

Operator's Manual

IDEALARC[®] AC1500



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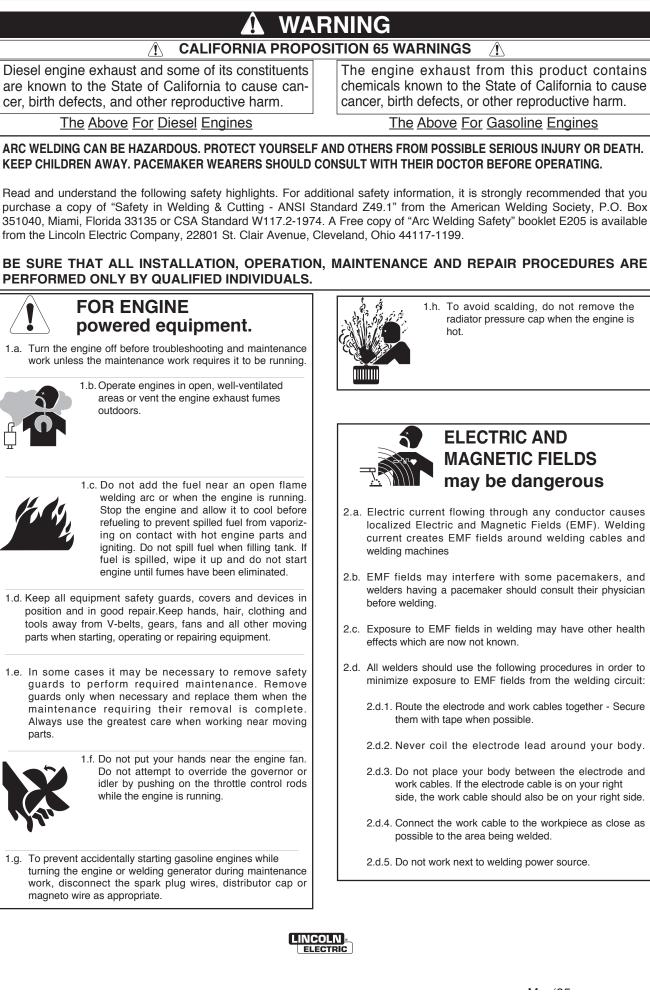
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SAFETY

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 3.a. The electrode and work (or ground) circuits are electrically "hot" when the welder is on. Do not touch these "hot" parts with your bare skin or wet clothing. Wear dry, hole-free gloves to insulate hands.

3.b. Insulate yourself from work and ground using dry insulation. Make certain the insulation is large enough to cover your full area of physical contact with work and ground.

In addition to the normal safety precautions, if welding must be performed under electrically hazardous conditions (in damp locations or while wearing wet clothing; on metal structures such as floors, gratings or scaffolds; when in cramped positions such as sitting, kneeling or lying, if there is a high risk of unavoidable or accidental contact with the workpiece or ground) use the following equipment:

- Semiautomatic DC Constant Voltage (Wire) Welder.
- DC Manual (Stick) Welder.
- AC Welder with Reduced Voltage Control.
- 3.c. In semiautomatic or automatic wire welding, the electrode, electrode reel, welding head, nozzle or semiautomatic welding gun are also electrically "hot".
- 3.d. Always be sure the work cable makes a good electrical connection with the metal being welded. The connection should be as close as possible to the area being welded.
- 3.e. Ground the work or metal to be welded to a good electrical (earth) ground.
- 3.f. Maintain the electrode holder, work clamp, welding cable and welding machine in good, safe operating condition. Replace damaged insulation.
- 3.g. Never dip the electrode in water for cooling.
- 3.h. Never simultaneously touch electrically "hot" parts of electrode holders connected to two welders because voltage between the two can be the total of the open circuit voltage of both welders.
- 3.i. When working above floor level, use a safety belt to protect yourself from a fall should you get a shock.
- 3.j. Also see Items 6.c. and 8.



ARC RAYS can burn.

4.a. Use a shield with the proper filter and cover plates to protect your eyes from sparks and the rays of the arc when welding or observing open arc welding. Headshield and filter lens should conform to ANSI Z87. I standards.

- 4.b. Use suitable clothing made from durable flame-resistant material to protect your skin and that of your helpers from the arc rays.
- 4.c. Protect other nearby personnel with suitable, non-flammable screening and/or warn them not to watch the arc nor expose themselves to the arc rays or to hot spatter or metal.



FUMES AND GASES can be dangerous.

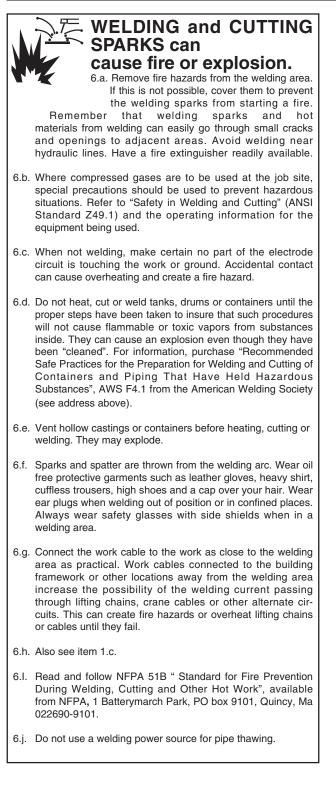
5.a. Welding may produce fumes and gases hazardous to health. Avoid breathing these fumes and gases. When welding, keep your head out of the fume. Use enough ventilation and/or exhaust at the arc to keep

fumes and gases away from the breathing zone. When welding with electrodes which require special ventilation such as stainless or hard facing (see instructions on container or MSDS) or on lead or cadmium plated steel and other metals or coatings which produce highly toxic fumes, keep exposure as low as possible and within applicable OSHA PEL and ACGIH TLV limits using local exhaust or mechanical ventilation. In confined spaces or in some circumstances, outdoors, a respirator may be required. Additional precautions are also required when welding on galvanized steel.

- 5. b. The operation of welding fume control equipment is affected by various factors including proper use and positioning of the equipment, maintenance of the equipment and the specific welding procedure and application involved. Worker exposure level should be checked upon installation and periodically thereafter to be certain it is within applicable OSHA PEL and ACGIH TLV limits.
- 5.c. Do not weld in locations near chlorinated hydrocarbon vapors coming from degreasing, cleaning or spraying operations. The heat and rays of the arc can react with solvent vapors to form phosgene, a highly toxic gas, and other irritating products.
- 5.d. Shielding gases used for arc welding can displace air and cause injury or death. Always use enough ventilation, especially in confined areas, to insure breathing air is safe.
- 5.e. Read and understand the manufacturer's instructions for this equipment and the consumables to be used, including the material safety data sheet (MSDS) and follow your employer's safety practices. MSDS forms are available from your welding distributor or from the manufacturer.
- 5.f. Also see item 1.b.

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CYLINDER may explode if damaged.

7.a. Use only compressed gas cylinders containing the correct shielding gas for the process used and properly operating regulators designed for the gas and pressure used. All hoses, fittings, etc. should be suitable for the application and maintained in good condition.

- 7.b. Always keep cylinders in an upright position securely chained to an undercarriage or fixed support.
- 7.c. Cylinders should be located:
 Away from areas where they may be struck or subjected to physical damage.
 - •A safe distance from arc welding or cutting operations and any other source of heat, sparks, or flame.
- 7.d. Never allow the electrode, electrode holder or any other electrically "hot" parts to touch a cylinder.
- 7.e. Keep your head and face away from the cylinder valve outlet when opening the cylinder valve.
- 7.f. Valve protection caps should always be in place and hand tight except when the cylinder is in use or connected for use.
- 7.g. Read and follow the instructions on compressed gas cylinders, associated equipment, and CGA publication P-I, "Precautions for Safe Handling of Compressed Gases in Cylinders," available from the Compressed Gas Association 1235 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR ELECTRICALLY powered equipment.

- 8.a. Turn off input power using the disconnect switch at the fuse box before working on the equipment.
- 8.b. Install equipment in accordance with the U.S. National Electrical Code, all local codes and the manufacturer's recommendations.
- 8.c. Ground the equipment in accordance with the U.S. National Electrical Code and the manufacturer's recommendations.

Refer to <u>http://www.lincolnelectric.com/safety</u> for additional safety information.



PRÉCAUTIONS DE SÛRETÉ

Pour votre propre protection lire et observer toutes les instructions et les précautions de sûreté specifiques qui parraissent dans ce manuel aussi bien que les précautions de sûreté générales suivantes:

Sûreté Pour Soudage A L'Arc

- 1. Protegez-vous contre la secousse électrique:
 - a. Les circuits à l'électrode et à la piéce sont sous tension quand la machine à souder est en marche. Eviter toujours tout contact entre les parties sous tension et la peau nue ou les vétements mouillés. Porter des gants secs et sans trous pour isoler les mains.
 - b. Faire trés attention de bien s'isoler de la masse quand on soude dans des endroits humides, ou sur un plancher metallique ou des grilles metalliques, principalement dans les positions assis ou couché pour lesquelles une grande partie du corps peut être en contact avec la masse.
 - c. Maintenir le porte-électrode, la pince de masse, le câble de soudage et la machine à souder en bon et sûr état defonctionnement.
 - d.Ne jamais plonger le porte-électrode dans l'eau pour le refroidir.
 - e. Ne jamais toucher simultanément les parties sous tension des porte-électrodes connectés à deux machines à souder parce que la tension entre les deux pinces peut être le total de la tension à vide des deux machines.
 - f. Si on utilise la machine à souder comme une source de courant pour soudage semi-automatique, ces precautions pour le porte-électrode s'applicuent aussi au pistolet de soudage.
- Dans le cas de travail au dessus du niveau du sol, se protéger contre les chutes dans le cas ou on recoit un choc. Ne jamais enrouler le câble-électrode autour de n'importe quelle partie du corps.
- Un coup d'arc peut être plus sévère qu'un coup de soliel, donc:
 - a. Utiliser un bon masque avec un verre filtrant approprié ainsi qu'un verre blanc afin de se protéger les yeux du rayonnement de l'arc et des projections quand on soude ou quand on regarde l'arc.
 - b. Porter des vêtements convenables afin de protéger la peau de soudeur et des aides contre le rayonnement de l'arc.
 - c. Protéger l'autre personnel travaillant à proximité au soudage à l'aide d'écrans appropriés et non-inflammables.
- 4. Des gouttes de laitier en fusion sont émises de l'arc de soudage. Se protéger avec des vêtements de protection libres de l'huile, tels que les gants en cuir, chemise épaisse, pantalons sans revers, et chaussures montantes.

- Toujours porter des lunettes de sécurité dans la zone de soudage. Utiliser des lunettes avec écrans lateraux dans les zones où l'on pique le laitier.
- Eloigner les matériaux inflammables ou les recouvrir afin de prévenir tout risque d'incendie dû aux étincelles.
- 7. Quand on ne soude pas, poser la pince à une endroit isolé de la masse. Un court-circuit accidental peut provoquer un échauffement et un risque d'incendie.
- 8. S'assurer que la masse est connectée le plus prés possible de la zone de travail qu'il est pratique de le faire. Si on place la masse sur la charpente de la construction ou d'autres endroits éloignés de la zone de travail, on augmente le risque de voir passer le courant de soudage par les chaines de levage, câbles de grue, ou autres circuits. Cela peut provoquer des risques d'incendie ou d'echauffement des chaines et des câbles jusqu'à ce qu'ils se rompent.
- Assurer une ventilation suffisante dans la zone de soudage. Ceci est particuliérement important pour le soudage de tôles galvanisées plombées, ou cadmiées ou tout autre métal qui produit des fumeés toxiques.
- 10. Ne pas souder en présence de vapeurs de chlore provenant d'opérations de dégraissage, nettoyage ou pistolage. La chaleur ou les rayons de l'arc peuvent réagir avec les vapeurs du solvant pour produire du phosgéne (gas fortement toxique) ou autres produits irritants.
- Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements sur la sûreté, voir le code "Code for safety in welding and cutting" CSA Standard W 117.2-1974.

PRÉCAUTIONS DE SÛRETÉ POUR LES MACHINES À SOUDER À TRANSFORMATEUR ET À REDRESSEUR

- Relier à la terre le chassis du poste conformement au code de l'électricité et aux recommendations du fabricant. Le dispositif de montage ou la piece à souder doit être branché à une bonne mise à la terre.
- 2. Autant que possible, l'installation et l'entretien du poste seront effectués par un électricien qualifié.
- Avant de faires des travaux à l'interieur de poste, la debrancher à l'interrupteur à la boite de fusibles.
- 4. Garder tous les couvercles et dispositifs de sûreté à leur place.

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Please record your equipment identification information below for future reference. This information can be found on your machine nameplate.

Product

Model Number _____

Code Number or Date Code

Serial Number

Date Purchased

Where Purchased

Whenever you request replacement parts or information on this equipment, always supply the information you have recorded above. The code number is especially important when identifying the correct replacement parts.

On-Line Product Registration

- Register your machine with Lincoln Electric either via fax or over the Internet.
- For faxing: Complete the form on the back of the warranty statement included in the literature packet accompanying this machine and fax the form per the instructions printed on it.
- For On-Line Registration: Go to our WEB SITE at www.lincolnelectric.com. Choose "Quick Links" and then "Product Registration". Please complete the form and submit your registration.

Read this Operators Manual completely before attempting to use this equipment. Save this manual and keep it handy for guick reference. Pay particular attention to the safety instructions we have provided for your protection. The level of seriousness to be applied to each is explained below:

A WARNING

This statement appears where the information must be followed exactly to avoid serious personal injury or loss of life.

A CAUTION

This statement appears where the information **must** be followed to avoid **minor personal injury** or **damage to this equipment**.

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INSTALLATION

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS - IDEALARC® AC-1500

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* Thomas & Betts wire terminals (or equal) recommended above are required to comply with applicable U.L. standards for safety. A #30 hex (Allen) key wrench is required for assembly of terminals to wire. Based on National Electrical Code - 100% Duty Cycle 40°C (104°F) Ambient.

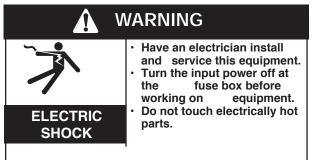
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LOCATION

Install the welder in a dry location where there is free circulation of air in through the louvers in front and out through the louvers in the back of the case. A location which minimizes the amount of smoke and dirt drawn into the machine reduces the chance of dirt accumulation that can block air passages and cause overheating.

INPUT WIRING



Failure to fuse the input lines per the specifications in this manual will constitute customer abuse and void the warranty.

Have a qualified electrician make the complete input connection in accordance with the National Electrical Code, all local codes and the connection diagram located inside the machine.

Be sure the voltage, phase and frequency of the input power is as specified on the welder nameplate.

For most installations, connect the AC-1500 to single phase power or to one phase of a three phase line. Unbalanced line conditions can be easily avoided by properly balancing the AC-1500 with other machinery on the lines.

When installing two or four Scott connected AC-1500 machines for AC-AC tandem arc welding, three phase input power must be used. The terminals for connections to provide an output phase angle less than or greater than the usual 90° phase angle are included on the input panel.

The AC-1500 does not have an input contactor. Therefore, include an external starter or disconnect switch when planning the input circuit.

Remove the right side panel of the AC-1500 and bring the input power lines through the hole in the back of the case. See the table below for reccomended sizing of input leads and overcurrent protection.

The frame of the welder must be grounded, A stud marked with the symbol () located on the welder base below the panel is provided for this purpose. See the National Electrical Code for details on proper grounding methods.

OUTPUT CONNECTIONS

WIRE FEEDER CONNECTION

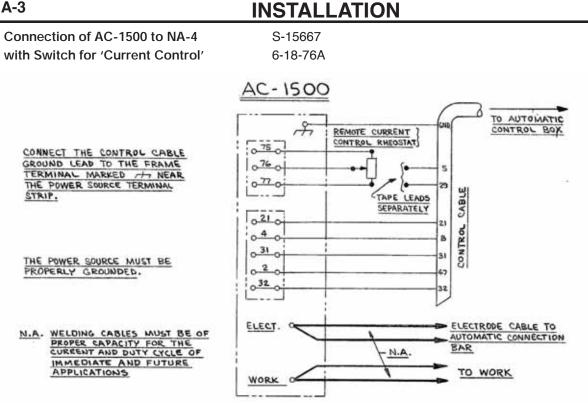
Turn the input power to the welder off. Remove the screw and lift the hinged door on the front of the control panel to expose the terminal strips. Connect the leads of the wire feeder input control cable to the terminal strips exactly as specified in the appropriate connection diagram. The AC-1500 to NA-4 connection diagrams are included in the NA-4 Operating Manual IM-278. Attach the control cables to the panel at the right of the terminal strip using the clamps provided.

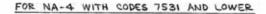
If connecting the AC-1500 to an older NA-4 with the toggle switch type 'Current Control' (below code 7532), a K-775 'Remote Control' must be purchased and installed in accordance with the connection diagram S-15667 on page 5. The 'Remote Control' cord can be lengthened to any length by properly splicing a four conductor cord to the standard 25' cord before connecting to the AC-1500 terminal strip.

To connect the AC-1500 to any other wire feeder, write to the factory for instructions giving complete nameplate information for the specific equipment.

When connection to the terminal strips are completed, close the door and replace the screw.



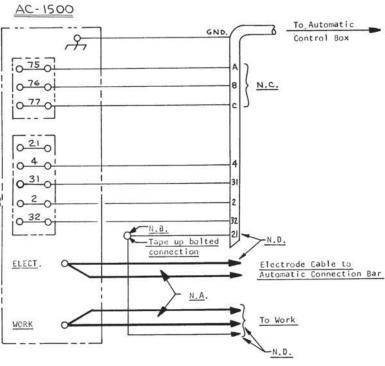




Connection of AC-1500 to NA-4 with rheostat for current control.

WARNING: Turn power source off before making these connections. Connect the control cable ground lead to the frame terminal marked /// near the power source terminal strip. The power source grounding terminal (marked and located near the power source input power connections) must also be connected to electrical ground per the power source Operating Manual.

- N.A. Welding cables must be of proper capacity for the current and duty cycle of immediate and future appli-cations. See the Operating Manual for proper sizes.
- N.B. Extend lead 21 using #14 or larger insulated wire physically suitable for the installation. An S-16586-LENK remote voltage sensing work lead is available for this purpose. Connect it directly to the work piece keeping it electrically separate from the welding work lead circuit and connection.
- N.C. If using an older control cable: connect lead #75 to #75 on terminal strip, connect lead #76 to #76 on terminal strip, connect lead #77 to #77 on terminal strip.
- N.D. To avoid possible induced NA-4 or LT-6 meter reading error; keep the control leads, including the extended #21 lead separated from the A.C. welding cables by at least 12 inches.



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OUTPUT STUDS

Connect the work cables to the 'To Work' stud on the front of the AC-1500. Connect the electrode cables to the 'Min,' 'Med' or 'Max' studs for the output desired. Actual current ranges for each stud are indicated on the nameplate above each stud. Recommended cable sizes are listed below. Both the 'To Work' and 'Max' studs have two terminals to simplify connection of recommended cables in parallel. Tighten the nuts with a wrench.

Select cables required for combined work and electrode cable lengths up to 150' from the following table:

Maximum Allowable Current for Copper Welding Cable

Duty Cycle	One 4/0	Two 4/0	Four 4/0	Five 4/0
100%	650	1000	1200	1500

Cables in accessory kit recommended below have terminals as required to comply with applicable U.L. standards for safety.

150' combined length electrode and work cables.

AUXILIARY POWER

1000 volt-amperes of 115 volt AC power are available from #31 and #32 on the AC-1500 terminal strip.

DUTY CYCLE

The AC-1500 is rated for 100% duty cycle at 1500 amps and 44 volts.

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SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

can kill.

Read and understand this entire section before operating the machine.

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WARNING

- Do not touch electrically live parts or electrode with skin or wet clothing.
- Insulate yourself from work and ground.

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Always wear dry insulating gloves.



FUMES AND GASES can be dangerous.

· Keep your head out of fumes.

• Use ventilation or exhaust to remove fumes from breathing zone.



WELDING SPARKS can cause fire or explosion

· Keep flammable material away.

• Do not weld on containers that have held combustibles.



ARC RAYS can burn.

• Wear eye, ear and body protection.

Observe additional Safety Guidelines detailed throughout this manual.

GRAPHIC SYMBOLS THAT APPEAR ON THIS MACHINE OR IN THIS MANUAL

Output Control	1	\sim Single Phase
Remote Control Setting	3	\sim Three Phase
Local Control Settin	Uo	Rated No-Load Voltage
	U1	Rated Input Voltage
Submerged Arc Welding	U2	Rated Welding Voltage
 	Х	Rated Duty Cycle
- Fuse	I 1	Rated Input Current
High Voltage Indicator	1 2	Rated Welding Current
 High Temperature Indicator		
Nated Frequency		



PRODUCT DESIGN APPLICATION

The IDEALARC[®] AC-1500 is an upgraded design with the following additional features:

· Higher output current and duty cycle capabilities.

It is a single phase transformer-saturable reactor type power supply intended for use primarily in automatic or semiautomatic variable voltage AC welding applications. It can be used to supply one automatic welder head or two units may be used in Scott connection to provide two phase power to two welder heads in tandem. The welder can be used as is with NA-4 heads or modified with available options to supply the earlier NA-4 or LAF-4, and LT-34 welding heads.

Pipe Thawing with an arc welder can cause fire, explosion, damage to electric wiring or to the arc welder if done improperly. The use of an arc welder for pipe thawing is not approved by the CSA, nor is it recommended or supported by Lincoln Electric.

SETTING THE MACHINE OUTPUT OR REMOTE CONTROL

The output can be controlled either from the AC-1500, the wire feeder or other remote locations.

To adjust the current from the wire feeder or other remote locations, set the toggle switch on the front of the AC-1500 to 'Output Control Remote'. To adjust the output current from the AC-1500, set this switch to 'Output Control at AC-1500'.

SETTING THE OUTPUT CURRENT

Start the AC-1500 using the line disconnect switch or breaker installed with the input wiring. The red pilot light on the front panel indicates when the welder is on.

Adjust the output current from minimum to maximum within the range set by the output stud connections using either the 'Output Control' rheostat on the AC-1500 (toggle switch set to 'Local Control') or the wire feeder or other remote rheostat (toggle switch set to 'Remote Control').

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Specifications are 50 Hz, 380 volt unit with a Power factor correction as a standard feature.

Output terminals, control power terminal strip, and controls are recessed or hinged covered to affect a "dead front". Due to the excessive amount of stray magnetic flux developed by the saturable reactor, the center sections of the welder side panels are made of a high impact, self-extinguishing, chemical resistant plastic material. USE OF METALLIC PANELS IN THEIR PLACE WILL RESULT IN EXCESSIVE HEAT-ING OF THE PANELS AS WELL AS THE SHEET METAL SCREWS USED IN THE ASSEMBLY OF OTHER CASE PARTS.

Output welding current is available in three overlapping ranges by means of externally connecting the electrode cables to the Min., Med., or Max. tap electrode studs(See Technical Specifications in the Installation Section).

Input Line Voltage Compensation maintains a reasonably constant output within a range of $\pm 10\%$ change in supply line voltage.

Cooling of the welder is accomplished by drawing air in through the louvered case front panel, through the reactor and transformer assemblies, and out the louvered case rear panel. The two totally enclosed fan motors used have sealed ball bearings and require no lubrication maintenance.

Handling of the welder and any attached devices should be done with a fork-lift or pallet-jack capable of loads exceeding the combined weight of the system.

Overload/Thermal Protection is provided in three areas: the 115 volt AC auxiliary power is fused for 8 amps; the saturable reactor control power circuit is protected by a 40 amp fuse; the welder output power circuit is protected by the familiar current transformer-Klixon thermostat breaker. In the event of a control circuit or welder overload, the output contactors will open and the fan motors will continue to operate. If the overload is detected by the thermostatic breaker, the temperature light located on the front panel will illuminate until a safe operating temperature is reached.

Output Contactor control is provided by two S78 contactors connected in parallel. Input line contactors are not provided. The customer is expected to provide line starting and circuit breaking equipment.



Pilot light indicates when the supply lines to the welder are electrically "hot". This means that the welder input power and control transformers are energized when the pilot light is on.

Input Circuit Plan: The AC-1500 is not intended for the connection of flexible supply cables. Instead, the following table may be used for planning of supply cables routed in conduit (See Technical Specifications in the Installation Section).

Starting Device: The pushbuttons located on the front panel are not connected to any kind of starting or stopping device. They are not necessary to operating the welder. If pushbutton operation is desired, an input contactor must be professionally installed and wired to the pushbutton assembly. The AC-1500 does not have an input contactor. Therefore, include an external starter or disconnect switch when planning the input circuit. Once the input circuit is energized, the pilot light on the front panel should glow. High voltage is present inside the machine. Do not open the machine enclosure.

Input Panel is made accessible by removal of the right side panel assembly (as viewed from front). Supply lines and grounding lead should be brought into the welder through the hole provided in the case rear panel. Connections to the input panel should be made as instructed on the wiring diagram attached to the welder. The grounding lead connection is to be made to the grounding stud provided on the welder base directly below the input panel.

Location of installation should be such that the welder cooling air exhaust area (the case rear panel) is free of any obstructions that could impede air flow. A dry location should be chosen. The welder should not be placed on a surface that is inclined enough that it creates a risk of the machine falling over

Control Circuit connections for wire feeder equipment are to be made per instructions on the wire feeder diagram to the terminal strip provided under the hinged cover on the case front panel of the welding power supply. A strain relief strap to the right of the terminal strip is provided for attaching either the feeder control and remote current control cables or both simultaneously. A grounding screw located just to the right of the terminal strip is provided for connecting the wire feeder grounding lead. All connections must be made with the welding power supply turned off. **Hand Welding** with stick electrode or semiautomatic arc welding is not recommended since OCV exceeds the 80 volts RMS limit allowed by standards for such use. (Unit is within 100 volt allowable limit for automatic or mechanically guided welding.)

Scott Connection information for tandem arc application and paralleling of Scott connected units for tandem arc application is available. (See list of wiring diagrams.)

Isolated Auxiliary Power of 1000 volt.-amp., 115 volts AC is available at terminals #31 and #32 on the terminal strip under the hinged cover on the case front panel of the welder. The circuit is fused with an 8 amp slow blow fuse located in the nameplated section of the welder front panel.

OPTIONAL KIT: Remote control K775.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

A WARNING

 Have qualified personnel do the maintenance and troubleshooting work.

- Turn the input power OFF at the disconnect switch or fuse box before working on this equipment.
- Do not touch electrically live parts or electrode with skin or wet clothing.
- Insulate yourself from work and ground.
- Always wear dry insulating gloves.

See additional warning information throughout this operator's manual.

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Periodic blowing out of dust and dirt accumulated within the welder using an air stream is recommended. This may be particularly desirable in atmospheres containing chemical or metallic particles which could accumulate within the welder and cause some difficulty.

The totally enclosed fan motors have sealed ball bearings which require no lubrication maintenance.

HOW TO USE TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

🛕 WARNING

Service and Repair should only be performed by Lincoln Electric Factory Trained Personnel. Unauthorized repairs performed on this equipment may result in danger to the technician and machine operator and will invalidate your factory warranty. For your safety and to avoid Electrical Shock, please observe all safety notes and precautions detailed throughout this manual.

This Troubleshooting Guide is provided to help you locate and repair possible machine malfunctions. Simply follow the three-step procedure listed below.

Step 1. LOCATE PROBLEM (SYMPTOM).

Look under the column labeled "PROBLEM (SYMP-TOMS)". This column describes possible symptoms that the machine may exhibit. Find the listing that best describes the symptom that the machine is exhibiting.

Step 2. POSSIBLE CAUSE.

The second column labeled "POSSIBLE CAUSE" lists the obvious external possibilities that may contribute to the machine symptom.

Step 3. RECOMMENDED COURSE OF ACTION

This column provides a course of action for the Possible Cause, generally it states to contact your local Lincoln Authorized Field Service Facility.

If you do not understand or are unable to perform the Recommended Course of Action safely, contact your local Lincoln Authorized Field Service Facility.

A CAUTION

If for any reason you do not understand the test procedures or are unable to perform the tests/repairs safely, contact your **Local Lincoln Authorized Field Service Facility** for technical troubleshooting assistance before you proceed.

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TROUBLESHOOTING

Observe all Safety Guidelines detailed throughout this manual							
PROBLEMS (SYMPTOMS)	POSSIBLE CAUSE	RECOMMENDED COURSE OF ACTION					
Welder will not start.	Supply line fuse blown.	Look for possible cause and repair.					
	Open supply line lead.	Replace fuse.					
	Wrong supply line voltage.	Repair.					
		Provide nameplate specified voltage.					
Welder will not weld (Contactors operating properly)	Electrode or ground cable loose or broken.	Tighten connection or repair broken cable.					
	Welder control circuit dead: No volt- age across Control Transformer X1- X2.						
Welder will not weld (Contactors not operating).	Thermostat on coil tripped. Welder overheated (Fan motors operating).	sure there is no obstruction to air flow. Do not operate in excess of					
	Fuse (or thermostat – below code 7600) on control panel open; Control circuit overloaded. (Fan motors oper- ating) Circuit across #2 and #4 not working properly.	welder rating.					
	Wire feeder control power; No volt- age across #31 and #32.	Check connections at terminal strip and wire feeder. Relay contacts not closing. Repair as required.					
		Check fuse and replace if no good.					
Welder welds at min. only no control.	tion	Switch to 'Panel Control' for welder rheostat. Control and "Remote Control" for other control.					
	Control rheostat open.	Replace rheostat.					
	Control circuit open.	1.No voltage across #41 and #44 – Repair broken leads or reconnect					
	Open saturable reactor control coil or connection.	loose leads. 2. Diodes or SCR's on heat sinks open or disconnected. Repair or replace.					
		 P.C. board plug disconnected – Check plug connection and plug in properly. 					
		 P.C. board failed. Determine cause and replace board. 					
		5. Open circuit ar R1 – Repair or replace. Repair connection or replace coil.					
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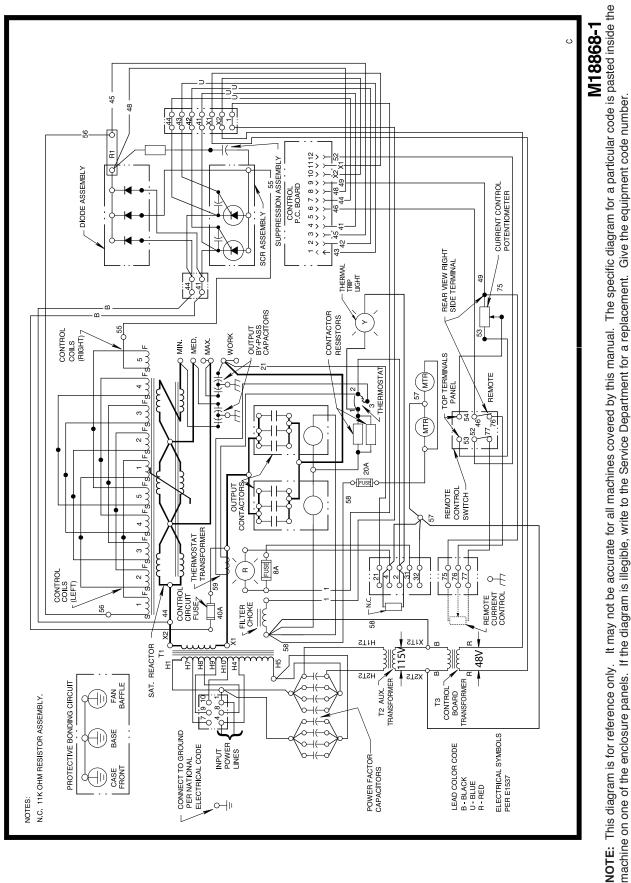
PROBLEMS	POSSIBLE	RECOMMENDED
(SYMPTOMS)	CAUSE	COURSE OF ACTION
Welder welds at max. only no con- trol.	Diodes or SCR's on heat sink assemblies shorted.	Determine cause if possible and replace shorted device.
	Shorted or grounded current controll rheostat.	Replace rheostat.
	Output By-Pass Capacitors open or disconnected.	Replace or reconnect.
	Free wheeling diode open or discon- nected.	Replace or reconnect.
	P.C. board components failed.	Determine cause if possible and replace P.C. board.
Contacts chatter.	Low supply line voltage.	Check with Power Company.
	Faulty contactor.	Repair or replace.

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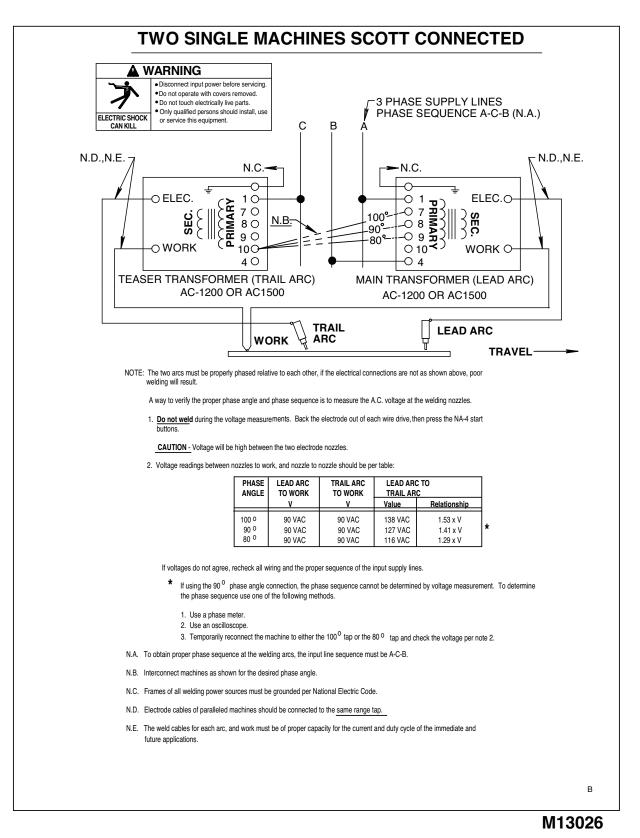




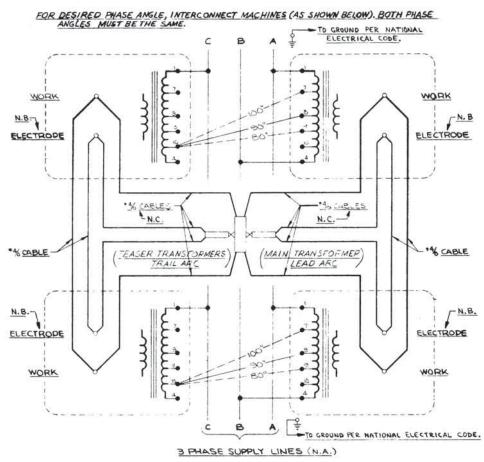


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AC-1500 SCOTT CONNECTION DIAGRAM



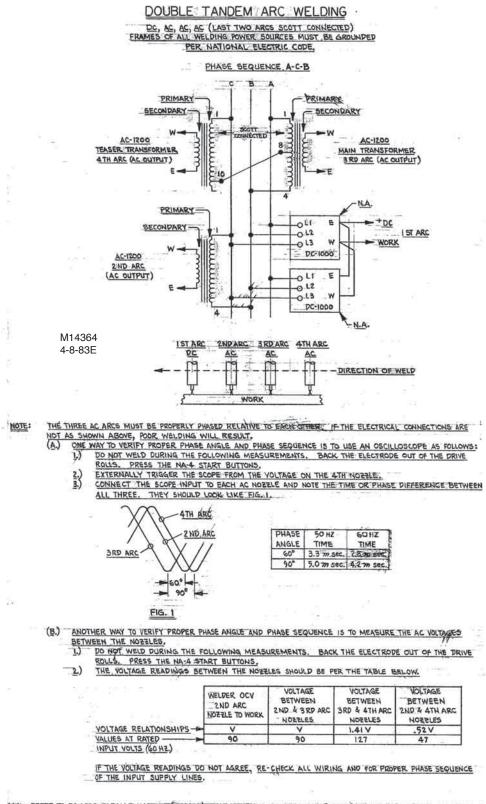
AC-1500 SCOTT CONNECTION DIAGRAM



TWO PARALLEL MACHINES SCOTT CONNECTED TO TWO OTHER PARALLEL MACHINES

N.A. TO OBTAIN NORMAL PHASE SEQUENCE AT THE WELDING ARCS, THE INPUT LINE PHASE SEQUENCE SHOULD BE A.C.B. N.B. ELECTRODE CABLES OF PARALLELED MACHINES SHOULD BE CONNECTED TO THE SAME RANGE TAP. N.C. NUMBER OF "4/O CABLES CONNECTED : I ON MIN. TAP; 2 PARALLEL ON MED. TAP; 3 PARALLEL ON MAX. TAP.

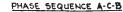
AC-1500 AND PARALLELED DC-1000's

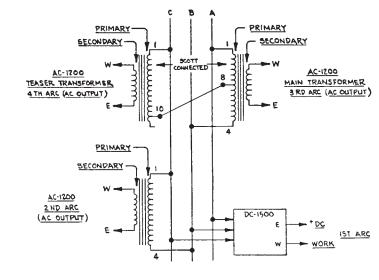


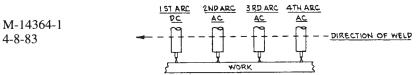
AC-1500 AND DC-1500's

DOUBLE TANDEM ARC WELDING

DC, AC, AC (LAST TWO ARCS SCOTT CONNECTED) ERAMES OF ALL WELDING POWER SOURCES MUST BE GROUNDED PER NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE.

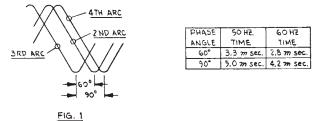






NOTE: THE THREE AC ARCS MUST BE PROPERLY PHASED RELATIVE TO EACH OTHER. IF THE ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS ARE NOT AS SHOWN ABOVE, POOR WELDING WILL RESULT. (A.) ONE WAY TO VERIFY PROPER PHASE ANGLE AND PHASE SEQUENCE IS TO USE AN OSCILLOSCOPE AS FOLLOWS:

- A) ONE WAY TO VERIFY PROPER PHASE ANGLE AND PHASE SEQUENCE IS TO USE AN OSCILLOSCOPE AS FOLLOWS: 1.) DO NOT WELD DURING THE FOLLOWING MEASUREMENTS. BACK THE ELECTRODE OUT OF THE DRIVE ROLLS. PRESS THE NA-4 START BUTTONS.
 - 2.) EXTERNALLY TRIGGER THE SCOPE FROM THE VOLTAGE ON THE 4TH NOTALE. 3.) CONNECT THE SCOPE INPUT TO EACH AC NOTALE AND NOTE THE TIME OR PHASE DIFFE
 - 3. CONNECT THE SCOPE INPUT TO EACH AC NOZZLE AND NOTE THE TIME OR PHASE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ALL THREE. THEY SHOULD LOOK LIKE FIG. 1.

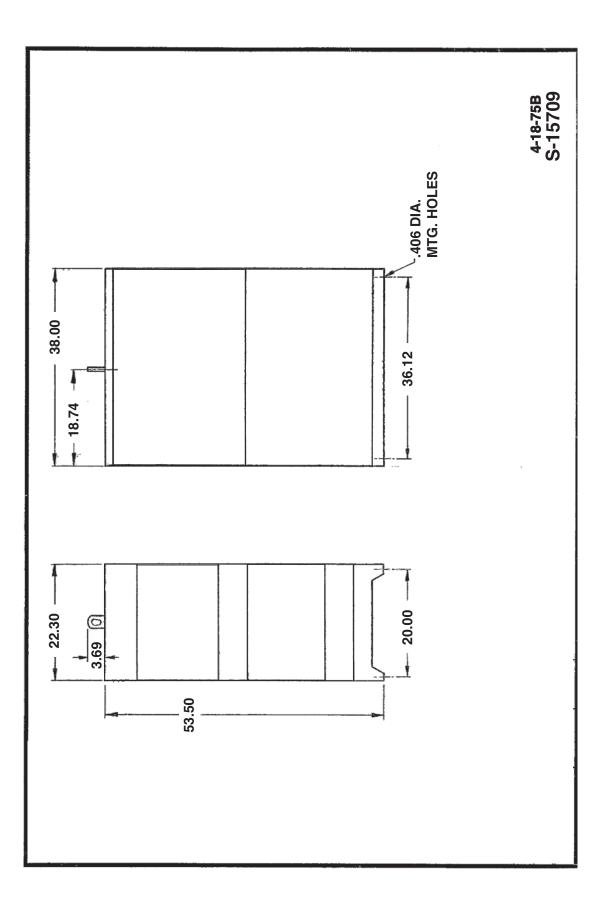


- (B.) ANOTHER WAY TO VERIFY PROPER PHASE AND PHASE SEQUENCE IS TO MEASURE THE AC YOLTAGES BETWEEN THE NOTZLES.
 - 1.) DO NOT WELD DURING THE FOLLOWING MEASUREMENTS. BACK THE ELECTRODE OUT OF THE DRIVE ROLLS, PRESS THE NA-4 START BUTTONS.
 - 2.) THE YOLTAGE READINGS BETWEEN THE NOZZLES SHOULD BE PER THE TABLE BELOW.

	WELDER OCV 2ND ARC NOZELE TO WORK	VOLTAGE BETWEEN 2ND 4 3RD ARC NOZZLES	VOLTAGE BETWEEN 3RD & 4TH ARC NOTTLES	VOLTAGE BETWEEN 2ND & 4TH ARC NOZZLES
VOLTAGE RELATIONSHIPS -	V	V	1.41 V	.52 V
VALUES AT RATED	90	90	127	47
INPUT VOLTS (60 HZ)				

IF THE VOLTAGE READINGS DO NOT AGREE, RE-CHECK ALL WIRING AND FOR PROPER PHASE SEQUENCE OF THE INPUT SUPPLY LINES.







WARNING	 Do not touch electrically live parts or electrode with skin or wet clothing. Insulate yourself from work and ground. 	Keep flammable materials away.	Wear eye, ear and body protection.
AVISO DE PRECAUCION	 No toque las partes o los electrodos bajo carga con la piel o ropa moja- da. Aislese del trabajo y de la tierra. 	 Mantenga el material combustible fuera del área de trabajo. 	 Protéjase los ojos, los oídos y el cuerpo.
ATTENTION	 Ne laissez ni la peau ni des vête- ments mouillés entrer en contact avec des pièces sous tension. Isolez-vous du travail et de la terre. 	 Gardez à l'écart de tout matériel inflammable. 	 Protégez vos yeux, vos oreilles et votre corps.
German WARNUNG	 Berühren Sie keine stromführenden Teile oder Elektroden mit Ihrem Körper oder feuchter Kleidung! Isolieren Sie sich von den Elektroden und dem Erdboden! 	Entfernen Sie brennbarres Material!	 Tragen Sie Augen-, Ohren- und Kör- perschutz!
ATENÇÃO	 Não toque partes elétricas e electro- dos com a pele ou roupa molhada. Isole-se da peça e terra. 	 Mantenha inflamáveis bem guarda- dos. 	 Use proteção para a vista, ouvido e corpo.
」 注意事項	 ●通電中の電気部品、又は溶材にヒ フやぬれた布で触れないこと。 ●施工物やアースから身体が絶縁さ れている様にして下さい。 	 燃えやすいものの側での溶接作業 は絶対にしてはなりません。 	● 目、耳及び身体に保護具をして下 さい。
Chinese 警告	 ●皮肤或濕衣物切勿接觸帶電部件及 銲條。 ●使你自己與地面和工件絶縁。 	● 把一切易燃物品移離工作場所。	●佩戴眼、耳及身體勞動保護用具。
Korean 위 험	 전도체나 용접봉을 젖은 헝겁 또는 피부로 절대 접촉치 마십시요. 모재와 접지를 접촉치 마십시요. 	●인화성 물질을 접근 시키지 마시요.	●눈, 귀와 몸에 보호장구를 착용하십시요.
تحذير	لا تلمس الاجزاء التي يسري فيها التيار الكهرباني أو الالكترود بجلد الجسم أو بالملابس الملئة بالماء. ضع عازلا على جسمك خلال العمل.	 ضع المواد القابلة للاشتعال في مكان بعيد. 	 ضع أدوات وملايس واقية على عينيك وأذنيك وجسمك.

READ AND UNDERSTAND THE MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTION FOR THIS EQUIPMENT AND THE CONSUMABLES TO BE USED AND FOLLOW YOUR EMPLOYER'S SAFETY PRACTICES.

SE RECOMIENDA LEER Y ENTENDER LAS INSTRUCCIONES DEL FABRICANTE PARA EL USO DE ESTE EQUIPO Y LOS CONSUMIBLES QUE VA A UTILIZAR, SIGA LAS MEDIDAS DE SEGURIDAD DE SU SUPERVISOR.

LISEZ ET COMPRENEZ LES INSTRUCTIONS DU FABRICANT EN CE QUI REGARDE CET EQUIPMENT ET LES PRODUITS A ETRE EMPLOYES ET SUIVEZ LES PROCEDURES DE SECURITE DE VOTRE EMPLOYEUR.

LESEN SIE UND BEFOLGEN SIE DIE BETRIEBSANLEITUNG DER ANLAGE UND DEN ELEKTRO-DENEINSATZ DES HERSTELLERS. DIE UNFALLVERHÜTUNGSVORSCHRIFTEN DES ARBEITGEBERS SIND EBENFALLS ZU BEACHTEN.

	بر		
 Keep your head out of fumes. Use ventilation or exhaust to remove fumes from breathing zone. 	Turn power off before servicing.	 Do not operate with panel open or guards off. 	WARNING
 Los humos fuera de la zona de respiración. Mantenga la cabeza fuera de los humos. Utilice ventilación o aspiración para gases. 	 Desconectar el cable de ali- mentación de poder de la máquina antes de iniciar cualquier servicio. 	 No operar con panel abierto o guardas quitadas. 	AVISO DE PRECAUCION
 Gardez la tête à l'écart des fumées. Utilisez un ventilateur ou un aspira- teur pour ôter les fumées des zones de travail. 	 Débranchez le courant avant l'entre- tien. 	 N'opérez pas avec les panneaux ouverts ou avec les dispositifs de protection enlevés. 	French ATTENTION
 Vermeiden Sie das Einatmen von Schweibrauch! Sorgen Sie für gute Be- und Entlüftung des Arbeitsplatzes! 	Strom vor Wartungsarbeiten abschalten! (Netzstrom völlig öffnen; Maschine anhalten!)	 Anlage nie ohne Schutzgehäuse oder Innenschutzverkleidung in Betrieb setzen! 	German WARNUNG
 Mantenha seu rosto da fumaça. Use ventilação e exhaustão para remover fumo da zona respiratória. 	 Não opere com as tampas removidas. Desligue a corrente antes de fazer serviço. Não toque as partes elétricas nuas. 	 Mantenha-se afastado das partes moventes. Não opere com os paineis abertos ou guardas removidas. 	Portuguese ATENÇÃO
 ● ヒュームから頭を離すようにして 下さい。 ● 換気や排煙に十分留意して下さい。 	 ● メンテナンス・サービスに取りか かる際には、まず電源スイッチを 必ず切って下さい。 	● パネルやカバーを取り外したまま で機械操作をしないで下さい。	注意事項
●頭部遠離煙霧。 ●在呼吸區使用通風或排風器除煙。	● 維修前切斷電源。	●儀表板打開或沒有安全罩時不準作 業。	Chinese 警告
 얼굴로부터 용접가스를 멀리하십시요. 호흡지역으로부터 용접가스를 제거하기 위해 가스제거기나 통풍기를 사용하십시요. 	● 보수전에 전원을 차단하십시요.	● 판넬이 열린 상태로 작동치 마십시요.	Korean 위험
 ابعد رأسك بعيداً عن الدخان. استعمل النهوية أو جهاز ضغط الدخان للخارج لكي تبعد الدخان عن المنطقة التي تنتفس فيها. 	 اقطع التيار الكهرباني قبل القيام بأية صيانة. 	 لا تشغل هذا الجهاز اذا كانت الاغطية الحديدية الواقية ليمت عليه. 	متحذير

LEIA E COMPREENDA AS INSTRUÇÕES DO FABRICANTE PARA ESTE EQUIPAMENTO E AS PARTES DE USO, E SIGA AS PRÁTICAS DE SEGURANÇA DO EMPREGADOR.

使う機械や溶材のメーカーの指示書をよく読み、まず理解して下さい。そして貴社の安全規定に従って下さい。

請詳細閱讀並理解製造廠提供的説明以及應該使用的銀捍材料,並請遵守貴方的有関勞動保護規定。

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