 1, URB 2**

Control terminal and display unit

Functions: Parameterization and visual display (LCD)

Data exchange: CAN bus to DIN ISO 11898 using CANopen protocol.

### Design

#### **NRG 16-41, NRG 17-41, NRG 19-41:**

Screwed  $\frac{3}{4}$ ", EN ISO 228-1. **Fig. 2, Fig. 3**

## Technical Data

### NRG 16-41, NRG 17-41, NRG 19-41

#### Type Approval

TÜV · SWB / SHWS · 02-403  
EG BAF-MUC 02 02 103881 002

#### Service pressure

NRG 16-41	NRG 17-41	NRG 19-41
32 bar g at 238 °C	60 bar g at 275 °C	100 bar g at 311 °C

#### Connection

Screwed ¾", EN ISO 228-1

#### Materials

Terminal box: Die cast aluminium 3.2161 (G AlSi8Cu3)  
Enclosure: S. S. 1.4571 (X6CrNiMoTi17-12-2)  
Measuring electrode: S. S. 1.4401 (X5CrNiMo17-12-2)  
Electrode insulation: PEEK

#### Lengths supplied

500 mm, 1000 mm, 1500 mm

#### Sensitivity of response

> 0.5 µS/cm at 25°C.

#### Supply voltage

18–36 V DC (coming from NRS 1-41)

#### Current consumption

35 mA

#### Fuse

Electronic thermal fuse  $T_{\max} = 85\text{ °C}$

#### Hysteresis

-2 K

#### Electrode voltage

$2 V_{\text{SS}}$

#### Data exchange

CAN bus to DIN ISO 11898, CANopen Protocol

#### Indicators and adjustors

One 10-pole code switch for setting node ID and baud rate  
Two LEDs "PROGRAM RUNNING"  
Two LEDs "CAN BUS COMMUNICATION"

#### Electric connection

M 12 sensor connector, 5 poles, A-coded,  
M 12 sensor jack, 5 poles, A-coded

#### Protection

IP 65 to DIN EN 60529

#### Max. admissible ambient temperature

70 °C

#### Weight

Approx. 2.5 kg







## Corrosion resistance

When used for its intended purpose the safe functioning of the electrode will not be impaired by corrosion.

## Sizing

The electrode body is not designed for pulsating loads. Welds and flanges of the electrode are designed to withstand dynamic loading (bending and alternating stress). The dimensional allowances for corrosion reflect the latest state of technology.

## Name plate / Marking

 	
Betriebsanleitung beachten! See installation instructions! Voir instructions de montage!	
	
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<b>NRG 17-41</b>	PN 63 <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>NRG 19-41</b>	PN160 <input type="checkbox"/>
G 3/4	1.4571 IP65
	32 bar (464psi) 238°C (460°F) <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>P<sub>max</sub></b> <b>T<sub>max</sub></b>	60 bar (870psi) 275°C (527°F) <input type="checkbox"/>
	100 bar (1450psi) 311°C (592°F) <input type="checkbox"/>
	T <sub>max</sub> = 70°C (158 °F)
≥ 0,5 µS/cm	18-36 V DC
IN/OUT: CAN-Bus	
<b>Node ID:</b> _____	
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VS-Nr.: XX	Mat-Nr.: 392151

Designation of the equipment

Fig. 1



Dimensions NRG 16-41, NRG 17-41

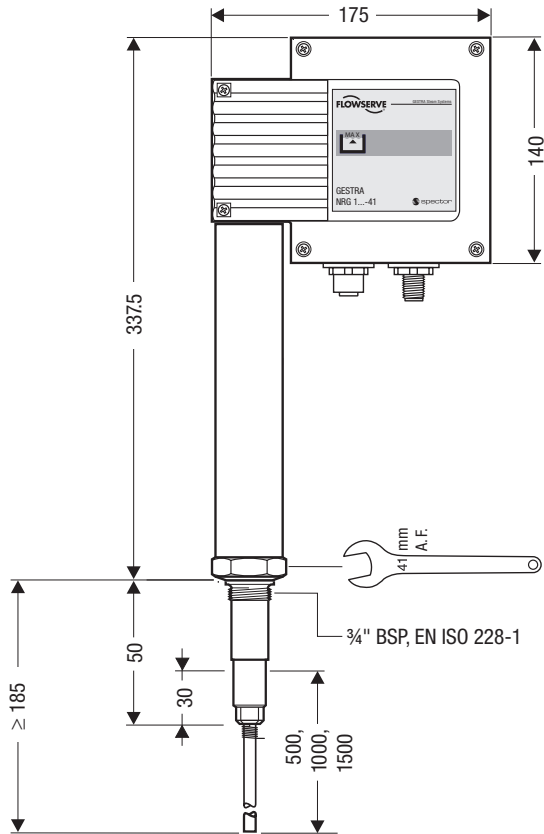


Fig. 2

Dimensions NRG 19-41

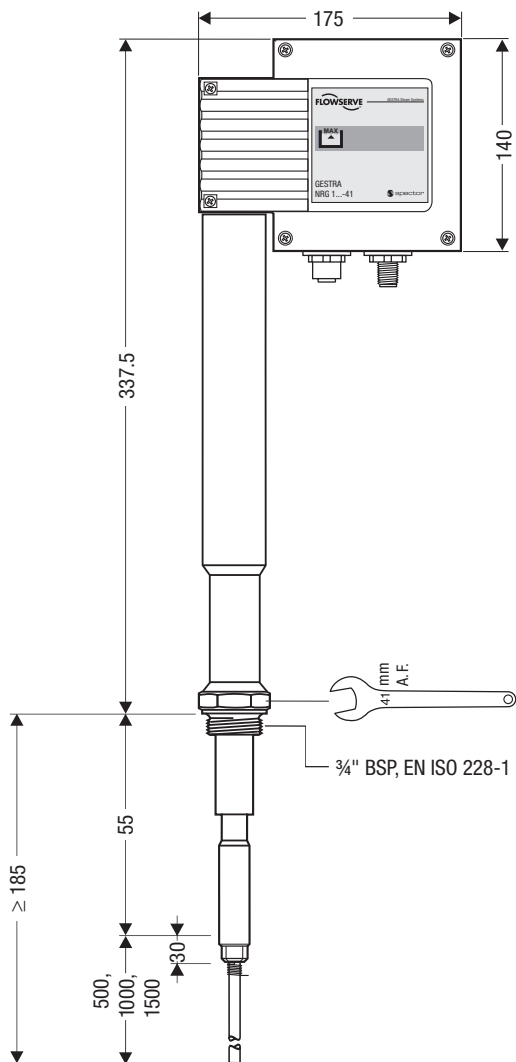
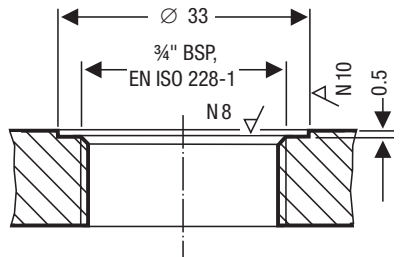
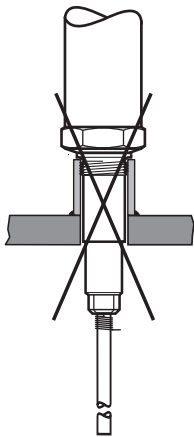
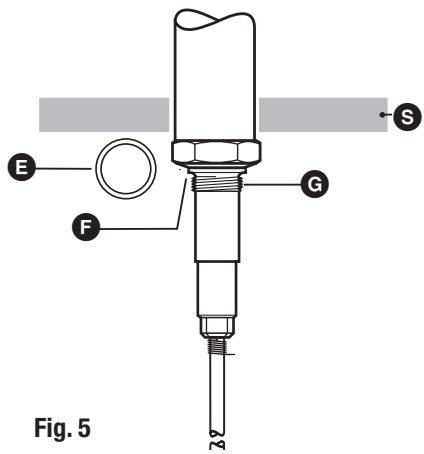
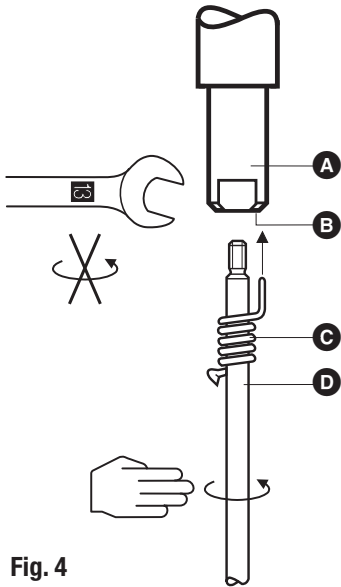


Fig. 3

# Design

NRG 16-41, NRG 17-41, NRG 19-41



# Functional Elements

NRG 16-41, NRG 17-41, NRG 19-41

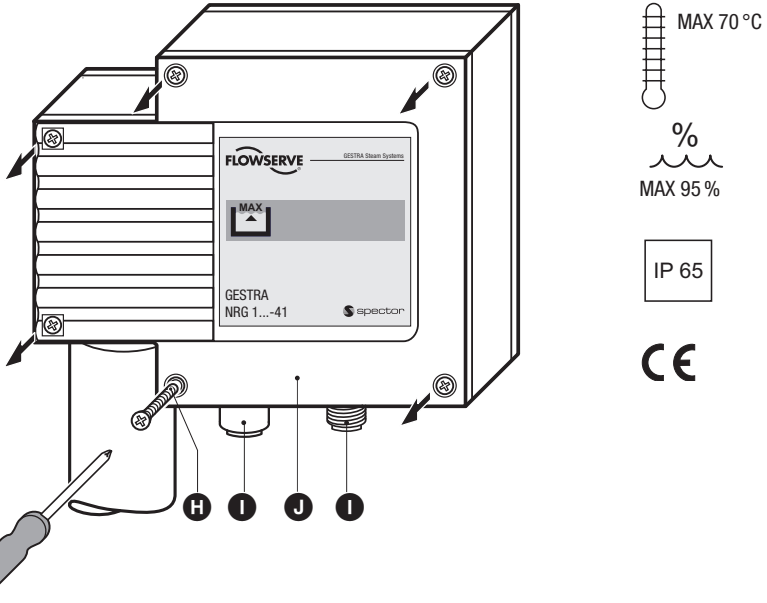


Fig. 8

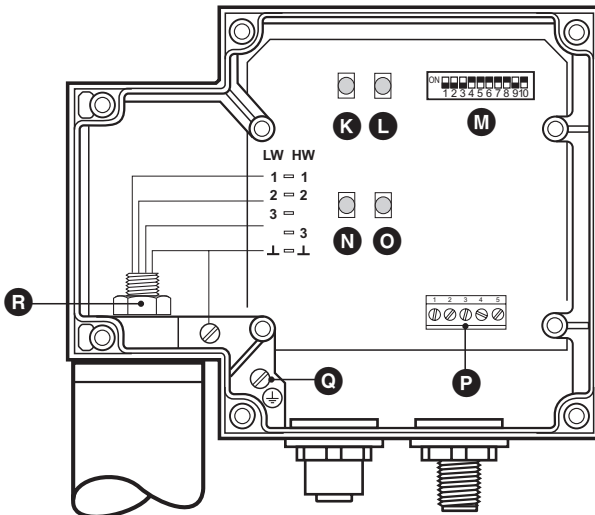


Fig. 9

### Key

- A** Electrode rod
- B** Bore
- C** Spring
- D** Electrode tip
- E** S. S. joint ring D 27 x 32 mm to DIN 7603 (made of 1.4301), bright annealed
- F** Seating surface
- G** Electrode thread
- H** Screws M 4
- I** M 12 sensor connector, 5 poles, A-coded, M 12 sensor jack, 5 poles, A-coded
- J** Cover
- K** Green LED "Program running"
- L** Green LED "Program running"
- M** 10-pole code selector for setting node ID and baud rate
- N** Red LED "CAN bus communication"
- O** Green LED "CAN bus communication"
- P** Terminal strip
- Q** PE connection
- R** Plug
- S** Thermal insulation (provided on site),  $d = 20$  mm (outside of thermal insulation of steam generating unit)

## Installation

### NRG 16-41, NRG 17-41, NRG 19-41, step 1

1. Screw electrode tip **D** into measuring electrode **A**, **Fig. 4**.
2. Carefully determine required measuring length of electrode. Observe min. length, **Fig. 2, Fig. 3**.
3. Mark length of electrode tip **D**.
4. Unscrew electrode tip **D** from measuring electrode **A** and cut tip.
5. After visual inspection screw electrode tip **D** into measuring electrode **A**. Slide spring **C** along electrode tip **D**, so that its end completely enters into small bore **B**.

### NRG 16-41, NRG 17-41, NRG 19-41, step 2

1. Check seating surfaces, **Fig. 6**
2. Place ring joint **E** supplied with electrode onto seating surface **F** of electrode, **Fig. 5**
3. Apply a light smear of silicone grease (e.g. Molykote® 111) to electrode thread **G**.
4. Screw level electrode into threads of flange provided on vessel and tighten with a 41 mm open end spanner. The torque required is **160 Nm when cold**.
5. When installing two electrodes together in one flange install the first electrode as described in 4. Before mounting the second electrode undo plug **H**, remove PE connection **C** and strip cable lugs from the board. Screw in electrode. Slightly tighten plug **H**. Install PE connection **C** and insert cable lugs.



#### Attention

- The seating surfaces of the standpipe or the flange provided on the vessel must be accurately machined, see **Fig. 7**.
- Do not bend electrode tip when mounting.
- Use only ring joint (of stainless steel 1.4301) D 27 x 32 to DIN 7603 supplied with the electrode.
- Do not lag electrode body above the hexagonal section, **Fig. 5**.
- Do not insulate electrode thread with hemp or PTFE tape.
- Do not screw electrode directly into a screwed socket, **Fig. 6**.
- Observe min. spacing when installing the electrode, **Fig. 6, Fig. 10, Fig. 11, Fig. 12**

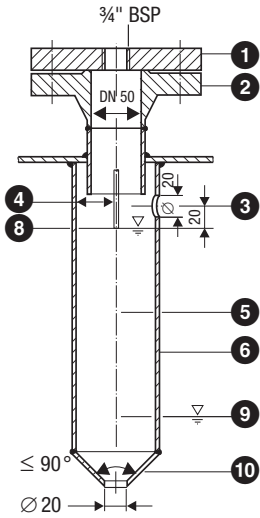


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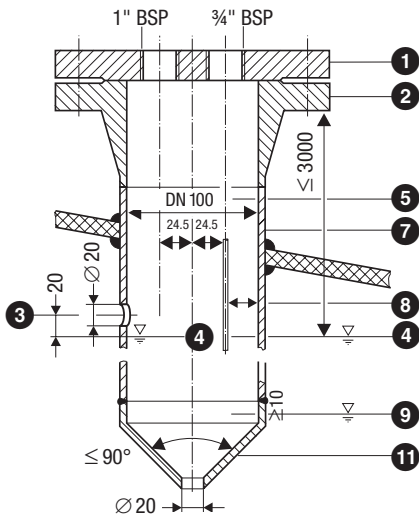
- For the approval of the boiler standpipe the relevant regulations must be considered.
- Refer to page 15 for three typical installation examples.

## Tools

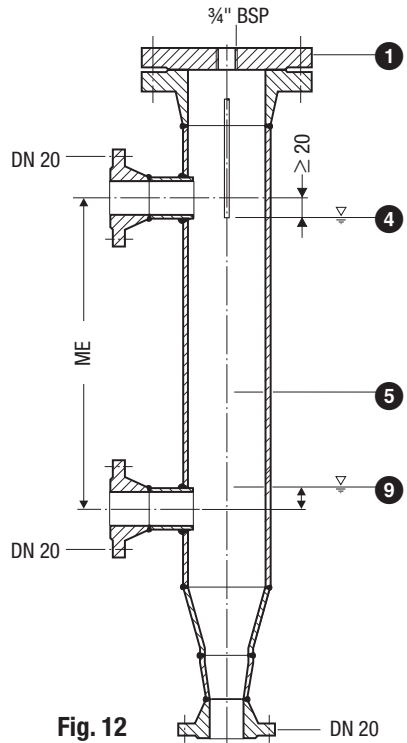
- Open-end spanner A. F. 17 mm
- Hacksaw
- Open-end spanner A. F. 41 mm
- Flat file, medium cut



**Fig. 10**



**Fig. 11**



**Fig. 12**

### Key

- 1 Flange PN 40, DN 50, DIN 2527  
Flange PN 40, DN 100, DIN 2527
- 2 For the approval of the boiler standpipe with connecting flange the relevant regulations must be considered.
- 3 Vent hole (Provide vent hole as close to the boiler wall as possible)
- 4 High water level (HW)
- 5 Electrode rod  $d = 5 \text{ mm}$
- 6 Protection tube DN 80
- 7 Protection tube DN 100
- 8 Electrode distance  $\geq 14 \text{ mm}$
- 9 Low water level
- 10 Reducer DIN 2616-2, K-88.9 x 3.2 - 42.4 x 2.6 W
- 11 Reducer DIN 2616-2, K-114.3 x 3.6 - 48.3 x 2.9 W



## Wiring

### NRG 16-41, NRG 17-41, NRG 19-41

Note that screened multi-core twisted-pair control cable is required for the BUS line, e. g. UNITRONIC® BUS CAN 2 x 2 x ... mm<sup>2</sup> or RE-2YCYV-fl 2 x 2 x ... mm<sup>2</sup>.

Prefabricated control cables (with connector and coupler) of various lengths for connecting the equipment are available as accessories.

The baud rate (data transfer rate) dictates the cable length between the bus nodes and the total power consumption of the sensor dictates the conductor size.




S 8	S 9	S 10	Baud rate	Cable length	Number of pairs and conductor size [mm <sup>2</sup> ]
OFF	ON	OFF	250 kBit/s	125 m	2 x 2 x 0.34
Factory setting					
ON	ON	OFF	125 kBit/s	250 m	2 x 2 x 0.5
OFF	OFF	ON	100 kBit/s	335 m	2 x 2 x 0.75
ON	OFF	ON	50 kBit/s	500 m	on request, dependent on bus configuration
OFF	ON	ON	20 kBit/s	1000 m	
ON	ON	ON	10 kBit/s	1000 m	

The baud rate is set via a code switch. Reduce baud if cable is longer than specified in the table. Make sure that all bus nodes have the same settings.




To protect the switching contacts fuse circuit with 2.5 A (anti-surge fuse) or according to TRD regulations (1.0 A for 72 hrs operation).

**If a max. cable length of more than 125 m (up to 1000 m) is desired, make sure to modify the baud rate settings accordingly. Please refer to pages 21 and 22.**

### Aligning terminal box

1. Undo screws  and remove housing cover . **Fig. 8**
2. Slacken plug  with 17 mm open-end spanner but do not remove. **Fig. 9**

**The electrode terminal box can now be turned through +/- 180°.**

3. Turn electrode terminal box into desired position (+/- 180°).
4. Tighten plug  with **25 Nm**.
5. Set node ID (see sections “**Basic Settings**” and “**Factory set default node IDs**”).
6. Re-attach housing cover  and fix it by using screws .



#### Note

- Wire the control cable according to the wiring diagram with connector and coupling.

Wiring diagram

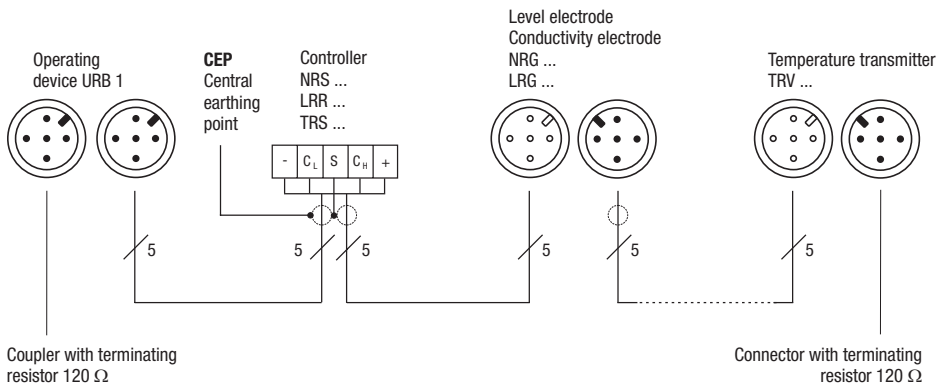
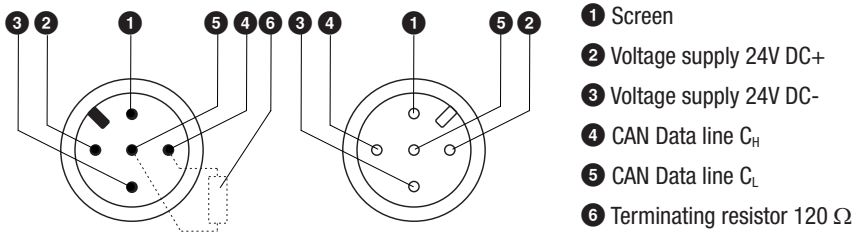
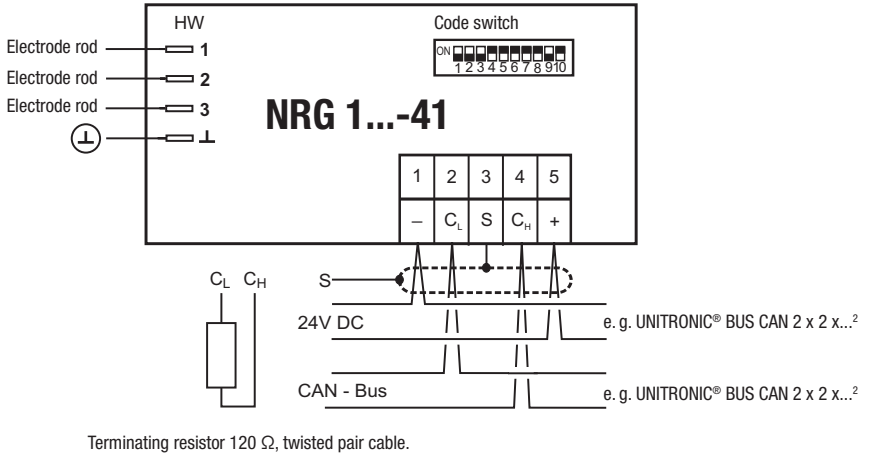


Fig. 13

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### Attention

- Wire equipment in series. Star-type wiring is not permitted.
- Interlink screens of control cables such that electrical continuity is ensured and connect them **once** to the central earthing point (CEP).
- The first and last equipment of a CAN bus network **must** be provided with a terminating resistor of 120  $\Omega$ . **Fig. 13**
- The CAN bus network must **not** be interrupted while operating.

**An interruption will result in high/low level alarm!**

### Tools

- Screwdriver for cross head screws, size 1
- Screwdriver for slotted screws, size 2.5, completely insulated according to VDE 0680
- Open-end spanner 17 mm A. F.

## Basic Settings

### CAN bus

All level and conductivity controllers and associated electrodes are interconnected by means of a CAN bus adopting the CANOpen protocol. Every item of equipment features an electronic address (Node ID). The four-core bus cable serves as power supply and data highway for high-speed data exchange.

The CAN address (Node ID) can be set between **1** and **123**.

The equipment is configured at our works and ready for service with other GESTRA system components without having to set the node ID.

**If several systems of the same kind are to communicate in one CAN bus network, be sure to assign one node ID for each individual system component (e. g. controller). Refer to the following pages for more details.**

### Node ID

NRS 1-41	NRG 16-41	Reserved	Reserved	Reserved	
X	X + 1	X + 2	X + 3	X + 4	
6	7				Factory setting

#### Reserved area



#### Attention

The node IDs of the respective devices must be set manually.  
Refer to the installation & operating manual of the equipment in question.

### Factory set default values

The level electrode features the following factory set default values:

- Baud rate: **250 kB/s**
- Sensitivity: **0.5 µS/cm**
- Node ID: **007**

**Factory set default node IDs**

**Switching Controller**

NRS 1-40	ID: 001
NRS 1-40.1	ID: 001
NRS 1-41	ID: 006
NRS 1-42	ID: 020
NRS 2-40	ID: 039
NRR 2-40	ID: 040
LRR 1-40	ID: 050

**Level Electrode**

NRG 16-40	ID: 002
NRG 16-40	ID: 003
NRG 16-41.1	ID: 004
TRV 5-40	ID: 005
NRG 16-41	ID: 007
NRG 16-42	ID: 021
NRG 26-40	ID: 041
LRG 16-40	ID: 051

**Assigning / changing node ID**

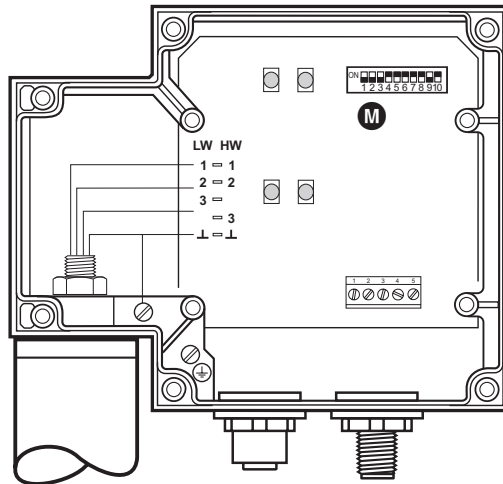
If several systems of the same kind are to communicate in one CAN bus network, be sure to assign one node ID for each individual system component (e. g. controller).

1. Undo and remove screws **H**. Remove housing cover **J**.
2. Set code switch **M** to the required position. Please observe the setting tables on page 22.
3. Mount housing cover **J** and tighten screws **H**.



**Attention**

- Do **not** assign the same node ID twice within the CAN bus network.



**Fig. 14**

## Setting code switch

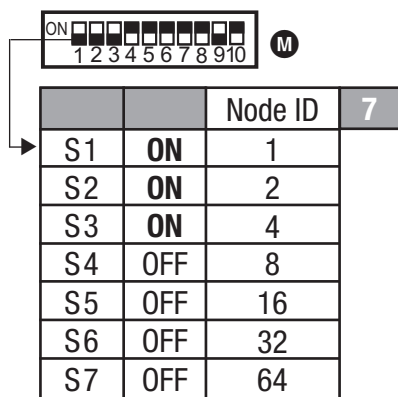


Fig. 15 (Factory setting)

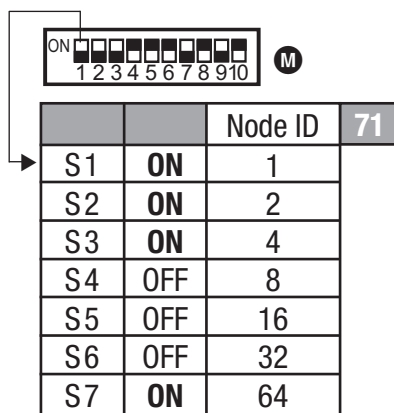


Fig. 16 (Example)

S8	S9	S0	Baud rate	Length of cable
OFF	ON	OFF	250 kBit/s	125 m
ON	ON	OFF	125 kBit/s	250 m
OFF	OFF	ON	100 kBit/s	335 m
ON	OFF	ON	50 kBit/s	500 m
OFF	ON	ON	20 kBit/s	1000 m
ON	ON	ON	10 kBit/s	1000 m

Fig. 17 (Factory setting 250 kBit/s)

## Commissioning Procedure

### Check wiring

Make sure that the level electrode NRG 1..-41 is properly connected to the switching controller NRS 1-41 according to the wiring diagram, **Fig. 13**.

### Apply mains voltage

Apply power to switching controller NRS 1-41.

## Operation

### High-water level limiter (Max alarm)

Used in combination with switching controller NRS 1-41 in (pressurized) hot-water plants and steam boilers working in accordance with TRD 401, TRD 602, TRD 604 or other national regulations.



#### Note

- Should malfunctions occur during the commissioning procedure refer to section “Troubleshooting” on page 22 in order to find, analyse and eliminate the fault.

## Malfunctions

### Fault finding list for troubleshooting

#### Equipment fails to work – Indication of a malfunction

**Fault:** In spite of correct wiring and commissioning of the equipment an interference signal is indicated.

**Remedy:** The interference signal is caused by H. F. interferences coming from the installation. For interference suppression of the voltage supply we supply ferrite rings, stock code 147253. The 230 V supply lines should be looped through the ferrite ring five to ten times. If several controllers are used in the system, they can be fed from the interference suppressed supply lines. For the interference suppression of the bus line we supply hinged-shell ferrite rings, stock code 147254. The hinged-shell ferrite rings are clamped onto the bus line close to the terminal strip of the controller.

#### Level electrode exposed – High-level alarm

**Fault:** Mains voltage not applied.

**Remedy:** Apply mains voltage. Connect electrode according to wiring diagram.

**Fault:** Thermal fuse has been triggered.

**Remedy:** The ambient temperature must not exceed 70 °C.

**Fault:** The electrode housing does not have earth connection to the boiler.

**Remedy:** Clean seating surfaces and insert metal joint ring (of stainless steel 1.4301) D 27 x 32 to DIN 7603. Do **not** insulate level electrode with hemp or PTFE tape.

**Fault:** No data exchange with CAN bus.

**Remedy:** Check switching controller NRS 1-41. Connect level electrode according to wiring diagram.

**Fault:** The internal insulation of the electrode rod is damaged.

**Remedy:** Replace level electrode.

#### High water level reached – no function

**Fault:** The electrode rods have earth contact.

**Remedy:** Change installation position.

**Fault:** The vent hole in the protection tube does not exist, is obstructed or flooded.

**Remedy:** Check protection tube and, if necessary, provide vent hole.

**Fault:** The isolating valves of the external measuring pot (optional item) are closed.

**Remedy:** Open isolating valves.

If faults occur that are not listed above or cannot be corrected, please contact our service centre or authorized agency in your country.



## Annex

### Declaration of conformity CE

We hereby declare that the equipment **NRG 16-41**, **NRG 17-41** and **NRG 19-41** conforms to the following European guidelines:

- LV guideline 73/23/eec version 93/68/eec
- EMC Directive 89/336/eec version 93/68/eec
- ATEX Directive 94/9/EC of 23 March 1994

This declaration is no longer valid if modifications are made to the equipment without consultation with us.

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