

APEX 3 SERIES TIG CONTROL PENDANT

MECHANIZED WELDING, MODULAR APPLICATION



FULL FUNCTIONALITY, INTELLIGENT OPERATOR EXPERIENCE

All welding inputs for the APEX®/ HELIX® platform can be programmed through the ergonomic, hand-held, digital control pendant. Its icon-based interface, full-color screen and minimal number of buttons simplify the control and monitoring of each weld. The large, well-lit screen is easily viewed in both low light and direct sunlight situations. Primary inputs include a dedicated steering knob in the center and two toggle switches on either side. Its “plug and play” capability includes features such as as Hot Wire, Magnetic Arc, Laser TIG, a unique cladding program and several wire feeder options and configurations.

Supervisors can prepare TIG programs and test the parameters before striking the arc. They can also test non-weld functions such as travel, gas purge/flow and oscillation. Operators assigned user codes can simply log in, start a weld program and begin steering the weld head on the track. Troubleshooting can be accomplished remotely with a digital SnapShot of the system, and single or multiple welding programs are easily copied and stored on a USB.

Processes »
TIG, Hot Wire TIG, Laser

Applications »
Fabrication, Pipeline,
Power Generation,
Pressure Vessels, Process Pipe
Structural

Product Numbers »
TIG PENDANT K52216-1

PRODUCT PROGRAM FEATURES

The APEX 3 Series TIG Control Pendant, an essential component of each APEX/HELIX welding system, is designed around full functionality and easy operator experience. The APEX/HELIX TIG system can be used for all welding positions as well as with certain positioners.

With just a few hours of training, the TIG Control Pendant can give an amateur welder confidence to skillfully use the system. Experienced welders will appreciate the quality and consistency of each weld and find each job is completed faster.

The buttons, toggle switches and navigation controls respond to icons indicating each function. Menu controls are easily accessed from the idle, test or weld screens. Once the TIG Control Pendant is programmed, an operator can simply login, watch the weld and steer.

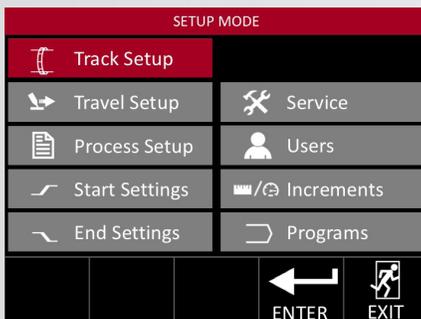
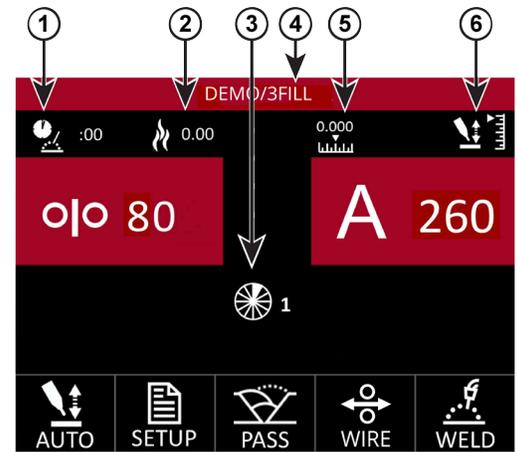


The APEX 30S Ready Pak
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TIG Control Pendant Weld Screens

With its full-color screen and icon-based interface, the APEX TIG Control Pendant offers “plug and play” programming that’s simple to learn and easy to use.

- 1. Arc Time** - Tracks a weld cycle time
- 2. Heat Input** - Records heat input of a current weld cycle
- 3. Sector** - Indicates the current sector in an orbital welding program
- 4. Program Name** - Customizable program name and recorded weld pass information
- 5. Oscillation Location** - Placement of the torch in relation to the oscillation width
- 6. Torch Height** - Relative location of the height axis.



TIG Control Pendant Setup Screen

Track Setup - Selects type and size of the track as well as the size of the pipe

Travel Setup - Changes the steering controls based on where the operator is standing in relation to the track

Process Setup - Selects variables of each weld process

Start Setting - Programmed to start the weld – can include preflow, upslope and wire feed

End Settings - Programmed to end the weld – can include postflow, downslope and wire retract

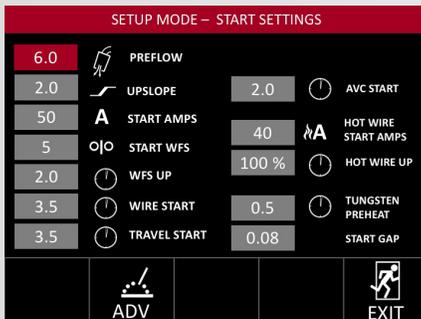
Service Menu - Access to software information and to change motion settings.

Users - Data specific to operator and supervisor codes for the system

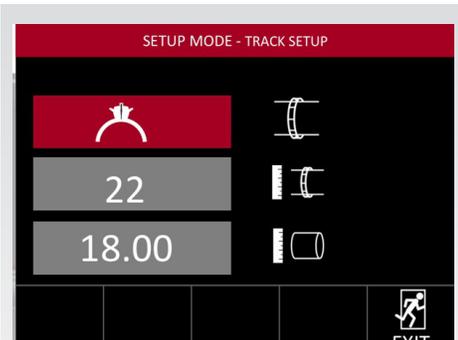
Increments - Used to set variables such as:

- Wire Feed Speed
- Voltage or Trim
- Amperage
- Oscillation Width and Oscillation Speed
- Travel Speed
- Imperial or metric units
- Dwell Time

Programs - Where all programs are saved, loaded or deleted

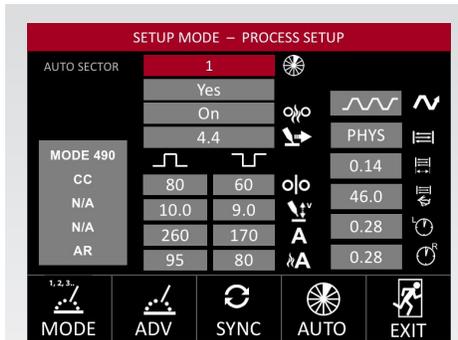


Simply Program and Steer



TIG Control Pendant Track Setup

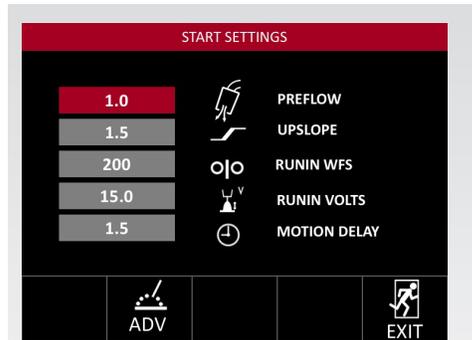
Operators can identify and change parameters of the track type, track size and the pipe diameter.



Process Setup

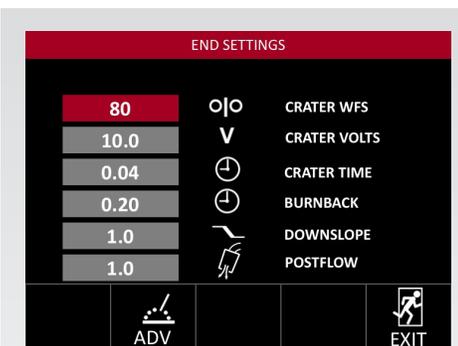
Pressing the ADV Selection button on the Process Setup screen will present the supervisor with the advanced options associated with the selected weld mode. These include:

- Height Sensitivity
- Hot Wire
- Wave Control
- Sync



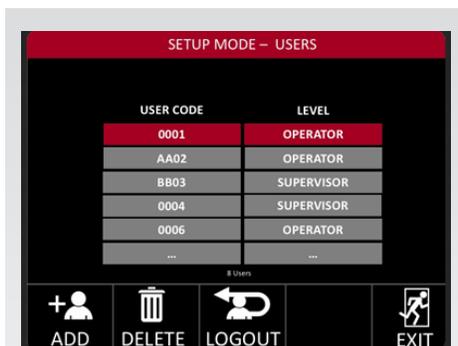
Start Settings

Programs the system to execute each function at the start of the weld such as preflow, upslope and wire feed speed.



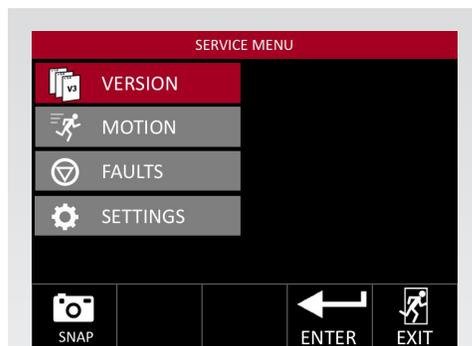
End Settings

Allows the user to adjust the end settings specific to the program, such as postflow, downslope and torch retract.



Operator Permissions

Only those with supervisor access are able to view the users screen and determine the operators's level of access. A supervisor can add, change or delete operator access.



Service Menu

A supervisor can access advanced TIG Control Pendant capabilities such as:

- Version - shows the user information about the installed software and hardware
- Motion - allows the user to select certain motions and behaviors of the weld system
- Faults - while welding, the flow of shielding gas and/or cooling water can be monitored
- Settings - when enabled it automatically archives a summary of each weld to an inserted USB
- SnapShot - can be taken for remote troubleshooting

The APEX/HELIX control pendant offers the most adaptive welding software on the market. Its architecture can be modified from MIG to TIG to Laser. Working and testing the pendant software with welders on-site, Lincoln Electric engineers have designed an intuitive controller that transforms data into actionable information. Its capabilities are continually improving and expanding.

With just a few hours of training, welders will find they can complete quality orbital and flat track welding jobs far more efficiently. After using the APEX/HELIX control pendant with the APEX 30S or 30M Controller for the first time, you'll understand why this is the technology that's moving mechanized welding into the future of industrial automation.

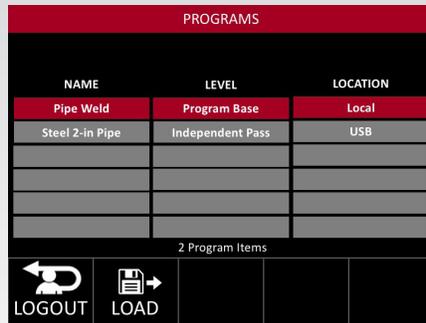
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START WELDING IN THREE EASY STEPS



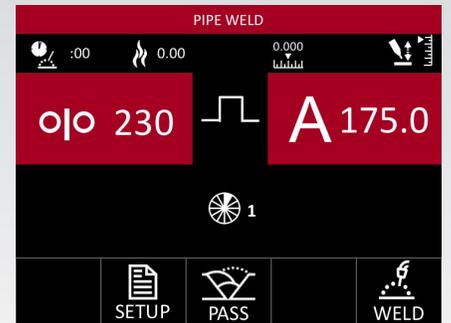
STEP 1: Operator Log In

Operators log into the system using his or her user code. Each code is assigned by the supervisor. Once the code is initiated, pressing "Enter" will load the welding PROGRAMS screen.



STEP 2: Load Program

The PROGRAMS screen will list the welding programs that are found local or inserted on the USB in the controller. The operator chooses the assigned program and pushes the LOAD button.



STEP 3: Begin Welding

Once the program is loaded, the operator can immediately begin welding.

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