# TAYLOR STUDWELDING SYSTEMS LIMITED



# **OPERATING GUIDE**

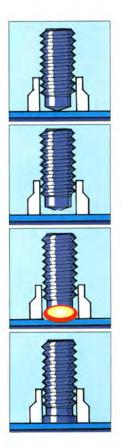
FOR TYPE

# 1200E & 1600E

# MULTI GUN DRAWN ARC CONTROLLERS

2, 3 & 4 GUN MODELS





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## **USEFUL INFORMATION**

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You may wish to record the details of your controller below as this information will help with any technical assistance you may require:

CONTROLLER SERIAL No.	
DATE PURCHASED.	

## **PURPOSE AND CONTENT OF THIS GUIDE**

This guide has been written for:

- The personnel of the end-user responsible for the installation and maintenance of the controller.
- The operator of the welding controller.

This guide contains information relating to:

- Installation and connection.
- Operation.
- Technical specifications and parameters.
- Spare parts.

## **USEFUL INFORMATION**

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Should you require additional technical information, please contact us directly (details on previous page) or our local agent / distributor (details of agents etc. can be obtained from us).

This guide contains important information which is a pre-requisite for safe operation of the equipment. The operating personnel must be able to consult this guide when necessary. In the interests of safety, make this guide available to your personnel in good time.

If the equipment is sold / passed on, please pass this manual to the new owner and if possible please inform us of the name and address of the new owner, in case we need to contact them regarding the safety of the machine.



PLEASE READ THIS GUIDE CAREFULLY BEFORE INSTALLING OR OPERATING THE CONTROLLER.



PLEASE OBSERVE CAREFULLY ALL SAFETY PROCEDURES/INSTRUCTIONS.



DUE TO THE POWER REQUIREMENTS AND ELECTROMAGNETIC EMISSIONS PRODUCED DURING NORMAL USE, THIS MACHINE MUST ONLY BE OPERATED IN AN INDUSTRIAL ENVIRONMENT.



THIS MACHINE OPERATES FROM A MAINS SUPPLY OF 380/415V AC @ 50/60 Hz



NEVER REMOVE ANY PORTION OF THE UNIT HOUSING WITHOUT FIRST ISOLATING THE CONTROLLER FROM THE MAINS ELECTRICAL SUPPLY.



NEVER OBSTRUCT THE UNDERSIDE, FRONT OR REAR PANELS AS THIS MAY CAUSE THE UNIT TO OVERHEAT DURING OPERATION.

Taylor Studwelding Systems Limited reserves the right to amend the contents of this guide without notification.

## **IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION!**

## **PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS!**

Read and understand these safety notes.

#### 1. ELECTRICAL

No portion of the outer cover of the welding controller should be removed by anyone other than suitably qualified personnel and never whilst mains power is connected.



ALWAYS DISCONNECT THE MAINS LEAD BEFORE ATTEMPTING ANY MAINTENANCE.

#### **BEWARE - RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK!**

Do not use any fluids to clean electrical components as these may penetrate into the electrical system.

Installation must be according to the setting up procedure detailed on page 11 of this guide and must be in line with national, regional and local safety codes.

#### **2. FIRE**

During welding small particles of very hot metal are expelled. Ensure that no combustible materials can be ignited by these.

#### 3. PERSONNEL SAFETY

Arc rays can burn your eyes and skin and noise can damage your hearing. Operators and personnel working in close proximity must wear suitable eye, ear and body protection.

Fumes and gases can seriously harm your health. Use this equipment only in a suitably ventilated area. If ventilation is inadequate, then appropriate fume extraction equipment must be used.

Hot metal spatter can cause fire and burns. Appropriate clothing must be worn. Clothing made from, or soiled with, combustible materials must NOT be worn.

Have a fire extinguisher nearby and know how to use it.

Magnetic fields from high currents can affect heart pacemakers or other electronically controlled medical devices. It is imperative that all personnel likely to come into the vicinity of any welding plant are warned of the possible risks before entering the area.

#### 4. MAINTENANCE

All cables must be inspected regularly to ensure that no danger exists from worn or damaged insulation or from unsound electrical connections. Special note should be made of the cables close to the pistol, where maximum wear occurs. As well as producing inconsistent welds, worn cables can overheat or spark, giving rise to the risk of fire.

## **IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION!**

## **5. TRAINING**

Use of the equipment must limited to authorised personnel only who must be suitably trained and must have read and understood this manual. This manual must be made available to all operators at all times. Further copies of this manual may be purchased from the manufacturer. Measures must be taken to prevent the use of this equipment by unauthorised personnel.

#### **6. INSTALLATION**

Ensure that the site chosen for the equipment is able to support the weight of the equipment and that it will not fall or cause a danger in the course of its normal operation. Do not hang connecting cables over sharp edges and do not install connecting cables near heat sources or via traffic routes where people may trip over them or they may be damaged by the passage of vehicles (forklifts etc).

#### 7. INTERFERENCE

During welding operations, intense magnetic and electrical fields are unavoidably produced which may interfere with other sensitive Electronic equipment.

All Taylor Studwelding equipment is designed, manufactured and tested to conform the current appropriate European standards and directives regarding electromagnetic emissions and immunity and as such is safe to use in any normal industrial environment.

#### 8. DISPOSAL

The equipment either wholly or any of its component parts may be disposed of as part of general industrial waste or passed to a scrap merchant. None of the components used in the manufacture are known to be toxic, carcinogenic or harmful to health in their "as supplied" condition.

## INTRODUCTION TO STUDWELDING

The Taylor Studwelding 1200E/1600E Drawn Arc Multi Gun controller when matched with up to 4 appropriate pistols and earth cables is intended for precision stud welding up to 16/20 mm diameter reduced base studs. The controller is easily transportable and has been designed to operate with a minimum amount of maintenance.

The energy required to carry out the welding operation is derived from a fully microprocessor controlled transformer-rectifier inside the controller.

Taylor Studwelding Systems Ltd pistols are modern, ergonomically designed and offer maximum comfort in handling with minimum operator fatigue.

## THE PROCESS

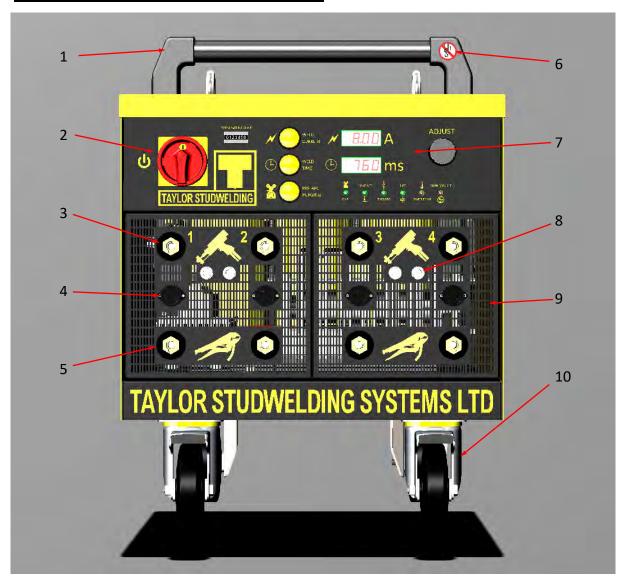
The process of drawn arc studwelding is long established and well proven. The basic steps are as follows:

- A measured amount of weld stud protrusion is set at the welding pistol.
- Once in position, the pistol lifts the stud away from the work-piece, simultaneously striking an arc between the two.
- Both the tip of the weld stud and the surface of the work-piece melt as the arc is sustained for a pre-determined interval.
- At the completion of the pre-determined interval, the pistol returns the weld stud to the molten pool on the work-piece, thus forming a weld.

The most common and traditional drawn arc welds have a weld duration greater than 100ms and employ the use of a single use ceramic arc shield, commonly referred to as a ferrule. This ferrule helps to protect the arc during the weld and assists in formation of the final fillet. Post welding the ferrule is removed and disposed of.

It is possible to stud weld without a ferrule. This method is more commonly employed with welds having a duration of less than 100 ms and this type of weld is referred to as short cycle stud welding. Although no ferrule is employed, it is recommended practice in short cycle welding to employ a suitable shielding gas to reduce the amount of porosity in the completed weld and improve weld quality.

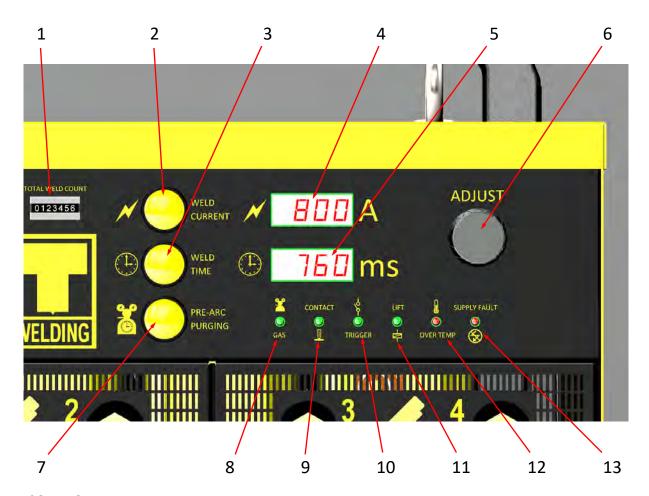
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## **FRONT PANEL**

- 1. GUIDING HANDLE ! NOT FOR LIFTING!
- 2. MAINS ON/OFF SWITCH
- 3. PISTOL WELDING CONNECTION SOCKET (MODEL DEPENDENT, UP TO 4)
- 4. PISTOL CONTROL CONNECTION SOCKET (MODEL DEPENDENT, UP TO 4)
- 5. WELDING EARTH CONNECTION SOCKET (MODEL DEPENDENT, UP TO 4)
- 6. ADVISORY STICKER (NOT FOR LIFTING)
- 7. CONTROL PANEL (SEE PAGE 9)
- 8. SHIELDING GAS OUTLET SOCKET
- 9. VENTILLATION HOLES ! DO NOT OBSTRUCT !
- 10. FRONT CASTOR (SWIVEL & BRAKE TYPE)

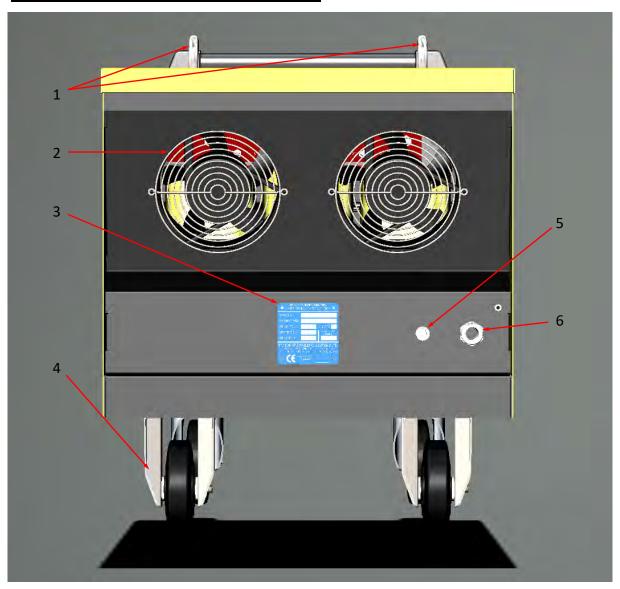
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## **CONTROL PANEL**

- 1. WELD COUNTER (NON-RESETTABLE)
- 2. PUSHBUTTON (WELD CURRENT SETTING/CURRENT READBACK)
- 3. PUSHBUTTON (WELD TIME SETTING/ERROR CODE READBACK)
- 4. DISPLAY WINDOW (WELD CURRENT SET/CURRENT READBACK)
- 5. DISPLAY WINDOW (WELD TIME SET/SHIELDING GAS PURGE TIME SET/ERROR CODE READBACK)
- 6. ADJUSTER KNOB
- 7. PUSHBUTTON (SHIELDING GAS PURGE SETTING/PARAMETER READBACK)
- 8. INDICATOR (SHIELDING GAS PURGE ACTIVATED)
- 9. INDICATOR (STUD TO PLATE CONTACT)
- 10. INDICATOR (PISTOL TRIGGER ACTIVATED (1 TO 4, MODEL DEPENDENT))
- 11. INDICATOR (PISTOL LIFT COIL ACTIVATED (1 TO 4, MODEL DEPENDENT))
- 12. INDICATOR (WELD CONTROLLER OVER TEMPERATURE)
- 13. INDICATOR (WELD CONTROLLER MAINS SUPPLY FAULT)

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## **BACK PANEL**

- 1. LIFTING EYEBOLTS
- 2. VENTILLATION GRILLES ! DO NOT OBSTRUCT !
- 3. RATING/SERIAL PLATE
- 4. REAR CASTORS (FIXED TYPE. NO BRAKE)
- 5. SHIELDING GAS INLET SOCKET
- 6. 3 PHASE MAINS CABLE INLET GLAND (CABLE NOT SHOWN).

Set up the control unit at the place of work, ensuring that the mains switch is in the OFF position.





Plug the controller into a suitable three phase AC supply with a 63A motor rated fuse/breaker.

Plug the welding earth cables into the controller. Note that the cable end weld plug has a peg which mates with the key slot in the panel mounted socket.

IMPORTANT! Secure the connectors with a clockwise turn until they lock. Failure to do this may result in damage to the connectors during welding.



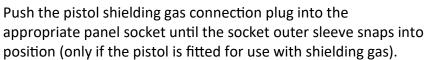


Attach the welding earth clamps to the work piece at approximately 180° to each other; this will help prevent "arcblow" when welding takes place. Prior to fitting the clamps, ensure that the contact area of the work piece is free from rust, paint, grease etc., as this will result in a poor welding connection.

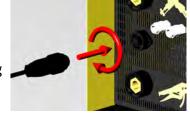
Plug the pistol control cable into the controller. Note that the cable end plug and panel-mounting socket are keyed to prevent incorrect fitting. Push the plug firmly home and twist the locking ring to secure the plug in position.

Plug the welding pistol cable into the controller. Note that the cable end weld plug has a peg which mates with the key slot in the panel mounted socket.

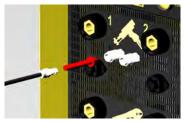
IMPORTANT! Secure the connector with a clockwise turn until it locks. Failure to do this may result in damage to the connector during welding.



Set up the welding pistol according to the instructions in the operating guide supplied with the pistol.







Switch the controller ON by turning the mains switch clockwise through 90°. The ventilation fans will start, the display will illuminate and carry out a start up diagnostic routine. This will take approx' 6 seconds at the end of which the display will indicate the current settings of the last pistol used.



A guide to the recommended time and current settings can be found on page 15 of this handbook.

Referring back to the control panel guide on page 9, set the controller by following these simple steps:-

#### SELECT THE PISTOL TO SET UP.

Having previously connected one or more (up to 4, dependent on controller model) pistols to the controller. Firstly select the pistol to be set. To do this, pick up the pistol you want to set up and activate the trigger. The display window (4) will briefly display an identifier for the pistol. From this point, until a trigger is activated on another connected pistol, any setting entered will be for this pistol connected to this port.



#### **SET WELD CURRENT**

- Press and hold the current setting pushbutton (2). The display window (4) will display the last set current for this pistol and display window (5) will display the pistol identifier.
- Turn the adjuster knob (6) until the required current is displayed in the welding current display window (4). The current is adjustable between 200 and 1200/1600A\* in increments of 10A.



3. Release the pushbutton (2). The current is now set.

NOTE! If the pushbutton (2) is held for more than 3 seconds before turning the adjuster knob (6), the display (4) will change to last weld current readback mode and will need to be released and re-pressed.

\* Depending on controller model

#### **SET WELD TIME**

- 1. Press and hold the weld time setting pushbutton (3).
- 2. Turn the adjuster knob (6) until the required time is displayed in the display window (5). The time is adjustable between 20 and 2000ms in 5ms increments up to 100ms and 10ms increments thereafter.
- 3. Release the pushbutton (3). The weld time is now set.



NOTE! If the pushbutton (3) is held for more than 3 seconds before turning the adjuster knob (6), the display (5) will change to last system error code display mode and will need to be released and re-pressed.

#### SETTING THE GAS PURGE TIME

- 1. Press and hold the shielding gas purge time setting pushbutton (7).
- 2. Turn the adjuster knob (6) until the required time is displayed in the time display window (5). The time is adjustable between 0 and 5000ms in 100ms increments.
- 3. Release the pushbutton (7). The shielding gas purge time is now set.
- 4. If no gas purge is required, this time parameter must be set to 0 (zero).



NOTE! If the pushbutton (7) is held for more than 3 seconds before turning the adjuster knob (6), the display (5) will change to display feedback system parameters (not operator adjustable) and will need to be released and re-pressed.

Repeat these steps from "SELECT THE PISTOL TO SET UP" on the previous page for any additional pistols connected to the controller.

NOTE! Changing pistols over from one port to another will not carry the settings over and the pistol will require re-setting in-line with these steps.

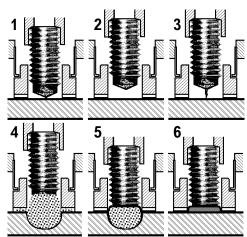
Place the pistol perpendicular to the work piece with the stud touching down at the desired location to be welded. Press down on the pistol until the ceramic ferrule rests firmly on the work piece. Press the trigger to initiate the weld sequence.

See the section on Studwelding Techniques for further advice.



The welding process is as follows: -

- 1. Start.
- 2. Pistol lifts stud.
- 3. Pilot Arc strikes.
- 4. Main Arc strikes melting both stud and workpiece.
- 5. Arc stops. Pistol plunges stud into molten pool.
- 6. Weld complete.



Having welded the stud, draw the pistol vertically off the stud. Failure to do this may cause the split tines of the chuck to splay out. This will result in the chuck and stud arcing together during subsequent welds.



Finally, remove the ferrule by lightly tapping until it shatters. Visually inspect the weld.

For a guide to the inspection of the welded stud see the sections on inspecting and testing welded studs.



## **WELDING TIME AND CURRENT SETTINGS**

This page is intended as a guide to setting your machine.

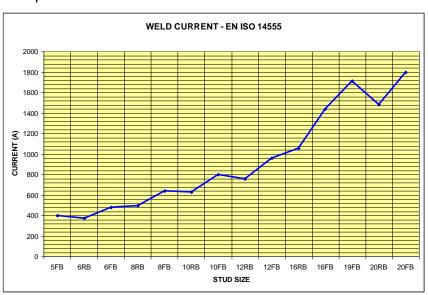
A set of basic formulae as defined by the British Standard BS EN ISO 14555:2014 (European Standard EN ISO 14555:2014) Annex A.2.7.2.2 and Annex A.2.7.2.4 may be used to calculate the current and time settings to weld any stud.

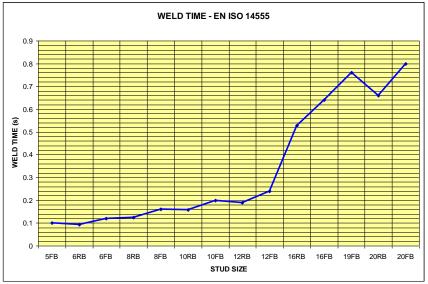
These formulae when applied to standard studs give results shown in the table on this page. A graphical representation of the data is also illustrated below.

The settings generated in the table are only intended as a starting point. It is possible that

the settings will give satisfactory results without adjustment, but in reality the quality of the welding results is governed by many variable factors. These include, most obviously, the welding time, current and arc-gap (pistol lift) as covered in the table, but can also include factors such as stud and workpiece material type and condition, ambient temperature, relative humidity, quality of supply etc. All of these factors can act on the weld to change the outcome. It is recommended that in all instances, you need to carry out sample welds in your actual conditions and environment. This will enable you to alter the settings, where necessary, to achieve welds that are most acceptable to you.

STUD	ACTUAL	WELD	WELD
TYPE	DIAMETER		TIME
	(mm)	(A)	(ms)
5FB	5	400	100
6RB	4.7	376	94
6FB	6	480	120
8RB	6.2	496	124
8FB	8	640	160
10RB	7.9	632	158
10FB	10	800	200
12RB	9.5	760	190
12FB	12	960	240
16RB	13.2	1056	528
16FB	16	1440	640
19FB	19	1710	760
20RB	16.5	1485	660





## **VISUAL WELD INSPECTION**

This page will help you to recognise a poor weld when you see one and give some of the possible explanations as to how it may have occurred. Your test welds should look like the first example diagram in the series and once you transfer to the actual job, periodic checks should be made to ensure that your welding is consistently good.

#### POINTS TO LOOK FOR IRRESPECTIVE OF PROCESS USED.

- L.A.W. (Length After Welding). This should be correct to within the tolerances specified for the type of stud being welded.
- The base fillet of the welded stud is complete.
- The welded stud is perpendicular to the work-piece.

#### WHEN USING A CERAMIC FERRULE.

This diagram is a representation of a good normal weld, fulfilling the criteria above i.e. The LAW is correct, the stud has a complete, well formed and even fillet and is also perpendicular to the work-piece. The following examples will help you to recognise the most common types of poor weld, explain the possible causes of these problems and make suggestions as to how to remedy them.



#### **EXAMPLE 1**

PROBLEM: Insufficient heat and/or time causing the LAW to be too long

and the fillet to be underdeveloped and/or incomplete.

REMEDY: Increase the welding current/time (see page 13).



#### **EXAMPLE 2**

PROBLEM: Excessive heat and/or time causing the LAW to be too short

and the fillet to be too large and messy, spreading out under

the ferrule and/or splashing up the threads.

REMEDY: Reduce the welding current/time (see page 13).



#### **EXAMPLE 3**

PROBLEM: The ferrule is not being held firmly against the work-piece

and/or the stud is binding against the ferrule.

REMEDY: Hold the pistol firmly down to the work-piece (see page 14)

and reset the alignment of the stud and ferrule (refer to your

pistol setup guide).



## **VISUAL WELD INSPECTION**

#### **EXAMPLE 4**

PROBLEM: Insufficient stud protrusion set on the pistol.

REMEDY: Adjust stud protrusion to correct setting (refer to your pistol

setup guide).



## **EXAMPLE 5**

PROBLEM: Poor alignment i.e. stud is not perpendicular to the workpiece.

REMEDY: Hold the pistol perpendicular to the work-piece (see page 14).

**NOTE** : If the misalignment is only slight and in all other aspects the

weld is good, then the weld may be salvaged by tapping

straight with a soft mallet.



A broader set of examples may be found in the standard BS EN ISO 14555:2014 Annex 5, Tables A5, A6 & A7

## **WELD TESTING**

There are two factors which should receive special attention in establishing visually whether or not a stud weld is sound. These are :

- The length after weld (L.A.W.) of the stud should be correct. That is to say that a stud which is intended to be 50 mm long after welding, should be correct within the tolerances specified for that particular stud. A word of explanation is perhaps needed on this point. All studs produced include a "weld allowance". This allowance is so arranged for the different diameters of stud, that it will be completely melted during the welding process, provided of course that the correct conditions have been established and the correct values of current and time are used.
- The fillet of metal formed around the base of the stud should be well formed, reasonably evenly distributed, completely free from blow holes and of a silver blue colour.

These two factors combined form the basis of all visual stud weld examination. It should be the aim of every operator to produce these results.

Under normal conditions a stud welded to clean mild steel plate of adequate thickness having the correct LAW and fillet formation as described above, will be a satisfactory weld. It should be remembered, however, that different applications or conditions will produce slightly different visual results, particularly in the appearance of the fillet, i.e. Slightly rusty, dirty or oily plate will produce blow holes in the fillet, in proportion to the degree of plate contamination. Welding close to some magnetic obstruction may produce uneven fillet distribution. Too much power will produce a fillet that flows too easily and is lost either up in the threads of the stud or out through the ferrule vents, while too little power may not melt sufficient material to form a complete fillet.

It is important, therefore, to judge the degree to which these possible variations will affect the weld strength, but in general, provided that the LAW is correct and the fillet formation is not unsightly, a visual examination is all that is required.

Further testing may be carried out on a "percentage of production" basis, and the methods used fall into the classes outlined below.

#### 1. DESTRUCTIVE TESTING.

Should only be used on studs welded to samples and test pieces.

- Hammering a stud over may look spectacular, but it is not a satisfactory test, as the direction
  and force behind the blows is uncontrolled, as also is the point at which the impact takes
  place. The length, diameter and type of stud also have an effect on the results obtained.
- Bending the stud over by using a tube of approximately the same bore as the stud diameter.
   This method is preferred to hammering, but again no conclusive evidence as to the strength of the weld is obtained.
- Loading the stud by the use of washers / spacer and a nut until the stud breaks. This method
  is much more conclusive and should show that the weld is in fact stronger than the stud. Use
  of a suitably calibrated torque wrench for this test will give an indication of the U.T.S.
  developed by the stud material under test.

A broader explanation of these methods may be found in standard BS EN ISO 14555:2014, Section 11 (Examination and Testing).

## **WELD TESTING**

## 2. NON DESTRUCTIVE TESTING.

Generally the most practical way of testing threaded stud welds, without destroying the stud, is with the use of proof tests. A torque wrench is particularly useful for this purpose.

Below and overleaf are some tables which you may find useful. However, it must be noted that :

- Formulas & data shown are intended for guidance only.
- In applications where control of preload is important, the torque tension relationship should be determined experimentally on the actual parts involved including any lubricants.
- The coefficient of friction (k) varies with material, surface finish and lubricity of threads and bearing areas of fastened parts.
- For standard steel screws it is 0.19 to 0.25 and 0.13 to 0.17 for plated screws. Antiseize materials and lubricants can lower k to 0.05. For some stainless steel threads and parts not coated or lubricated k may be as high as 0.33
- All the figures are approximate and do not form part of any specification.
- Designers and specifiers must satisfy themselves that the studs and materials chosen are suitable for their particular application.

All torque figures are calculated by the formula : T = kDP

Where : T = Torque (Nm)

D = Effective Stud Diameter (m)

k = Coefficient of Friction (0.2 used for calculations)

Material properties:	(N/mm²)	(N/mm²)	(N/mm²)
	UTS	Yield	Safe
Mild Steel (4.8)	420	340	272
Stainless Steel (1.4301)	540	350	280
Note: safe loads are 80% of the yield			

A broader explanation of these methods may be found in standard BS EN ISO 14555:2014, Section 11 (Examination and Testing).

# **WELD TESTING**

Stud loads - Full Base Drawn Arc Studs (kN)

	Mild Steel	Mild Steel	Mild Steel	Stainless	Stainless	Stainless
				Steel	Steel	Steel
Thread	UTS	Yield	Safe	UTS	Yield	Safe
M5 x 0.8	5.8	4.7	3.7	7.4	4.8	3.8
M6 x 1.0	8.2	6.6	5.3	10.6	6.8	5.4
M8 x 1.25	15.2	12.3	9.8	19.6	12.7	10.1
M10 x 1.5	23.8	19.2	15.4	30.6	19.8	15.8
M12 x 1.75	34.6	28.0	22.4	44.5	28.8	23.1
M16 x 2.0	64.6	52.3	41.8	83.1	53.8	43.1

Torque required to reach the loads above (Nm)

	Mild Steel	Mild Steel	Mild Steel	Stainless	Stainless	Stainless
				Steel	Steel	Steel
Thread	UTS	Yield	Safe	UTS	Yield	Safe
M5 x 0.8	4.9	4.0	3.2	6.3	4.1	3.3
M6 x 1.0	8.2	6.7	5.3	10.6	6.9	5.5
M8 x 1.25	20.7	16.8	13.4	26.7	17.3	13.8
M10 x 1.5	40.5	32.8	26.2	52.1	33.8	27.0
M12 x 1.75	71.0	57.5	46.0	91.3	59.2	47.4
M16 x 2.0	181.0	146.5	117.2	232.8	150.9	120.7

## Stud loads - Reduced Base drawn Arc Studs (kN)

	Mild Steel	Mild Steel	Mild Steel	Stainless Steel	Stainless Steel	Stainless Steel
Thread	UTS	Yield	Safe	UTS	Yield	Safe
M6 x 1.0	7.2	5.8	4.7	9.3	6.0	4.8
M8 x 1.25	12.6	10.2	8.2	16.3	10.5	8.4
M10 x 1.5	20.5	16.6	13.3	26.4	17.1	13.7
M12 x 1.75	29.7	24.0	19.2	38.2	24.8	19.8
M16 x 2.0	57.4	46.5	37.2	73.8	47.8	38.3
M20 x 2.5	89.8	72.7	58.1	115.4	74.8	59.8

## Torque required to reach the loads above (Nm)

	Mild Steel	Mild Steel	Mild Steel	Stainless	Stainless	Stainless
				Steel	Steel	Steel
Thread	UTS	Yield	Safe	UTS	Yield	Safe
M6 x 1.0	6.8	5.5	4.4	8.8	5.7	4.6
M8 x 1.25	15.7	12.7	10.2	20.2	13.1	10.5
M10 x 1.5	32.5	26.3	21.1	41.8	27.1	21.7
M12 x 1.75	56.6	45.8	36.6	72.7	47.1	37.7
M16 x 2.0	151.7	122.8	98.3	195.1	126.4	101.2
M20 x 2.5	296.4	239.9	191.9	381.0	247.0	197.6

## STUDWELDING TECHNIQUES

The operating instructions given previously in this guide apply to the majority of general applications where it is possible to use the pistol in the down hand position and with standard cable lengths. For many applications these conditions do not apply and the following notes will give some guidance as to the methods used to obtain satisfactory results for a variety of applications.

## 1. WELDING TO A PLATE IN THE HORIZONTAL POSITION.

In this position there is a tendency for the weld metal to run to the underside of the stud during welding, due to the action of gravity, resulting in an uneven fillet. The effect is more noticeable as stud diameter increases and generally speaking it is not recommended that studs of 12 mm diameter and over be welded to vertical plates for this reason. The essential requirement to obtain satisfactory fillet formation is to use the shortest weld time possible with increased weld current. Welding to a vertical surface reduces the maximum size of the stud a given power source will weld.

It must be remembered, that greater care is required to ensure that the stud is perpendicular to the work piece. A special tripod foot attachment can be supplied if required. Take particular care to keep the ferrule grip, foot adapter and chuck clean.

#### 2. WELDING TO A PLATE IN THE OVERHEAD POSITION.

IMPORTANT! You must protect your face and shoulders with a helmet and cape before carrying out overhead welding operations. Weld spatter can do a lot of damage! Firstly, obtain satisfactory weld settings in the down hand position before making attempts in the overhead position. Since the weld metal is transferred from stud to plate in small particles in the down hand position, it follows that, when welding overhead, the transfer takes place against gravity. As with vertical welding the best results will be achieved using the shortest possible weld time with increased weld current.

It is important that the ferrule grip, foot adapter and chuck are kept free from spatter build up as this can cause stud return problems or possibly short out/bridge out the weld.

#### 3. PISTOL ADJUSTMENTS WHEN WELDING IN THE VERTICAL OR OVERHEAD POSITIONS.

Problems may be encountered when welding in the vertical or overhead positions with a damped pistol. To prevent problems occurring, where it is possible to do so, the damping effect should be removed or turned off.

Welding can then continue as outlined in sections 1. and 2.

#### 4. USING LONG CABLE LENGTHS.

Frequently the pistol must be used some distance from the nearest available mains supply, for instance on board ship, in power stations and building construction, in workshops building large pre-fabricated structures etc. In these cases long lengths of welding cable are used and it must be realised at the outset that, the longer the cables the smaller the maximum diameter of stud which can be welded with a given power source.

To help get over this problem, if larger diameter studs are to be welded with long lengths of cable, increase the welding cable conductor size.

Try to avoid running the pistol cables and the earth cables alongside each other as this can cause a choking effect, reducing power. Also avoid coiling any excess cable as this will have the same effect.

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## 5. WELDING STUDS LESS THAN 25 mm LONG USING FERRULES.

As we have seen previously, the stud is held in a recess in the chuck and must be long enough to allow us to set the correct protrusion. A standard chuck has a recess 12 mm deep and ferrules vary in length up to 13.5 mm high. Thus if a stud is much less than 25 mm LAW we shall not be able to obtain the correct protrusion, i.e.. The chuck may hit the ferrule on the return stroke and prevent the stud returning to the plate correctly. This problem may be overcome by using "shallow recess" chucks (the recess depth is only 6 mm) or if the studs are required to be very short, by using a special type of stud known as a "break-off" type. These studs have an overall LAW of 30 mm and are welded using a standard chuck and ferrule. The stud is "grooved" at the required length from the welding end. After welding, the surplus portion of the stud is broken off with a pair of pliers. By these means, very short studs can easily be welded.

#### 6. USING TEMPLATES TO ENSURE POSITIONAL ACCURACY.

When welding studs around the periphery of a flange, i.e. for cover plates, inspection doors etc., positioning of the studs in relation to each other becomes most important. A simple template made from 2 mm sheet, shaped to suit the component and provided with clamps is usually the answer to this problem. The position of the studs is accurately marked and holes drilled in these positions to accept either the ferrule of the stud to be welded or, if using short cycle, the pistol gas shroud. The size of the holes should be the outside diameter of the ferrule / shroud +0.4 mm. It is also advisable to provide 2 mm thick pads underneath the template so that there is a space between the component and template, this space will allow the gases developed during welding to vent properly from the ferrule / shroud. For any further advice or help in the design of jigging or templates contact your local field sales engineer.

## 7. MINIMUM PLATE THICKNESSES WHEN STUD WELDING.

When using standard Drawn Arc with ceramic ferrules, the minimum ratio of stud diameter to plate thickness is 4:1 for plate thickness greater than 3 mm and 3:1 for plate thickness between 1.5 mm and 3 mm. When using the short cycle system with or without gas purging it is possible to weld equivalent size studs onto slightly thinner sections, due to the short weld duration. These ratios ensure that the strength of the plate is sufficient to support a stud of a given size when it is loaded, without there being a tendency for the plate to distort.

Occasionally, however, it may be necessary to weld a stud outside of these ratios. This can sometimes be accomplished without distortion by "heat sinking" the component, by using a flat copper or water cooled backing piece behind the weld area, to support the plate and assist in dissipating heat quickly.

## 8. WELDING STAINLESS STEEL.

Austenitic stainless steel studs of the 18/8 g/N: weld decay proof type can be supplied for welding to similar parent material or mild steel. The technique does not differ from that used for mild steel stud welding. There is a tendency with larger diameters of stainless steel studs for metal transfer across the arc to take the form of large particles. If short circuits occur then the arc can be heard to splutter. This may occur with any diameter of stainless steel stud if the lift of the hand tool is not correct. Due to this tendency to transfer in large particles increased lift may be required and time settings should be kept as low as possible.

## **STUDWELDING TECHNIQUES**

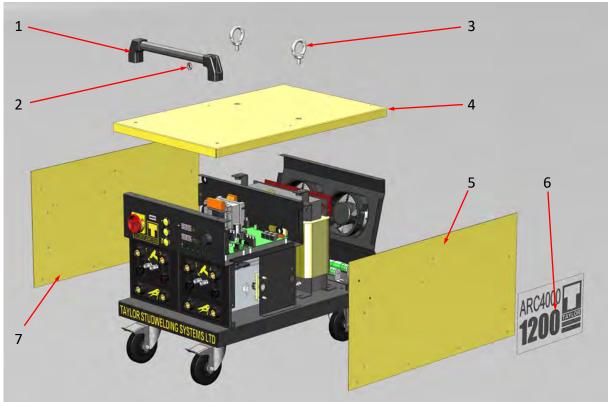
## 9. WELDING CLOSE TO CORNERS, FLANGES AND OTHER OBSTACLES.

When welding close to the edge of a plate, in / on a corner, on long strips of narrow plate etc. An effect known as "arc-blow" occasionally will produce an uneven fillet, in such a fillet, most of the material is blown to one side of the stud. "Arc-blow" is caused by the magnetic forces surrounding the arc being intensified in one direction, due to the presence of an air gap or the proximity of a large mass of magnetic material. It is dependant on a number of factors, size of stud, shape of component, position of earth connection, current density etc. No hard and fast rules can be applied to correct it. The following methods are generally helpful, but if satisfactory results cannot be obtained, our field staff will be pleased to advise you. Check that no other fault is present by welding a few studs on to a test piece and inspecting the fillet formation, before deciding that "arc-blow" is causing the uneven fillet.

"Arc-blow" can sometimes be corrected by placing a block of steel near the position of the weld area, on the opposite side to that at which the fillet has blown. When welding near the edge of a plate, the fillet will be blown towards the general mass of material, i.e.. away from the edge. The block in this case should therefore be placed at the edge the plate, touching it, thus providing a more evenly distributed magnetic field. The earth connection can be located immediately below the position of the stud weld, this latter is not always practicable, since it requires the earth connections to be moved frequently. The use of two earth connections, spaced evenly across the welding area, is also advisable.



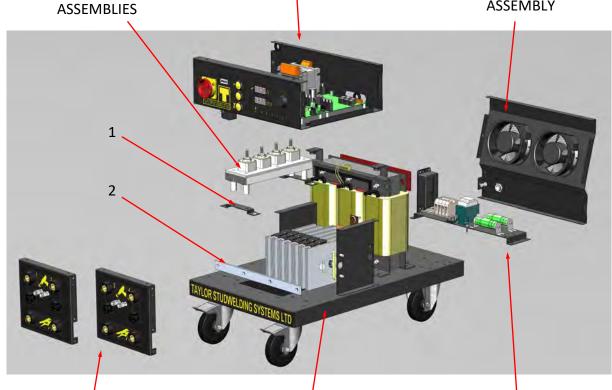




ITEM	No. OFF	PART No.	DESCRIPTION
1	1	81-120-032	HANDLE - ! NOT FOR LIFTING!
2	1	81-106-260	ADVISORY STICKER
3	2	81-106-128	EYEBOLT
4	1	81-106-253	TOP COVER
5	1	81-106-252	SIDE PANEL
6	2	81-106-265	STICKER (1200 MODEL)
or	2	81-106-280	STICKER (1600 MODEL)
7	1	81-106-251	SIDE PANEL

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DETAILED BREAKDOWN
OF THE CONTROL
HOUSING ASSEMBLY

SEE PAGE 33 FOR A MORE DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF THE BACK PANEL ASSEMBLY



SEE PAGE 26 & 27 FOR A MORE DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF THE OUTPUT PANEL OPTIONS AND ASSEMBLIES

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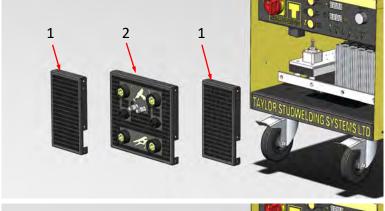
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SEE PAGE 28 FOR A MORE DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF THE BASEPLATE OPTIONS AND ASSEMBLIES SEE PAGE 31 FOR A MORE DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF THE PILOT ARC BRACKET OPTIONS AND ASSEMBLIES

ITEM	No. OFF	PART No.	DESCRIPTION
1	2	81-106-246	SPLITTER UNIT MOUNT BRACKET
2	1	81-106-247	EARTH BUSBAR

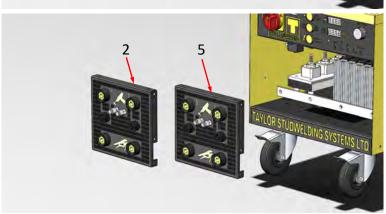
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3 GUN MODEL



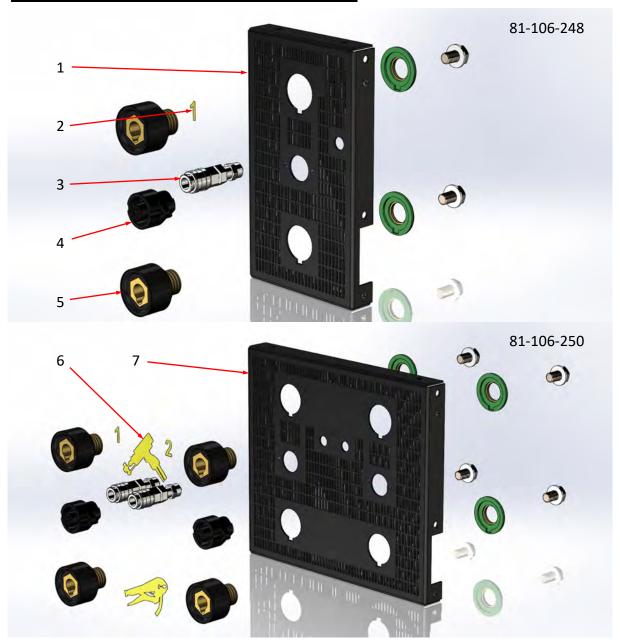
4 GUN MODEL



SEE PAGE 27 FOR PARTS EXPLOSION FOR THESE PANELS.

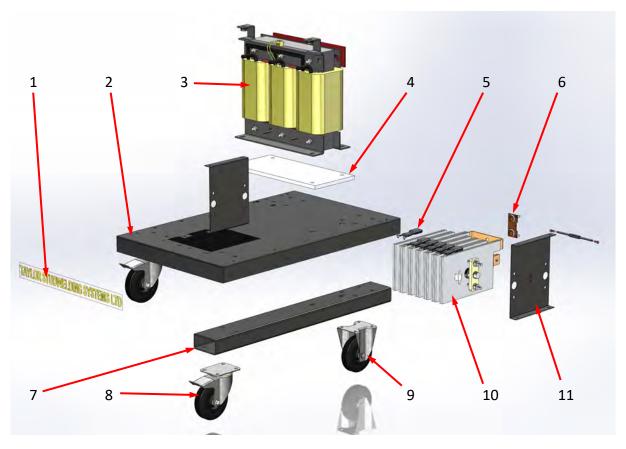
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ITEM	No. OFF	PART No.	DESCRIPTION
1	*	81-106-249	SINGLE BLANKING SUB-PANEL
2	*	81-106-250	DOUBLE PISTOL SUB-PANEL (PISTOLS 1 & 2)
3	*	81-106-248	SINGLE PISTOL SUB-PANEL (PISTOL 1)
4	*	81-106-250	DOUBLE PISTOL SUB-PANEL (PISTOLS 2 & 3)
5	*	81-106-250	DOUBLE PISTOL SUB-PANEL (PISTOL 3 & 4)

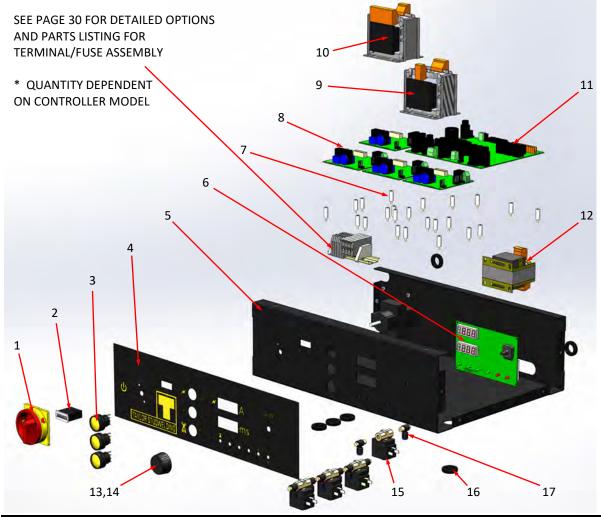


## \* PART QUANTITIES ARE AS SHOWN IN BREAKDOWN FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL PANEL

ITEM	No. OFF	PART No.	DESCRIPTION
1	*	81-106-248	SINGLE PISTOL SUB-PANEL
2	*	81-106-255	PISTOL NUMBER DECAL SET (1 2 3 4)
3	*	PFX-CSS-B06-BUL	SHIELDING GAS OUTLET SOCKET
4	*	70-102-025	CONTROL SOCKET
5	*	81-106-031	WELD SOCKET
6	*	81-106-182	PANEL DECAL SET (PISTOL & EARTH)
7	*	81-106-250	DUAL PISTOL SUB-PANEL

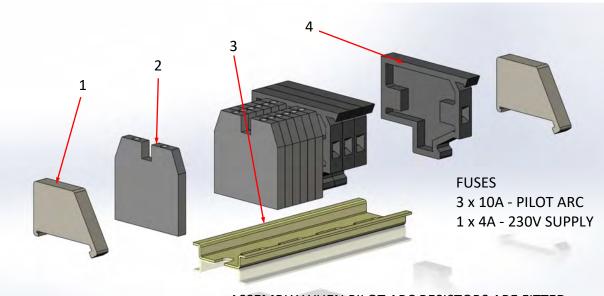


ITEM	No. OFF	PART No.	DESCRIPTION
1	1	81-106-259	DECAL
2	1	81-106-240	BASEPLATE
3	1	81-106-236	1200A WELDING TRANSFORMER
or	1	81-106-200	1600A WELDING TRANSFORMER
4	1	81-106-289	TRANSFORMER MOUNT PLATE (1600 MODEL ONLY)
5	6	81-106-218	SNUBBER
6	1	81-106-195	SHUNT
7	2	81-106-241	SUPPORT TUBE
8	2	81-106-009	CASTOR (SWIVEL & BRAKE)
9	2	81-106-011	CASTOR (FIXED, NO BRAKE)
10	1	81-120-056	RECTIFIER
11	2	81-106-243	RECTIFIER BRACKET



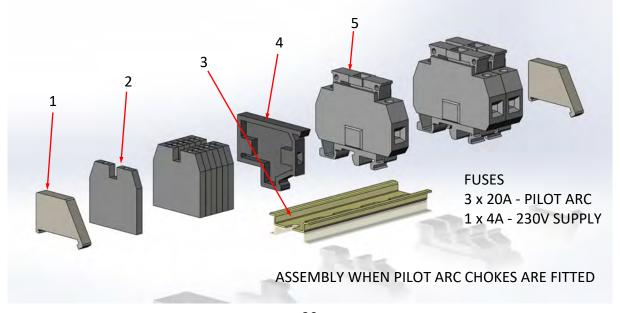
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1	1	81-104-066	MAINS ON/OFF SWITCH
2	1	81-200-103	COUNTER (NON-RESETTABLE)
3	3	81-120-060	PUSHBUTTON
4	1	81-106-254	CONTROL PANEL OVERLAY
5	1	81-106-244	CONTROL ENCLOSURE
6	1	81-200-102	DISPLAY PCB
7	*	81-104-083	MOUNTING PILLAR (7 FOR MAIN PCB + 4 PER PISTOL PCB)
8	*	81-200-101	PISTOL CONTROL PCB (1 PER PISTOL)
9	1	81-106-296	AUXILIARY TRANSFORMER
10	1	81-106-295	AUXILIARY TRANSFORMER
11	1	81-200-100	MAIN PCB
12	1	81-113-032	AUXILIARY TRANSFORMER
13	1	81-104-030	KNOB
14	1	81-104-032	KNOB CAP
15	*	81-108-071	SHIELDING GAS CONTROL VALVE (1 PER PISTOL)
16	8	81-106-257	GROMMET
17	*	PFE-P06-U1M	ELBOW FITTING (2 PER PISTOL)

TERMINAL/FUSE ASSEMBLY.



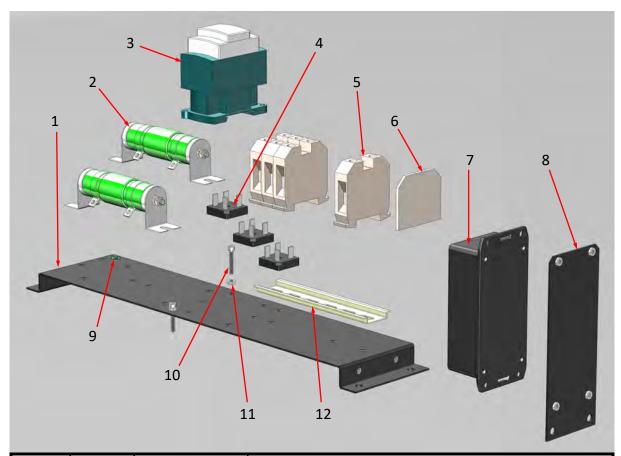
## ASSEMBLY WHEN PILOT ARC RESISTORS ARE FITTED

ITEM	No. OFF	PART No.	DESCRIPTION
1	2	81-106-043	DIN RAIL END STOP
2	7	75-101-728	DIN RAIL TERMINAL
3	1	81-106-051	DIN RAIL
4	4	81-106-041	DIN RAIL FUSEHOLDER (PILOT ARC RESISTORS)
4	1	81-106-041	DIN RAIL FUSEHOLDER (PILOT ARC CHOKES)
5	3	81-120-120	DIN RAIL FUSEHOLDER (PILOT ARC CHOKES)

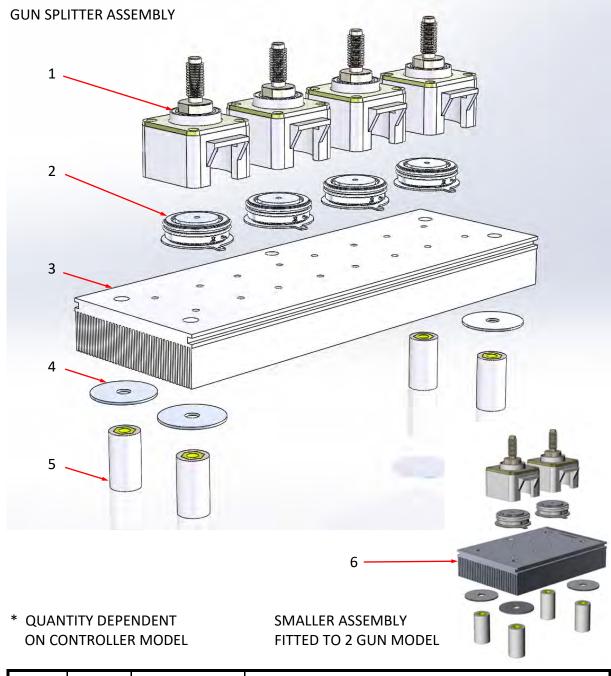


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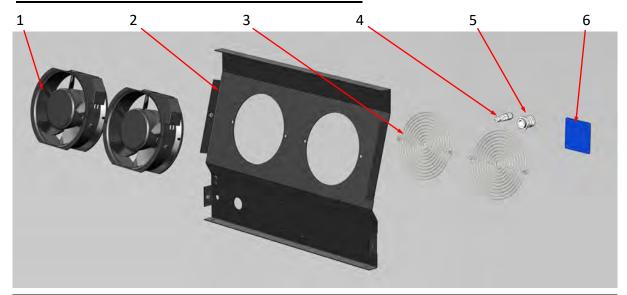
NOTE! RESISTORS (2) CAN BE EXCHANGED FOR CHOKES (81-109-003) IF REQUIRED (IMPROVES PILOT ARC WHEN USING GAS).



ITEM	No. OFF	PART No.	DESCRIPTION
1	1	81-106-245	PILOT ARC BRACKET
2	2	81-106-216	PILOT ARC RESISTOR
3	1	81-106-071	PILOT ARC CONTACTOR
4	3	70-102-100	RECTIFIER
5	4	81-106-272	TERMINAL
6	1	81-106-273	TERMINAL END PLATE
7	1	81-106-276	FILTER
8	1	81-106-290	BRACKET
9	1	81-106-262	EARTH POINT DECAL
10	2	Z100-04-025	SUPPORT SCREW
11	2	Z505-04-000	NUT
12	1	81-106-051	DIN RAIL



ITEM	No. OFF	PART No.	DESCRIPTION
1	*	70-102-047	THYRISTOR CLAMP
2	*	70-102-046	THYRISTOR
3	1	81-106-225	HEATSINK (3 & 4 GUN MODELS)
4	4	Z600-08-040	WASHER
5	4	81-113-021	MOUNTING PILLAR
6	1	81-106-283	HEATSINK (2 GUN MODEL)



ITEM	No. OFF	PART No.	DESCRIPTION
1	2	81-106-081	FAN
2	1	81-106-242	BACK PANEL
3	2	81-104-220	FAN GRILLE
4	1	PFX-CSS-B06-BUL	SHIELDING GAS INLET SOCKET
5	1	81-108-019	MAINS CABLE ENTRY GLAND
6	1	81-106-297	SERIAL DATA LABEL

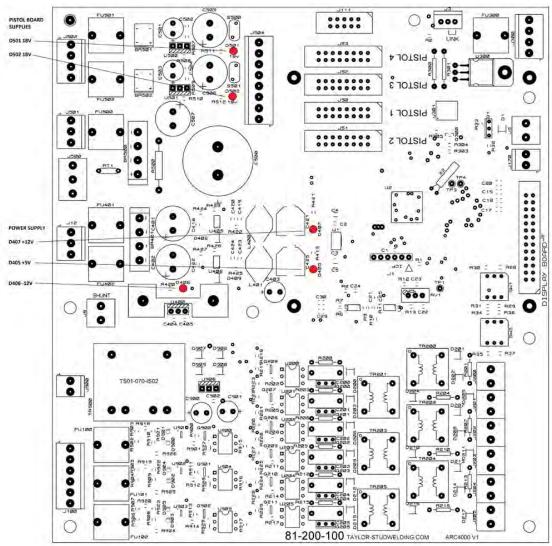
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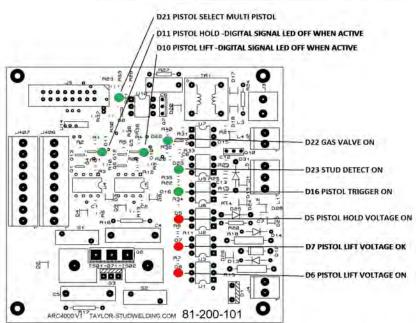
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1	1	81-106-263	WIRING HARNESS - MAIN LOOM
2	1	81-106-264	WIRING HARNESS - SECONDARY LOOM
3	4	71-300-008	MAINS FLEXIBLE CABLE (per metre)
4	1	81-106-234	REFERENCE RESISTOR
5	1	81-106-235	FILTER

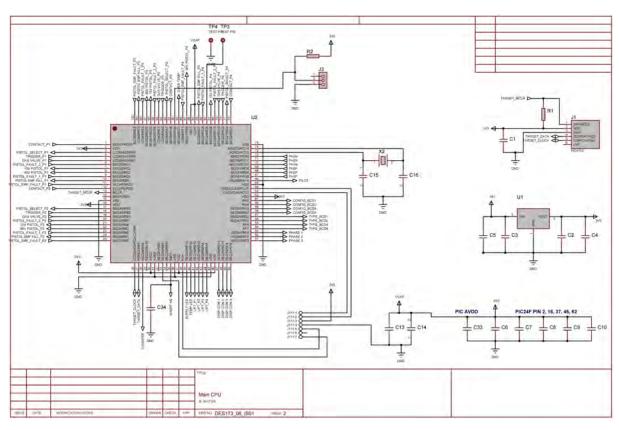
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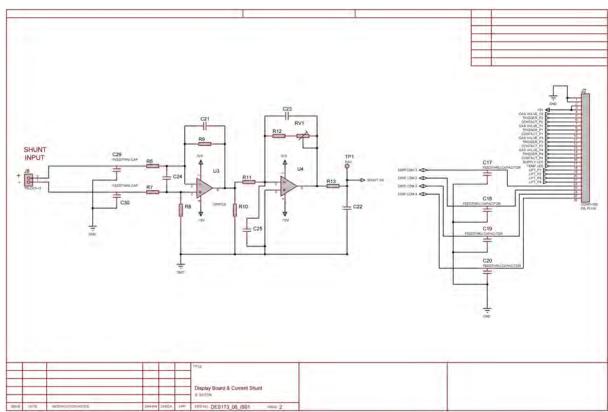
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4	1	81-108-073	3 PHASE, 380/415V AC, 32A, 5 PIN

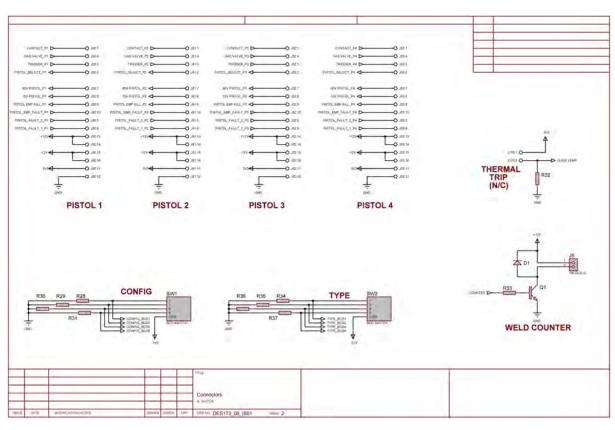
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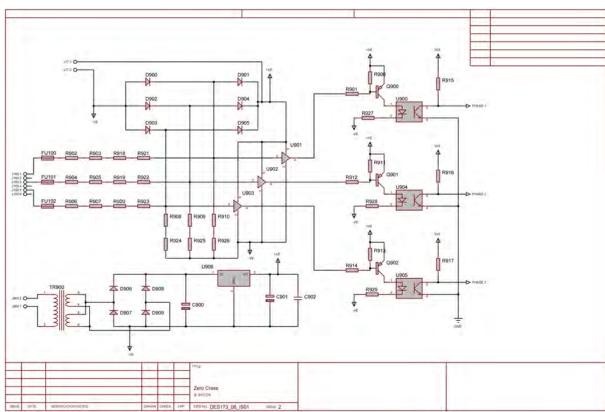


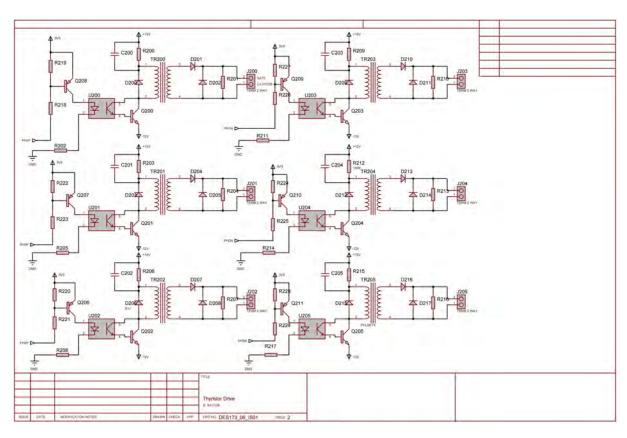


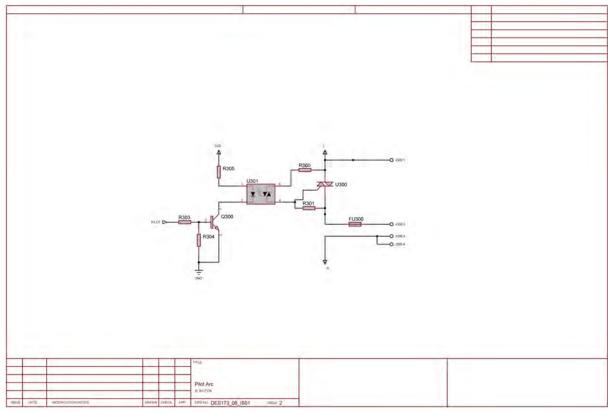


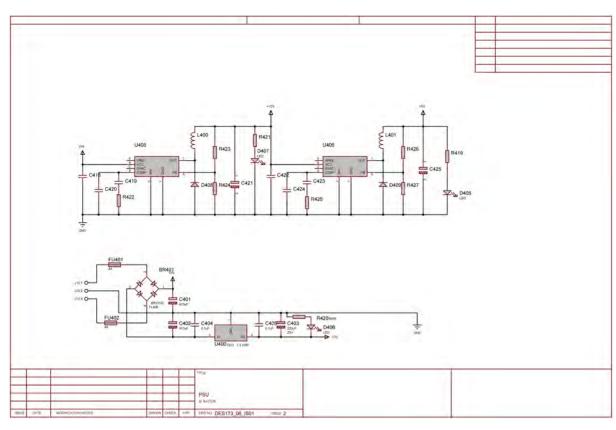


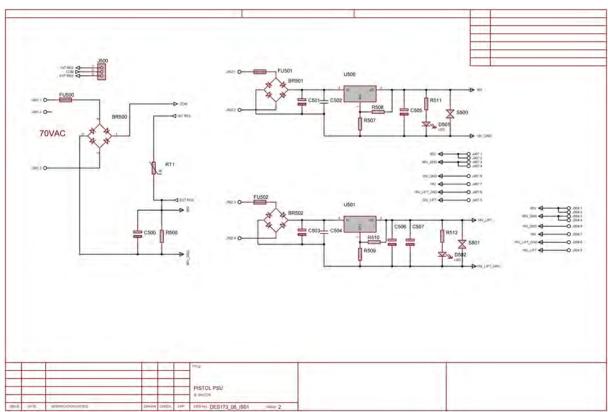


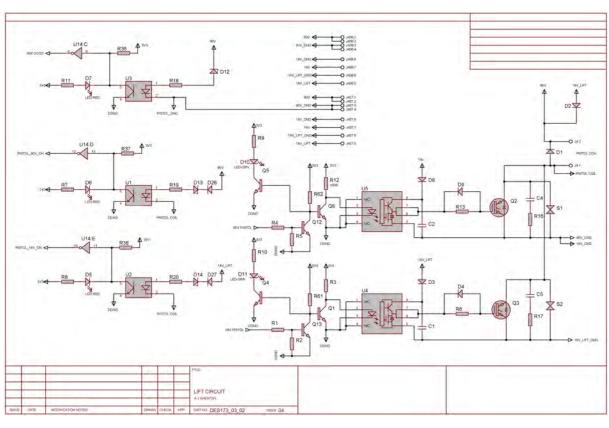


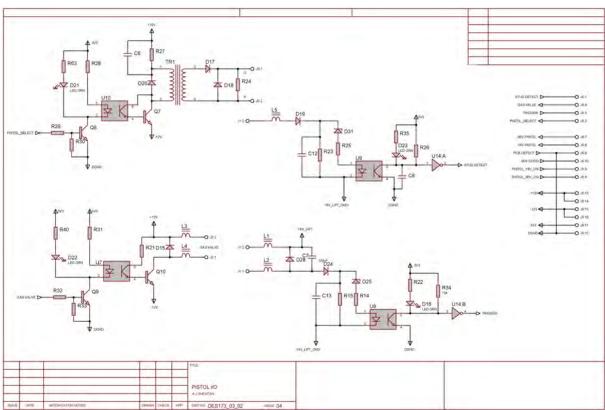


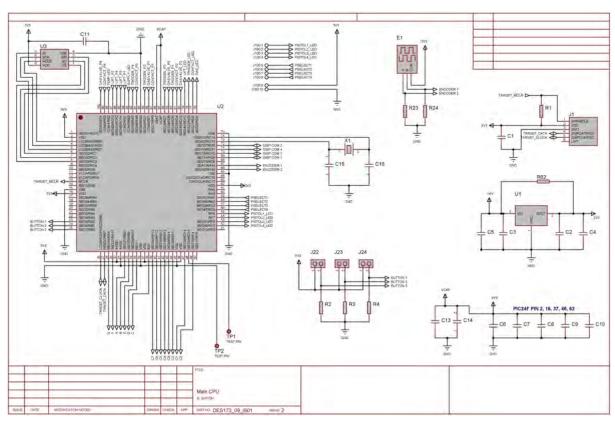


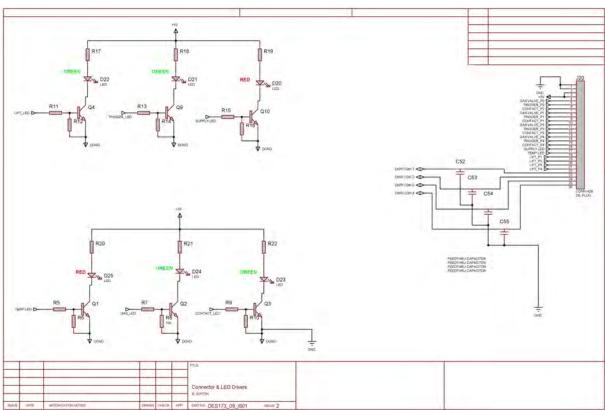


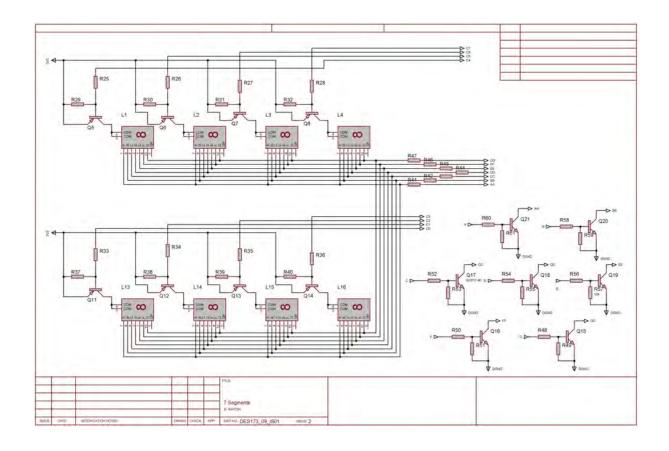












## **ACCESSORIES**

All the earth connection sockets on the controller are bussed on the same internal busbar. It is possible to weld with only one earth connection but where possible connect 2 earth cables to every workpiece (see page 11. Setting up and Welding) as this gives better results. An earth cable must be connected to the controller in this user guide. A pair of cables comprises 2 off the standard cable assembly part number listed below.

STANDARD EARTH CABLE ASSEMBLY FOR SYSTEM 1200 99-101-090

Spare parts for the maintenance of earth cables are listed below:

 WELD PLUG
 81-101-051

 CABLE/m
 71-300-004

 EARTH CLAMP
 81-101-135

 CRIMP TERMINAL
 Z700-08-060

# **EU DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY**

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Designation of Product: Studwelding equipment ARC4000 series. Models 1200E Multi Gun &

1600E Multi Gun

Studwelding gun series DA2-A to DA20

The above mentioned equipment complies with the requirements of the following directives :

93/68/EEC The CE Marking Directive 2014/35/EU The Low Voltage Directive

2014/30/EU The Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive

The above mentioned products conform to the following European standards:

EN 60974-1:2012 ARC WELDING EQUIPMENT - PART 1 : WELDING POWER SOURCES

EN60974-10:2014 ARC WELDING EQUIPMENT - PART 10 : ELECTROMAGNETIC

**COMPATIBILITY (EMC) REQUIREMENTS** 

I hereby declare that the above mentioned equipment has been designed to comply with the relevant sections of the above referenced standards. The equipment complies with all applicable essential requirements of the above mentioned directives.

Signed.

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