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
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1 Safety Instructions

1.1 General Notes

Safety precautions This manual contains basic instructions for the commissioning and operation of the device / system. For this reason, it is important to ensure that the manual is always available to the authorised and trained operator. He needs to read the manual thoroughly. The manufacturer is not liable for damage to material or humans due to non-observance of the instructions and safety advices provided by this manual.

Locally applying regulations have to be observed!

Labelling of safety instructions The following signal words and symbols are used in this manual and on the product itself:

Signal word / symbol	Description
DANGER	Indicates a potential hazard which will result in death or serious injury if not avoided.
WARNING	Indicates a potential hazard which may result in death or serious injury if not avoided.
CAUTION	Indicates a potential hazard which may result in moderate or minor injury if not avoided.
NOTICE	Indicates a potential hazard which may result in material damage if not avoided.
	Serves to highlight warnings and safety instructions. As a warning label on the product it is used to draw attention to potential hazards which have to be avoided by reading the manual.
	Serves to highlight warnings and safety instructions that explicitly indicate the risk of an electric shock.
	Serves to highlight important information and useful tips on the operation of the device/system. Failure to observe may lead to unusable measurement results.

Working with products from Megger It is important to observe the generally applicable electrical regulations of the country in which the device will be installed and operated, as well as the current national accident prevention regulations and internal company directives (work, operating and safety regulations).

After working on the system, it must be voltage-free and secured against reconnection as well as having been discharged, earthed and short-circuited.

Use genuine accessories to ensure system safety and reliable operation. The use of other parts is not permitted and invalidates the warranty.

Operating staff The system may only be installed and operated by an authorised electrician. DIN VDE 0104 (EN 50191), DIN VDE 0105 (EN 50110) and the German accident prevention regulations (UVV) define an electrician as someone whose knowledge, experience and familiarity with the applicable regulations enables him to recognise potential hazards.

Anyone else must be kept away!

1.2 General Safety Instructions and Warnings

Intended application The operating safety is only guaranteed if the delivered system is used as intended (see page 10). Incorrect use may result in danger to the operator, to the system and the connected equipment.

The thresholds listed in the technical data may not be exceeded under any circumstances.

Five safety rules

The five safety rules must always be followed when working with HV (High Voltage):

1. De-energise
2. Protect against re-energising
3. Confirm absence of voltage
4. Earth and short-circuit
5. Cover up or bar-off neighbouring energised parts



Using cardiac pacemaker / defibrillator

Physical processes during operation of high voltage may endanger persons wearing a cardiac pacemaker or defibrillator when near these high voltage facilities.



Fire fighting in electrical installations

- According to regulations, carbon dioxide (CO₂) **is required to be used** as extinguishing agent for fighting fire in electrical installations.
- Carbon dioxide is electrically non conductive and does not leave residues. It is safe to be used in energized facilities as long as the minimum distances are maintained. A CO₂ fire extinguisher must be always available within electrical installations.
- If, contrary to the regulations, any other extinguishing agent is used for fire fighting, this may lead to damage at the electrical installation. Megger disclaims any liability for consequential damage. Furthermore, when using a powder extinguisher near high-voltage installations, there is a danger that the operator of the fire extinguisher will get an electrical shock from a voltage arc-over (due to the powder dust created).
- It is essential to observe the safety instruction on the extinguishing agent.
- Applicable is DIN VDE 0132.

2 Technical Description

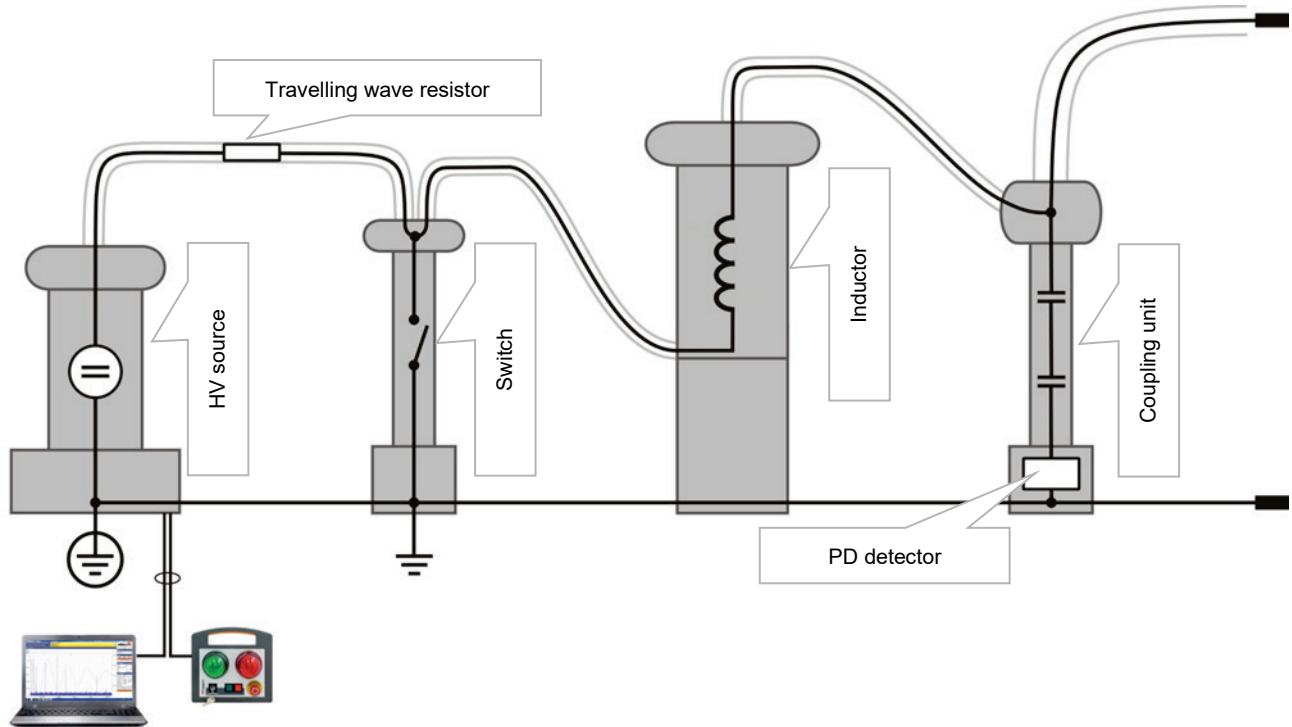
2.1 Abbreviations

In this manual the following abbreviations are used:

PD	Partial Discharge
DAC	Damped AC
PDIV	Partial Discharge Inception Voltage
PDEV	Partial Discharge Extinction Voltage
TDR	Time Domain Reflectometry (or Time Domain Reflectometer)
VWD	Voltage Withstand Diagnosis
AKV	Ankoppelvierpol (Quadripole)
MWT	Monitored Withstand Test

2.2 System Description

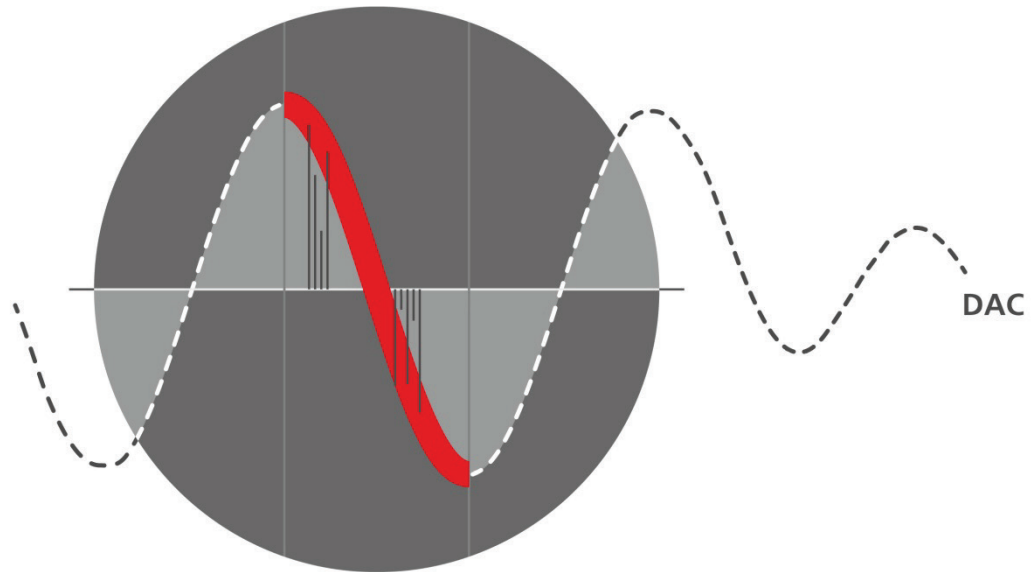
Functional description The HV DAC-300 is a partial discharge measurement system that allows for the identification, classification and location of PD faults in the insulation and the accessories of all kinds of high voltage cables. It essentially consists of a DC voltage source, a travelling wave resistor, a switch, an inductor and a coupling unit with integrated measuring impedance and PD detector.



Both, the control of the voltage source and the visualization and analysis of the measurement data are made through a notebook that is connected via a network interface. All operational actions that are required for measuring and locating PD can be executed with the help of the preinstalled software. The analysis and management of the measurement data can be conducted either immediately after the measurement or later in the office.

For the purpose of measuring partial discharge, the test object is charged to the desired voltage using the HV source and then discharged using the switch and the specially designed inductor. Thus a sinusoidal DAC voltage with low damping is created. Depending on the capacitance of the test object the frequency varies in the range from tens to hundreds of Hz. PD instigated during this process are decoupled via the coupling unit and processed in the PD detector.

The DAC voltage allows a cable-friendly PD diagnosis in conformity with IEC 60270. One major benefit of this voltage waveform is the similarity between the DAC slope and the 50 Hz power frequency (“50 Hz Slope Technology”) which can be clearly seen in the following figure:



This is particularly important for PD diagnosis, since reliable evaluation of the measured results requires a direct comparability with the power frequency. It is widely known that PD characteristics change in case of large frequency differences, making reliable evaluation impossible.

Features The system offers the following features and functions:

- Standard-compliant test with DAC voltage of up to 300 kV
- Standard-compliant cable diagnosis with a voltage of up to 270 kV (increased internal noise level for voltages $\gg 270$ kV)
- Intuitive control and analysis software, suitable for the universal use with different systems of Megger
- Quick and fully automatic calibration in one step
- PD mapping and statistical evaluation in real time
- Fully automatic report generation directly after a measurement possible
- Cable database with individually adaptable segment templates
- Import of measurement data from other PD measurement systems, e.g. Oscillating Wave Test System (OWTS) (optional)

Scope of delivery The transport boxes include the following transport boxes:

QTY	Box label	Box content	Article number
1	"Source"	HV source	2010124
1	"Switch"	Thyristor switch	2004322 (with content) 90006260 (empty)
1	"Inductor/Top"	HV Inductor	2005395 (with content) 90007045 (empty)
1	"Inductor/Middle"	HV Inductor	2006183 (with content) 90007045 (empty)
1	"Inductor/Bottom"	HV Inductor	2006184 (with content) 90007045 (empty)
1	"Coupler"	Coupling unit	2004518 (with content) 2010931 (empty)
1	"Inductor/Base"	Inductor base	2005865 (with content) 90012210 (empty)
1	"Accessory Box 1"	See table below	2005863 (with content) 2006158 (empty)
1	"Accessory Box 2"	See table below	2005864 (with content) 90012209 (empty)

The box labeled with "Accessory Box 1" contains the following accessories:

QTY	Accessory	Description	Article number
1	Notebook	With preinstalled software and case	language-dependent
1	Software license	3 dongles included	90011937
1	Travelling wave resistor	HV connection between HV source and switch	2004216
1	External safety device with operating function		2008203
1	External safety device		2010012
1	Hybrid cable with red markings	Connects the HV source to the switch	2007840
1	Hybrid cable with blue markings	Connects the switch to the coupling unit	2007842
1	Connection cable	Connects the notebook and the HV control box to the HV source	2008039
1	Connection cable	Connects the external safety device to the HV source	2005398
1	Three-phase power extension cable	Length: 10 m Current rating: 32 A Plug type: CEE (red, 3P+N+E)	90011077

QTY	Accessory	Description	Article number
1	Protective earth lead	Length: 10 m Cross section: 16 mm ² Color: cupreous	2005396
1	Earth lead for inductor support feet	Length: 3 m Cross section: 10 mm ² Color: green/yellow	2005880
3	Earth lead	Length: 3 m 5 m 10 m Color: black Cross section: 25 mm ² Plug type: MC10	2005334 2005335 2005336
1	Flat ribbon earth cable	Length: 15 m Width: 110 mm	90015481
1	Adapter	MC10 to hook	2005378
1	Adapter	MC10 to screw clamp	2005379
1	PD calibrator CAL1	Conformity: IEC 60270 PD range: 100 pC ... 100 nC Power supply: 9-volt battery	2008807
3	Adapter	For easier connection to HV cables with a conductor diameter... <30 mm <50 mm <70 mm	2005871 2005463 2005872
2	Foldable aluminum working platform		90012235
1	Tool bag	Contains the following assembly tools: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Metric tube spanner, 13 x 17 mm Double open-ended wrench (SW19/SW24) Tommy bar, 8 x180 mm Crowfoot spanner, 13 mm Wrench for tightening round M18 nuts Hex key SW 4 	2006315 (complete) 90012238 90014512 90012237 90012236 2005795 890453331
1	Carrying device for inductor modules		2004485

QTY	Accessory	Description	Article number
2	Silca gel desiccator	For humidity control within the switch (bereits im Schalter montiert).	90006470
1	Patch cable	Connects the external safety device with operating function to the notebook Length: 1 m	890021523

The box labeled with "Accessory Box 2" contains the following accessories:

QTY	Accessory	Description	Article number
1	Base plate of inductor support feet		2006314
4	Arms of inductor support feet		2005504
1	HV connection tube	Connects the coupling unit to the cable under test Length: 7.5 m	2006458
1	Corrugated hose	HV connection between switch and inductor Length: 2 m	2006427
1	Corrugated hose	HV connection between inductor and coupling unit Length: 2.5 m	2005328
1	Electrode, black	To be mounted on top of the inductor	2005405
1	Ring adapter	Required for connection to cable under test	2005394

Check contents Check the contents of the package for completeness and visible damage right after receipt. In the case of visible damage, the device must under no circumstances be taken into operation. If something is missing or damaged, please contact your local sales representative.

Optional accessories Should the following optional accessories not be part of the scope of delivery, these can be ordered from sales:

Accessory	Description	Article number
Support capacitor	PD-free support capacitor for measurements at very low load capacities. The box also contains an additional earth lead with connection accessories and an additional corrugated hose (2 m).	1010835
HV connection tube	Different lengths of the HV connection tube are available	on request
Silca gel desiccator	For humidity control within the switch	90006470
Software license for OWTS import	Enables the optional OWTS data import function	2006507 (1 Dongle) 2006509 (2 Dongles)
Corona ring CPT300	Corona ring that can be installed at the remote end cable termination for field control purposes (shipped in own box)	2010654

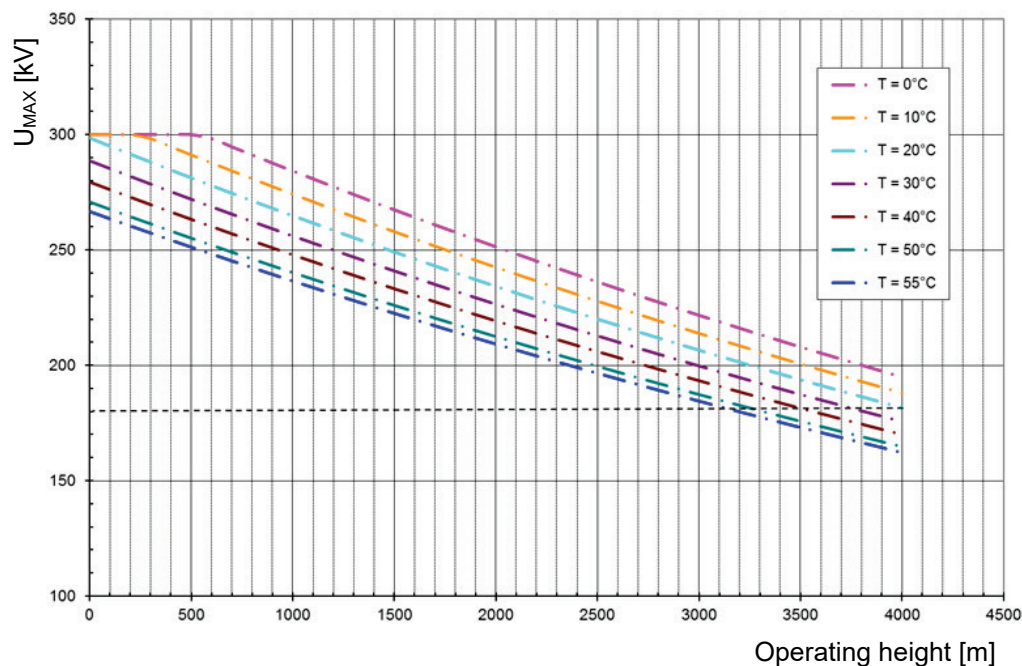
2.3 Technical Data

Technical parameters The HV DAC-300 system is specified by the following parameters:


Parameter	Value
Output voltage¹	25 kV ... 300 kV DC (diagnosis only up to 270 kV)
DAC frequency	20 Hz ... 300 Hz
Testable load capacitance	35 nF ... 8 µF
Input voltage	400 V ±10% 3PH, 50/60 Hz
Mains input power	4 kVA
PD measuring range	2 pC ... 100 nC
System noise level	<2 pC
PD pulse repetition rate for charge evaluation	100 kHz
Charge evaluation	according to IEC60270
Coupling capacitor	5 nF
PD localisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Range 0 ... 16.000 m / v/2 = 80 m/µs • Minimum cable length 75 m • Propagation velocity v/2 50 ... 120 m/µs • Sample rate 125 MHz (8 ns) • Bandwith 3 / 20 MHz (switchable) • Accuracy 1% of cable length • Resolution ±1 pC / ±1 m
Filtering	Analogue and digital
Support capacitor (optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacitance 20 nF • Maximum voltage 300200 kV
Operating temperature¹	0 °C ... 55 °C (except of notebook)
Storage temperature	-20 °C ... 70 °C
Relative humidity	80% bei 30 °C (non-condensing)
Ingress protection rating (in accordance with IEC 60529 (DIN VDE 0470-1))	IP00

¹ the operating height- and temperature dependent restrictions described on the following page must be observed



Height-dependent maximum voltage The following diagram illustrates the dependence of the maximum permissible test voltage on the operating altitude and the operating temperature:



Weight and dimensions The individual main components of the HV DAC-300 have the following weight and dimensions:

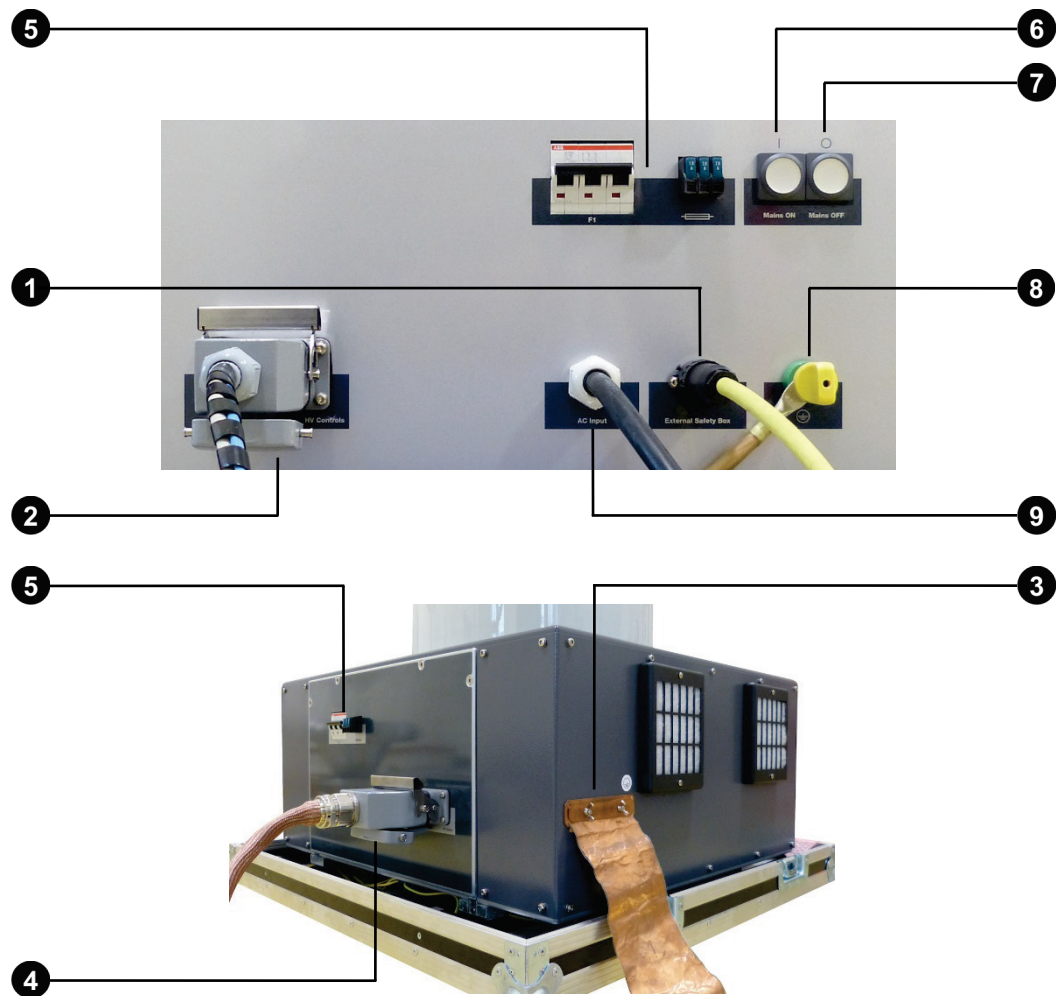
Component	Data	
 <p data-bbox="523 640 639 674">“Source”</p>	<p data-bbox="759 360 911 421">Dimensions (W x H² x D)</p> <p data-bbox="759 439 847 472">Weight</p>	<p data-bbox="1027 360 1286 394">840 x 1700 x 980 mm</p> <p data-bbox="1027 439 1110 472">117 kg</p>
 <p data-bbox="523 999 639 1032">“Switch”</p>	<p data-bbox="759 689 911 750">Dimensions (W x H² x D)</p> <p data-bbox="759 768 847 801">Weight</p>	<p data-bbox="1027 689 1286 723">700 x 1838 x 700 mm</p> <p data-bbox="1027 768 1110 801">146 kg</p>
 <p data-bbox="432 1417 730 1451">“Inductor” (assembled)</p>	<p data-bbox="759 1043 911 1104">Dimensions (W x H² x D)</p> <p data-bbox="759 1122 999 1155">Weight (assembled)</p> <p data-bbox="759 1173 951 1234">Weight of one inductor module</p> <p data-bbox="759 1252 983 1312">Weight of inductor base</p>	<p data-bbox="1027 1043 1318 1077">1555 x 2350 x 1555 mm</p> <p data-bbox="1027 1122 1110 1155">336 kg</p> <p data-bbox="1027 1173 1094 1207">72 kg</p> <p data-bbox="1027 1252 1094 1285">50 kg</p>

² The height required by the top-mounted connection cable is not included

Component	Data	
 <p data-bbox="512 645 651 680">“Coupler”</p>	<p data-bbox="758 286 1011 353">Dimensions (W x H² x D)</p> <p data-bbox="758 362 1011 398">Weight</p>	<p data-bbox="1024 286 1447 322">700 x 2125 x 700 mm</p> <p data-bbox="1024 362 1447 398">125 kg</p>
 <p data-bbox="448 1057 715 1124">“Support Capacitor” (optional)</p>	<p data-bbox="758 694 1011 761">Dimensions (W x H² x D)</p> <p data-bbox="758 770 1011 806">Weight</p>	<p data-bbox="1024 694 1447 730">700 x 2150 x 700 mm</p> <p data-bbox="1024 770 1447 806">131 kg</p>

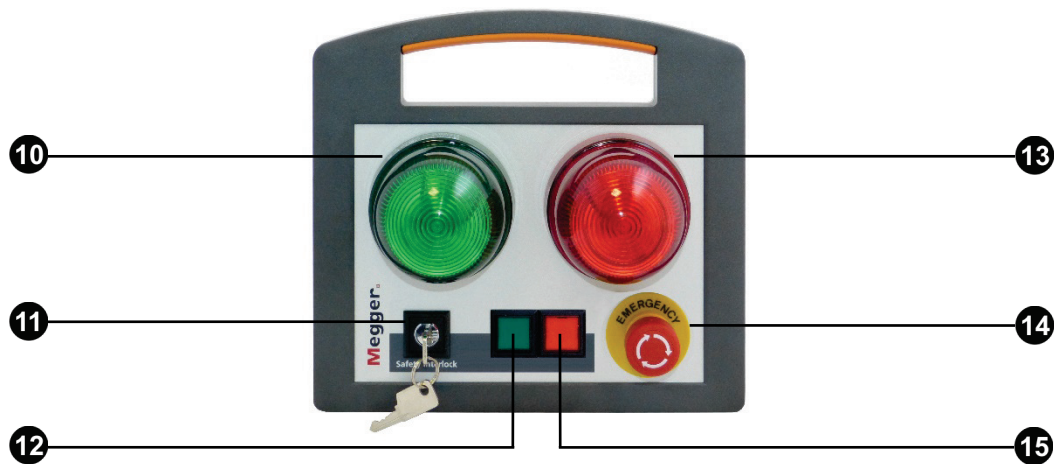
2.4 Connections, Controls and Indicators



HV source The following connection and control elements are located on the base of the HV source:



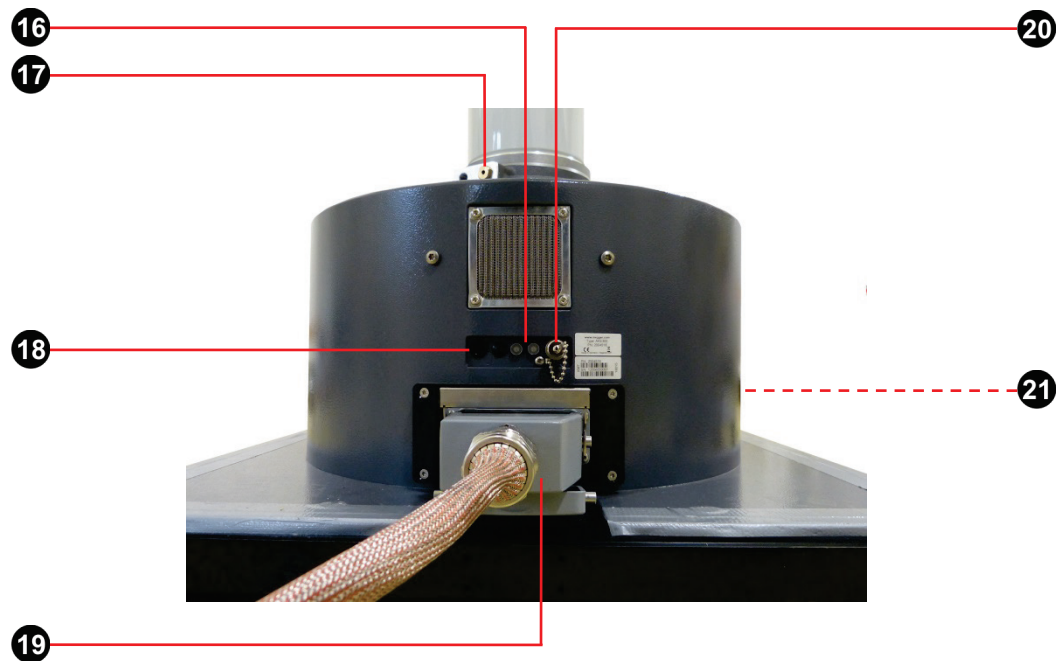
Element	Description
①	Socket for connection to the external safety device
②	Socket for connection to the external safety device with operating function and to the notebook
③	Connection point for ribbon earthing cable
④	Connector for connection to the switch
⑤	Circuit breakers and fuses (see page 113)
⑥	“Mains ON” button
⑦	“Mains OFF” button
⑧	Protective earth connector
⑨	AC power cord

External safety device The external safety devices have the following controls and indicators:



Part	Description
10	Green signal light Lights up when the system is switched on but is not in high voltage operation.
11	“HV interlock” key switch <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; margin-bottom: 10px;">  <div style="margin-left: 10px;">High voltage unlocked</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="margin-left: 10px;">High voltage locked</div> </div> <p>In the locked state, the key can be removed and the system can thus be protected against unauthorised high-voltage operation.</p>
12	“HV ON” button (only on the external safety device with operating function)
13	Red signal light Lights up as soon as high voltage can be generated. The test object must be treated as live!
14	EMERGENCY OFF switch
15	“HV OFF” button (only on the external safety device with operating function)

Coupling unit The following connectors and indicators are located on the base of the coupling unit:



Element	Description												
16	Status LEDs indicating the following states of the PD detector: <table border="0" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 30%;"></th> <th style="width: 35%; text-align: center;">Left LED</th> <th style="width: 35%; text-align: center;">Right LED</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Green</td> <td>Measurement underway</td> <td>Software and PD detector connected</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Orange</td> <td>Measurement stopped and not yet restarted</td> <td>Software and PD detector are connecting</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Red</td> <td colspan="2">System error (see page 114)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Left LED	Right LED	Green	Measurement underway	Software and PD detector connected	Orange	Measurement stopped and not yet restarted	Software and PD detector are connecting	Red	System error (see page 114)	
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Red	System error (see page 114)												
17	Banana jack for connection of the short-circuit adapter (see page 110)												
18	Banana jack for connection of the short-circuit adapter / calibrator												
19	Socket to connect the hybrid cable from the switch												
20	BNC connector (not used)												
21	MC 10 connector for connection to operational earth (on the backside - not visible in the picture)												

2.5 Technical Background

What is Partial Discharge and why test for it? To be informed about the condition and residual life of their resources is increasingly important for network operators in order to be able to plan and optimise the investment and maintenance measures.

By the use of condition-based maintenance of medium and high voltage cable networks with the help of cable diagnosis and cable tests, it is possible to considerably reduce the costs for maintenance and renewal of the networks. Unnecessary repairs or renewals can be avoided and life expectancy can be maximized.

Moreover, the PD diagnosis also is an ideal method to verify the installation and assembly quality of a cable before commissioning.

The recognition, evaluation and location of PD faults has thereby been established as one of the most efficient and significant diagnostic methods. Partial Discharge activity is a localised electrical breakdown between two electrodes that does not completely bridge the gap between them. PD activity is an indication of incipient faults in the insulation and is widely regarded as one of the best indicators of potential weak spots in the accessories and insulation of medium and high voltage cables.

Inside cables, PD defects are generally ionisable, gas-filled voids, which were either developed during the production of the insulation or caused by one of the following events:

- Mechanical damage
- Incorrect installation of joints or terminations
- Thermal degradation processes inside joints due to improper conductor connections

Field of application In principle, the system is designed for all kinds of high voltage cables as long as the constructional requirements for the PD free connection of the test system are fulfilled. With the system's output voltage of 300 kV_{peak} power cables with a rated voltage U_o/U of up to 132/230 kV can be tested and diagnosed in accordance to the applicable standards.

The measurable cable lengths strongly depend on the cable type as well as on the amount and the design of the joints. Faulty joints, joints of inferior quality and humid cable sections can lead to heavily attenuated propagation of the PD pulses which then can only be detected badly or not at all.

Experience has shown that for new XLPE cables with the necessary minimum of high quality joints, cable lengths of 10 to 15 km are measurable without any problems (in particular cases also longer lengths) if the measurement can be conducted from both cable ends.

In paper-insulated cables, the PD pulses are attenuated considerably stronger, so that the maximum length is 5 to 10 km. If the cable is humid or has many joints (in particular transition joints), very often only notably smaller lengths are measurable.

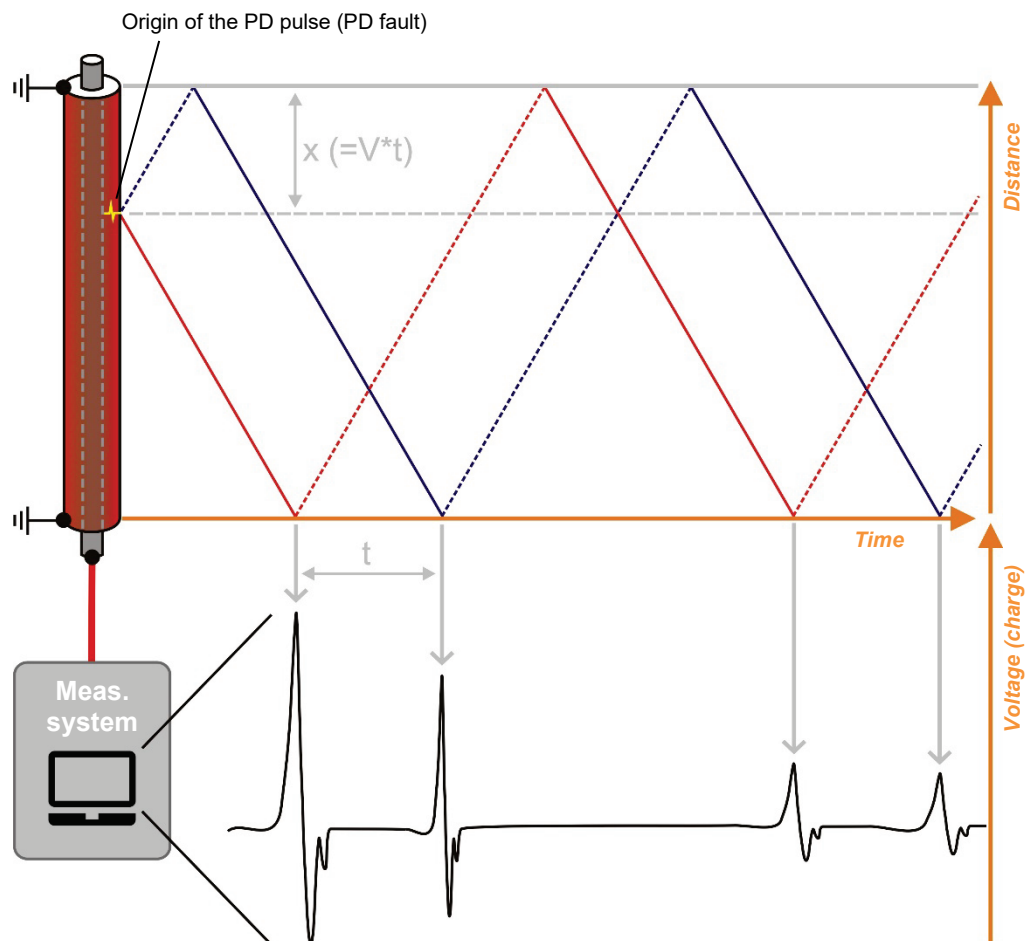
In locations where high interference voltages may obscure the measurement signal (e.g. in transformer stations), smaller PD levels are harder to identify. In these cases, a preferably short and direct earthing of the measurement system at the screen of the test object should be ensured.

How can PD be measured and located?

In order to measure partial discharges, the test object is applied with the required voltage. The generated high-frequency PD signals are decoupled by means of a special AKV.


By gradually raising the voltage it is possible to detect at which voltage the PD ignites (PDIV) and how the PD level changes with increasing voltage. Conclusions regarding the type of PD fault can be drawn from the phase angle of the test voltage at the moment of the PD event. In a similar way, also the extinction voltage (PDEV) of an already activated PD can be determined during the decay of the DAC voltage.

The fact that generated high-frequency pulses in cables propagate in both directions is used to locate PD faults. During the measurement process, the measurement system records the incoming signals and, thanks to appropriate algorithms and filters, is able to identify both the directly incoming PD pulses and the respective reflections.




The position of the PD fault can then be calculated from the time difference between pulse and reflection and from the known or in the previous calibration determined pulse propagation velocity.

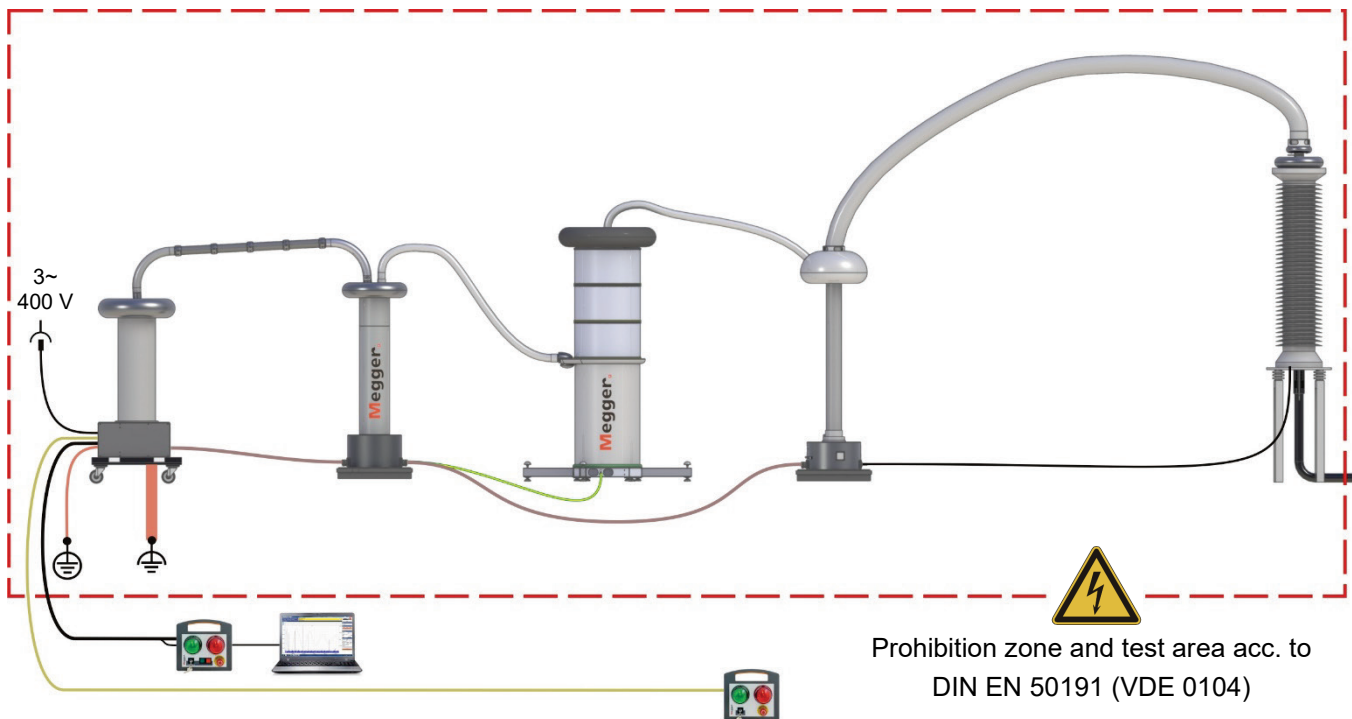
3 Commissioning


 WARNING	<p>General safety instructions for set-up and commissioning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The guidelines for implementation of occupational safety when operating a test system / test van often differ between one network operator and another and it is not uncommon for national regulations (like, i.e. the German BGI 5191) to be used as well. Inform yourself of the guidelines applicable in the area of operation beforehand, and comply with the specified rules for work organization and for implementing the test system / test van. • Select a location which is sufficient for the weight and size of the system and ensures that it stands securely. The system should be installed on a flat and stable surface. If the underground is not stable (e.g. if surfaced with gravel) then it should be stabilized, for example with wooden plates. • The system may only be used indoor or in dry weather conditions. • When setting up or connecting the system, make sure that it does not impair the functional capability of any other systems or components. If other systems and components have to be modified, be sure to reverse these measures once the work has been completed. Always take the special requirements of these systems and components into account and only carry out work on them after consulting and obtaining approval from whoever is in charge of them. • In the event of larger differences in temperature between the storage and installation locations (cold to warm) condensation may form on components carrying high voltage (condensation effect). To avoid any risk of damage to people and devices caused by voltage arc-overs, the device / system must not be operated when in this condition. It should instead be left in the new environment for a sufficient amount of time to acclimatise before it is then put into operation.
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3.1 Assembly and Electrical Connection

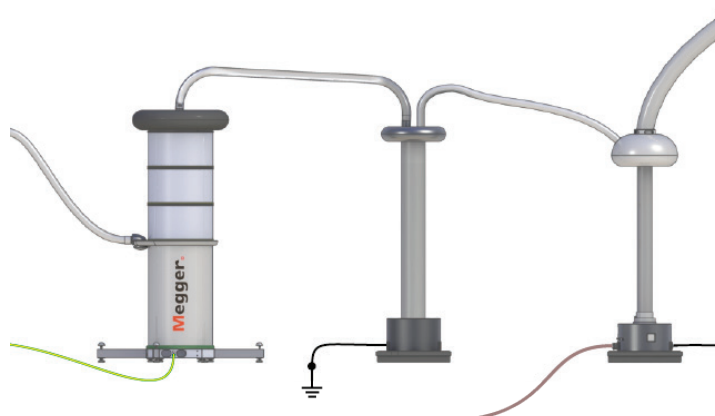
 WARNING	<p>Safety instructions regarding the electrical connection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The system may only be connected to de-energised equipment. The general safety instructions and, in particular, the five safety rules (see page 8) must always be followed prior to connection to the test object. • Follow the specified operating sequence. • Because the voltage applied to the cable under test can exhibit values that represent a shock hazard, all cable ends must be shielded in accordance with DIN EN 50191 (VDE 0104) to prevent contact. Make sure that all cable branches are taken into account. • For the assembly and connection of the system, the supplied materials and connection cables are to be used exclusively.
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Connection diagram The following picture shows the simplified connection diagram:

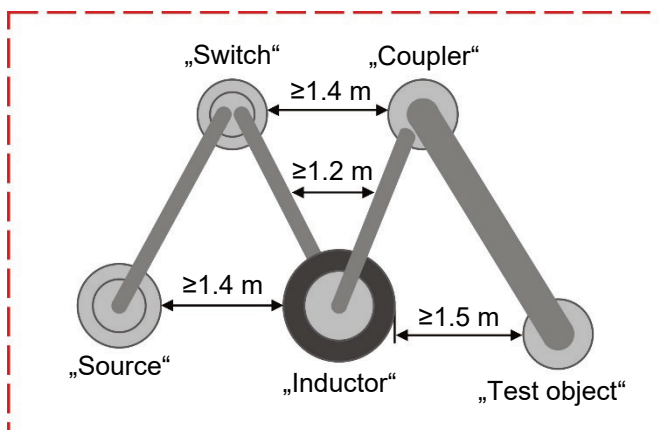


 WARNING	<p>The system components itself and the unshielded connection cables are to be considered as live parts during the whole measurement. Dimensioning of prohibition zone and test area is to be carried out in accordance to DIN EN 50191 (VDE 0104).</p>
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For measurements at very low load capacities, the optionally available support capacitor can be installed in addition to the previously mentioned components to reduce the oscillating frequency. It is placed in between the inductor and the coupling unit.

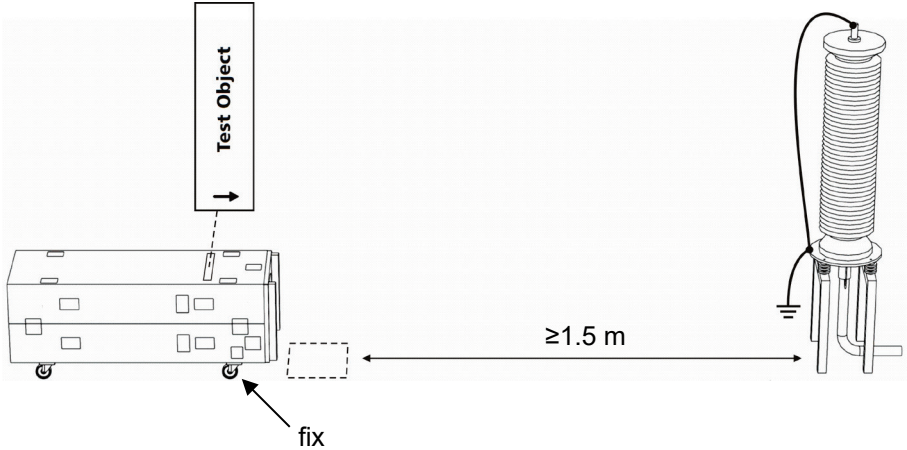
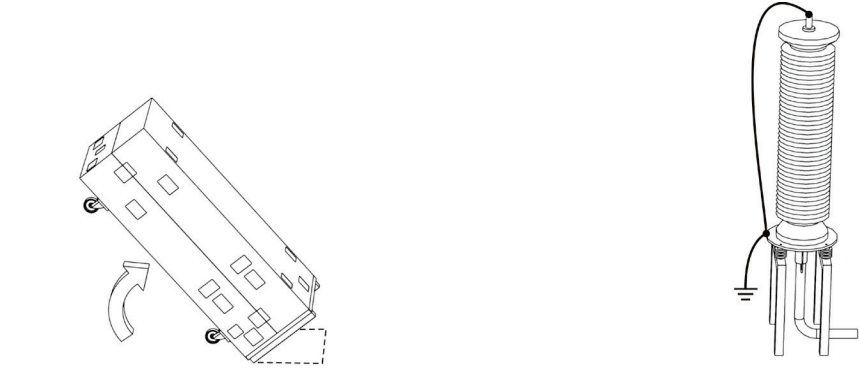



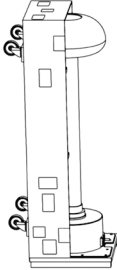
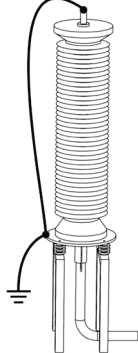

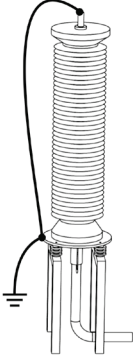

Minimum distances between system components The following minimum distances between the system components must be observed when setting up the HV DAC-300:
Alternatively, the components can also be set up in a zigzag pattern. In this case, there are the following additional minimum distances to be observed:

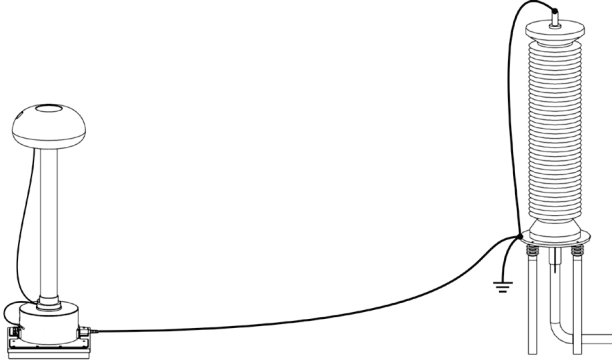


3.1.1 Setting Up the Coupling Unit

Proceed as follows to set up the coupling unit:

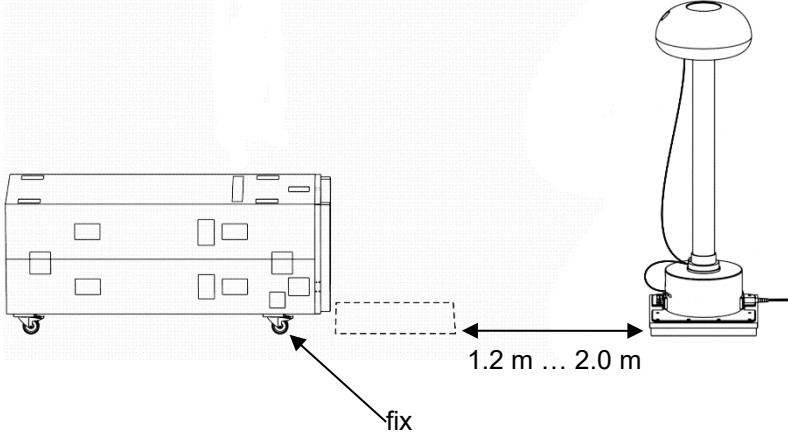
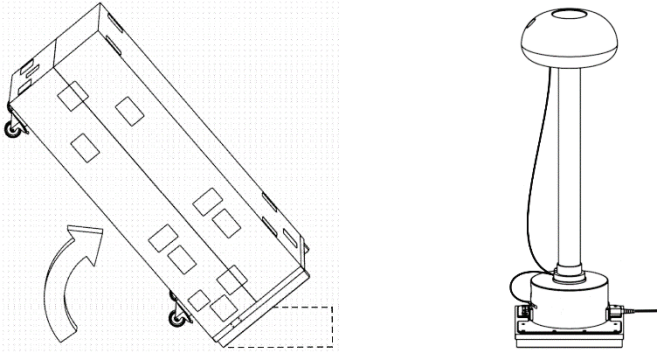

Step	Action
1	<p>Position and align the transport box labelled with “Coupler” next to the cable under test as shown in the figure below and fix the two wheels which are facing the cable under test:</p> 
2	<p>Use the available handles to raise the transport box to upright position as shown in the figure below:</p>  <div data-bbox="531 1512 1465 1680" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">  <p>Lifting the transport box requires at least 2, better 4 persons!</p> </div>

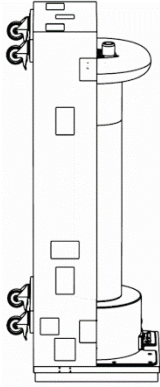
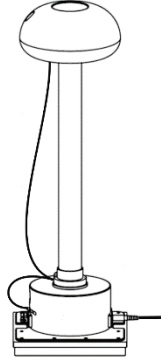
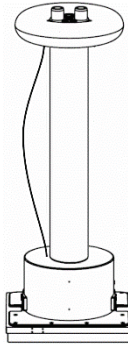
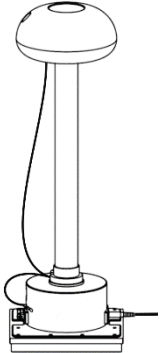

Step	Action
3	<p>Carefully remove the lid (side without wheels) of the transport box and unfasten the tension belt fixing the coupling unit.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">   </div>
4	<p>Remove the lower part of the transport box.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">   </div> <hr/> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <p>Do not remove the short-circuit adapter from the coupling unit yet!</p> </div> <hr/>
5	<p>Remove any dust and other debris from the isolator pipe.</p>
6	<p>Remove the protective sleeve from the field control electrode.</p>

Step	Action
7	<p data-bbox="531 286 1463 383">Take a black earth lead of appropriate length out of “Accessory box 2” and use it to connect the MC 10 connector at the base of the coupling unit with the screen of the cable under test (operational earth).</p> <div data-bbox="691 409 1305 768" style="text-align: center;">  <p>The diagram illustrates a cable coupling unit on the right, which consists of a central vertical shaft with a threaded top section and a base with two vertical pins. A black earth lead is connected to the base of the coupling unit. On the left, there is a separate component, possibly a plug or connector, with a similar base. A line indicates the connection between the two components.</p> </div> <hr/> <div data-bbox="539 824 603 907" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> <p data-bbox="555 831 587 891">i</p> </div> <p data-bbox="619 824 1441 976">The plug connection at the base of the coupling unit is secured by a snap-on locking system. Make sure to push the socket slowly on the plug until it clicks into place. By pushing it all the way to the stop, you would risk to accidentally release the locking mechanism again. Check for proper connection by firmly pulling on the cable!</p> <hr/>

3.1.2 Setting Up the Support Capacitor (optional)

Proceed as follows to install the optional support capacitor which is only required in case of very low load capacity:

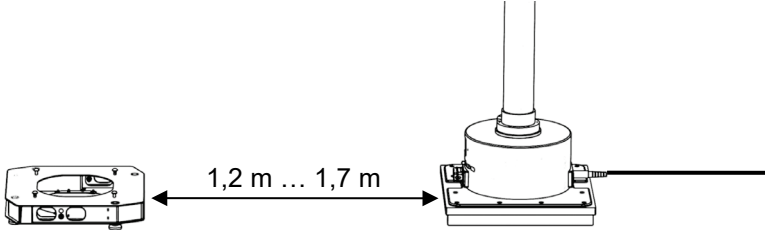
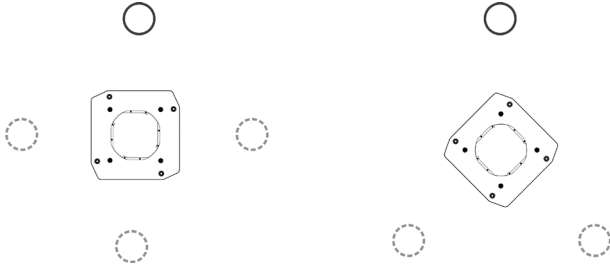
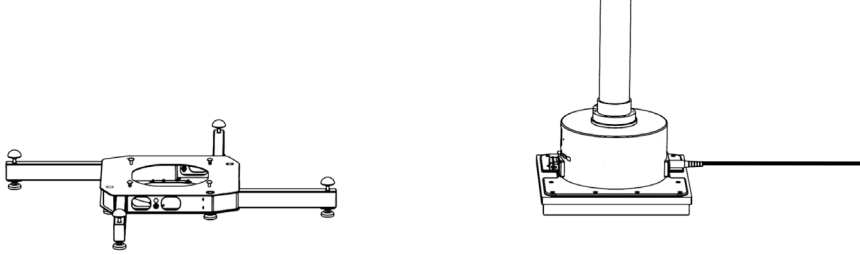
Step	Action
1	<p>Position and align the transport box labelled with “Support Capacitor” next to the coupling unit as shown in the figure below and fix the two wheels which are facing the coupling unit:</p> 
2	<p>Use the available handles to raise the transport box to upright position as shown in the figure below:</p>  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;">  <p>Lifting the transport box requires at least 2, better 4 persons!</p> </div>

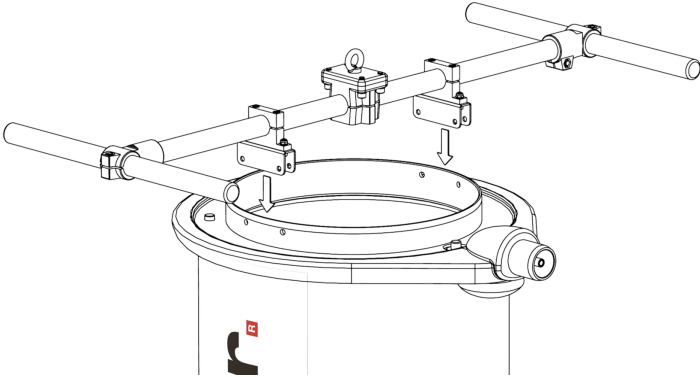
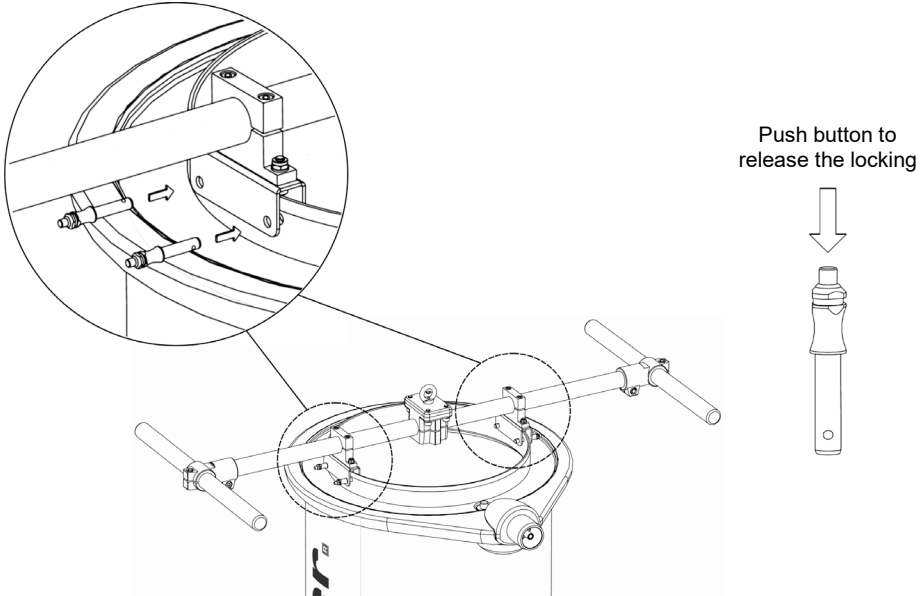

Step	Action
3	<p>Carefully remove the lid (side without wheels) of the transport box and unfasten the tension belt fixing the support capacitor.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">   </div>
4	<p>Remove the lower part of the transport box.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">   </div>
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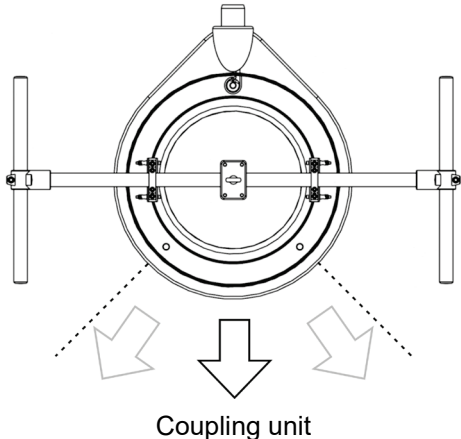
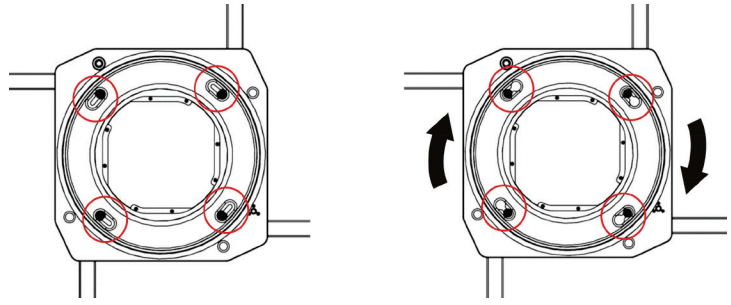
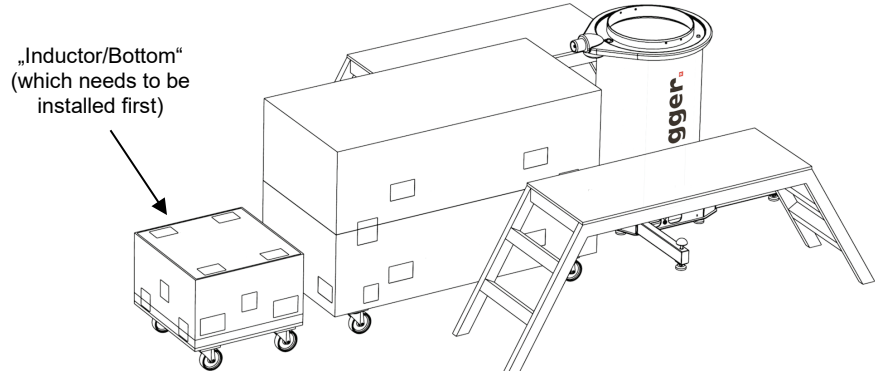
Step	Action
<p data-bbox="459 286 481 318">5</p>	<p data-bbox="529 286 1410 380">Take the black earth lead out of the “Support Capacitor” box and use it to connect the MC 10 connector at the base of the support capacitor with the screen of the cable under test (operational earth).</p> <div data-bbox="536 412 1465 842" style="text-align: center;"> </div> <div data-bbox="536 904 1465 1061" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p data-bbox="539 909 603 990">i The plug connection at the base of the support capacitor is secured by a snap-on locking system. Make sure to push the socket slowly on the plug until it clicks into place. By pushing it all the way to the stop, you would risk to accidentally release the locking mechanism again. Check for proper connection by firmly pulling on the cable!</p> </div>
<p data-bbox="459 1128 481 1160">6</p>	<p data-bbox="529 1128 1260 1160">Remove the protective sleeve from the field control electrode.</p>

3.1.3 Setting Up the Inductor

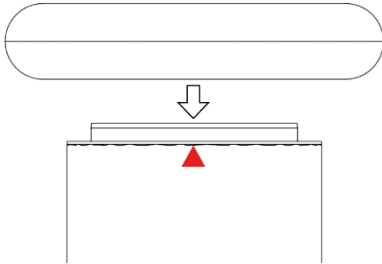
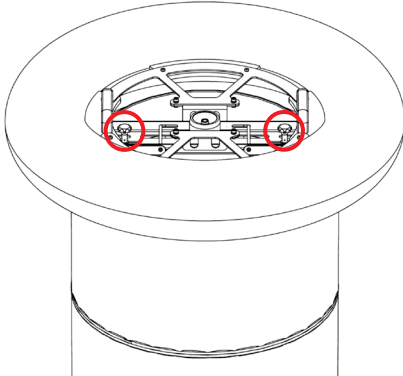
Proceed as follows to set up the inductor:

Step	Action
<p>1</p>	<p>Position the inductor support feet on stable and level ground in a distance between 1.2 m and 1.7 m from the coupling unit or the support capacitor (if used).</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>As the inductor can hardly be straightened when completely assembled, the support feet should be aligned as precisely as possible. One of the long sides must therefore face the direction in which the switch should later be installed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Position of the coupling unit / support capacitor</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Possible positions of the switch</p>
<p>2</p>	<p>Insert the four arms up to the stop into the support feet and tighten the adjusting screws on the end of the arms until the support feet barely touches the ground (the arms should now be firmly attached). While doing this, keep an eye on the spirit level to make sure the support feet is level.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>
<p>3</p>	<p>Place the transport box labelled with "Inductor/Base" next to the inductor support feet and remove the side plates.</p>

Step	Action
4	<p>Put the lifting device on the inductor base as shown in the figure below:</p> 
5	<p>Anchor the lifting device using the four attached self locking pins.</p>  <p>Push button to release the locking</p>
6	<p>If possible, connect the eye on top of the lifting device to an overhead crane.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: flex; align-items: center;">  <p>If no crane is available, at least 4 persons are required to lift the inductor base!</p> </div>

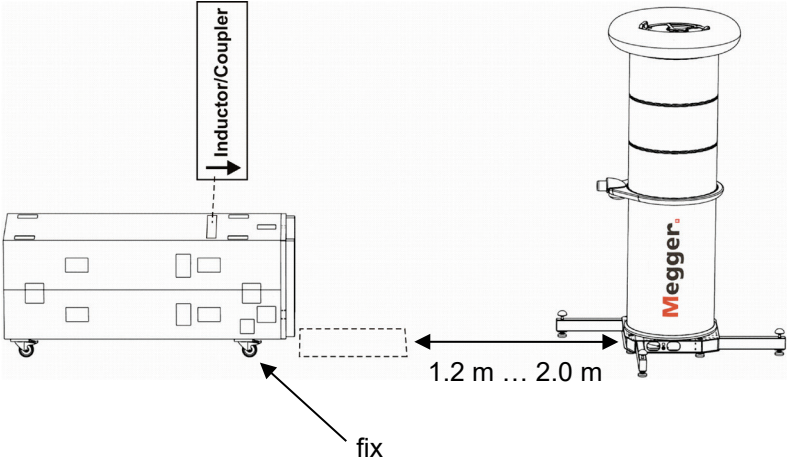
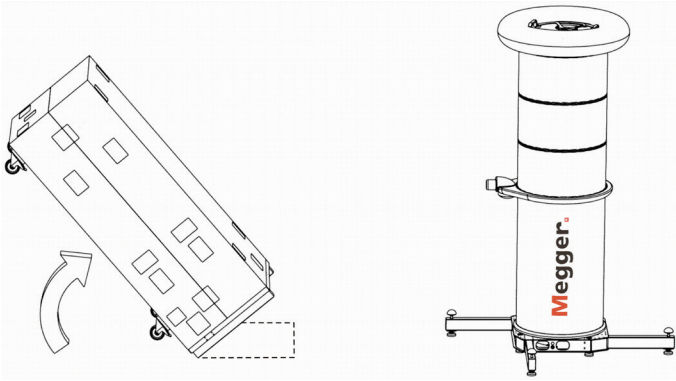

Step	Action
7	<p>Lift the inductor base and rotate it until the connector is facing away from the coupling unit.</p> 
8	<p>While putting down the inductor base on the support feet, make sure the four bolt heads sticking out of the support feet are guided through the holes in the bottom of the inductor base. After the inductor base stands securely, turn it a few degrees clockwise to anchor it.</p> 
9	<p>If no crane is available, the two supplied working platforms and a transport box should be arranged around the inductor base to provide for safe and stepwise lifting of the inductors as shown in the example below:</p> 

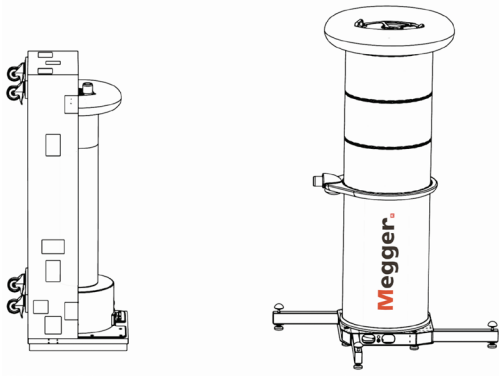
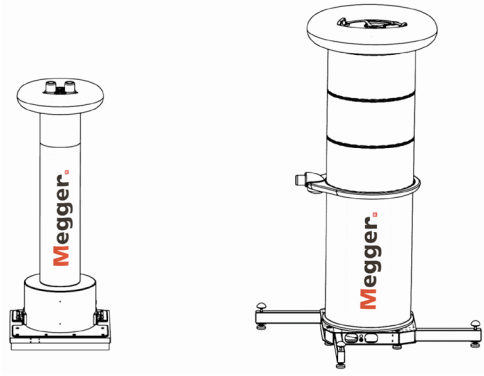
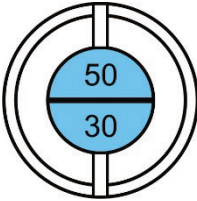
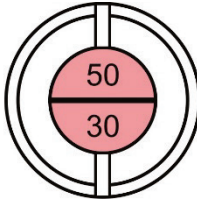
Step	Action
<p>10</p>	<p>By means of the lifting device (see steps 4 to 6), lift one inductor after the other from the respective transport box on the inductor base. Both the sequence (green → yellow → red) and the alignment are defined by colored stickers on the inductors.</p> <div data-bbox="798 436 1197 817" style="text-align: center;"> </div> <div data-bbox="534 851 678 1008" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>CAUTION</p> </div> <p>If no crane is available, at least 4 persons are required to lift one inductor!</p> <p>If, following the positioning operation, the inductor is not flush with the part underneath and a gap of around 1 cm remains visible, the alignment must be corrected by turning the inductor. The inductor has been correctly aligned only once it suddenly lowers again and can no longer be subsequently turned.</p> <div data-bbox="534 1232 678 1388" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>CAUTION</p> </div> <p>Never reach into the gap underneath the inductor when subsequently aligning it!</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>Take the electrode out of “Accessory Box 2” and make sure the locking mechanism inside the electrode is unlocked.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Unlocked</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Locked</p> </div> </div>

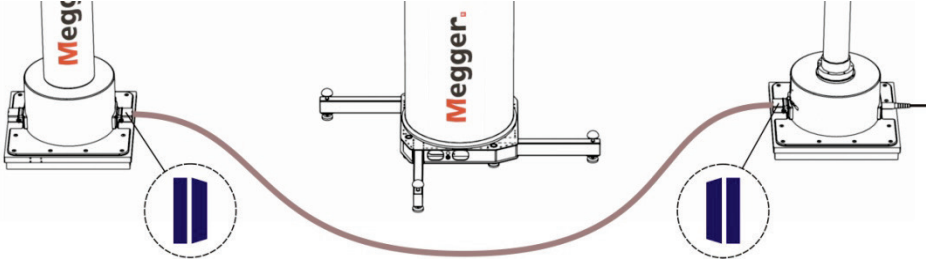
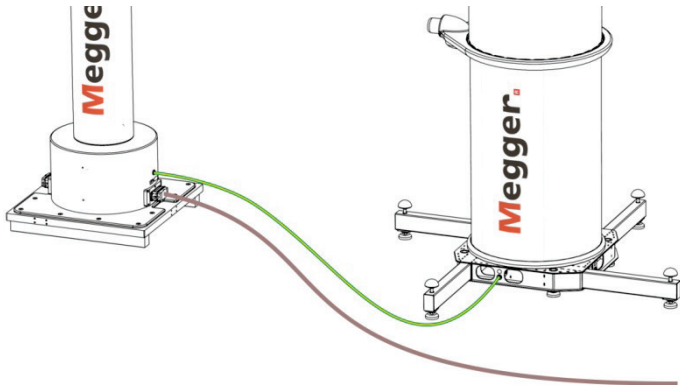
Step	Action
12	<p>Place the electrode on the inductor and make sure the two red triangles are aligned with one another.</p> 
13	<p>Lock the locking mechanism (see step 12) and tighten the two locking screws.</p> 
14	<p>Remove the protective sleeve from the electrode.</p>

3.1.4 Setting Up the Switch

Proceed as follows to set up the switch:

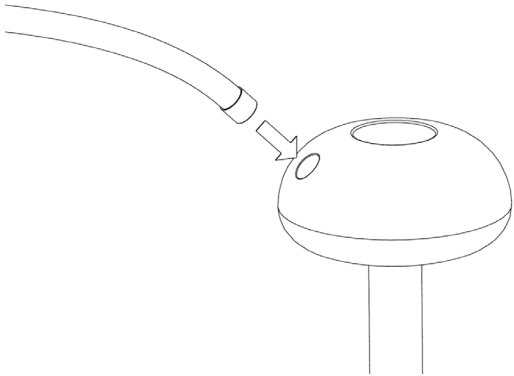
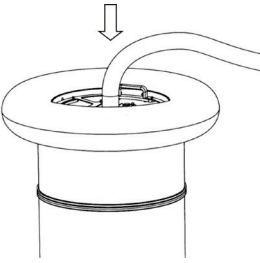
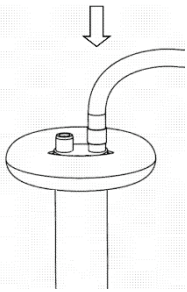
Step	Action
<p>1</p>	<p>Position and align the transport box labelled with “Switch” next to the inductor as shown in the figure below and fix the two wheels which are facing the inductor:</p> 
<p>2</p>	<p>Use the available handles to raise the transport box to upright position as shown in the figure below:</p> 
 <p>CAUTION</p>	<p>Lifting the transport box requires at least 2, better 4 persons!</p>

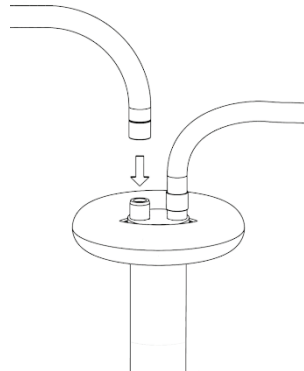
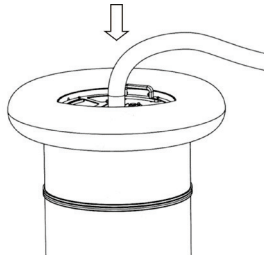
Step	Action
3	<p>Carefully remove the lid (side without wheels) of the transport box and unfasten the tension belt fixing the switch.</p> 
4	<p>Remove the lower part of the transport box.</p> 
5	<p>Remove the protective sleeve from the field control electrode.</p>
6	<p>Check whether one of the silica gel desiccators on top of the switch needs to be replaced.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Dry (no action required)</p>  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Maximum amount of moisture has been absorbed (replacement is required)</p>  </div> </div> <p>If replacement is required, the affected desiccator needs to be unscrewed and replaced by one of the supplied spare desiccators.</p> <p>The replaced desiccators can be reactivated for re-use at 120°C for four hours in a ventilated oven and should then be stored in a sealed container.</p>

Step	Action
7	<p data-bbox="528 286 1442 409">Take the hybrid cable with the blue markings on both ends out of “Accessory Box 1” and use it to make a connection between the switch and the coupling unit. The respective receptacles on the switch and coupling unit are also marked with blue stickers.</p>  <p data-bbox="536 748 1449 813">i Make sure there is no contact between the cable and the support feet of the inductor!</p>
8	<p data-bbox="528 913 1449 1010">Take the green/yellow earth lead out of “Accessory Box 1” and use it to make an earth connection between the banana jacks on the switch base and the inductor support feet.</p> 

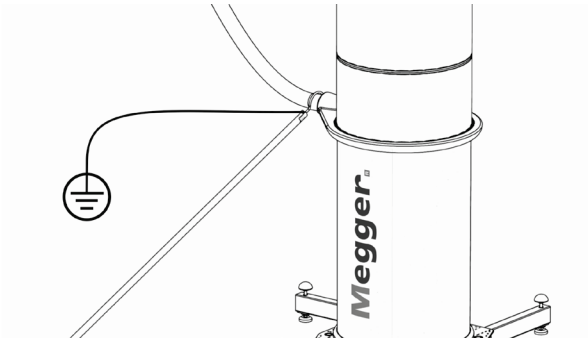
3.1.5 Making the HV Connections between the individual components

Proceed as follows to make the connection:

Step	Action	
1	<p>Take the longer of the two corrugated hoses out of "Accessory box 2" and plug either of both ends into the lateral opening of the coupler's field control electrode. Push it all the way to the stop.</p> 	
2	<p><i>If the optional support capacitor is not used, ...</i></p> <p>...plug the other end into the socket on top of the inductor and push it all the way to the stop.</p> 	<p><i>If the optional support capacitor is used, ...</i></p> <p>...plug the other end into the socket on top of the support capacitor and push it all the way to the stop.</p> 

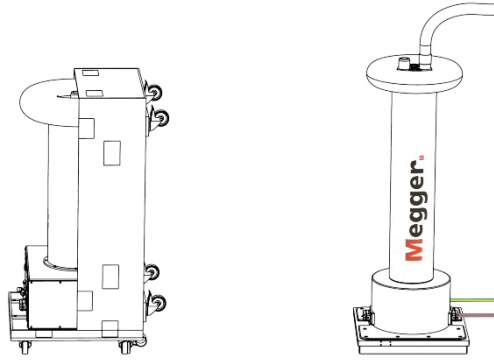
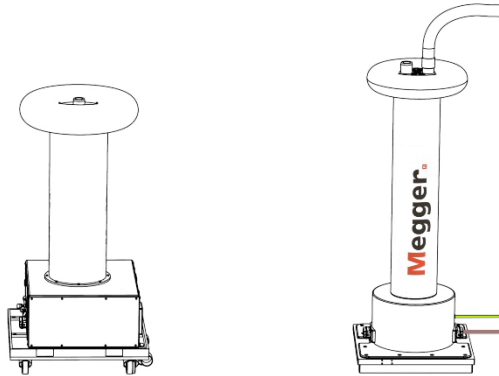
Step	Action
3	<p>Take the corrugated hose out of the “Support Capacitor” box and plug either of both ends into the vacant socket on top of the support capacitor. Push it all the way to the stop.</p> 
4	<p>Plug the other end into the socket on top of the inductor and push it all the way to the stop.</p> 

Step	Action
5	<p data-bbox="512 286 1460 376">Take the second (shorter) hose out of “Accessory box 2” and plug either of both ends into the bottom socket of the inductor that protrudes sideways from the top of the inductor base.</p> <div data-bbox="694 414 1284 795" data-label="Image"> <p>The diagram shows a cylindrical inductor base with a top flange. A hose is already connected to a socket on the top flange. A second, shorter hose is shown being inserted into a socket on the side of the base. An arrow points to the connection point.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="518 840 1460 996" data-label="Text"> <p>i The plug connection is secured by a snap-on locking system. Make sure to push the hose slowly into the socket until it clicks into place. By pushing the hose all the way to the stop, you would risk to accidentally release the locking mechanism again. Check for proper connection by firmly pulling on the hose!</p> </div>
6	<p data-bbox="512 1064 1460 1131">Plug the other end into the nearest of the two sockets on top of the switch and push it all the way to the stop.</p> <div data-bbox="646 1153 1340 1545" data-label="Image"> <p>The diagram shows two cylindrical components. The one on the right is the inductor base from the previous step. The one on the left is a switch. A hose is connected to a socket on top of the switch. A second hose is shown being inserted into a socket on top of the inductor base. A downward arrow points to the top of the switch.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="518 1579 1460 1668" data-label="Text"> <p>i Make sure the clearance between the two hoses is at any point at least 1.2 m!</p> </div>

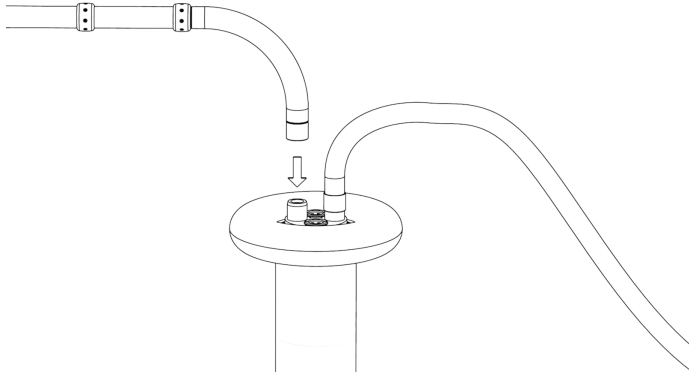
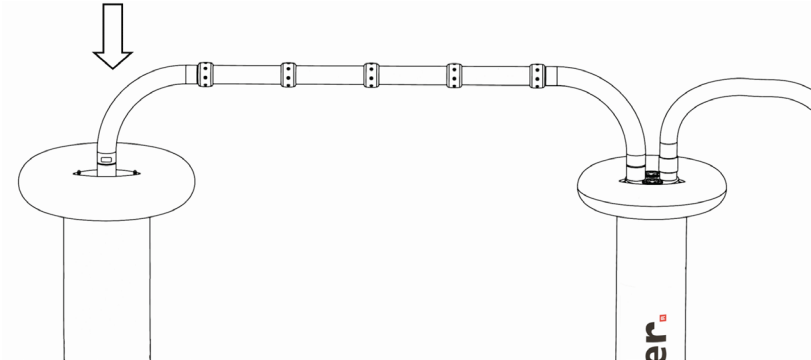
Step	Action
7	<p>For the remaining duration of the assembly, attach an earthing stick (not part of the scope of delivery) to the hose as shown in the figure below:</p> 

3.1.6 Setting Up the HV Source

Proceed as follows to set up the HV source:

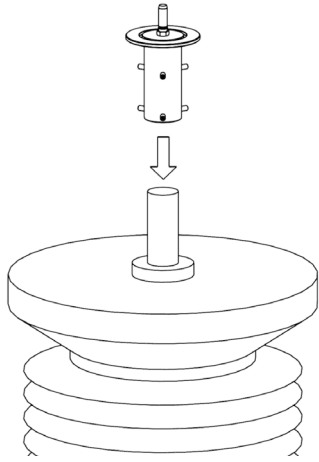
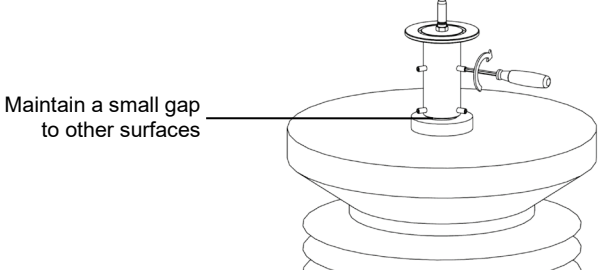
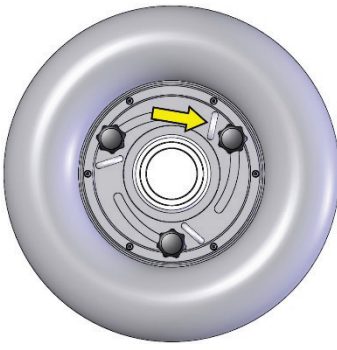
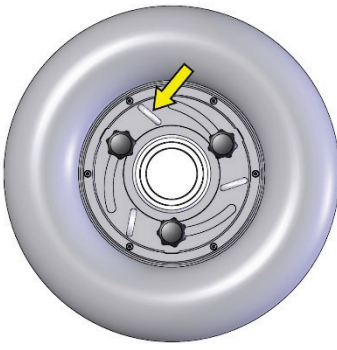
Step	Action
1	<p>Position the transport box labelled with “Source” next to the switch. Thanks to the additional wheels on the underside, distance and alignment can be adjusted later.</p>
2	<p>Carefully remove the lid (side without wheels) of the transport box and unfasten the tension belts fixing the HV source.</p> 
3	<p>Remove the lower part of the transport box.</p> 

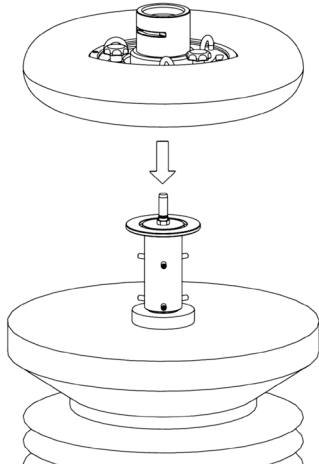
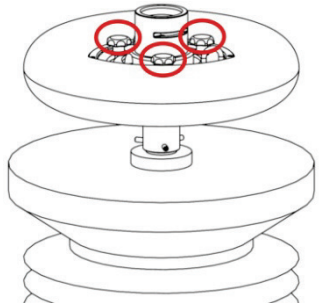
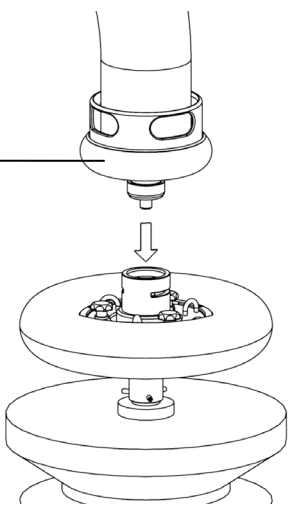
Step	Action
4	Remove the protective sheath from the field control electrode.
5	Take the 10 m copper earth lead out of “Accessory Box 1” and use it to connect the protective earth connector 8 of the HV source to station earth.
6	<p>Take the ribbon earthing cable out of “Accessory Box 1” and mount it on the provided rail 3 on the housing of the HV source. Connect the other end of the ribbon cable with a suitable earthing point.</p> <div data-bbox="619 555 1380 831" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="539 891 603 981" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="635 891 1465 992" data-label="Text"> <p>When connecting to the earthing point, it is important to note that one side of the ribbon cable is covered with a protective transparent film, thus providing no metallic contact!</p> </div>
7	<p>Take the hybrid cable with the red markings on both ends out of “Accessory Box 1” and use it to make a connection between the switch and the HV source. The respective receptacles on the HV source and the switch are also marked with red stickers.</p> <div data-bbox="639 1205 1361 1529" data-label="Image"> </div>

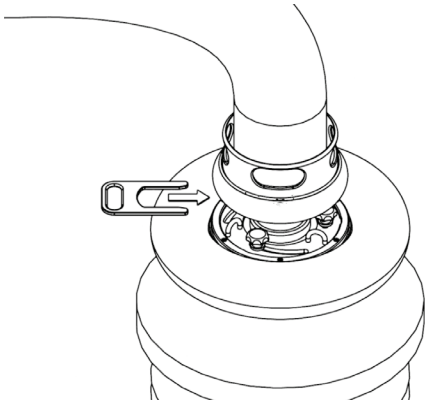
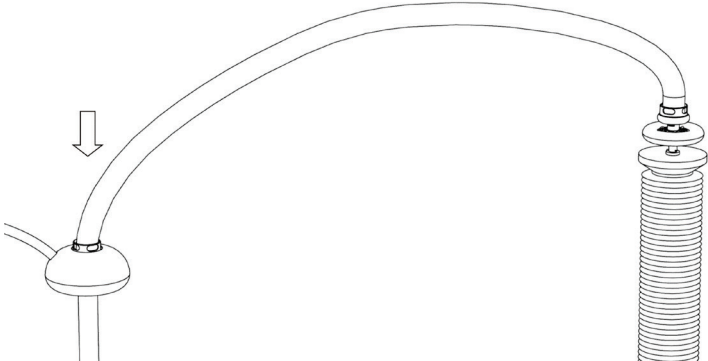
Step	Action
8	<p>Take the travelling wave resistor out of “Accessory box 1” and plug either of both ends into the vacant socket on top of the switch. Push it all the way to the stop.</p> 
9	<p>Plug the other end into the socket on top of the HV source and push it all the way to the stop.</p> 
10	<p>Place the notebook and the HV control box on a table outside of the prohibition zone and connect them to socket ② of the HV source by means of the combined LAN / control cable (“Accessory Box 1”).</p>
11	<p>Place the external safety device at an easily accessible location outside of the prohibition zone and connect it to socket ① of the HV source by means of the supplied cable (“Accessory Box 1”).</p>
12	<p>Use the AC power cord ⑨ and the supplied extension cable to connect the source to a three-phase power (400 V). By default the extension cable is equipped with a 32 A / 400 V CEE plug (3P+N+E) which can be replaced by a suitable country-specific plug. Replacement has to be carried out by a qualified person.</p> <hr/> <div data-bbox="539 1787 603 1877" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> <p>i</p> </div> <p>Make sure the cables of steps 10 to 12 are laid flat on the ground to ensure maximum clearance from the high voltage carrying components.</p> <hr/>

3.1.7 Connecting the Coupling Unit to the Cable Under Test

Proceed as follows to make the connection:

Step	Action
1	<p>Attach the adapter with the most suitable diameter on the conductor to be tested.</p> 
2	<p>Tighten all screws (3 or 6, respectively - depending on the type of adapter) in order to secure the adapter on the conductor.</p> <p>Maintain a small gap to other surfaces</p> 
3	<p>Remove the protective sheath from the supplied torus ("Accessory Box 2") and make sure the locking mechanism inside the torus is unlocked.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Unlocked</p>  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Locked</p>  </div> </div>

Step	Action
4	<p>Place the torus on the adapter and make sure they are concentrically aligned.</p> 
5	<p>Lock the locking mechanism (see step 3) and tighten the three locking screws.</p>  <p>The torus should now be firmly attached to the cable under test which has to be verified in a suitable manner.</p>
6	<p>Take the HV connection tube out of “Accessory box 2” and identify the end with the corona ring. Plug this end on the torus and push it all the way to the stop.</p> <p>Corona ring which uniquely identifies the correct end</p> 

Step	Action
7	<p>Slide the locking fork into the corresponding notches to lock the HV connection tube in place.</p> 
8	<p>Plug the other end of the HV connection tube into the opening on top of the coupler's field control electrode and push it all the way to the stop.</p>  <p>i If HV connection tubes of different lengths are available, always use the shortest possible length possible in order to keep the interference level as low as possible.</p> <p>In general, tube lengths of 10 m and longer are suited for voltage withstand tests only and should not be utilised for PD localization.</p>



3.1.8 Installing the Corona Ring at the Remote End of the Cable (optional)

In order to ensure the lowest possible corona discharges, the optionally available coronary ring CPT300 (see page 10) can be installed at the remote end of the cable.

It is stowed away in its own box labelled with "Corona Protection Toroid" and must be attached to the end termination in the same way as described in steps 1 to 5 of the previous section.

3.2 Switching On

Please perform the following steps in order to get everything ready for the measurement:

Step	Action
1	Switch on the test voltage source via the white "Mains ON"  button.
2	Remove the short-circuit adapters from the coupling / support capacitor (if used) and any earthing sticks.
3	Use barriers to secure the work areas and passageways, to prevent access to the test area for unauthorized persons and to prevent persons from reaching the prohibition zone. The dimensions of the prohibition zone are determined by the test voltage in accordance to DIN EN 50191 (VDE 0104).
4	Switch on the notebook.
5	Plug the supplied dongle into a USB port of the notebook.
6	Start the measurement software by double-clicking the  desktop icon.

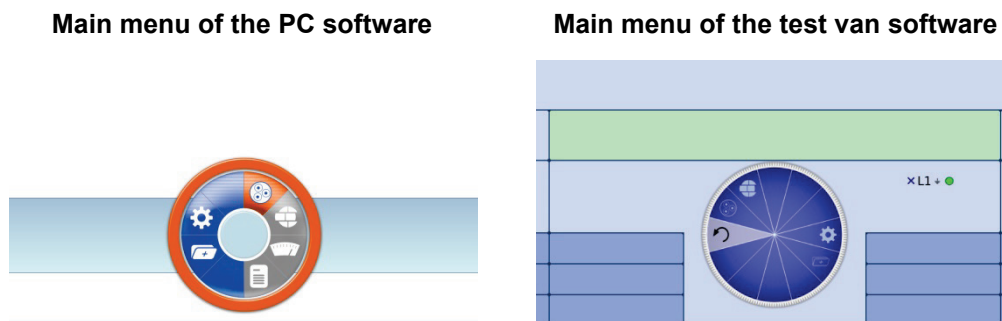


For information on how to install the software and configure the notebook, please refer to the software booklet.

4 Basic Operation of the Software

4.1 Start Screen

After the PD measurement software has been opened, the main menu appears which enables the user to call up the individual modules of the software:

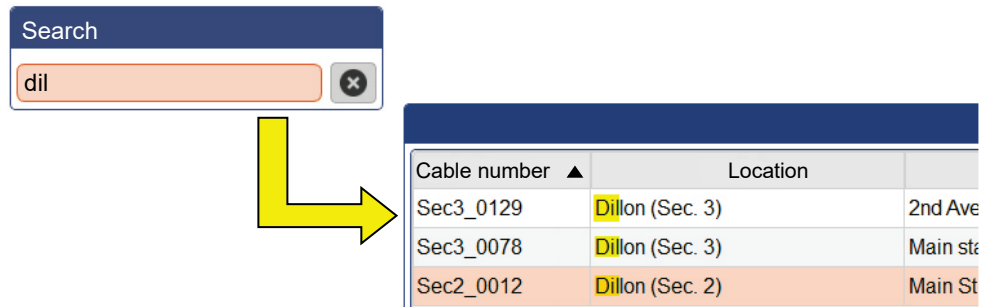


The following modules are available:

Module	Description
	Measurement task (see page 56) Creating a new measurement task
	Calibration (see page 58) Calibrating the partial discharge test circuit
	Measurement (see page 64) Parameterisation and conducting of the PD measurement
	Report (see page 77) Evaluating the measurement data and creating a report
	Cable manager (see page 94) Administrating measurement and cable data sets
	Settings (see page 87) Adjusting the software settings

4.2 Useful Features of the Software

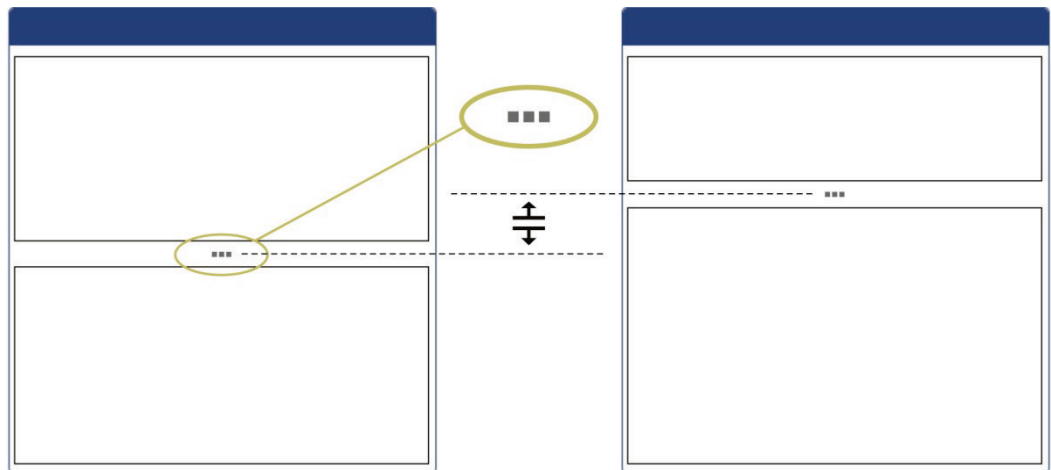
Search and sort functions In order to make the search in extensive lists (e.g. cable lists) easier there is always a search form near the list in which any character string can be entered. While entering, the list is immediately filtered by entries that contain this character string.



In order to cancel the filtering, either the character string needs to be deleted or, if available, the **✕** button needs to be clicked.

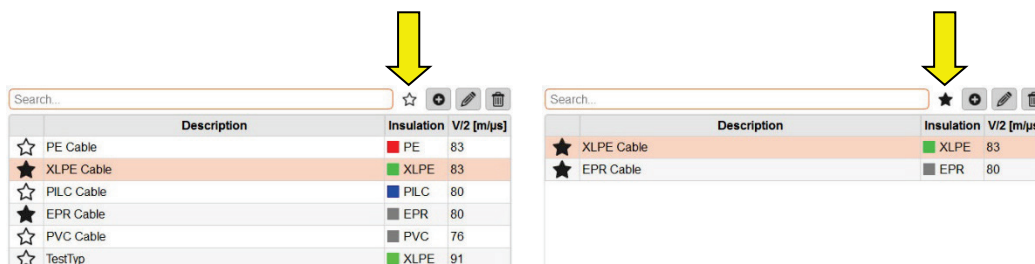
When clicking on the title of a table column, the rows of the table are sorted according to the content of this column. Clicking again changes the direction of sorting. The column currently used for sorting is always indicated by a ▲ (orientation depending on direction of sorting).

Adapting the screen layout Where the symbol **⋮** appears, it indicates that the screen layout can be adjusted to the personal requirements depending on the situation. For this purpose, the symbol needs to be clicked and – with the mouse pressed – moved into the required position.

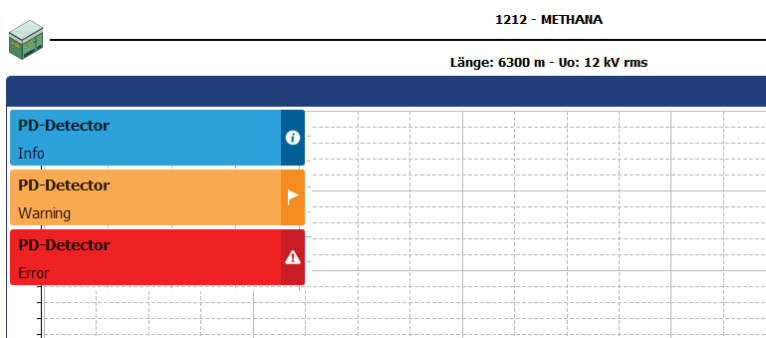


Administration of favourites To guarantee quick access to frequently used cable templates, these can be added to the favourites (★) list by clicking on the ☆ symbol, or be removed from the list (☆) by clicking again.

The ☆ symbol which appears above the templates list allows you to toggle between the full view and the favourites view at any time.



Notifications All notifications that are generated by the software or by the devices involved in the measurement appear in the display as an overlay for a few seconds.



The messages are divided into the following classes:

Class	Description
Info	Information about the status of the involved devices or necessary operational actions
Warning	Messages about problems that occurred in the course of the measurement, which do require user action (see page 114).
Error	Problems (e.g. in the communication between the devices) that need to be resolved (see page 114) before continuing the measurement

Warnings and errors are automatically stored in the notification list, which can be accessed using the menu item at the top right of the screen or by clicking on one of the error messages.

5 Conducting Measurements


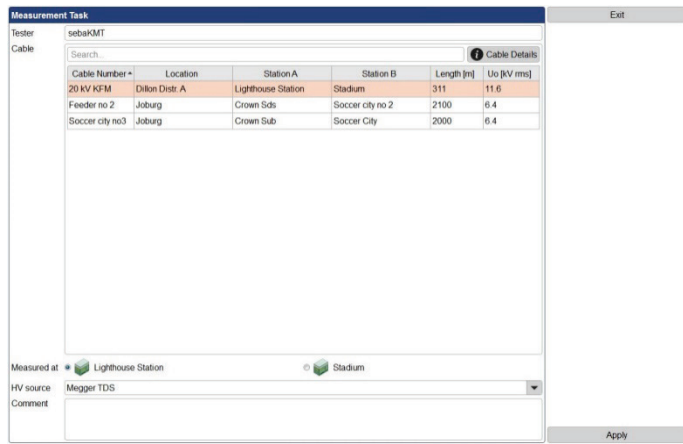
5.1 Starting or Resuming a Measurement Task –

Before starting the actual measurement, a measurement task must be created or opened in the first step, under which all recorded measurement data are stored until either the software is closed or a new measurement job is started.

You can either...


- continue a previous measurement task (see page 94) which had to be suspended due to lack of time or other reasons,
- clone a previous measurement task (see page 94), if e.g. a repeat measurement has to be performed on a cable already diagnosed (in this case the settings from the previous task are adopted and preset) or
- start a new measurement task.

When creating a new measurement task, proceed as follows:

Step	Action
1	<p>Call up the menu point  from the main menu of the measurement software.</p> <p>Result: The following input mask opens.</p> 
2	Enter the name of the responsible measurement technician into the input field Tester .
3	Select the appropriate entry from the list of the defined cable systems for the measurement task. If needed, use the search and sort functions (see page 54). Should the cable system not yet be stored in the system, it has to be created before the start of the measurement task (see page 94).
4	Select the cable end at which the current measurement is conducted under Measured at .
5	If required, select Megger HV DAC from the HV source drop down list. The drop down list is only available if more than one HV source is configured in the software.
6	If required, select PD Detector v2 from the PD Detector drop down list. The drop down list is only available if more than one PD detector is configured in the software.
7	If required, enter a few useful details on the measurement task in the Comment text field.

Step	Action
8	<p data-bbox="529 286 1098 320">Click on Apply in order to confirm the selection.</p> <hr/> <div data-bbox="539 383 603 472"> </div> <p data-bbox="632 383 1310 479">Before starting a new measurement task, ensure that the measurement data recording has been completed for the measurement task currently in progress!</p> <hr/> <p data-bbox="529 551 1465 645">Result: The software jumps back to the start screen. The measurement task is initialised, and the cable allocated to the measurement task is displayed on top of the selection menu.</p> <div data-bbox="619 680 1374 936"> </div>
9	<p data-bbox="529 972 1038 1005">Proceed with the calibration (see page 58).</p>

5.2 Calibrating the Partial Discharge Measuring Circuit –

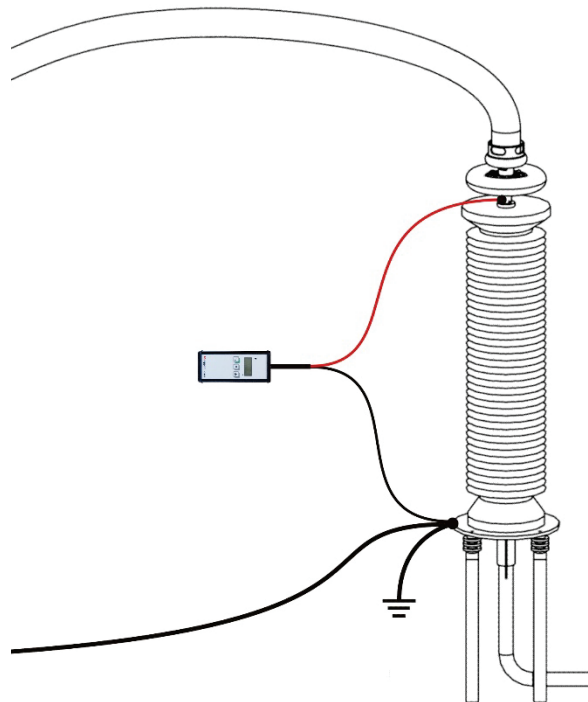
Prerequisites In order to be able to conduct a calibration, a new measurement task must have been started beforehand (see page 56). Otherwise the menu point  in the start screen is greyed out.

It is recommended to use the supplied calibrator. In principle though, any other calibrator that is in accordance with the requirements of the IEC 60270 can be used.


Necessity After the measurement system has been set up and connected to the test object, the partial discharge measuring circuit needs to be calibrated by measuring current pulses of known charge. Only this way, a reproducible measurement and a reliable evaluation on the basis of comparable measurement data can be ensured.

5.2.1 Connecting the Calibrator

Connection diagram The following picture shows the simplified connection diagram:



Procedure Proceed with the following steps to connect the calibrator:

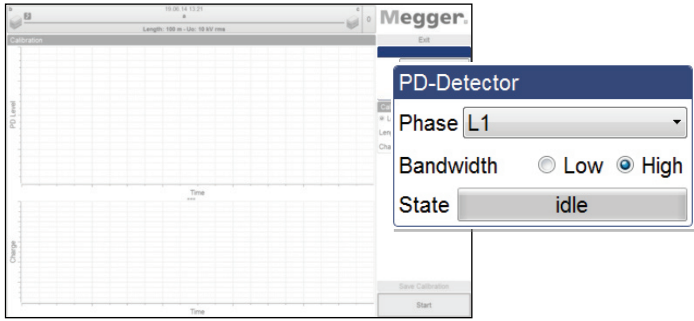
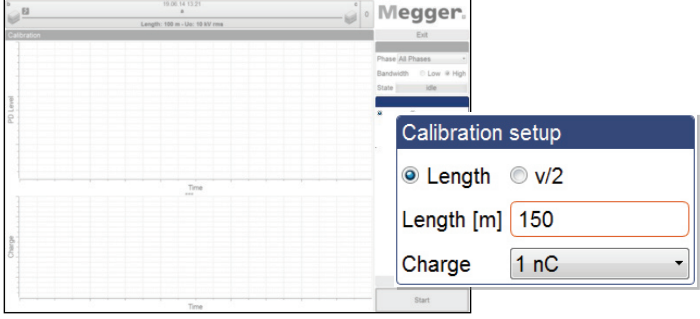
Step	Action
1	<p>Connect the black connection line of the calibrator to the screen of the cable that is to be tested.</p> <hr/> <p> The connection should be made directly the cable screen and as close as possible to the point at which the screen is led out of the termination. That way an unnecessarily high base noise level can be avoided.</p> <hr/>
2	<p>Connect the red connection line of the calibrator to the phase conductor of the cable that is to be tested.</p>

Step	Action
3	<p>Switch the calibrator on by shortly pressing the button.</p> <p>With the help of the and button the calibration pulse level can be adapted if required. In most cases, however, the calibration can be completed successfully with the preset calibration value of 1 nC.</p>
4	<p>Cancel the earthing and short circuiting measures on both ends of the cable that is to be tested.</p> <hr/> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> Since the supplied calibrator automatically switches off approx. 10 minutes after the last operational action, the actual calibration should be conducted directly after connecting the calibrator. </div> <hr/>

5.2.2 Conducting the Calibration

Preparing and starting the calibration In order to calibrate the partial discharge measuring circuit proceed with the following steps:

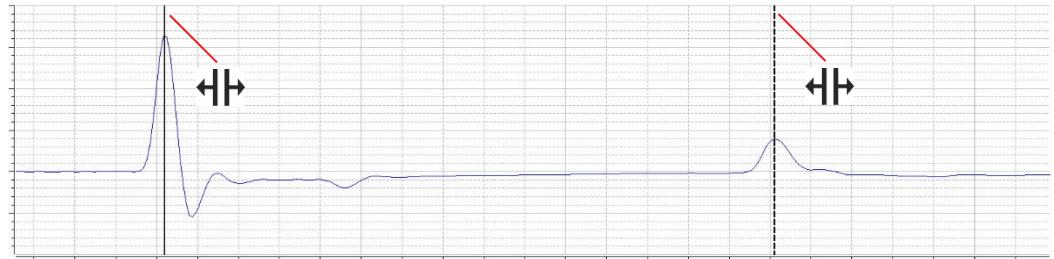
Step	Action
1	<p>Call up the menu point from the main menu of the measurement software.</p> <p>Result: The connection to the PD detector is being established (the HV source must be switched on). As soon as there is a connection, the Start button is activated (with a green border). Otherwise, the cause for the failed connection needs to be determined.</p>

Step	Action
2	<p data-bbox="529 286 906 320">Adjust the PD detector settings.</p> <div data-bbox="657 353 1353 672" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">  </div> <p data-bbox="529 701 1458 763">Select from the dropdown menu Phase either the phase of the test object that is currently connected to the measuring system or the option All Phases.</p> <hr/> <div data-bbox="539 831 596 898" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> <p data-bbox="555 837 580 873">i</p> </div> <p data-bbox="619 831 1442 954">For 3-core cable systems it is generally sufficient to calibrate the circuit only once and apply the data for all phases. Only if you expect differences between the single phases you should calibrate each phase individually prior to the measurement.</p> <hr/> <p data-bbox="529 1019 1410 1140">The optimum Bandwidth setting is determined by the length of the cable. While a high bandwidth is recommended for short cables (up to 1 km), measuring with a low bandwidth is preferable for longer cables with higher attenuation.</p>
3	<p data-bbox="529 1155 887 1189">Adjust the calibration settings.</p> <div data-bbox="651 1223 1353 1541" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">  </div> <p data-bbox="529 1570 1442 1632">The value in the input field Length has been adopted automatically from the cable data and normally does not have to be corrected.</p> <p data-bbox="529 1639 1458 1731">Should the length value be uncertain and the exact pulse propagation velocity be known, then the velocity needs to be provided instead. To do so, check the radio box v/2 and enter the v/2 of the cable into the input field v/2 (in m/μs).</p> <p data-bbox="529 1738 1442 1798">Select the calibration value that is set at the calibrator from the dropdown list Charge.</p>

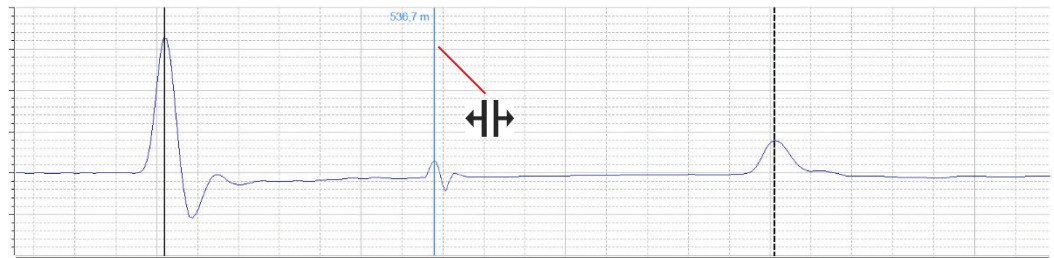
Step	Action
4	<p>Click the Start button in order to start measuring the pulses.</p> <p>Result: The PD detector measures the incoming pulses and tries to identify the calibration pulses the respective reflections from the far cable end. If the pulses are successfully measured, a TDR trace and a charge diagram are displayed in the left area of the window. The calibration process finishes automatically after roughly 15 to 30 seconds, it may also be stopped manually ahead of time using the Stop button, provided the pulses and charge level have been successfully calibrated and the markers placed.</p> <p>If no pulses could be measured, the message Calibration failed appears in the message list. Check the troubleshooting section for possible causes (see page 114).</p>

Checking the markers The quality of the subsequent measurement results depends on various factors, particularly the accuracy of calibration. It is therefore advisable to check the automatic positioning of the markers and correct them if necessary before applying the calibration data.

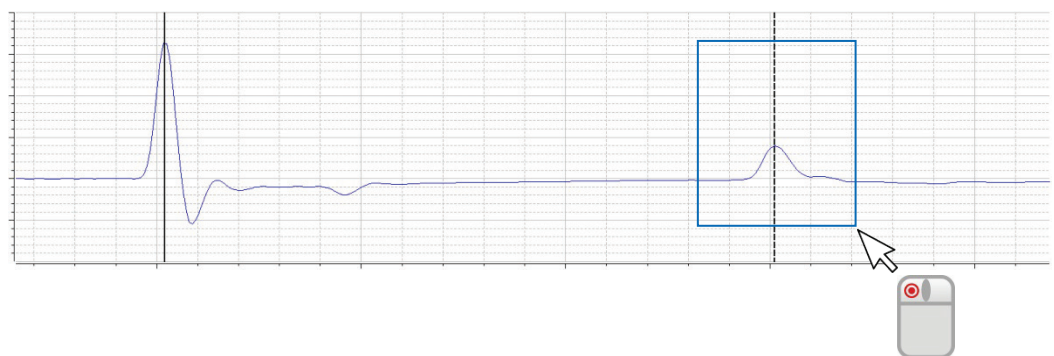
The propagation velocity or the length of the connected cable can be calibrated by means of the TDR trace. For this purpose, the peaks of both the original calibration pulse and the reflection need to be marked.



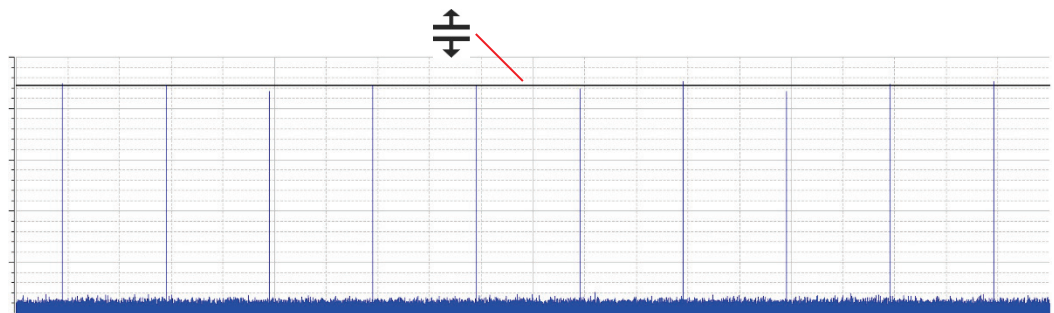
The **Show distance cursor** tickbox can be used to display an additional marker and move it along the curve. This allows, for example, the positions of joints to be measured and later entered manually into the cable plan.





If need be, the mouse can be used to drag a box across a specific area, allowing the user to zoom into this range.



In the charge diagram, the line should mark roughly the average value of the periodically measured calibration pulses.




If a correction has to be made, the respective mark has to be clicked once with the left mouse button. As a result, the line width of the marker increases and the mouse pointer changes into the  or  symbol. By clicking and holding the left mouse button again, the marker can be freely moved. As soon as the mouse button is released, the marker locks in the current position.

Applying the calibration data After the markers have been checked and if required corrected, the calibration data can be applied by clicking on the **Save Calibration** button.


5.2.3 Disconnecting the Calibrator

Prior to the actual measurement, the calibrator has to be disconnected from the cable under test.

 WARNING	Follow the five safety rules (see page 8) before disconnecting the calibrator.
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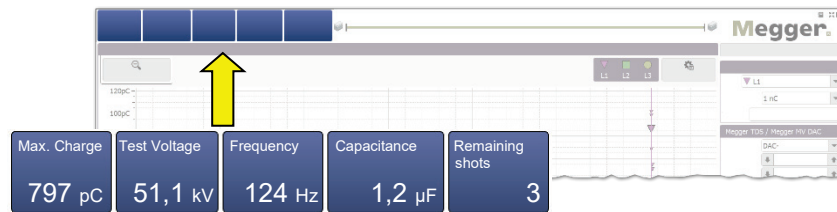
Afterwards, cancel the earthing and short circuiting measures on both ends of the cable that is to be tested. in order to be ready for the measurement.

5.3 Measuring –

Prerequisites In order to conduct the measurement, a new measurement task must have been started (see page 56) beforehand and the partial discharge measuring circuit must have been calibrated (see page 58). Otherwise the menu point  is greyed out in the start screen.

5.3.1 Basic Information Regarding the Measurement Screen

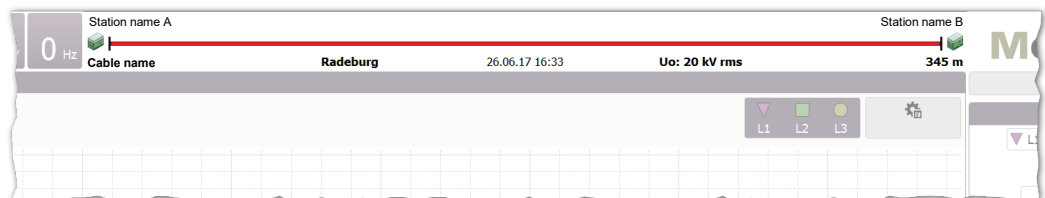
Measurement data display In the course of the measurement all relevant measurement data / measurement parameters are displayed at the top left screen:



Depending on the set test parameters, a selection of the following values is displayed:

Measurement value	Description
Max. Charge	Maximum charge value that has been measured during last shot
Test Voltage	Test voltage as peak value
Frequency	Frequency of the DAC oscillation
Capacitance	Capacity of the cable under test
Remaining shots	Remaining DAC shots until the end of the ongoing measurement

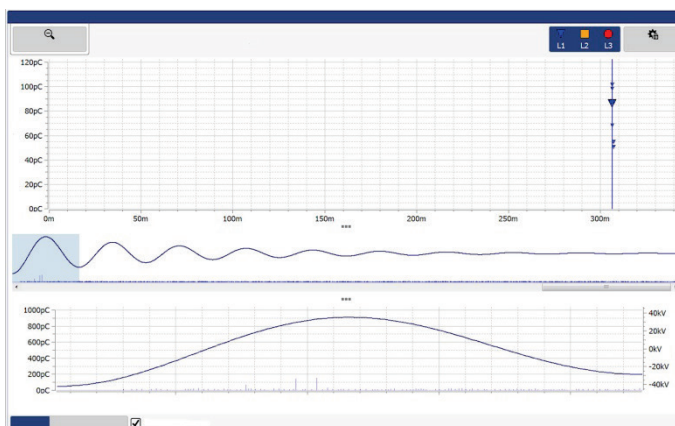
Cable plan At the top side of the screen all relevant data regarding the currently connected cable are displayed.



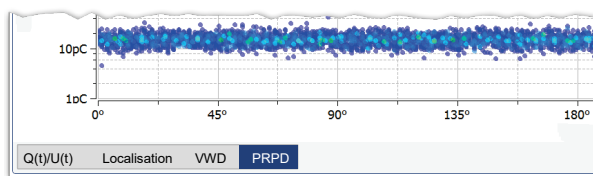
The cable end to which the measurement system is connected is shown on the left side.

5.3.2 Available diagram types

Introduction The measurement screen provides access to various diagrams during the measurement.

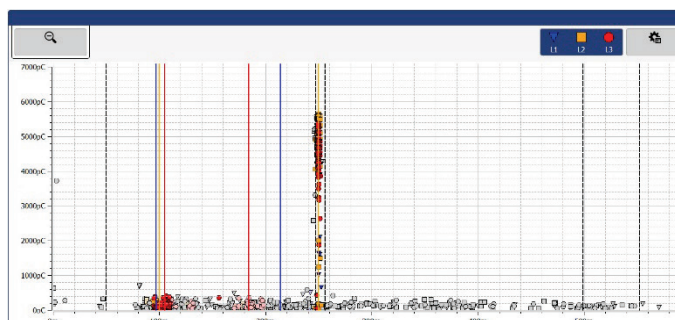


In the upper part of the screen, PD mapping with the previously recorded PD events is displayed by default. The diagram type directly below can be changed using the tabs at the bottom.



Using the buttons between the diagrams, the proportions of the displayed diagrams can be adapted (see page 54) according to the own preferences.

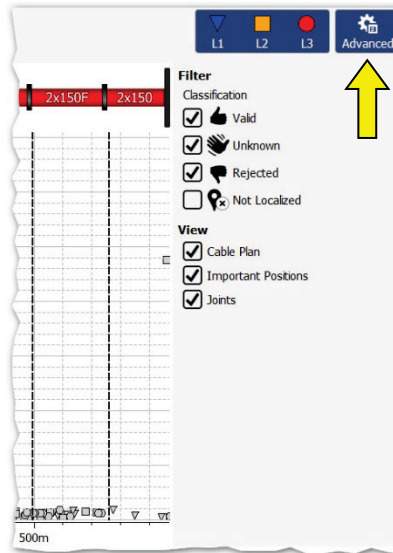
PD mapping The PD mapping displays the measured partial discharge level in a location-resolved way over the length of the cable.



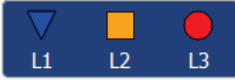



A localised cluster of PD events indicates actual PD faults. These events are shown with the colour and symbol of the respective phase. One-off events, which are most likely not the result of a PD fault, are shown in grey (or not displayed at all depending on the setting).

PD mapping displays the PD events of all measurements performed and saved during the measurement job. If a measurement is intentionally not saved, the corresponding events are removed from the PD mapping at the start of the next measurement.

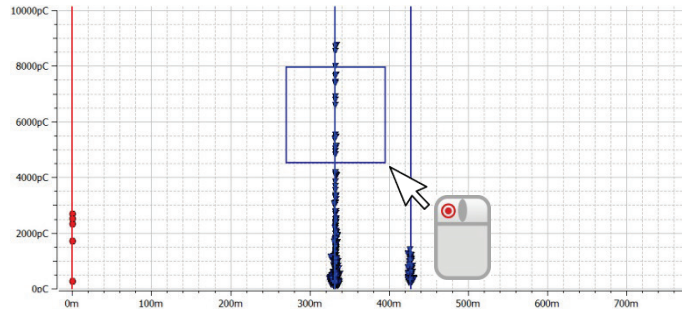
Using the **Advanced** menu item, you can display the advanced view filters and the pulses in the PD mapping can be filtered as you wish to provide a better overview:



The following buttons are available for this purpose:

Button	Description
	Filter view according to phase.
Classification	<p>Show/hide pulses that were not identified (or not definitely identified) as PD.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  All pulses classified as possible partial discharges (pale colours) are shown or hidden, respectively.  All pulses classified as negligible (grey) are shown or hidden, respectively.  Pulses for which no reflection could be determined. These pulses are placed at the beginning of the cable by default.
View	With the aid of these checkboxes, the individual auxiliary indicators (joint markers, cluster markers, cable plan) can be shown or hidden respectively.

In order to enlarge a certain area of the PD mapping, simply draw a frame around the area while holding the mouse button.

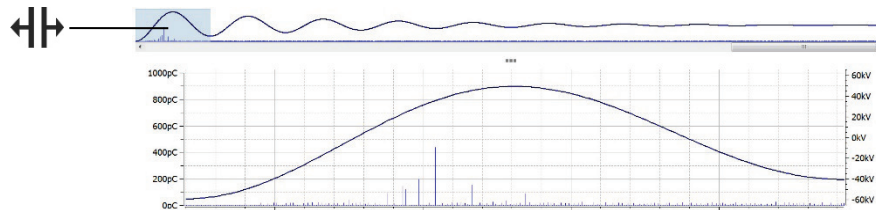


Clicking removes the magnification.

Q(t)/U(t) The **Q(t)/U(t)** view displays the temporal profile of the measured charge level (the partial discharge pattern) and the excitation voltage.

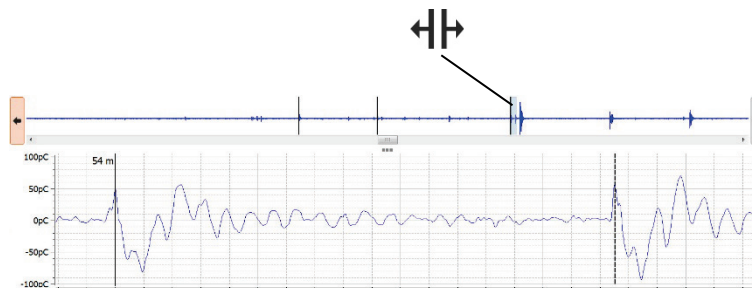
This type of diagram is particularly suited to detecting partial discharge events and distinguishing them from periodic interference.

In **DAC operation**, a low-resolution overview of the first 7 to 10 intervals (depending on the frequency) is shown above the actual diagram, which shows only one voltage period.



The section with the coloured background can be moved () with the aid of the mouse to any point along the overview for zooming in on a particular time frame. The scroll bar below the overview can be used to scroll through the individual shots of the measurement. The overview diagram can be shown or hidden using the checkbox **Show overview**.

Localisation Once a PD event is recorded during a measurement, the software automatically switches to the **Localisation** view, in which the associated reflection image (TDR image) is shown. The TDR image is updated accordingly whenever another PD event is detected.

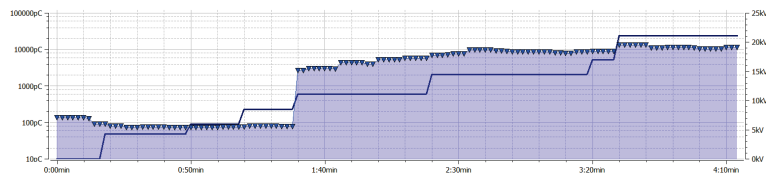


In the upper section of the display, the overview of the recorded measured data is shown. In it, all pulses identified as locatable PD events are marked with black lines. Using the and buttons it is possible to switch back and forth between these positions. In the actual diagram, the associated curve is displayed. The displayed time range corresponds to about four times the cable length.

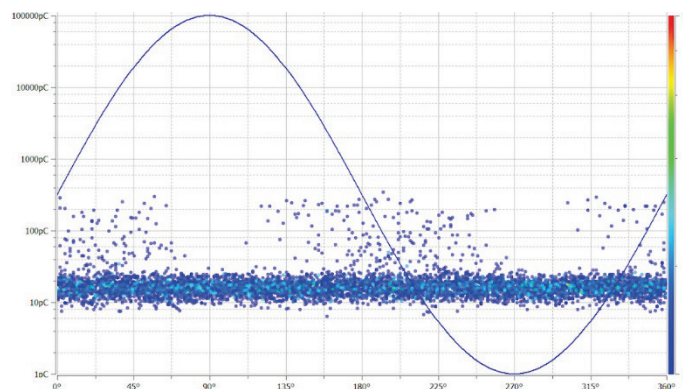
With the scrollbar, depending on the voltage waveform, you can switch back and forth between the recorded measurement windows (the individual shots for DAC, the polarity reversals for VLF-CR or the triggered PD pulses for VLF-SIN).

The checkbox **Switch to this view on any new event** can be used to determine whether the software automatically switches to the localisation diagram with each recorded PD event.

VWD diagram The diagram, which can be called up via the **VWD** tab, shows the trend of the measured maximum charge levels over the course of the measurement. This makes it possible to draw conclusions about a possible change / conditioning of PD faults, in particular if the cable under test is subjected to prolonged voltage stress.

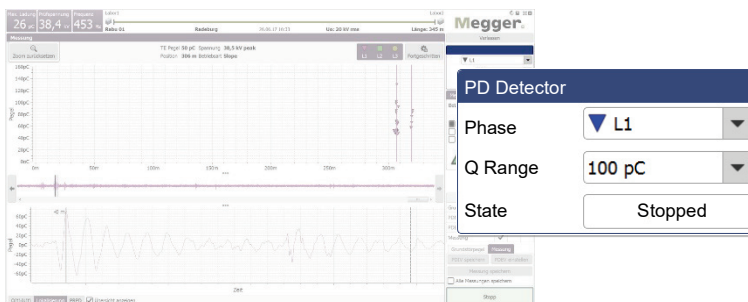


Phase-resolved diagram Using the **PRPD** tab, the PRPD diagram (Phase Resolved Partial Discharge) can be displayed, showing the distribution of the charge pulses relative to the phasing of the excitation voltage.



5.3.3 Setting the Measurement Parameters

Configuring the PD detector The configuration of the PD detector must be performed through the menu block specially provided for this purpose:




The following settings are possible:

Parameter	Description
Phase	Phase of the cable system currently being measured.
Q range	An optimally set measuring range is critical for ensuring the accuracy of the measured charge values. Before beginning the first measurement, a relatively low measuring range should initially be selected. If the PD level exceeds the set measuring range during the measurement, the message Overflow appears in the message list (see page 55). In this case, the measuring range should be increased incrementally and further test measurements performed until the message no longer appears. Each further increase would unnecessarily reduce the sensitivity.

Configuring the test voltage source The configuration of the test voltage source must be performed through the menu block specially provided for this purpose:



The following settings are possible:

Parameter	Description
Operating mode	<p>Selection of the desired operating mode:</p> <p>DAC negative PD diagnosis with negative DAC voltage. The duration of the measurement is determined by the set number of shots and the voltage can be adjusted during the running measurement.</p> <p>DAC negative Withstand Monitored withstand test with negative DAC voltage and simultaneous measurement of the PD level. The duration of the measurement is specified in minutes and the voltage cannot be adjusted during the running measurement.</p>
Number of shots	<p>Only configurable in the operating mode DAC negative</p> <p>The number of shots (test cycles) can be chosen freely. With the beginning of the measurement, the shots are triggered in quick succession, taking into account the necessary loading and processing times. Every test cycle starts directly with the onset of the DAC oscillation and lasts a maximum of 10 periods. The measured data of the individual measuring cycles are accumulated.</p>
Voltage range	<p>The set voltage range limits the maximum voltage that can be set during the measurement and prevents an inadvertent overload of the connected test object.</p>
Voltage	<p>Specification of the test voltage.</p> <p>The test voltage can be entered as peak value (kV peak), RMS value (kV rms) or multiple of U_0 (x U_0).</p> <p>The actual test voltage (peak value) resulting from these settings is displayed at the bottom of the menu block.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;">  <p>WARNING Risk of injury and property damage due to internal flash-over The height-dependant limits specified in the technical data must be taken into account for the voltage setting!</p> </div>

5.3.4 Performing the Measurement

Starting the measurement Directly from entering the measurement screen, the connection with all devices involved in the measurement is permanently checked. Deactivated buttons and the symbol indicate connection problems, which have to be solved before the test is started (see page 114).

Since a series of measurements should always be started with a disturbance level measurement (“zero shot”), the buttons to control the test voltage are not available when entering the measurement screen. They will, however, automatically show up as soon as the noise measurement has been conducted and saved or has manually been skipped by clicking on the **Measurement** tab (see next page).

As soon as the system is ready for measurement, the **Start** button lights up green and a single measurement can be started by clicking this button.

Releasing high voltage If high voltage has not already been released during a previous measurement, it needs to be done right after a measurement (except of the noise measurement) has been started. Any deviations from the high voltage switching requirements are displayed in the Message list (see page 55) and the user must then eliminate them.

If all high voltage switching requirements are met, the following symbol appears in the menu block:

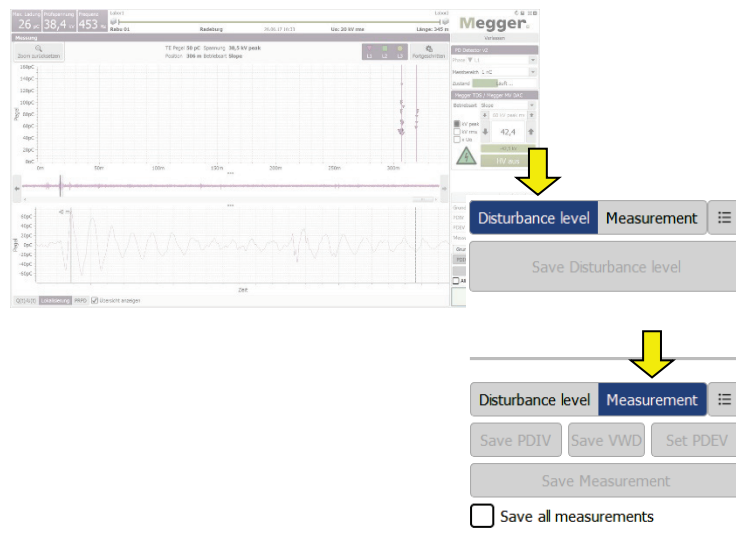


Ten seconds remain in which to enable the high voltage using the green illuminated “HV ON” push-button on the HV control box.

Directly after being activated, the button goes out and the red “HV OFF” push-button lights up. Load detection is performed automatically. If the capacitance of the connected cable is too high or too low, the measurement is ended directly and a corresponding error message (see page 114) is displayed.

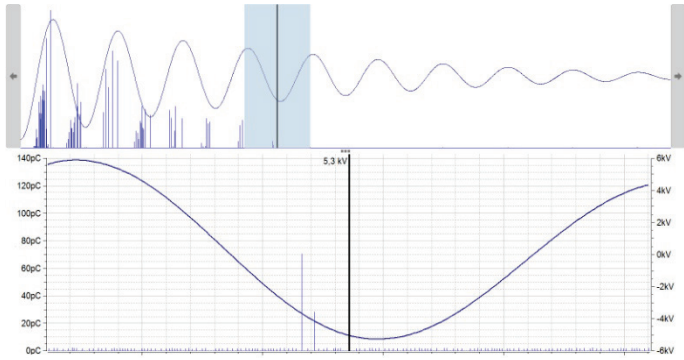
	<p>The presence of electric shock hazards is indicated by a short acoustic alarm signal (horn) and the red signal lights. The entire measuring circuit should be considered as “live” from this point onward.</p>
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Saving test data The saving of test data is initiated exclusively with the buttons of the menu block specially provided for this purpose.

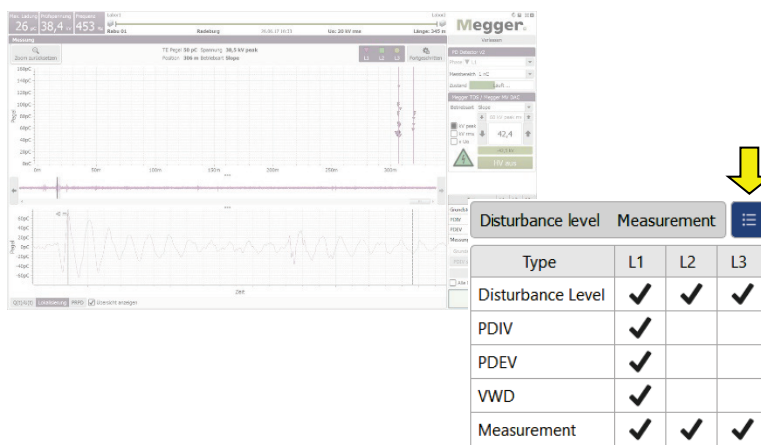


By default, each completed individual measurement must be saved manually. **Otherwise, the data are discarded when the next individual measurement is started!** Certain defined parameters, such as PDIV and PDEV, are to be saved using specially dedicated buttons. These are accordingly labelled in the test data and output separately in the report. For this purpose, the following buttons are to be used:

Button	Description
Save Disturbance level	This button must be clicked after the obligatory noise measurement ("zero shot") has been completed. Afterwards, the software automatically switches to the Measurement tab and by doing so activates the actual measurement mode.
Save measurement	Any meaningful measurement, with the exception of the noise, PDIV and PDEV measurements (which are saved through separate buttons), needs to be saved by clicking on this button.
Save all measurements	If this checkbox is checked, any completed individual measurement is automatically saved with no confirmation required. This increases the volume of test data, but also prevents the loss of relevant data due to negligence in saving.
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> i In order to save the PDIV or PDEV, the checkbox needs to be unchecked at least for this particular measurement. </div>

Button	Description
Save PDIV	This button must be clicked if, during the previous measurement, initially critical PD of a defined strength were detected (PD inception). The voltage set prior to starting the measurement is saved as PDIV.
Set PDEV	<p>This button for saving the PDEV should be clicked, if both the inception and the extinction of the PD can be clearly distinguished from the PD pattern of the previous measurement.</p> <p>Directly after clicking the button, the software automatically switches to the Q(t)/U(t) view and places a marker on the last detectable PD pulse.</p>  <p>If further evident PD pulses can be identified to the right of the selected pulse, the position of the marker needs to be manually corrected. By clicking on the Save PDEV button, the positioning is concluded and the marked voltage value is saved as the PDEV.</p>
Save VWD	<p>If a meaningful VWD diagram has been recorded during a measurement, the respective measurement should be saved by clicking this button.</p> <p>Basically, exactly the same information are saved as if the Save measurement button is clicked. The only difference is that the VWD diagram of this measurement is automatically included in the report (but can be manually removed, if required).</p>

Between the individual measurements, a summary of all data that has been saved as yet can be accessed by clicking on the ☰ button.



The screenshot shows the software interface with a summary table for saved data. A yellow arrow points to the ☰ button in the interface.


Type	L1	L2	L3
Disturbance Level	✓	✓	✓
PDIV	✓		
PDEV	✓		
VWD	✓		
Measurement	✓	✓	✓

5.3.4.1 Typical Procedure for PD Diagnosis

Recommended maximum test voltage In accordance with applicable standards, the following test voltages should not be exceeded during the test / diagnosis on high voltage cables:

U ₀ /U of the cable [kVrms]	Commissioning test	Aged cable (generally 80% of the commissioning test voltage)
≤64/110	2U ₀	1.6U ₀
≤76/132	1.7U ₀	1.4U ₀
≤127/220	1.4U ₀	1.1U ₀

Procedure The following described procedure is a recommended, but by no means binding approach to PD diagnosis and **can deviate from parts of the applicable company-internal guidelines or country-specific standards:**

Step	Action	
1	Start the Disturbance level measurement to determine the disturbance level of the PD measuring circuit and save the result with the Save Disturbance level button.	
2	Perform a measurement at U ₀ in DAC negative mode. Check the measurement result for PD pulses. Save the result, regardless of whether a PD was found, using the Save Measurement button.	
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;">  Since the levels of the PD pulses exhibit a certain stochastic character, several (typically 2 to 3) DAC shots per voltage level should definitely be applied. </div>	
3	If no PD activity was detected at U₀... Increase the voltage in increments of 0.2U ₀ up to the maximum voltage (see previous table) and perform additional measurements in each case. If PD activity appears during the increase, the first measurement with detectable PD events should be saved with the Save PDIV button. All additional measurements up to and including the maximum voltage are to be saved using the Save Measurement button. If instead no PD activity appears, at least the measurement at maximum voltage should be saved with the Save Measurement button.	If PD activity was detected at U₀... Reduce the voltage in increments of 0.1U ₀ and perform additional measurements until no more PD activity can be detected. Then increase the voltage again until the PD reappears. The measurement at which the PD reappears is to be saved using the Save PDIV button.
4	If no partial discharges were detected up to the maximum voltage, the measurement can be ended. Otherwise, continue with the next step.	Increase the voltage in increments of 0.2U ₀ up to the maximum voltage (see previous table) and perform additional measurements in each case.

Step	Action
5	<p>Perform an additional measurement with the test voltage set to about $0.2U_0$ above the determined PD inception voltage.</p> <p>If the time point at which partial discharge ceases can be clearly identified within the progression of the DAC voltage wave, click on the Set PDEV button, mark the last pulse in the diagram (see page 73) and save the measurement using the Save PDEV button.</p> <p>Otherwise, save the measurement with the Save Measurement button.</p>

5.3.4.2 Typical Procedure for Monitored Withstand Testing

Proceed as follows to perform a withstand test:

Step	Action									
1	<p>Start the Disturbance level measurement to determine the disturbance level of the PD measuring circuit and save the result with the Save Disturbance level button.</p>									
2	<p>Switch to DAC negative Withstand operating mode and set the voltage and duration of the test.</p> <p>The requirements for a meaningful cable test are found in the harmonisation documents HD 620 S1 and HD 621 S1 and often in company-internal testing guidelines as well. These documents recommend, depending on the type of test, the following settings:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Application</th> <th>Test voltage</th> <th>Test duration in minutes</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Start-up test</td> <td>$3U_0$</td> <td>15 to 60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Testing of aged cables</td> <td>1.7 to $3U_0$</td> <td>60</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> It is recommended to set the Q range parameter to 1 nC or 10 nC to make sure that the test must not be interrupted due to overflow. </div>	Application	Test voltage	Test duration in minutes	Start-up test	$3U_0$	15 to 60	Testing of aged cables	1.7 to $3U_0$	60
Application	Test voltage	Test duration in minutes								
Start-up test	$3U_0$	15 to 60								
Testing of aged cables	1.7 to $3U_0$	60								
3	<p>Start the test with the Start button.</p> <p>Result: The standard-compliant test starts and the test parameters can no longer be modified. Parallel to testing, the partial discharges are measured. In the case of a breakdown, the test is immediately aborted and the test voltage source is earthed.</p>									
4	<p>After the test is concluded, save the results with the Save Measurement button.</p>									


5.3.5 Stopping / Finishing a Measurement

Stopping a measurement Each measurement is always ended automatically after the specified test cycles have run. In this case, the system lingers in the operating state of “Ready for switching on” after the measurement, which is indicated by the red illuminated “HV-OFF” button. Additional measurements can be started directly without renewed enabling of the high voltage.

A measurement in progress can be interrupted both through the software (**Stop** and **HV OFF** buttons) as well as through the available switching elements (“HV OFF” push-button, EMERGENCY OFF switch, key switch). In the event of such a manual interruption, the high voltage is always immediately deactivated. This also occurs if the **HV OFF** button is clicked after conclusion of a measurement.

Switching off high voltage If no further measurements need to be conducted at this phase, HV switch-off is to be initiated by pressing the “HV OFF” push-button or clicking on the **HV OFF** button.


Immediately after this, a safety notice appears in the software. Before the notice is acknowledged, the following safety measures must be implemented:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth and short-circuit the cable under test in accordance to the five safety rules (see page 8). • The system components that were under voltage should only be touched once they have been earthed and short-circuited using a suitable earthing device.
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Only after acknowledging the notice, the system switches to state “Ready for operation” which is indicated by the green signal light on the HV control box.

Resuming a measurement job at another phase After the measurement has been completed at the current phase and the high voltage has been switched off, the measurement job can be resumed at another phase of the same cable system. The electrical connection (see page 25) has to be adopted accordingly.

If no differences between the individual phases are expected, the measurement can be directly continued at the new phase with the existing calibration data. Otherwise, a new calibration of the PD measuring circuit should be performed (see page 58).

	<p>It is essential to adapt the phase selection before starting the measurement/calibration in order to avoid unintentional falsifying of existing measurements.</p>
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Finishing the measurement After the measurement has been completed at all phases to be tested, the measurement screen can be closed with the **Exit** button.

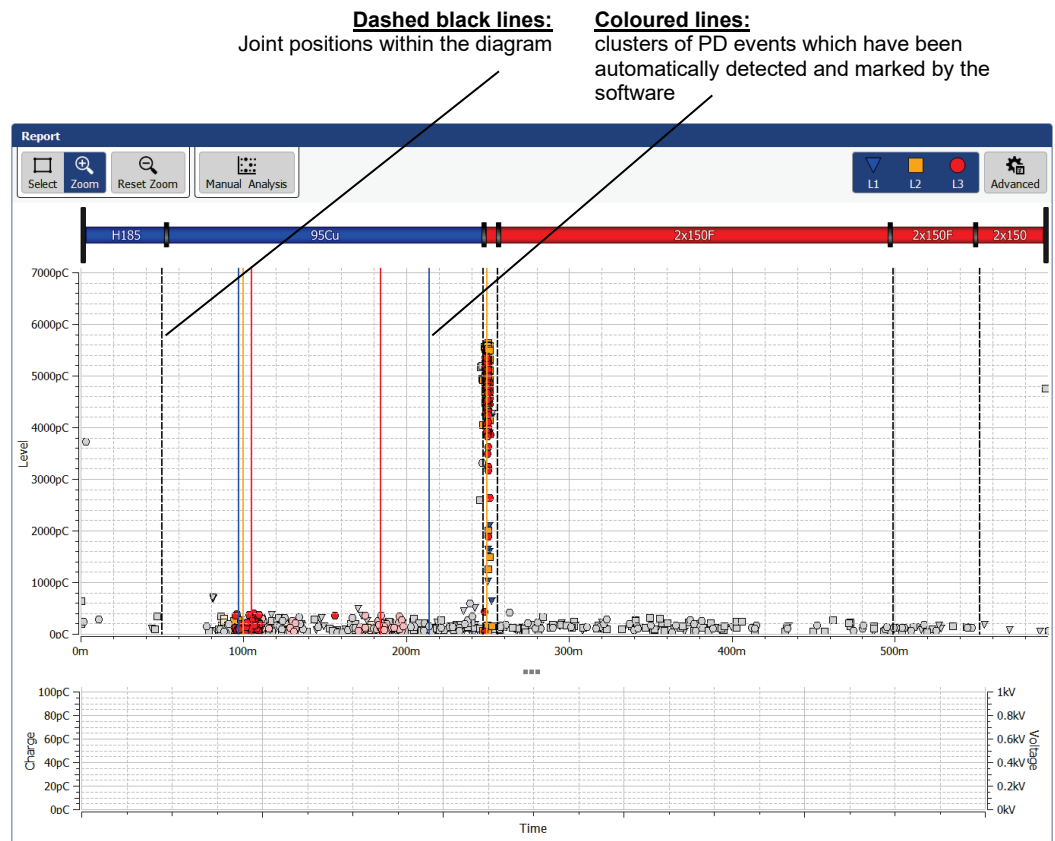
The evaluation of the test results and the creation of a report (see page 77) can be done either directly afterwards or at a later time (see page 95).

6 Evaluating Measurement Results and Creating a Report

Opening the evaluation screen If the evaluation of the measurement results will be performed directly after the measurement, you can directly call up the menu item in the start screen.

However, if the software was closed in the meantime, the data of the measurement job being evaluated must first be loaded (see page 95) into memory before you can call up the menu item.

PD mapping The already familiar PD mapping from the measurement screen (see page 67) forms the central element of the analysis screen. It provides the user with a location-resolved overview of the partial discharges identified by the PD evaluation algorithm.

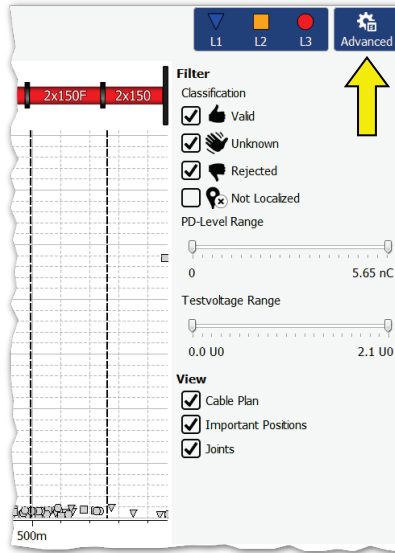


To generate the PD mapping, the software applies suitable algorithms and filters while the measurement is in progress for an automated analysis of the measured charge pulses. In doing so, it not only considers the level, but also other characteristics of the pulse, such as the phasing and edges. In the evaluation results, the majority of interference has largely already been identified and thrown out.

Based on the time difference between the arrival of the actual pulse and its reflection from the cable end, the remaining pulse can then be correlated (see page 24) with a concrete position along the cable to a very high degree of accuracy. The now spatially resolved imaging is examined for localised clusters of PD events and colour-coded as follows:

Colour	Description
Saturated colors	Pulses which were classified as a <u>partial discharge</u> . The clustering of PD pulses at this position points to a PD fault. These positions are additionally labelled in the PD mapping with a coloured marker matching the respective phase.
Pale colours	Pulses which were classified as a <u>possible partial discharge</u> . These pulses occur either at positions with a smaller pulse cluster or near larger clusters. Partial discharge cannot be excluded as the cause.
Grey	Pulses which were classified as <u>negligible</u> and are with considerable certainty not caused by a PD fault.

View filter Using the **Advanced** menu item, you can display the advanced view filters and the pulses in the PD mapping can be filtered as you wish to provide a better overview:



For this, the following buttons are available:

Button	Description
	Filter view according to phase.
Classification	<p>Show/hide pulses that were not identified (or not definitely identified) as PD.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All pulses classified as possible partial discharges (pale colours) are shown or hidden, respectively. All pulses classified as negligible (grey) are shown or hidden, respectively. Pulses for which no reflection could be determined. These pulses are placed at the beginning of the cable by default.
Test voltage Range	With the aid of voltage limiting, the display can be restricted to the pulses that appear in a particular voltage range.
PD-Level Range	With the aid of charge limiting, the display can be restricted to the pulses that appear in a particular charge range.
View	With the aid of these checkboxes, the individual auxiliary indicators (joint markers, cluster markers, cable plan) can be shown or hidden respectively.

The settings made with the aid of the functions described above have no effect on the PD pulses displayed in the report.

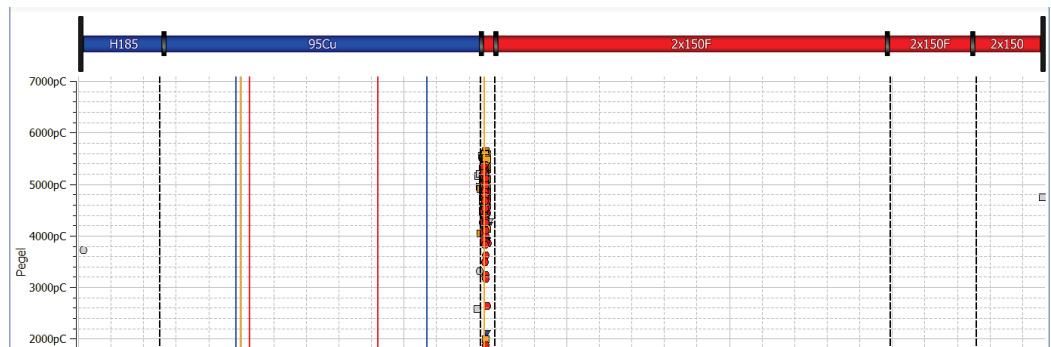
6.1 Manual Evaluation of Partial Discharges

Necessity Generally, the automatic detection and location of partial discharges by the PD evaluation algorithm is very accurate. In most cases, a time-consuming post-processing of the measurement data is not needed and the report can be directly created (see page 84).

However, if there are reasonable doubts as to the position or “realness” of identified PD faults, the functions described in this section enable experienced users to manually analyze and correct the localization data.

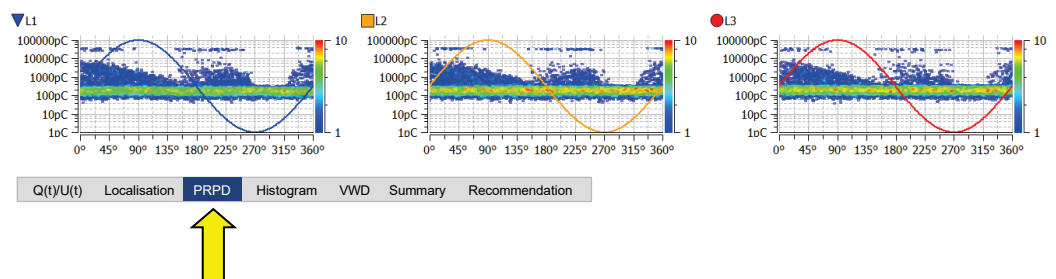
6.1.1 Determining Possible Sources of PD Faults

Cable plan If it has not been manually deactivated via the view filter, the layout of the diagnosed cable is displayed, true-to-scale and with the correct orientation, over the PD mapping.



This view is ideally suited to identify any relations between the diagnosed PD faults certain characteristics (e.g. insulation types, joints) of the cable. A slight offset between the position of the accessory and the PD fault can often be attributed to an inaccurate cable plan or signal propagation velocity.

Phase-resolved diagram Using the **PRPD** tab at the bottom of the screen, the PRPD diagrams (Phase Resolved Partial Discharge) can be displayed under the PD mapping.

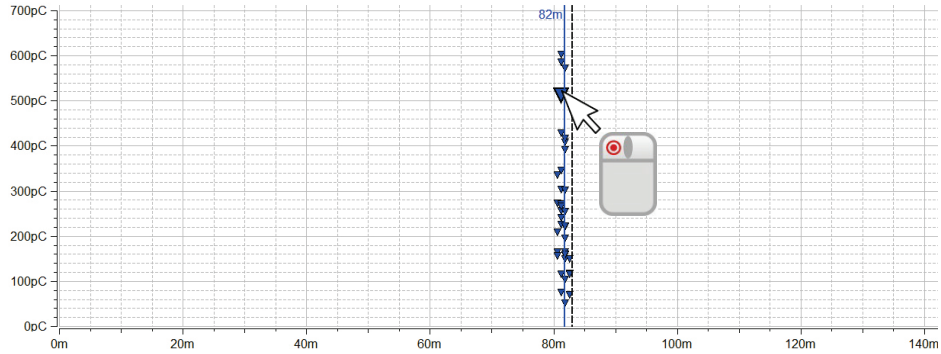


Using these diagrams, which display the distribution of charge pulses relative to the phasing, it is often possible to develop sound information about the characteristics and cause of a PD fault. The significance of the representation, however, depends greatly on the quantity of the recorded data.

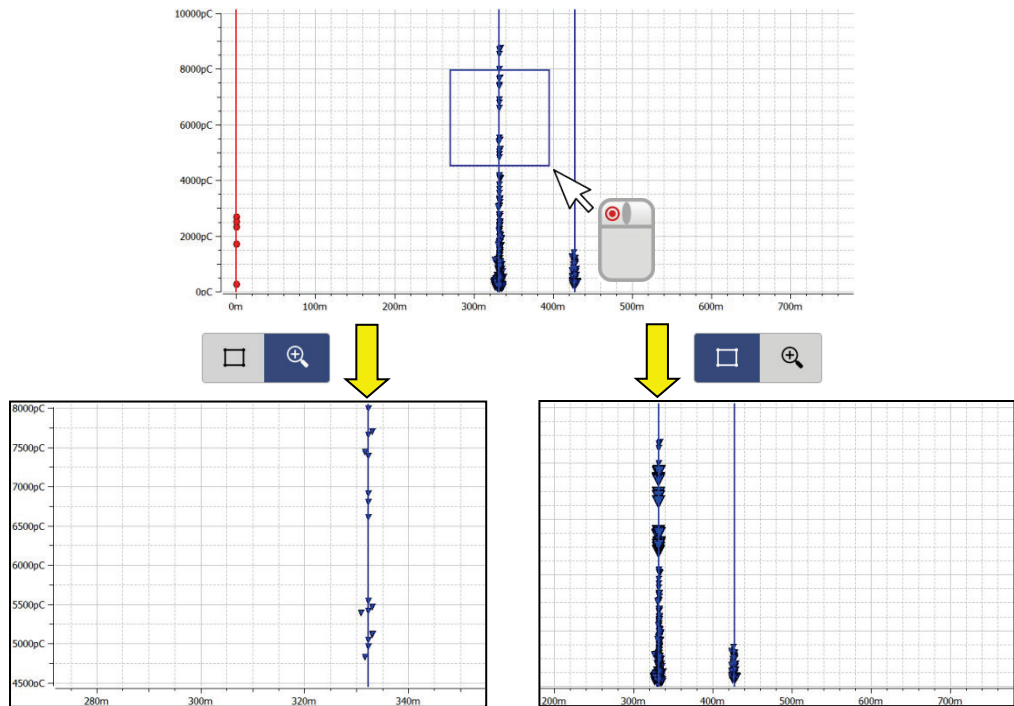
To improve readability, phases can be shown or hidden as needed using the view filter. In addition, the quantity of the PD events used for the diagram can also be restricted (see next page).


6.1.2 Analysing Individual PD Events

Selecting a PD event Each measured and automatically (via the software) classified pulse can be manually evaluated by the user and given a different classification, if necessary. In order to carry out a manual evaluation, the pulse must first be selected with a left mouse click.



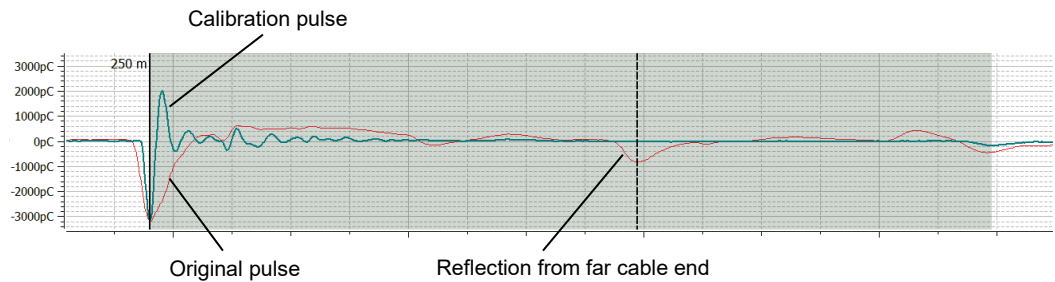
The selection box on the top left of the PD mapping determines whether dragging a frame zooms in the marked area or selects the PD events within the marked area.



The **zoom function** makes it easier to find and click on pulses in areas of dense accumulations. By clicking on the  button, the zoom can be canceled at any time.

After a number of PD events has been selected using the **select function**, only these events are considered for the phase-resolved diagram (PRPD).

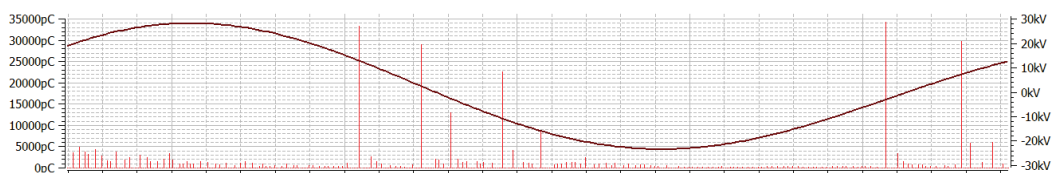
Manual analysis Directly after a PD event has been selected, it can be analysed more precisely using the diagrams available under the PD mapping and can be classified differently if necessary. The **Localisation** tab can for example be used to call up the TDR image, which shows both the directly incoming pulse and its reflection at the far end of the cable.



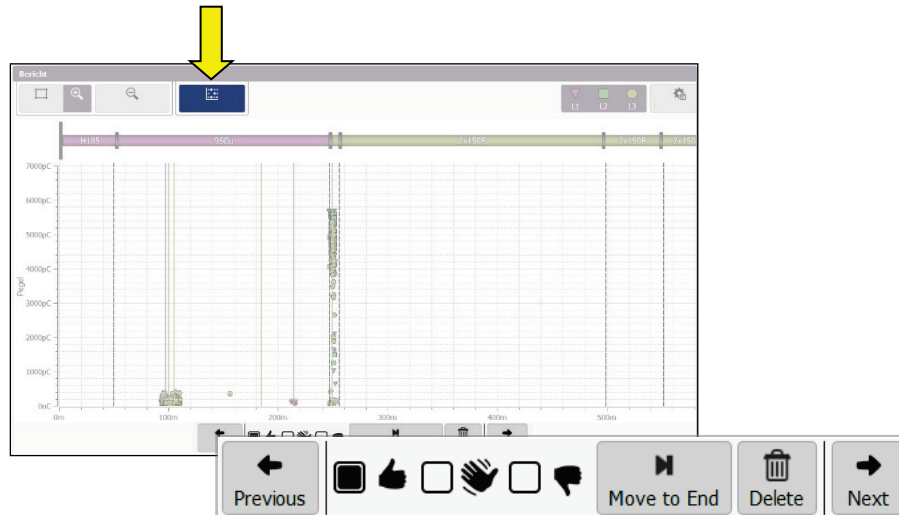
The calibration pulse, shown in parallel with the PD pulse, serves particularly in uncovering system-inherent reflections (e.g. an impedance jump between high voltage connection cable and test object). It can be regarded as an undistorted reference pulse which was injected at the beginning of the cable and was not subjected to appreciable damping or dispersion. If, in comparison, the original PD pulse is visibly widened or damped, the PD certainly originates from within the cable. The calibration curve can be shown / hidden via the **Show Calibration Curve** checkbox.

For particularly experienced users, the software offers the option of checking the markings for the original pulse and its reflection which were automatically placed according to the algorithms so that corrections, if necessary, can be made. Should this be the case, the marker in question must be clicked briefly once with the left mouse button. The line thickness of the marker is thereby increased and the $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ symbol is displayed instead of the mouse pointer. By clicking again and holding the mouse button depressed, you can now freely drag the marker along the X-axis. When you release the mouse button, the marker becomes fixed in the current position.

Furthermore, the time segment of exciter voltage during which the PD pulse was measured can be viewed under the **Q(t)/U(t)** tab.



Manual classification If a more detailed analysis of PD events reveals doubts about the automatically performed classification and it needs to be corrected manually, an additional toolbar can be displayed using the **Manual Analysis** button.



Using the buttons in the toolbar, the events can be classified manually or even deleted. **The change is applied to all currently selected events.** Thus, for example, a group of PD events can be marked and in one step assigned the same classification.

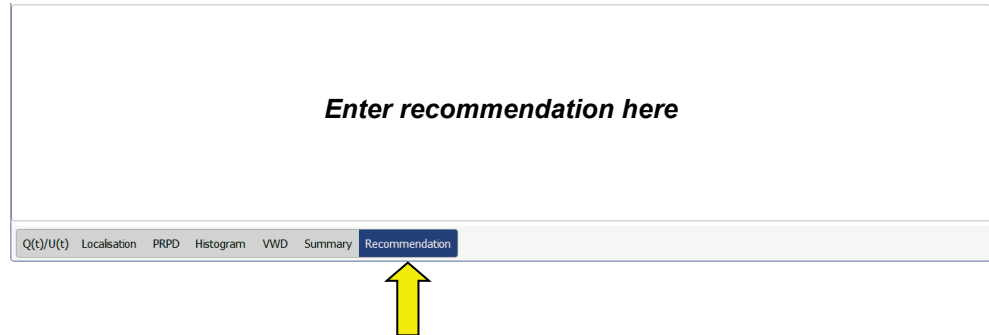
The following functions are available:

Button	Description
	Jump to the event with the next highest pulse amplitude.
	Jump to the event with the next lowest pulse amplitude.
	Classify pulse as partial discharge .
	Classify pulse as possible partial discharge .
	Classify pulse as negligible .
	If a pulse appears very close to the near or far end of the cable, this button - in case of reasonable suspicion - can be used to "move" the pulse to the opposite cable end. The resulting change in position is immediately visible in the PD mapping.
	Discard pulse. This action cannot be reversed.

6.2 Preparing and Printing the Report

Risk assessment / recommendation The risk assessment for reliable network operation must be performed taking into account the respective isolating systems, the type of faults as well as the measured PD.

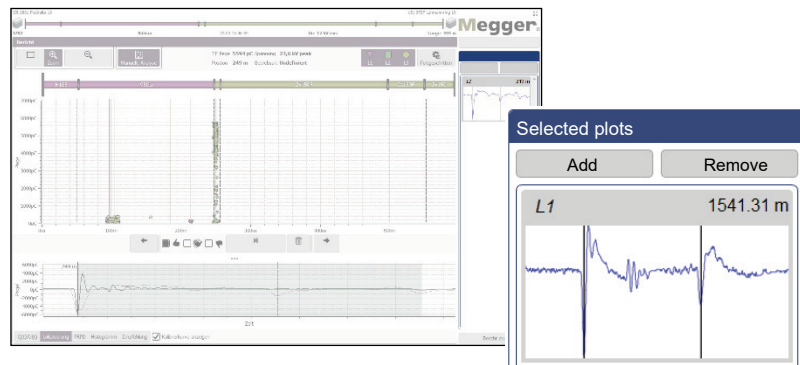
A recommendation on how to proceed based on the risk assessment can be entered in the text field available through the **Recommendation** tab.



The recommendation could, for example, suggest a repeat measurement for trend analysis or even the replacement of an affected cable section / accessory. The text of this recommendation is also contained in the printed report.

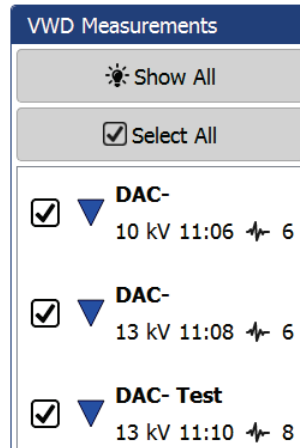
Selecting additional diagrams to be included in the report Depending on the selected template (see page 90) the report may already contain the cable plan, relevant PD mappings, the calibration curve, a tabular overview of the key measurement values and the recommendation.

In addition, individual TDR images may also be included in the report as required, e.g. if the original PD pulse and its reflection can be particularly well recognized in one of the reflectograms and, accordingly, a clear localization of the partial discharge fault can be made. To do so, you must first mark the respective pulse in the PD mapping and then click the **Add** button in the **Selected plots** menu block. A miniature view of the pulse appears directly superimposed in the menu window.



The pulses contained in the selection can be selected and brought to the display by clicking on them. Clicking the **Remove** button will remove them from the selection.

Even though any meaningful VWD diagram could have already been selected for inclusion in the report during the actual measurement, by saving the respective measurements using the **Save VWD** button, diagrams can still be added and removed during report creation. As soon as the **VWD** view is opened, the diagrams which are already included in the report are displayed in the **VWD Measurements** menu block on the right.

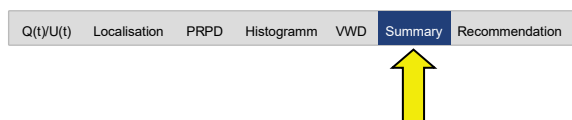


The **Show All** button can also be used to show and view all other available VWD diagrams. To include one of the VWD diagrams that has not yet been added to the report, tick the corresponding box.

Preparing the summary table

By clicking on the **Summary** tab, a table can be called up which, depending on the template used, will also be included in the report (exactly as it is shown here) and shows the most important data of the measurement task.

	L1	L2	L3
Disturbance level [pC]	65	64	173
PDIV [kV rms]	7.8	7.8	7.8
PDEV [kV rms]	4.5	-	-
PD max [pC] (PDIV)	2529	4129	2834
PD max [pC] (1.2 U ₀)	2529	4129	3239
PD Level [pC] (1.2 U ₀)	1662	3357	2372
PD max [pC] (1.6 U ₀)	11286	31732	9810
PD Level [pC] (1.6 U ₀)	7974	23416	7677
PD max [pC] (1.7 U ₀)	11286	31732	9810
PD Level [pC] (1.7 U ₀)	7974	23416	7677
Frequency [Hz]	365	365	365
Operating Mode	DAC-	DAC-	DAC-



Use the buttons ▲ and ▼ in the first column of the table to specify up to three test voltage levels the PD values of which are displayed in the table. The setting is automatically applied to the generated report as well (if the summary table is included in the selected report template at all).

Printing/exporting a report After completion of the analysis and risk assessment, using the **Print Report** button on the lower right, template management can be opened and the desired report template selected (the most recently used template is preselected). If the results of the measurement require it, the content of the template can still be changed at this time by enabling or disabling certain content elements (see page 90).

When the **Create PDF** button is pressed, a PDF report is generated based on the selected template. Depending on the size, this can take several minutes. The report is then displayed in a PDF viewer, where it can be saved or printed on the selected printer (see page 87). If a full version of the Megger Book Cable protocol software is installed on the same computer, the generated PDF report is automatically added to the list of previous measurement activities on the selected cable.

The report data can alternatively be exported in the CSV (comma-separated values) file format. To do so, select the **CSV Export** template, which can also be modified before the export but cannot be saved. The actual export is then initiated using the **Save CSV** button.

7 Configuring Settings and Managing Data

7.1 Adjusting the Settings – ⚙️

The following software settings can be adjusted:

Category	Description	
General	Language	Selection of menu language
	Default printer	Printer that should print the created PDF reports
	Show Clock	These parameters can be used to specify whether and in what format the clock and date should be displayed on the upper right edge of the screen. This setting is especially important if the software is running in full-screen mode (as it is the case on a test van's IPC).
	Show Am/PM	
	Show Date	
	Initial nominal charge	Pre-selected charge level when entering calibration mode
	Database settings	<p>Overview of database memory usage. If the database contains corrupt data sets, it is advisable to clean the database using the Start defragmentation button.</p> <p>Data sets can become corrupted if, for example, cables have been deleted from the cable database via another application. If this happens, the measurement data for the cables remains in the database without being assigned and must be cleaned using this function.</p>
Report	Select and manage report templates (see page 90)	
Devices	<p>List of all devices configured in the software and available for a measurement.</p> <p>If necessary, devices can be added, deleted and edited (see the next section).</p>	
Phases	To be able to distinguish the curves and PD events of the different phases, the colours and labels used for the display can be changed in this screen.	

Category	Description	
Localisation	<p>Polarity check</p>	<p>With the polarity check active, only those pulses for which the original pulse and the reflection have the same polarity are considered as possible partial discharge pulses. This procedure complies with the requirements of the normal partial discharge measurement, which is why the polarity check should not normally be disabled!</p> <p>For special applications, such as pinpointing partial discharges with a pulse generator, original pulse and reflection may have different polarities. In such cases, the polarity check must be disabled temporarily.</p>
	<p>Dynamic Bandwidth</p>	<p>If this function is active, based on the cable length, the optimal bandwidth for the localisation is calculated and used.</p> <p>Otherwise, the localisation is always performed with the maximum bandwidth.</p> <p>Using dynamic bandwidth is recommended for measurements.</p>
	<p>Max Shots VLFSin Localization</p>	<p>In VLF sine wave modes, the amount of incoming and processed localization results can reach very high levels depending on the duration of the measurement.</p> <p>Though, a limitation of the maximum value is only necessary if the error message „Processing pipeline limit reached!“ is repeatedly displayed during measurement indicating that the processing power of the computer in use is not sufficient.</p>

7.1.1 Managing Devices

Introduction Under **Devices**, all devices configured in the software are listed. If one of the devices is selected, its settings are shown in the right section of the screen. In general, these settings (in particular the network and connection settings) should only be changed at the request of a service employee.

All changes that the user may make independently on the device configuration are described in the following sections.

Adding/removing devices In general, the available devices are already added to the software in the factory. If, however, the software needs to be reinstalled or an additional device that can be used for the PD measurement is purchased, using the buttons directly under the device list the following changes can be made.

Button	Description
	Add new device to list. In addition to the device type, which must be set, a name or comment can also be added optionally.
	Change type, name or comment of the currently selected device.
	Delete currently selected device.

It is recommended that the device list is kept as small as possible and that devices are only added that are actually used regularly in combination with this software installation. In this way, device selection is made faster and easier at the start of a new measurement task. When the device list only contains one voltage source and one PD detector, this selection becomes unnecessary.

Updating the firmware of a PD detector To be able to update the firmware of a PD detector, it must first be selected in the list of devices. Preferably, a firmware update should be performed prior or subsequent to a measurement when the system is properly erected and connected.

After a network connection to the PD detector has been established (**Connect**), the firmware file (.pddf) can be selected using the button. Only after a suitable file has been selected can the update process be started by clicking on the **Update firmware** button.

The system must not be switched off during the entire update process!

Reading out log data To be able to read log data from the HV DAC-300 high voltage sources, it must be selected in the list of devices beforehand. Preferably, a log data download should be performed prior or subsequent to a measurement when the system is properly erected and connected.

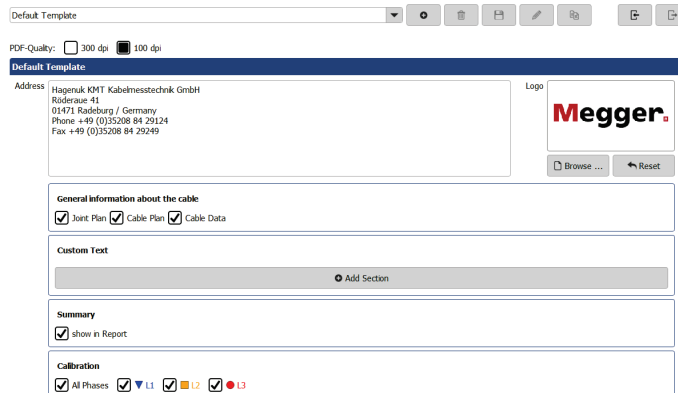
First, a network connection needs to be established via the **Connect** button. Afterwards, the download can be started by clicking on the **Read log** button and selecting the destination folder. The download may take several minutes.

The log file (log_%unix timestamp%.bin) can then be sent to hvdac@megger.com for detailed analysis.

7.1.2 Managing Report Templates

Introduction In the **Report** section the content of the diagnostic report can be freely modified to your needs and any number of templates can be created.


When the software is delivered, a template that satisfies the typical requirements for a diagnostics report is already included. However, this template cannot be modified or deleted.






Managing templates Using the following buttons on the top of the screen, any number of individual templates can be created, edited, copied and also deleted:

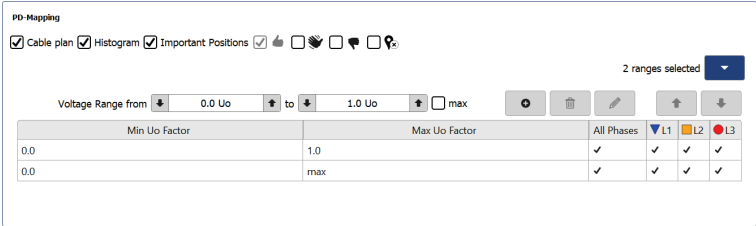







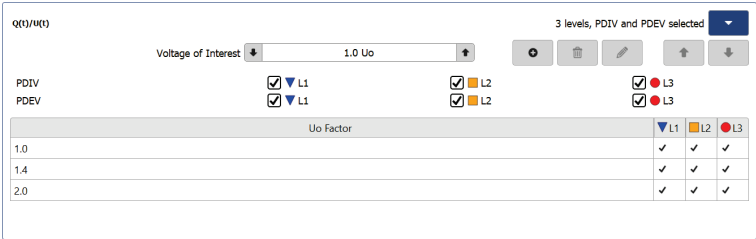




Button	Description
	Create new template.
	Rename currently selected template.
	Delete currently selected template.
	Save changes to currently selected template.
	Duplicate currently selected template under new name.
	Import templates in *.pddt format from a local storage device.
	Save currently selected template to local storage device. This makes it possible for the local templates to be saved or transferred to other systems.

Modifying the content of a template Proceed as follows to modify the content of a template:

Step	Action
1	Using the pull-down menu, select the template that you want to modify.
2	Customise the content that a report based on this template should include based on your needs (see below).
3	Save the changes using the  button.

The following contents can be added to or removed from the report template based on your needs:

Category	Content
PDF Quality	Using these checkboxes it can be specified whether the PDF reports generated with this template should have a resolution of 100 DPI or 300 DPI.
Address / Logo	Address and logo that should appear in the header of the report.
General information about the cable	Data of the diagnosed cable. Cable data, cable plan and joint plan can be activated or deactivated individually.
Custom Text	This segment can be used to add any number of custom text modules to the template. For example, this could be frequently used phrases, hints or recommendations, which are then activated or deactivated as needed in preparation for the actual report creation. The order of the modules can be adjusted using the  and  buttons. Clicking on the  button deletes the text module.
Summary	Tabular overview of the key measurement data (for example, PDEV, PDIV and charge level at various voltage levels). The voltage levels to be included in this summary table can be set during the preparation of the report (see page 85).
Calibration	The TDR images of the various phases recorded during calibration.

Category	Content
<p>PD Mapping</p>	<p>List of the PD mappings to be included in the report.</p>  <p>The checkboxes in the first line can be used to specify which information is to be displayed in each of the PD mappings contained in the report (cable plan, histogram, important positions, non-relevant PD events and non-localized PD events).</p> <p>The list of PD mappings contained in the report can be shown using the .</p> <p>To add a PD mapping to the list, the voltage range must first be configured and then the  button pressed.</p> <p>Double-clicking in the corresponding table cell is sufficient to change the parameters (voltage values, phases) of an existing entry.</p> <p>Using the  and  buttons, the order in which the PD mappings appear within the report can be changed.</p> <p>To delete a PD mapping from the list, first select it and then press .</p> <p>Using the  and  buttons, you can also specify whether the pulses classified as insignificant should also be displayed. This setting applies for all PD mappings included in the report.</p>
<p>Q(t)/U(t)</p>	<p>List of the Q(t)/U(t) diagrams to be included in the report.</p>  <p>The Q(t)/U(t) diagrams for the inception voltage (PDIV) and the extinction voltage (PDEV) are included by default (but can be disabled by unchecking the individual phases).</p> <p>To add another diagram to the list, the voltage level must first be selected and then the  button pressed.</p> <p>Double-clicking in the corresponding table cell is sufficient to change the parameters (voltage values, phases) of an existing entry.</p> <p>Using the  and  buttons, the order in which the diagrams appear within the report can be changed.</p> <p>To delete an entry from the list, first select it and then press .</p>

Category	Content
PRPD	PRPD diagrams of the individual phases.
Localization Diagrams	The TDR diagrams which have been selected during the preparation of the report (see page 84).
VWD Plots	The VWD diagrams which have been selected during the preparation of the report (see page 84).

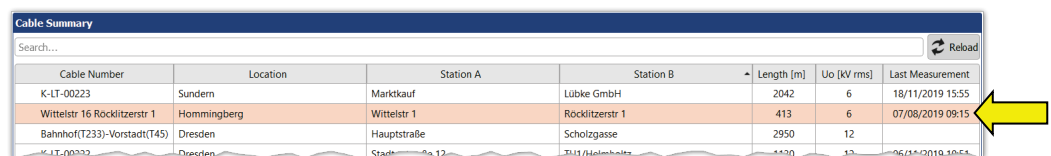
7.2 Cable Manager –

Introduction The cable manager serves for maintaining the cable data. These are stored in a local database, which is also used by the MeggerBook Cable protocol software (if also installed on the computer). This ensures that the cable data is consistent across all applications installed on the machine, i.e. any changes to the cable data will be effective in the other application as well.


In addition to the cable data, the cable manager also shows and manages all measurement tasks carried out on the respective cables.

7.2.1 Viewing Cable Data and Administrating Measurement Tasks

Selecting a cable In order to be able to look at the technical details, the sections or the measurement tasks of one particular cable, this cable needs to be selected from the list of available cables first of all.

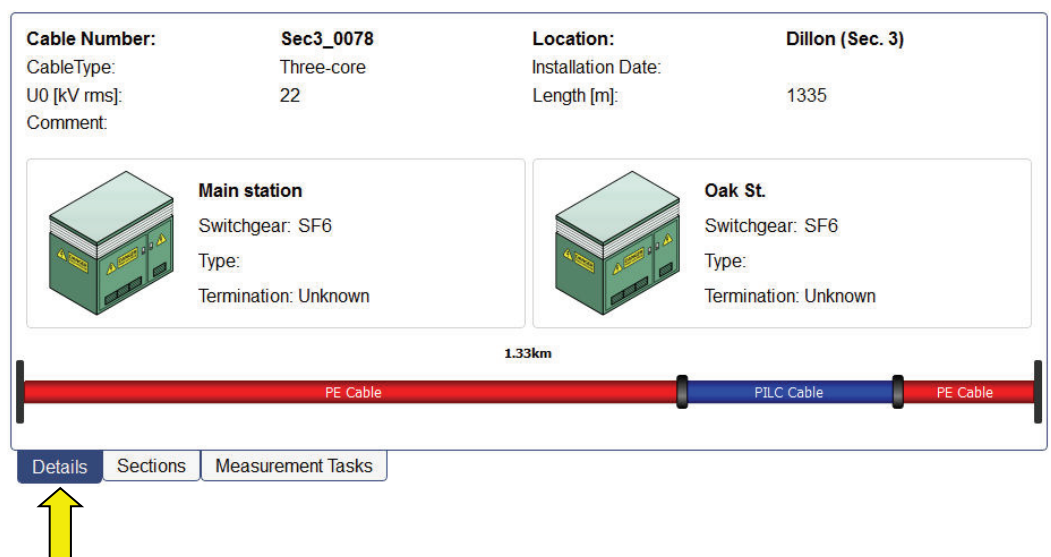


Cable Number	Location	Station A	Station B	Length [m]	Uo [kV rms]	Last Measurement
K-LT-00223	Sundern	Marktkauf	Lübke GmbH	2042	6	18/11/2019 15:55
Wittelstr 16 Röckitzerstr 1	Honningberg	Wittelstr 1	Röckitzerstr 1	413	6	07/08/2019 09:15
Bahnhof(T233)-Vorstadt(T45)	Dresden	Hauptstraße	Scholzgasse	2950	12	
K-LT-00333	Dresden	Stadt	THI/Helmholtz	1130	12	06/15/2019 10:54


If changes were made to the cable data in the MeggerBook Cable protocol software during the current session, the cable list displayed should be reloaded using the  button.

If the cable list is very extensive, a filtering of the displayed cables can be conducted with the help of the search function (see page 54).


Details view As soon as a cable has been selected, a table with the general cable data of the cable is displayed in the lower screen area (**Details** tab).



Cable Number: Sec3_0078 **Location:** Dillon (Sec. 3)
CableType: Three-core **Installation Date:**
U0 [kV rms]: 22 **Length [m]:** 1335
Comment:

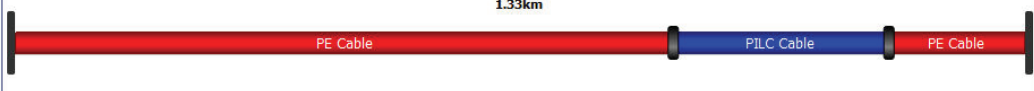


Main station
Switchgear: SF6
Type:
Termination: Unknown



Oak St.
Switchgear: SF6
Type:
Termination: Unknown

1.33km



PE Cable PILC Cable PE Cable

Details Sections Measurement Tasks

Cable sections Under the **Sections** tab, detailed information on the individual cable segments can be viewed:

#	Joint		Insulation	Distance [m]	Length [m]	Installation Date
		PE Cable	PE	0	870	
1	Heat-shrink	PILC Cable	PILC	870	285	
2	Heat-shrink	PE Cable	PE	1155	180	



Details **Sections** Measurement Tasks

Measurement tasks The **Measurement tasks** tab provides a list of all measurements conducted on this cable system. An Active measurement task is marked in bold.

Date / Time	Tester	Cable Location	Measured at	Report	PDIV	PDEV	Disturbance Level	Data	VWD	DAC+	DAC-	VLF CR	VLF Sin
07.08.2019 09:15	John Doe	Hommingberg	Wittelstr 1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		
07.08.2019 08:44	John Doe	Hommingberg	Wittelstr 1	✓			✓	✓					✓

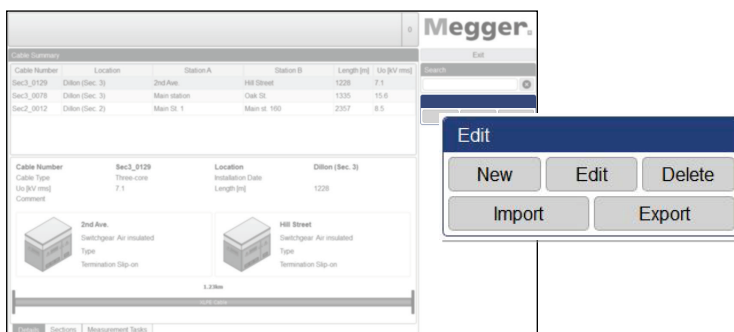
Details Sections **Measurement Tasks**

After an item of this list has been selected, the following functions can be called up:


Button	Description
Load	<p>The measurement data of the selected measurement task are loaded into the memory.</p> <p>After a previous measurement task has been loaded, the  menu point can be called up via the start screen and the measurement data can be once again evaluated (see page 77).</p> <hr/> <p> If there is an active measurement task going on at that moment it will be closed. Therefore, current measurements should be finished before loading a previous measurement task.</p> <hr/>
Delete	The measurement task including all corresponding measurement data is deleted.
Cleanup	<p>This menu item can be used to delete the measurement data of the selected measurement task.</p> <p>This function can be used if, due to many previous measurements, the memory space on the data carrier becomes limited and the measured data are no longer needed.</p> <p>After the cleanup, the last saved state of the report can still be opened and exported.</p> <p>Measurement tasks for which no report has yet been created cannot be cleared.</p>
Show report	Given that there has already been a report created for this measurement task, the corresponding PDF file is displayed.
Export report	Given that there has already been a report created for this measurement task, the corresponding PDF file can be exported to any target folder.
Resume Task	<p>The measurement task is continued and further measurements can be added to the existing ones.</p> <p>This function is intended to resume interrupted measurements when e.g. the software was terminated unintentionally or a measurement must be completed on the following day.</p>
Clone Task	A new measurement task with the exact same settings is started.

7.2.2 Managing Cables

Functions With the help of the buttons of the **Edit** menu block, existing cables can be managed and new cables can be created.

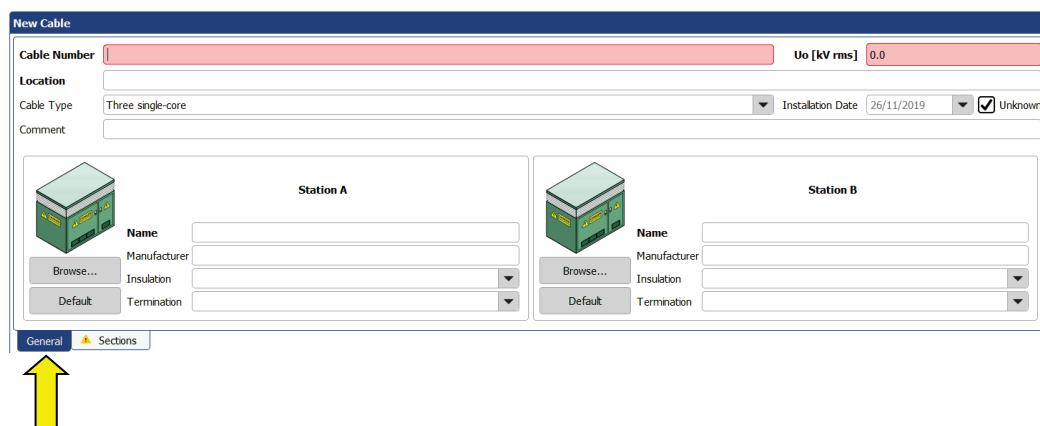


The following functions are available:


Button	Description
New	Create a new cable (see next section).
Edit	Edit the cable that is currently selected in the cable list (see next sections).
Delete	Delete the cable which is currently selected in the cable list.
	 When a cable is deleted, all measurement data of the cable is lost!
Import	Import cable and measurement data (see page 107)
Export	Export cable and measurement data (see page 106)

7.2.2.1 Entering / Changing General Cable Data

Directly after clicking the buttons **New** or **Edit**, the **General** mask that allows entering / correcting of the general cable data appears. Mandatory fields are marked by a coloured background.



The following entry forms allow entering the cable parameters:

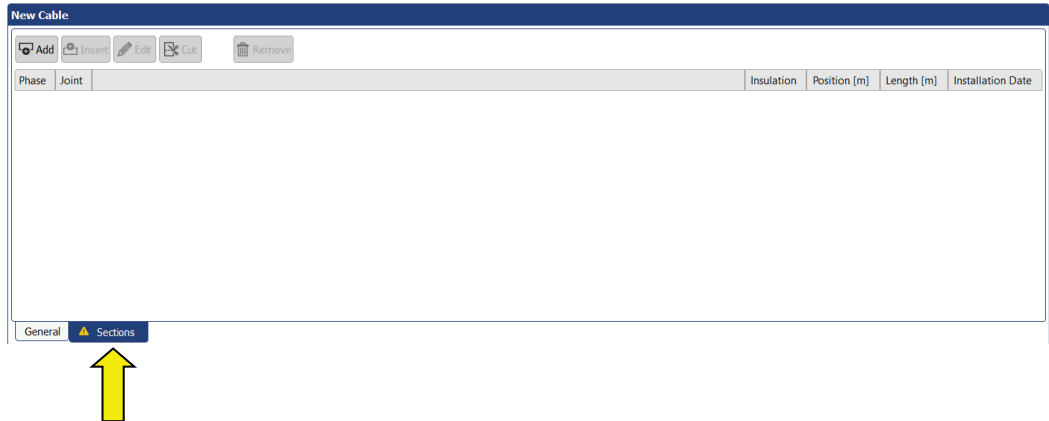
Entry form	Description
Cable number	Number / designation of the cable system The cable number has to be unique and must not be used twice!
U_o [kV rms]	Nominal voltage U _o of the cable (in kV _{RMS})
Location	Location of the cable
Cable Type	Design of the cable system  It is important to select the three single-core option for cable systems which exhibit differences in the insulation type between the individual phases. Only then can this type of inhomogeneity actually be represented when entering the cable sections (see page 99).
Installation Date	Date of the installation / initial operation
Comment	Helpful comments regarding the cable's history

Beyond, with the help of the following buttons and entry forms, detailed information regarding the technical conditions on both ends of the cable can be entered.

Entry forms / Buttons	Description
Name	Name of the respective switchgear / substation
Manufacturer	Type / manufacturer of the switchgear
Insulation	Insulation of the switchgear
Termination	Type of the cable termination
Browse	With this button, a meaningful picture of the switchgear can be imported into the software and can be saved with the cable data.
Default	With this button the picture of the switchgear is reset.

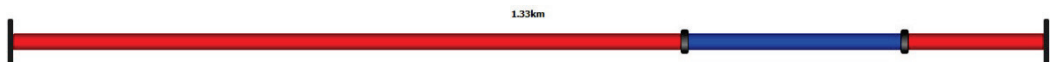
7.2.2.2 Specifying the Sections of the Cable

Introduction Via the tab **Sections** you get to the second entry form in which all cable types and joints of all cable sections have to be specified.



General notes In case of homogeneous cable systems without joints exactly one section with the total cable length needs to be specified. The individual sections of cables with several sections must be entered step-by-step (starting with the cable end defined as **Station A**). The individual section lengths and the respective insulation types must be specified as exactly as possible. This makes it easier to identify relationships between PD faults and joint positions following the measurement, and incorrect conclusions can be avoided.

Assuming that the individual phases are homogeneous, **three-core** type cable systems are shown as single-phase systems, exactly like **single-core** type cable systems. The characteristics of the individual cable sections are automatically applied to all phases of the cable system.






Three single-core type cable systems, in contrast, are shown as an actual three-phase system. Cable sections can be entered both for all three phases at the same time, as well as for each phase individually. However, after completing entry, it must be ensured that all three phases exhibit the same total length.



Adding / Editing a section By means of three buttons placed above the list, cable sections can be added and edited according to the following scheme:

Phase	#	Joint		Insulation	Distance [m]	Length [m]	Installation Date
L1			PE Cable	PE	0	2112	
L1	1	Slip-on	PE Cable	PE	2112	245	
L2			PE Cable	PE	0	2112	
L2	1	Slip-on	PE Cable	PE	2112	245	
L3			PE Cable	PE	0	2112	
L3	1	Heat-shrink	PILC Cable	PILC	2112	245	

 →  → 

After pressing one of these buttons, a new window for entering/editing the section data opens.

Add Cable Section

Phase: All Phases L1 L2 L3

Cable Section: ☆ + ✎ 🗑

	Description	Insulation	v/2 [m/μs]
☆	PE Cable	PE	83
☆	XLPE Cable	XLPE	83
☆	PILC Cable	PILC	80
☆	EPR Cable	EPR	80
☆	PVC Cable	PVC	76
☆	TestTyp	XLPE	91




Length [m]:




Joint:

Installation Date: Unknown

Add additional segments

The following properties can be defined:

Parameter	Description
Phase	<p>Phase(s) of the cable system to which the changes should be applied.</p> <p>Whether and how a selection can be made depends on the type of cable (single-core/three-core).</p>
Cable Type	<p>Cable type of the section.</p> <p>The type can be selected from all the cable templates created. When delivered, a number of typical cable types are already stored in the database. When required, the    buttons can be used to add any number of templates of your own and to administrate existing templates (see page 104).</p> <p>When there are a large number of cable templates, the Search and Favourites functions (see page 54) can be used to help filter the templates displayed.</p>

Parameter	Description
Length [m]	<p>The length of the cable section in metres.</p> <p>When adding a new cable section before the marked section, an additional tickbox is made available in this line. If this box is ticked, the length of the new section is subtracted from the length of the marked section (which is equivalent to cutting the marked section). If this box is not ticked, the marked section retains its original length and the total length of the cable is extended by the length of the new section (which is equivalent to the actual insertion of a new piece of cable).</p>
Joint	<p>Type of joint connecting the current cable section with the previous cable section. Accordingly, no selection need be made for the first section of a cable.</p> <p>The joint type can be selected from all the templates created. When delivered, a number of typical joint types are already stored in the database. When required, the    buttons can be used to add any number of joint templates of your own and to administrate existing templates (see page 104).</p>
Installation Date	Date of the installation of the cable section.

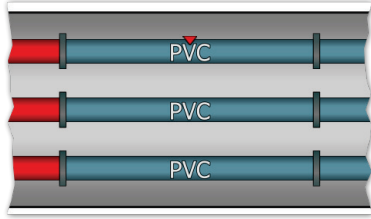
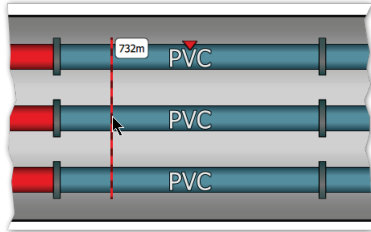
Editing is completed using the **Edit**, **Insert** or **Add** buttons, and the section is saved.

When adding new sections to the cable end, it is possible to continue adding another section directly when the **Add additional segments** checkbox has been activated upon saving.

Clicking on the **Cancel** button cancels the editing process and any changes made so far are discarded.



Cutting a section If a cable was cut and a joint inserted during maintenance work, this change can also be made to the digital image of the cable with just a few clicks using the cutting tool.

To do this, proceed as follows:

Step	Action
1	<p>Select the cable section to be cut from the list or directly in the cable plan. The selected section is marked with a red triangle.</p> 
2	<p>Using the buttons placed above the list, activate the desired cutting mode:</p> <p> Cuts one phase of the selected section</p> <p> Cuts all phases of the selected section</p>
3	<p>Select the position where the cut was made by hovering the mouse over the respective section/phase in the cable plan. Using the mouse wheel, the position can be finely adjusted.</p> 
4	<p>Click to make the cut.</p>

Deleting a section In order to delete an existing cable section, it has to be selected first and then the button **Remove** has to be clicked.

Phase	#	Joint		Insulation	Distance [m]	Length [m]	Installation Date	
L1				PE Cable	PE	0	2112	
L1	1	Slip-on		PE Cable	PE	2112	245	
	2			PE Cable	PE	0	2112	
L2	1	Slip-on		PE Cable	PE	2112	245	
L3				PE Cable	PE	0	2112	
L3	1	Heat-shrink		PILC Cable	PILC	2112	245	

 Remove 

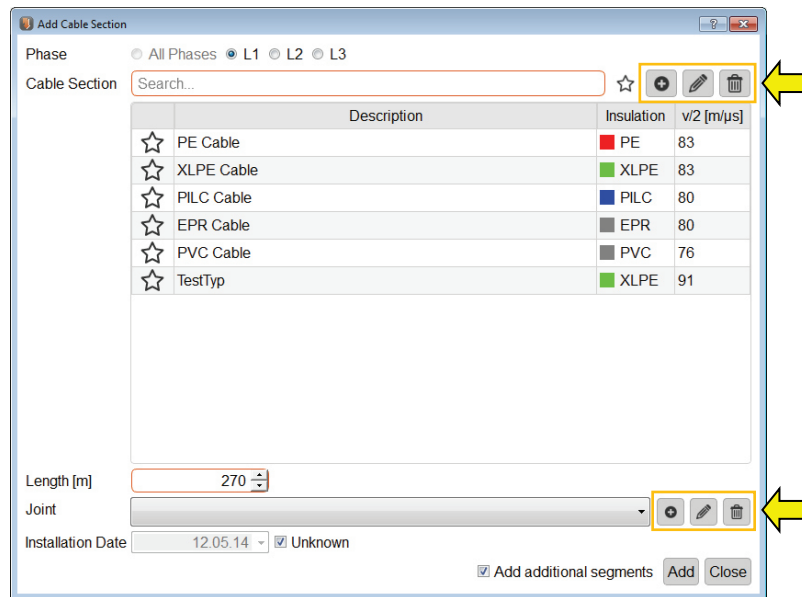
7.2.2.3 Saving Cable Data

After the cable data have been entered as completely as possible, the new or edited cable can be saved via the button **Apply** at the right bottom side of the screen.

With the button **Cancel** the entry form will be closed without saving and all performed changes are discarded.

7.2.2.4 Managing Segment Templates

Introduction To be able to specify the cable and joint types in a cable section explicitly, the corresponding templates must be filed in the database. A number of typical datasets are already stored in the database upon delivery. You can add/manage your own templates directly while editing a cable section (see page 99) by using the buttons provided for this.



Creating/editing a cable template A new cable template can be created, and the cable template currently selected can be edited, using the buttons. After clicking the button, a new window opens in which the following properties can be defined for the template:

Parameter	Description
Insulation	Insulation of the cable type
v/2	Signal propagation velocity of the cable type as a v/2 value
Description	Unique designation for the cable template
Favourite	The template can be added to the favourites list (★) or be removed from the list (☆) by clicking on the respective symbol (see page 55).

Creating/editing a joint template A new joint template can be created, and the joint template currently selected can be edited, using the buttons. After clicking the button, a new window opens in which the following properties can be defined for the template:

Parameter	Description
Description	Type or unique designation for the joint template
Default	When this checkbox has been activated, the template is specified as default template for new cable sections.

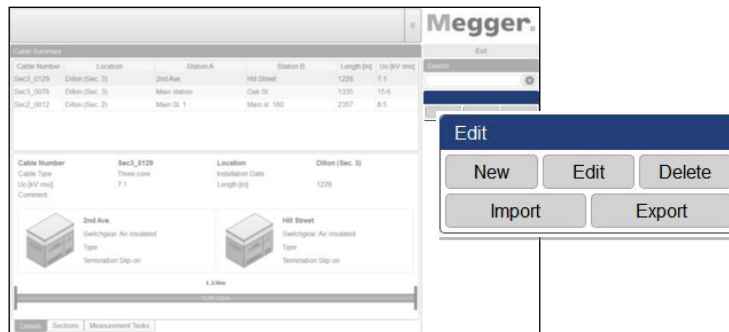
Deleting a template To delete an existing segment template, this template must be selected first, after which the button is clicked.

7.2.3 Managing Measuring and Cable Data

Introduction With the aid of the import and export assistants, measuring and cable data can be exchanged between the databases of various TE detector software installations. There is also the possibility of importing the following non-system data:

- Measuring and cable data from a OWTS PD diagnostic system (optional function)

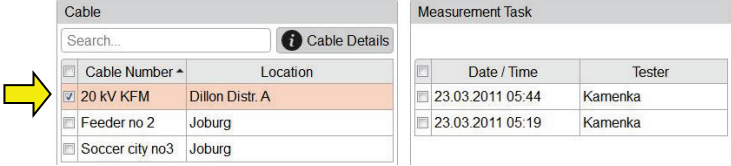
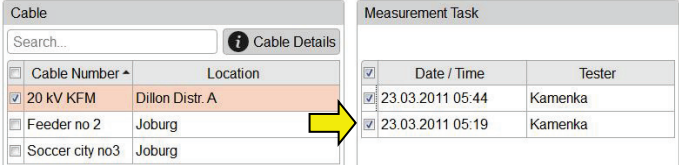
The assistants for the importing and exporting of data can be accessed via the **Import** and **Export** buttons in the **Edit** menu block.



When importing and exporting measurement data, very large amounts of data are copied. If an external storage device is used for export/import, it should be connected to the fastest USB interface (usually USB 3.0 or higher).

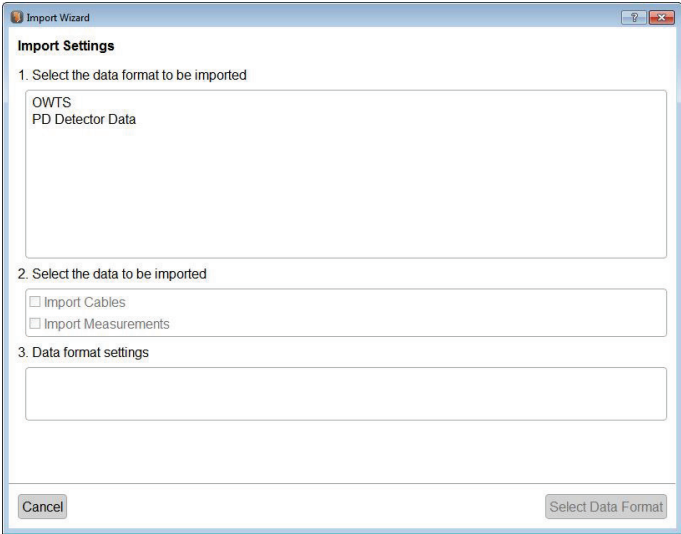
7.2.3.1 Exporting Data

Proceed as follows in order to export cable and measuring data from the local database to a data carrier of your choice:

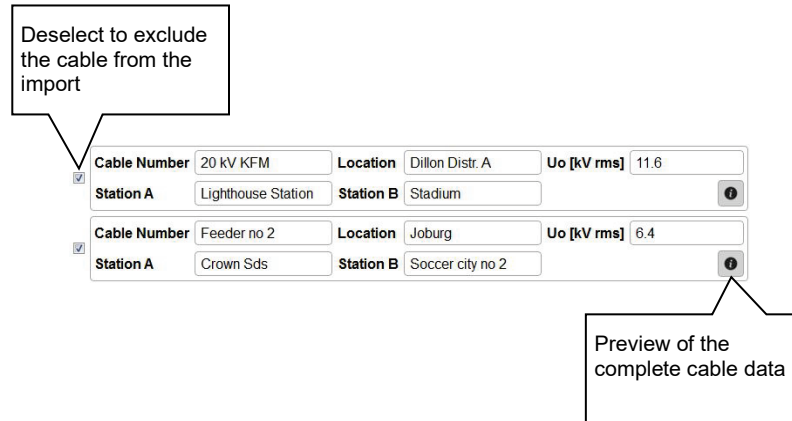
Step	Action
1	Click on Export in the Edit menu block. Result: The export assistant is opened in a new window.
2	<p>Tick a cable that should be exported in the left side of the window.</p>  <p>In the event of an especially comprehensive cable list, the displayed cables can be filtered with the aid of the search function (see page 54).</p>
3	<p>Select all measuring tasks for this cable that should be exported in the right side of the window.</p> 
4	Repeat steps 2 to 3 if required for all further cables that should be exported.
5	Use the Browse button to select an empty directory into which the data should be exported.
6	Click on Next and then on Finish to export the selected data. Result: The export is performed.

7.2.3.2 Importing Data

1. Step: *Applying the import settings* Proceed as follows to prepare the import of cable and measuring data:

Step	Action
1	<p>Click on the Import in the Edit menu block.</p> <p>Result: The import assistant is opened in a new window.</p> 
2	<p>Select the data format to be imported from the following options:</p> <p>PD Detector data Measuring and cable data from another TE detector software installation</p> <p>OWTS Measuring and cable data from a OWTS PD diagnostic system (optional function)</p>
3	<p>Tick the data types (cable data, measuring data) that you would like to import. If the local database does not yet contain any cable data, the cables must be imported.</p>
4	<p>Use the Browse... button to select the file to be imported. Depending on the file type, the following file should be selected:</p> <p>PD Detector data Import file with the extension <i>*.pddd</i> (which was automatically created during data export)</p> <p>OWTS Import file <i>StartMask.dat</i> (which was automatically created during data export from the OWTS software)</p>
5	<p><i>This setting is only required when OWTS data is to be imported</i></p> <p>Under Language coding of import data, select the language that is set in the source system. This setting is required so the date information can be imported correctly.</p>
6	<p>Click on Next.</p>

2. Step: Selecting the cables If the import of cable data is activated in the import settings, an overview of the identified cables appears. If required, the basic cable data can be adapted and cables can also be completely excluded from the import.

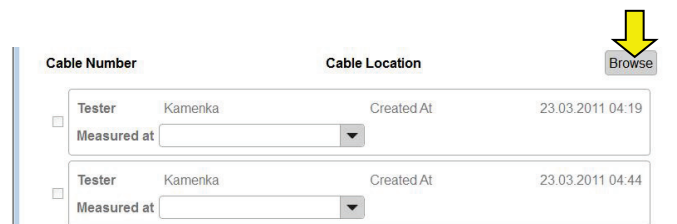


Using the **Next** button, the next page of the import assistant can then be accessed.

3. Step: Selecting and allocating the measuring tasks If the import of measuring data is activated in the import settings, an overview appears of the identified measuring tasks that can be excluded from the import if required.



Measuring tasks that are imported without the associated cable data and cannot be automatically assigned to an existing cable are initially excluded from the import.



To be able to import these measurement tasks, the right cable must first be sought in the local database using the **Browse** button and selected by double clicking.

After the measuring tasks to be imported are selected and, where required, the general information (name of tester, cable end at which the measurement took place) is adapted, the next page of the import assistant can be accessed using the **Next** button.

4. Step: Immediately after the selection of the data to be imported is completed, this is imported into the local database. A summary of the import process is displayed. By clicking on the **Finish** button, the displayed changes can be confirmed and the import completed.

Completing the import

Using the **Cancel** button, the import can also still be cancelled at this time. The displayed changes are discarded in this case.

7.2.3.3 Backing Up Data

To prevent loss of data (e.g. in the event of a hard drive defect), it is recommended to regularly perform a backup of the measuring and cable data.


The following data must be saved:

Cable data: File *%installation folder%\Megger.mcb*

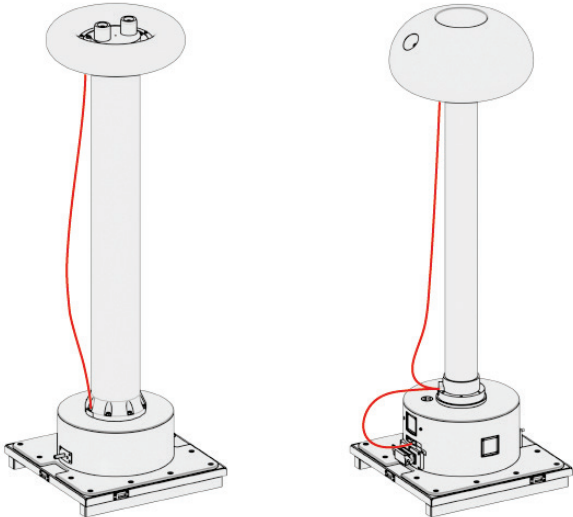
Measuring data: Directory *%installation folder%\data*

A suitable backup strategy should be developed by the responsible system administrator.

8 Switching Off and Disassembling the System

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth and short-circuit the cable under test in accordance to the five safety rules (see page 8). • The system components that were under voltage should only be touched once they have been earthed and short-circuited using a suitable earthing device.
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Switch-off and disassembly are to be carried out in the following order:

Step	Action
1	Press the “Mains OFF” push-button 7 on the base of the HV source to switch off the system.
2	<p>To prevent charging of the internal capacitors during storage and transportation of the system, short-circuit adapters have to be installed on the coupling unit and the support capacitor (if it is part of the system) as shown in the following picture:</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>
3	Disconnect the coupling unit from the test object.
4	Disconnect all of the remaining cable connections and stow the connection lines away in the accessory boxes provided for this purpose.
5	Slip the supplied protective sheaths over the field control electrodes.
6	Re-assemble the transport boxes for the source, the decoupling unit and the switch. During this process the modules must be secured using the tension belts attached to the inside of the boxes.
7	Dismantle the inductor and stow the individual components away in the transport boxes provided. When disassembling, observe the notices on lifting and handling the inductor components (see page 34).

9 Storage and Transport

Storage If the system is not used for a long period, it should be kept in the transport boxes and stored in a dust-free and dry environment. Continuous moisture (humidity) especially when combined with dust can reduce critical insulating clearances that are essential for safe high-voltage operation.

Transport The HV DAC-300 is a highly sensitive measuring system which should always be moved with great care! Safe transport of the system can only be ensured if its components are properly stored in the respective transport boxes.

The boxes have the following weights and dimensions when packed:

Box label	Dimensions (W x H x D)	Weight
"Source"	830 x 1700 x 980 mm	188 kg
"Switch"	700 x 850 x 1987 mm	186 kg
"Inductor/Top" "Inductor/Middle" "Inductor/Bottom"	680 x 580 x 680 mm	97 kg
"Coupler"	700 x 850 x 2180 mm	180 kg
"Inductor/Base"	800 x 1245 x 800 mm	105 kg
"Support capacitor" (optional)	700 x 850 x 2190 mm	215 kg
"Corona Protection Toroid" (optional)	709 x 690 x 280 mm	20 kg
"Accessory Box 1"	700 x 850 x 2085 mm	192 kg
"Accessory Box 2"	800 x 1150 x 1700 mm	185 kg

10 Maintenance and Care

Repair and maintenance Repair and maintenance work has to be carried out by Megger or authorised service partners using original spare parts only. Megger recommends having the system tested and maintained at a Megger service centre once a year.

Megger also offers its customers on-site service. Please contact your service centre if needed.

Tasks you should carry out yourself The system should be cleaned / inspected on a regular basis to guarantee permanently a high degree of measurement accuracy whilst ensuring as low a system-induced partial discharge as possible. During this process the following notices must be observed:

- No harsh solvents or cleaners may be used.
- The housing surfaces must be cleaned using a soft, lint-free cloth and ethanol. Ensure that no liquids enter the housing during this process!
- The aluminium surfaces of the field control electrodes and connection points must be carefully cleaned of dust and dirt using a soft, dry cloth.
- The fan grills at the base point of the decoupling unit must be brushed down as required.
- The filter mats of the HV source filters must be removed and cleaned if extremely dirty.
- Regularly check whether one of the silica gel desiccators on top of the switch (see page 40) needs to be replaced.

Checking the fuses If a failure occurs in the power supply of the individual components (HV source, switch, coupling unit), the positions of the fuses and circuit breakers should first be checked. These are located on the base of the source and arranged as follows:



Fuse	Rating	Circuits protected
F1	10 A	Main circuit breaker
F2	10 A	Main fuse HV source
F3	1 A	Illuminated push-buttons on the base of the source
F4	2 A	Input of 24 V power supply 1
F5	2 A	Input of 24 V power supply 2
F6	4 A	Output of 24 V power supply 1 (to supply coupling unit)
F7	4 A	Output of 24 V power supply 2 (to supply switch)
F8	4 A	Output of 24 V power supply 2 (to supply HV source)

In case of a tripped circuit breaker, try to reset the breaker and restart the system. If the circuit breaker cannot be reset or continues to trip, please get in touch with the Megger service department in order to have the fault resolved.

11 Troubleshooting

Independent troubleshooting If problems occur, these can - under certain circumstances - be diagnosed and solved using the following table:

Problem / Error message	Cause / Remedy
Connection to test voltage source or PD detector cannot be established	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restart the affected device • Restart notebook and measurement software • Check cabling • Make sure that the device is supplied with power and, if possible, measure the supply voltage
The system of the PD detector apparently crashed (LEDs light up red)	Briefly disconnect the PD detector from power to initiate a restart.
Software is very slow; delayed response to user actions	<p>The processor is heavily utilized by other processes or running at reduced clock speed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close all other applications • Deactivate the virus scanner • Deactivate the power-saving mode
The software is slow to start and takes up a lot of space on the hard drive.	<p>Large volumes of data may accumulate in the installation directory due to the amount of measurement data recorded. This depends on how long and how intensively the software is used and may also delay software start-up.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cleaning measurement data (see page 94) • Defragmenting the database (see page 87)
When the software is opened for the first time, no new measurement job can be started	No devices have been configured (see page 87) in the software.
“Overflow”	<p>Measured data exceeds the input data range. Increase the measuring range (Q range) in the software.</p>
“Processing pipeline limit reached!”	<p>The computing power of the computer used is not sufficient to process the amount of incoming measurement data.</p> <p>This problem can be counteracted by decreasing the maximum number of localizations during VLF sine wave voltage measurements (see page 87).</p>
“Calibration failed”	<p>The start and / or end reflection could not be unambiguously identified by the software.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Try again with low bandwidth setting • Check the electrical connection of the calibrator and whether it is still switched on • Make sure the cable under test is not earthed / short-circuited • Try to manually position the markers

Problem / Error message	Cause / Remedy
“Please perform a backup of the EEPROM contents”	75% of the source’s available log data memory is used. Perform a log data backup to free memory (see page 89).
„PD Detector protocol not supported!“ „PD Detector software not supported!“ „PD Detector firmware not supported!“	The wrong PD Detector version may have been selected when the measurement task was started (see page 56). Otherwise, a firmware upgrade (see page 87) might solve the problem.

Behaviour at persistent malfunction When irregularities or malfunctions appear that cannot be solved consulting this manual, the equipment must immediately be put out of operation and marked as not functional. In this case inform the person in charge who should inform the Megger service to resolve the problem. The instrument may only be operated when the malfunction is resolved.

To help service and development staff to diagnose the problem, the following information should be provided when reporting the fault:

Step	Action
1	Back up the log data of the HV source (see page 89).
2	Back up the entire <i>log</i> directory from the installation directory of the software.
3	Send the backed up data to the responsible service station and to hvdac@megger.com .



Tento symbol indikuje, že výrobek nesoucí takovéto označení nelze likvidovat společně s běžným domovním odpadem. Jelikož se jedná o produkt obchodovaný mezi podnikatelskými subjekty (B2B), nelze jej likvidovat ani ve veřejných sběrných dvorech. Pokud se potřebujete tohoto výrobku zbavit, obraťte se na organizaci specializující se na likvidaci starých elektrických spotřebičů v blízkosti svého působení.



Dit symbool duidt aan dat het product met dit symbool niet verwijderd mag worden als gewoon huishoudelijk afval. Dit is een product voor industrieel gebruik, wat betekent dat het ook niet afgeleverd mag worden aan afvalcentra voor huishoudelijk afval. Als u dit product wilt verwijderen, gelieve dit op de juiste manier te doen en het naar een nabij gelegen organisatie te brengen gespecialiseerd in de verwijdering van oud elektrisch materiaal.



This symbol indicates that the product which is marked in this way should not be disposed of as normal household waste. As it is a B2B product, it may also not be disposed of at civic disposal centres. If you wish to dispose of this product, please do so properly by taking it to an organisation specialising in the disposal of old electrical equipment near you.



Този знак означава, че продуктът, обозначен по този начин, не трябва да се изхвърля като битов отпадък. Тъй като е B2B продукт, не бива да се изхвърля и в градски пунктове за отпадъци. Ако желаете да изхвърлите продукта, го занесете в пункт, специализиран в изхвърлянето на старо електрическо оборудване.



Dette symbol viser, at det produkt, der er markeret på denne måde, ikke må kasseres som almindeligt husholdningsaffald. Eftersom det er et B2B produkt, må det heller ikke bortskaffes på offentlige genbrugsstationer. Skal dette produkt kasseres, skal det gøres ordentligt ved at bringe det til en nærliggende organisation, der er specialiseret i at bortskaffe gammelt el-udstyr.



Sellise sümboliga tähistatud tooted ei tohi käidelda tavalise olmejäätmena. Kuna tegemist on B2B-klassi kuuluva tootega, siis ei tohi seda viia kohalikku jäätmekäitluspunkti. Kui soovite selle toote ära visata, siis viige see lähimasse vanade elektriseadmete käitlemisele spetsialiseerunud ettevõttesse.



Tällä merkinnällä ilmoitetaan, että kyseisellä merkinnällä varustettua tuotetta ei saa hävittää tavallisen kotitalousjätteen seassa. Koska kyseessä on yritysten välisen kaupan tuote, sitä ei saa myöskään viedä kuluttajien käyttöön tarkoitettuihin keräyspisteisiin. Jos haluatte hävittää tämän tuotteen, ottakaa yhteys lähimpään vanhojen sähkölaitteiden hävittämiseen erikoistuneeseen organisaatioon.



Ce symbole indique que le produit sur lequel il figure ne peut pas être éliminé comme un déchet ménager ordinaire. Comme il s'agit d'un produit B2B, il ne peut pas non plus être déposé dans une déchetterie municipale. Pour éliminer ce produit, amenez-le à l'organisation spécialisée dans l'élimination d'anciens équipements électriques la plus proche de chez vous.



Cuireann an siombail seo in iúl nár cheart an táirgeadh atá marcáilte sa tsí seo a dhiúscairt sa chóras fuoil teaghlai. Os rud é gur táirgeadh ghnó le gnó (B2B) é, ní féidir é a dhiúscairt ach oiread in ionaid dhiúscairthe phobail. Más mian leat an táirgeadh seo a dhiúscairt, déan é a thógáil ag eagraíocht gar duit a sainfheidhmiú i ndiúscairt seanfhearas leictrigh.



Dieses Symbol zeigt an, dass das damit gekennzeichnete Produkt nicht als normaler Haushaltsabfall entsorgt werden soll. Da es sich um ein B2B-Gerät handelt, darf es auch nicht bei kommunalen Wertstoffhöfen abgegeben werden. Wenn Sie dieses Gerät entsorgen möchten, bringen Sie es bitte sachgemäß zu einem Entsorger für Elektroaltgeräte in Ihrer Nähe.



Αυτό το σύμβολο υποδεικνύει ότι το προϊόν που φέρει τη σήμανση αυτή δεν πρέπει να απορρίπτεται μαζί με τα οικιακά απορρίματα. Καθώς πρόκειται για προϊόν B2B, δεν πρέπει να απορρίπτεται σε δημοτικά σημεία απόρριψης. Εάν θέλετε να απορρίψετε το προϊόν αυτό, παρακαλούμε όπως να το παραδώσετε σε μία υπηρεσία συλλογής ηλεκτρικού εξοπλισμού της περιοχής σας.



Ez a jelzés azt jelenti, hogy az ilyen jelzéssel ellátott terméket tilos a háztartási hulladékokkal együtt kidobni. Mivel ez vállalati felhasználású termék, tilos a lakosság számára fenntartott hulladékgyűjtőkbe dojni. Ha a terméket ki szeretné dojni, akkor vigye azt el a lakóhelyéhez közel működő, elhasznált elektromos berendezések begyűjtésével foglalkozó hulladékezelő központhoz.



Questo simbolo indica che il prodotto non deve essere smaltito come un normale rifiuto domestico. In quanto prodotto B2B, può anche non essere smaltito in centri di smaltimento cittadino. Se si desidera smaltire il prodotto, consegnarlo a un organismo specializzato in smaltimento di apparecchiature elettriche vecchie.



Šī zīme norāda, ka izstrādājumu, uz kura tā atrodas, nedrīkst izmest kopā ar parastiem mājsaimniecības atkritumiem. Tā kā tas ir izstrādājums, ko cits citam pārdod un lieto tikai uzņēmumi, tad to nedrīkst arī izmest atkritumos tādās izgāztuvēs un atkritumu savāktuvēs, kas paredzētas vietējiem iedzīvotājiem. Ja būs vajadzīgs šo izstrādājumu izmest atkritumos, tad rīkojieties pēc noteikumiem un nogādājiet to tuvākajā vietā, kur īpaši nodarbojas ar vecu elektrisku ierīču savākšanu.



Šis simbolis rodo, kad juo paženklinoto gaminio negalima išmesti kaip paprastų buitinių atliekų. Kadangi tai B2B (verslas verslui) produktas, jo negalima atiduoti ir buitinių atliekų tvarkymo įmonėms. Jei norite išmesti šį gaminį, atlikite tai tinkamai, atiduodami jį arti jūsų esančiai specializuotai senos elektrinės įrangos utilizavimo organizacijai.



Dan is-simbolu jindika li l-prodott li huwa mmarkat b'dan il-mod m'ghandux jintrema bhal skart normali tad-djar. Minhabba li huwa prodott B2B , ma jistax jintrema wkoll f'centri civici ghar-rimi ta' l-iskart. Jekk tkun tixtieq tarmi dan il-prodott, jekk jogh'gbook ghamel dan kif suppost billi tiehdu ghand organizzazzjoni fil-qrib li tispécializza fir-rimi ta' taghmir qadim ta' l-eletriku.



Dette symbolet indikerer at produktet som er merket på denne måten ikke skal kastes som vanlig husholdningsavfall. Siden dette er et bedriftsprodukt, kan det heller ikke kastes ved en vanlig miljøstasjon. Hvis du ønsker å kaste dette produktet, er den riktige måten å gi det til en organisasjon i nærheten som spesialiserer seg på kassering av gammelt elektrisk utstyr.



Ten symbol oznacza, że produktu nim opatrzonego nie należy usuwać z typowymi odpadami z gospodarstwa domowego. Jest to produkt typu B2B, nie należy go więc przekazywać na komunalne składowiska odpadów. Aby we właściwy sposób usunąć ten produkt, należy przekazać go do najbliższej placówki specjalizującej się w usuwaniu starych urządzeń elektrycznych.



Este símbolo indica que o produto com esta marcação não deve ser deixado fora juntamente com o lixo doméstico normal. Como se trata de um produto B2B, também não pode ser deixado fora em centros cívicos de recolha de lixo. Se quiser desfazer-se deste produto, faça-o correctamente entregando-o a uma organização especializada na eliminação de equipamento eléctrico antigo, próxima de si.



Acest simbol indică faptul că produsul marcat în acest fel nu trebuie aruncat ca și un gunoi menajer obișnuit. Deoarece acesta este un produs B2B, el nu trebuie aruncat nici la centrele de colectare urbane. Dacă vreți să aruncați acest produs, vă rugăm să-o faceți într-un mod adecvat, ducând-ul la cea mai apropiată firmă specializată în colectarea echipamentelor electrice uzate.



Tento symbol znamená, že takto označený výrobek sa nesmie likvidovať ako bežný komunálny odpad. Keďže sa jedná o výrobok triedy B2B, nesmie sa likvidovať ani na mestských skládkach odpadu. Ak chcete tento výrobok likvidovať, odnešte ho do najbližšej organizácie, ktorá sa špecializuje na likvidáciu starých elektrických zariadení.



Ta simbol pomeni, da izdelka, ki je z njim označen, ne smete zavreči kot običajne gospodinske odpadke. Ker je to izdelek, namenjen za druge proizvajalce, ga ni dovoljeno odlagati v centrih za civilno odlaganje odpadkov. Če želite izdelek zavreči, prosimo, da to storite v skladu s predpisi, tako da ga odpeljete v bližnjo organizacijo, ki je specializirana za odlaganje stare električne opreme.



Este símbolo indica que el producto así señalizado no debe desecharse como los residuos domésticos normales. Dado que es un producto de consumo profesional, tampoco debe llevarse a centros de recogida selectiva municipales. Si desea desechar este producto, hágalo debidamente acudiendo a una organización de su zona que esté especializada en el tratamiento de residuos de aparatos eléctricos usados.



Den här symbolen indikerar att produkten inte får blandas med normalt hushållsavfall då den är förbrukad. Eftersom produkten är en så kallad B2B-produkt är den inte avsedd för privata konsumenter, den får således inte avfallshanteras på allmänna miljö- eller återvinningsstationer då den är förbrukad. Om ni vill avfallshandla den här produkten på rätt sätt, ska ni lämna den till myndighet eller företag, specialiserad på avfallshandling av förbrukad elektrisk utrustning i ert närområde.