

ET 300i, ET 300iP

Welding power source TIG 300 A



Instruction manual

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Additional Information:

Restrictive use, Class A equipment, intended for use in location other than residential

By signing this document, the undersigned declares as manufacturer, or the manufacturer's authorised representative established within the EEA, that the equipment in question complies with the safety requirements stated above.

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1 SAFETY

1.1 Meaning of symbols

As used throughout this manual: Means Attention! Be Alert!



DANGER!

Means immediate hazards which, if not avoided, will result in immediate, serious personal injury or loss of life.



WARNING!

Means potential hazards which could result in personal injury or loss of life.



CAUTION!

Means hazards which could result in minor personal injury.



WARNING!

Before use, read and understand the instruction manual and follow all labels, employer's safety practices and Safety Data Sheets (SDSs).





1.2 Safety precautions

Users of ESAB equipment have the ultimate responsibility for ensuring that anyone who works on or near the equipment observes all the relevant safety precautions. Safety precautions must meet the requirements that apply to this type of equipment. The following recommendations should be observed in addition to the standard regulations that apply to the workplace.

All work must be carried out by trained personnel well-acquainted with the operation of the equipment. Incorrect operation of the equipment may lead to hazardous situations which can result in injury to the operator and damage to the equipment.

- 1. Anyone who uses the equipment must be familiar with:
 - o its operation
 - location of emergency stops
 - its function
 - relevant safety precautions
 - welding and cutting or other applicable operation of the equipment
- 2. The operator must ensure that:
 - no unauthorised person is stationed within the working area of the equipment when it is started up
 - no-one is unprotected when the arc is struck or work is started with the equipment
- 3. The workplace must:
 - be suitable for the purpose
 - o be free from drafts





- 4. Personal safety equipment:
 - Always wear recommended personal safety equipment, such as safety glasses, flame-proof clothing, safety gloves
 - Do not wear loose-fitting items, such as scarves, bracelets, rings, etc., which could become trapped or cause burns
- 5. General precautions:
 - Make sure the return cable is connected securely
 - Work on high voltage equipment may only be carried out by a qualified electrician
 - Appropriate fire extinguishing equipment must be clearly marked and close at hand
 - Lubrication and maintenance must **not** be carried out on the equipment during operation



WARNING!

Arc welding and cutting can be injurious to yourself and others. Take precautions when welding and cutting.



ELECTRIC SHOCK - Can kill

- Install and ground the unit in accordance with instruction manual.
- Do not touch live electrical parts or electrodes with bare skin, wet gloves or wet clothing.
- Insulate yourself from work and ground.
- · Ensure your working position is safe



ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC FIELDS - Can be dangerous to health

- Welders having pacemakers should consult their physician before welding.
 EMF may interfere with some pacemakers.
- Exposure to EMF may have other health effects which are unknown.
- Welders should use the following procedures to minimize exposure to EMF:
 - Route the electrode and work cables together on the same side of your body. Secure them with tape when possible. Do not place your body between the torch and work cables. Never coil the torch or work cable around your body. Keep welding power source and cables as far away from your body as possible.
 - Connect the work cable to the workpiece as close as possible to the area being welded.



FUMES AND GASES - Can be dangerous to health

- Keep your head out of the fumes.
- Use ventilation, extraction at the arc, or both, to take fumes and gases away from your breathing zone and the general area.



ARC RAYS - Can injure eyes and burn skin

- Protect your eyes and body. Use the correct welding screen and filter lens and wear protective clothing.
- Protect bystanders with suitable screens or curtains.



NOISE - Excessive noise can damage hearing

Protect your ears. Use earmuffs or other hearing protection.

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MOVING PARTS - Can cause injuries



Keep all doors, panels and covers closed and securely in place. Have only qualified people remove covers for maintenance and troubleshooting as necessary. Reinstall panels or covers and close doors when service is finished and before starting engine.



- · Stop engine before installing or connecting unit.
- Keep hands, hair, loose clothing and tools away from moving parts.



FIRE HAZARD

- Sparks (spatter) can cause fire. Make sure that there are no inflammable materials nearby.
- Do not use on closed containers.

MALFUNCTION - Call for expert assistance in the event of malfunction. PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS!



CAUTION!

This product is solely intended for arc welding.



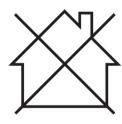
WARNING!

Do not use the power source for thawing frozen pipes.



CAUTION!

Class A equipment is not intended for use in residential locations where the electrical power is provided by the public low-voltage supply system. There may be potential difficulties in ensuring electromagnetic compatibility of class A equipment in those locations, due to conducted as well as radiated disturbances.





NOTE!

Dispose of electronic equipment at the recycling facility!

In observance of European Directive 2012/19/EC on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment and its implementation in accordance with national law, electrical and/or electronic equipment that has reached the end of its life must be disposed of at a recycling facility.

As the person responsible for the equipment, it is your responsibility to obtain information on approved collection stations.

For further information contact the nearest ESAB dealer.



ESAB has an assortment of welding accessories and personal protection equipment for purchase. For ordering information contact your local ESAB dealer or visit us on our website.

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2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Overview

The **ET 300i** and **ET 300iP** are welding power sources intended for TIG welding and for welding with covered electrodes (MMA).

ESAB accessories for the product can be found in the "ACCESSORIES" chapter of this manual.

2.2 Equipment

The power source is supplied with:

- · Instruction manual
- 3 m (9.8 ft) mains cable (without plug)
- · Gas hose for TIG welding, including hose clamps
- Return cable





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ET 300i (5 100 923)
Mains voltage	230–480 V ±10%, 3~ 50/60 Hz	230 V ±10%, 1~ 50/60 Hz
Mains supply S _{sc min}	4.1 MVA	No demand
Z _{max}	0.04 Ohm	No demand
Primary current		
I _{max} MMA	30.0 A	29.0 A
I _{max} TIG	22 A	20.0 A
No-load power demand when	in the energy-saving mode	
U _{in} 230 V	63 W	74 W
U _{in} 400 V	68 W	
U _{in} 480 V	72 W	
Setting range		
MMA	5 A / 20 V - 300 A / 32 V	5 A / 20 V - 200 A / 28 V
TIG	5 A / 10 V - 300 A / 22 V	5 A / 10 V - 200 A / 18 V
Permissible load at MMA		
40% duty cycle	300 A / 32.0 V	
60% duty cycle	250 A / 30.0 V	
100% duty cycle	200 A / 28.0 V	200 A / 28.0 V
Permissible load at TIG		
40% duty cycle	300 A / 22.0 V	
60% duty cycle	250 A / 20.0 V	
100% duty cycle	200 A / 18.0 V	200 A / 18.0 V
Power factor at maximum cur	rent	
TIG	0.96	0.98
MMA	0.96	0.99
Apparent power I ₂ at maximum current	11.6 kVA	6.6 kVA
Active power I ₂ at maximum current	11.2 kW	6.6 kW
Efficiency at maximum curren	t	
TIG	83%	83%
MMA	86%	86%
Open-circuit voltage U ₀ max		
VRD 35 V deactivated	48 V	48 V
VRD 35 V activated	34 V	34 V
U _{PK}	12.4 kV	12.4 kV
Operating temperature	-10 to +40 °C (+14 to +104 °F)

ET 300i (0445 100 903), ET 300iP (0445 100 923)				
Transportation temperature	-20 to +55 °C (-4 to +131 °F)			
Continual sound pressure at no-load	< 70 db (A)			
Dimensions I × w × h	460 × 200 × 320 mm (18.1 × 7.9 × 12.6 in.)			
Weight with cooler	26.6 kg (58.6 lb)			
without cooler	16.8 kg (37.0 lb)			
Isolation class transformer	F			
Enclosure class	IP23			
Application class	S			

Mains supply, S_{sc min}

Minimum short circuit power on the network in accordance with IEC 61000-3-12.

Duty cycle

The duty cycle refers to the time as a percentage of a ten-minute period that you can weld or cut at a certain load without overloading. The duty cycle is valid for 40 °C / 104 °F, or below.

Enclosure class

The **IP** code indicates the enclosure class, i.e. the degree of protection against penetration by solid objects or water.

Equipment marked IP23 is intended for indoor and outdoor use.

Application class

The symbol S indicates that the power source is designed for use in areas with increased electrical hazard





4 INSTALLATION

The installation must be carried out by a professional.

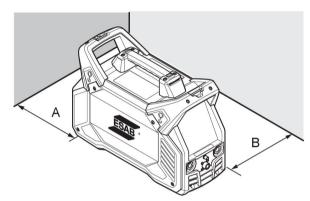


CAUTION!

This product is intended for industrial use. In a domestic environment this product may cause radio interference. It is the user's responsibility to take adequate precautions.

4.1 Location

Position the power source so that its cooling air inlets and outlets are not obstructed.

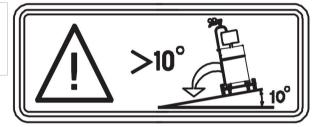


- A. Minimum 200 mm (8 in.)
- B. Minimum 200 mm (8 in.)



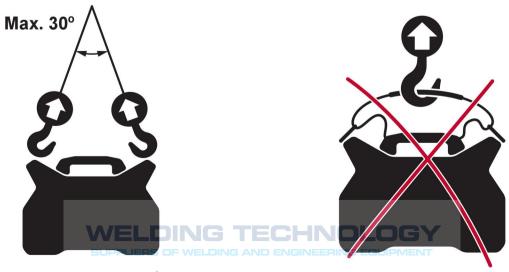
WARNING!

Secure the equipment - particularly if the ground is uneven or sloping.



4.2 Lifting instructions

Mechanical lifting must be done with both outer handles.



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4.3 Mains supply



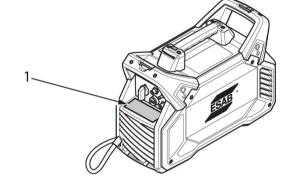
NOTE!

Mains supply requirements

This equipment complies with IEC 61000-3-12 provided that the short-circuit power is greater than or equal to S_{scmin} at the interface point between the user's supply and the public system. It is the responsibility of the installer or user of the equipment to ensure, by consultation with the distribution network operator if necessary, that the equipment is connected only to a supply with a short-circuit power greater than or equal to S_{scmin} . Refer to the technical data in the TECHNICAL DATA chapter.

The power source will automatically adjust to the supplied input voltage; make sure it is protected by the correct fuse rating. A protective earth connection must be made, in accordance with regulations.

1. Rating plate with supply connection data



Installation of mains cable



WARNING!

In 1-phase operation the terminal L3 is powered, even though not connected. Make sure to keep terminal L3 disconnected.

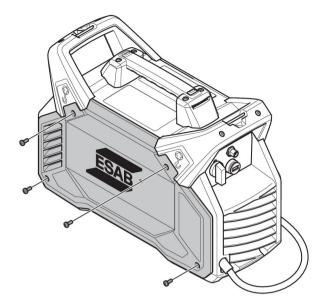


NOTE!

The power source is delivered with a 4×2.5 mm² mains cable which can handle the rated data given for 3-phase 380–480 V mains supply. If other mains voltage is required, the mains cable may be changed according to relevant national regulations. For recommendations, see section Recommended fuse sizes and minimum cable area.





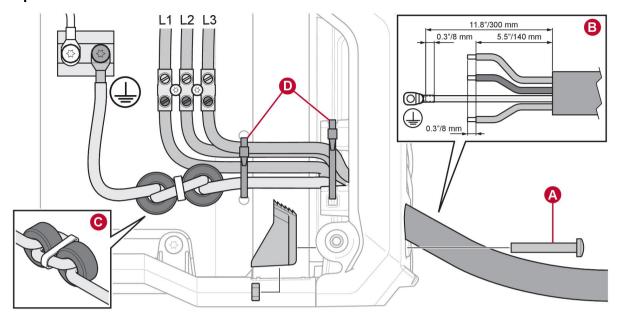


- 1. Remove the side panel.
- 2. If tightened, release the stopping block (A).
- 3. If a cable is connected, disconnect all wires, cut the cable tie **(D)**, and remove the cable.
- 4. Optional: The fan with foam can at this point be removed to simplify the installation. Note the direction of the fan (the sticker towards the inside).
- 5. Strip the new wire according to specification (B).
- 6. Insert the cable with about 1 cm (0.4 in.) of isolation inside the stopping block. Tighten the stopping block by using 1.5–2 Nm (13.3–17.7 in. lb) (A).
- 7. Use two cable ties to fasten the cables (D).
- 8. Optional: If the fan with foam has been removed it shall now be re-installed. A symbol on the side of the fan **(G)** shows the air flow direction.
- 9. Install the ferrites and connect the earth wire **(C)**. A toothed washer should be located closest to the heat sink. Tighten the screw to a torque of 6.0 ±0.6 Nm (53.1 ±5.3 in. lb).
- 10. Connect all wires in accordance with illustrations for 1-phase and 3-phase. Tighten the screw to a torque of 1.0 ± 0.2 Nm $(8.9 \pm 1.8 \text{ in. lb})$.
- 11. Ensure that the IP shield is correctly mounted on the inside of the side panel (E).
- 12. Reassemble the side panel (F).
- 13. Tighten the screws on the side panel with 3 ±0.3 Nm (26.6 ±2.7 in. lb).

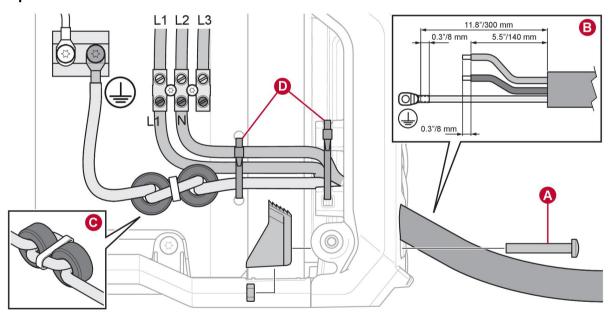




3-phase



1-phase





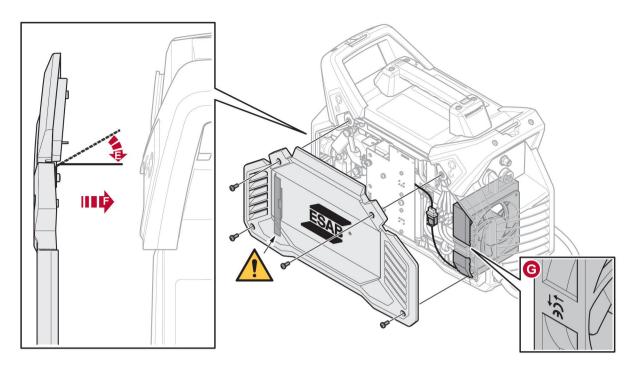
WARNING!

In 1-phase operation the terminal L3 is powered, even though not connected. Make sure to keep terminal L3 disconnected.

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4.4 Recommended fuse sizes and minimum cable area

Recommended fuse sizes and minimum cable area

	ET 300i, ET 300iPET 300i, ET 300iP					
3∼ 50/60 Hz						
Mains voltage	230 V	380 V	400 V	415 V	480 V	230 V
Mains cable area	4×4 mm²	4×2.5 mm²	4×2.5 mm²	4×2.5 mm²	4×2.5 mm²	3×6 mm²
Maximal current rating						
I _{max} MMA	30 A	18 A	17 A	16 A	14 A	29 A
I _{1eff} MMA	19 A	11 A	11 A	10 A	9 A	29 A
Maximal current rating						
I _{max} TIG	22 A	13 A	12 A	12 A	10 A	20 A
I _{1eff} TIG	14 A	8 A	8 A	7 A	7 A	16 A
Fuse anti-surge	20 A	16 A	16 A	16 A	10 A	35 A
type C MCB	25 A	16 A	16 A	16 A	16 A	32 A
Maximum recommended extension cord length	100 m/ 330 ft.	100 m/ 330 ft.	100 m/ 330 ft.	100 m/ 330 ft.	100 m/ 330 ft.	100 m/ 330 ft.
Minimum recommended vertension cord size	4×4 mm²	4×4 mm²	4×4 mm²	4×4 mm ²	4×4 mm²	3×6 mm²





NOTE!

Different variants of ET 300i and ET 300iP are certified for different mains voltage. Always refer to the rating plate for the specification of the power source in use.



NOTE!

The mains cable areas and fuse sizes as shown above are in accordance with Swedish regulations. Use the power source in accordance with the relevant national regulations.

1-phase 230 V mains voltage with 16 A mains fuse

See table below for informative data for use at 1-phase 230 V mains voltage with 16 A mains fuse. A 16 A mains fuse may enable the use of a 16 A mains plug in combination with a 3×2.5 mm² mains cable.

	MMA 1~ 230 V 16 A						
	25%	60%	100%				
l ₂	200 A*	150 A	120 A				
U ₂	28.0 V	26.0 V	24.8 V				
I _{max}	28.2 A	20.2 A	15.3 A				
l _{eff}	14.1 A	15.6 A	15.3 A				
	Т	IG 1~ 230 V 16 A					
		60%	100%				
l ₂		200 A*	170 A				
U ₂		18.0 V	16.8 V				
I _{max}		19.1 A	15.3 A				
l _{eff}		14.8 A	15.3 A				

^{*)} Porcelain fuses are recommended to achieve 200 A in MMA and TIG mode. MCB fuses break the circuit faster than porcelain fuses.

Supply from power generators

The power source can be supplied from different types of generators. However, some generators may not provide sufficient power for the welding power source to operate correctly. Generators with Automatic Voltage Regulation (AVR) or with equivalent or better type of regulation, with rated power 20 kW, are recommended.





OPERATION 5

5.1 Overview

General safety regulations for handling the equipment can be found in the chapter "Safety". Read it through before you start the equipment.



NOTE!

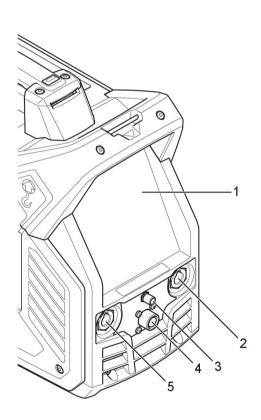
When moving the equipment use intended handle. Never pull the cables.

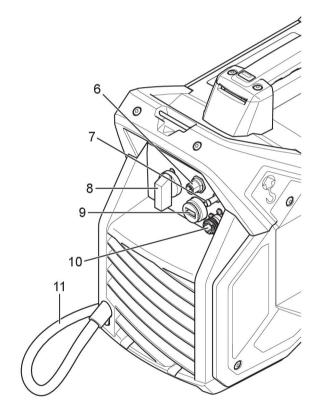


WARNING!

Electric shock! Do not touch the workpiece or the welding head during operation!

5.2 **Connections and control devices**





- User interface, see chapter CONTROL PANEL.
- 2. Connection (+): TIG: Return cable MMA: 8. Mains power supply switch, O/I Welding cable or return cable
- 3. Gas supply output
- 4. TIG torch trigger
- 5. Connection (-): TIG: torch MMA: Return cable or welding cable
- 6. Connection for remote control unit (Both digital and analogue remote control units

- 7. Gas supply input
- 9. USB connection
- 10. Connection for cooling unit
- 11. Mains cable

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source.)



NOTE!

When connecting a gas hose to the gas supply input, it must be secured using a hose clamp.



NOTE!

Always use the cover when the USB connection is not in use.

5.3 TIG welding



TIG welding melts the metal of the workpiece, using an arc initiated from a non-consuming tungsten electrode. The weld pool and electrode are protected by a shielding gas that usually consists of an inert gas.

For TIG welding, the welding power source shall be supplemented with:

- a TIG torch
- a gas hose connected to the gas supply input (using a hose clamp)
- · an argon gas cylinder
- · an argon gas regulator
- · a tungsten electrode
- a return cable (with clamp)

5.4 MMA welding



MMA welding may also be referred to as welding with covered electrodes. The arc melts the electrode as well as a local part of the workpiece. The coverage, when melting, forms a protective slag and creates a shielding gas to protect the weld pool from atmospheric contamination.

For MMA welding the power source shall be supplemented with:

- welding cable with electrode holder
- · return cable with clamp

5.5 Connection of welding and return cables

The power source has two outputs, a positive welding terminal (+) and a negative welding terminal (-), for connecting welding and return cables. The output to which the welding cable is connected depends on the welding method or type of electrode used.

Connect the return cable to the other output on the power source. Secure the return cable's contact clamp to the work piece and ensure that there is good contact between the work piece and the output for the return cable on the power source.

- For TIG welding, the negative welding terminal (-) is used for the welding torch and the positive welding terminal (+) is used for the return cable.
- For MMA welding, the welding cable can be connected to the positive welding terminal (+) or negative welding terminal (-) depending on the type of electrode used. The connecting polarity is stated on the electrode packaging.

5.6 Turning the mains power on/off

Turn on the mains power by turning switch to the "I" position.

Turn the unit off by turning the switch to the "O" position.



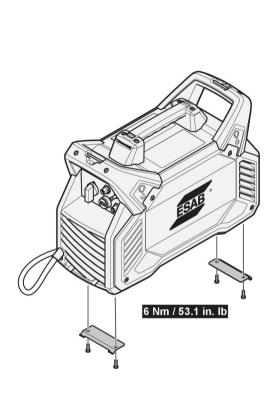
Whether the mains power supply is interrupted or the power source is switched off in the normal manner, weld programs will be stored so that it is available next time the unit is started.

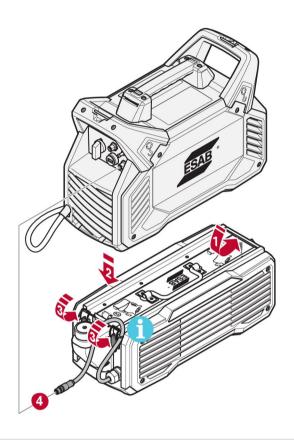


CAUTION!

Do not turn off the power source during welding (with load).

5.7 Connect to cooler EC 1000







NOTE!

Take care so that the interface cable does not get squeezed between the power source and the cooling unit!



NOTE!

Power supply of the cooling unit is done from the welding power source via the connection cable (for more information, see the cooling unit instruction manual).

5.8 Fan control

The power source has an automatic thermal control. The fan continues to run during a few minutes after welding has stopped while the power source switches to energy-saving mode. The fan starts again when welding restarts.

During energy-saving mode the fan will start occasionally and run for a few minutes.





5.9 Thermal protection



The power source includes thermal protection against overheating. When overheating occurs the welding is stopped and overheating indicator on the panel will be lit and an error message shows in the display. The protection is automatically reset when the temperature has been sufficiently reduced.

5.10 Voltage reducing device (VRD)



The VRD function ensures that the open-circuit voltage does not exceed 35 V when welding is not being carried out. This is indicated by a lit VRD indicator on the panel. Contact an authorised ESAB service technician to activate this function.

5.11 Remote control



Connect the remote control on the rear side of the power source and activate the remote control by pressing the remote control button on the panel (remote control indicator being lit when activated). When the remote control is activated the control panel is locked for interaction but displays welding data.

5.12 USB connection

Always use the USB cover when the USB connection is not in use.



Do not use for charging units such as mobile phones.

The welding process is blocked when a USB flash drive is connected. The USB connection can be used to retrieve welding statistics. The statistics contains of total number of welds performed, total welding time and average current.

Retrieving welding statistics

Always make sure that the power source is not used for welding when retrieving welding statistics.

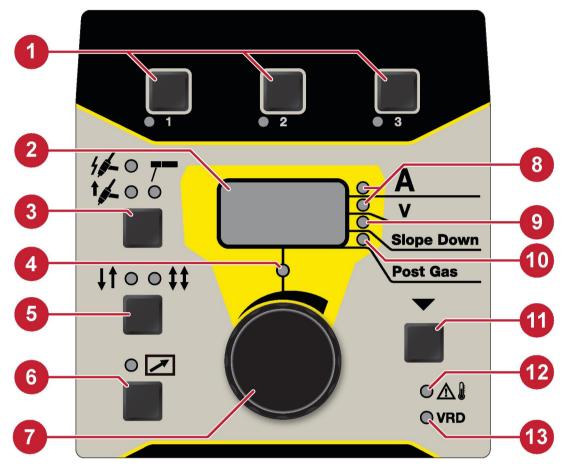
- 1. Insert an empty USB flash drive into the power source USB connector.
- 2. To confirm that the power source has read the USB flash drive, the text "USB" flashes in the display for a moment, after which the text "USB" is shown with fixed light.
- 3. When the text "USB" is shown with fixed light: Remove the USB flash drive from the USB connector.
- 4. The USB flash will contain a text file (.txt) with the welding statistics.
- Recommended program for opening the text file is Microsoft WordPad or Microsoft Word.





CONTROL PANEL 6

6.1 ET 300i



- 1. Memory 1, 2 and 3.
- 2. Display, shows set or measured value.
- 3. Button to select welding method: TIG HF, LiftArc™ or MMA.
- 4. Set indicator.
- 5. Button to select 2-stroke or 4-stroke (TIG
- control unit.
- 7. Knob for setting data.
- 6. Button to activate and deactivate remote

6.1.1 **Navigation**

- Parameter selection
- By pressing the button (11) different values can be shown. Use the knob (7) to change the values. The sequence is:
- 1. Set current value.
- Measured current value.
- 3. Measured voltage value.
- 4. Slope down (TIG only)
- Gas post flow (TIG only)

- 8. Current set and measure value / Voltage measure value
- 9. Slope down indicator.
- 10. Gas post flow indicator.
- 11. Parameter selection button, selection indicated by (8) to (10). Also used for access to hidden fuctions.
- 12. Overheating indicator.
- 13. VRD function (reduced open-circuit voltage) indicator.

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Set parameter

The set indicator (4) will be lit when the displayed value can be changed. It cannot be changed from the panel when a remote control is activated. Trying to change a value while in measured value mode will result in automatically move to set current value mode.

The set indicator is off when measured values are shown.

6.1.2 Weld program

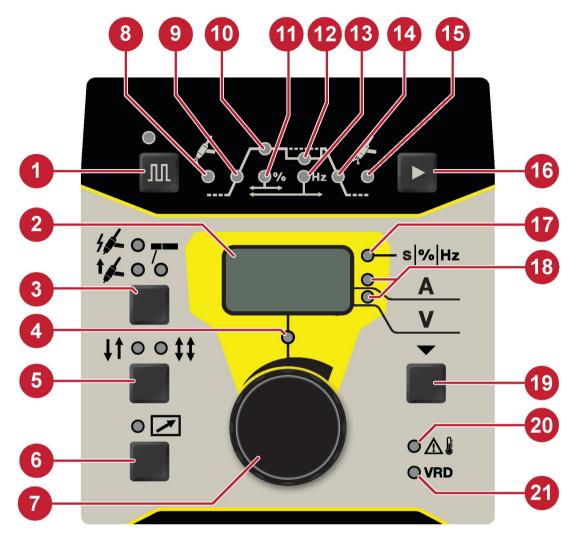
For each welding process (MMA/TIG) three different weld programs can be stored in the setting panel memory (1). Press selection button 1, 2 or 3 for 3 seconds to store a weld program in the memory. The memory indicator will be lit when finished.

To switch between the different weld programs press button 1, 2 or 3.





6.2 ET 300iP



- 1. Button to change between direct current and pulse current.
- 2. Display, shows set or measured value.
- 3. Button to select welding method: TIG HF, LiftArc™ or MMA.
- 4. Set indicator.
- 5. Button to select 2-stroke or 4-stroke (TIG only).
- 6. Button to activate and deactivate remote control unit.
- 7. Knob for setting data.
- 8. Gas pre flow indicator.
- 9. Slope up indicator.
- 10. Direct current or pulse current indicator.

- 12. Background current indicator.
- 13. Pulse frequency indicator.
- 14. Slope down indicator.
- 15. Gas post flow indicator.
- 16. Button to change between the parameters in the graph.
- 17. Indicates which is shown in the display: s (seconds for gas pre flow, gas post flow, slope up and slope down), % (pulse balance), Hz (pulse frequency).
- 18. Current set and measure value / Voltage measure value.
- 19. Parameter selection button, selection indicated by (18). Also used for access to hidden functions.
- 20. Overheating indicator.
- 21. VRD function (reduced open-circuit voltage) indicator.
- 11. Pulse balance. Suppliers of welding and engineering equipment



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6.2.1 Navigation

Parameter selection

By pressing the button (19) different values can be shown and changed. Use the knob (7) to change the values. The sequence is:

- 1. Set current value.
- 2. Measured current value.
- 3. Measured voltage value.

Set parameter

The set indicator (4) will be lit when a displayed value can be changed. It cannot be changed from the panel when a remote control is activated. Trying to change a value while in measured value mode will result in automatically move to set current value mode.

The set indicator (4) is off when measured values are shown.

Weld parameters

The weld parameters are stored for pulse and no pulse respectively. The values are changed when changing between pulse and no pulse.





6.3 TIG settings

Symbol	Function	Setting range	Setting steps	Default value	ET 300i	ET 300iP
4	TIG HF*	ON/OFF		ON	X	Х
1,4	LiftArc*	ON/OFF		OFF	Х	Х
A	Current	1ph: 5–200 A 3ph: 5–300 A	1	100 A	Х	Х
	Slope up time	H: 0.0–9.9 s 0.0–25.0 s	0.1	1.5 s	Н	X
	Slope down time	0.0–25.0 s	0.1	3.0 s	Х	Х
- North	Gas pre flow time	H: 0.0–9.9 s 0.0–25.0 s	0.1	1.0 s	Н	Х
-	Gas post flow time	0.0–25.0 s	0.1	7.0 s	Х	Х
† †	2-stroke*	ON/OFF		ON	Х	Х
‡ ‡	4-stroke*	ON/OFF		OFF	X	X
7	Remote control unit*	ON/OFF		OFF	Х	X
ЛП	Pulse*	ON/OFF		OFF		X
	Pulse current	1ph: 5–200 A 3ph: 5–300 A		120 A		Х
	Background current	1ph: 5–200 A 3ph: 5–300 A		80 A		Х
	Pulse balance	10–90%	5	50%		Х
	Pulse frequency	0.01–999 Hz	0.10–0.99: 0.01 1.0–9.9: 0.1 10–100: 1 100–300: 10 300–999: 100	100 Hz		Х
	Remote min current	0–99%	1	20%	Н	Н
*) Paramet		anged while we	elding HNO	LOG	H = Hidd function	en



Symbol	Function	Setting range	Setting steps	Default value	ET 300i	ET 300iP
	Dual current mode*	ON/OFF		OFF	Н	Н
	Dual current mode setting value	10–90%	1	50%	Н	Х
*) Parameter cannot be changed while welding H = Hidden function					en	

6.3.1 Hidden TIG functions

There are hidden functions in the control panel. To access the functions, press parameter selection button for 3 seconds (see section SETTING PANEL for button placement). The display shows a letter and a value. Select function by pressing the same button. The knob is used to change the value of the selected function. To exit hidden functions, press the button for 3 seconds again.

Letter	Function	Settings
E	Dual current mode	0=OFF, 1=ON
е	ET300i: Dual current mode setting value	10–90%
Α	Gas pre flow	0.0–9.9 s
b	Slope up	0.0–9.9 s
I	Remote min current	0–99%

Set **ET300iP** dual current mode setting value: When dual current mode is ON, select background current indicator (12) with button (16). The value is shown on the display. Use knob (7) to adjust value.

6.3.2 Measured values



Measured current

Measured value in the display for welding current A is arithmetic average value.



Measured voltage

Measured value in the display for arc voltage V is arithmetic average value.

6.4 TIG functions explanation



HF start

The HF start function initiates the arc by using a high frequency voltage pilot arc. This will reduce the risk of tungsten contamination in the starts. The high frequency voltage might disturb other electrical equipment in the surrounding area.



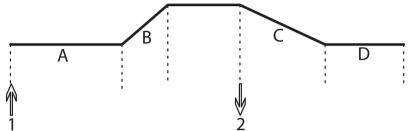
LiftArc™

The LiftArc™ function initiates the arc when the tungsten electrode is brought into contact with the workpiece, the trigger switch is pressed, and the tungsten electrode is lifted away from the workpiece. In order to minimize the risk of tungsten contaminations the start current is very low and will slope up to the set current (controlled by the slope up function). 4 1246



2-stroke

In 2-stroke mode, press the TIG torch trigger switch (1) to start the shielding gas flow and iniate the arc. The current slopes up to the set current value. Release the trigger switch (2) to start to slope down the current and terminate the arc. The shielding gas will continue to flow in order to protect the weld and the tungsten electrode.



A = Gas pre flow

B = Slope up

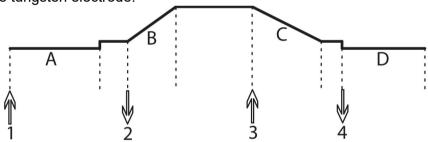
C = Slope down

D = Gas post flow



4-stroke

In 4-stroke mode, press the TIG torch trigger switch (1) to start shielding gas flow and initiate the arc at a pilot level. Release the trigger switch (2) to slope up the current to the set current value. To stop the welding, press the trigger switch again (3). The current will slope down to the pilot level again. Release the trigger switch (4) to terminate the arc. The shielding gas will continue to flow in order to protect the weld and the tungsten electrode.



A = Gas pre flow

C = Slope down

B = Slope up

D = Gas post flow



Gas pre flow

The gas pre flow function controls the time during which shielding gas flows before the arc is initiated.



Gas post flow

The gas post flow function controls the time during which shielding gas flows after the arc is terminated.

Slope up

The slope up function is used to control the time of the current increase in the weld initiation process to avoid any possible damage to the tungsten electrode.

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Slope down

The slope down function is used to control the time of the current decrease in the weld termination process to avoid any pipes and/or cracks.



Pulse settings

In order to set a pulsed current, four parameters are required: pulse current, background current, pulse balance and pulse frequency.

Pulse current

The higher of the two current values when using a pulsed current.

Pulse background current

The lower of the two current values when using a pulsed current.

Pulse balance

Pulse balance is the ratio between pulse current and background current in a pulse cycle. In order to control the energy of the arc and the size of the weld pool, pulse balance is adjustable by setting the percentage of the pulse current in a pulse cycle.

For example: If the pulse balance is set to 50%, the time of the pulse current and the background current will be distributed equally in the pulse cycle. If the pulse balance is set to 90%, the time of the pulse current will be 90% of the pulse cycle and the background current will only be 10%.

Pulse frequency

The amount of pulse cycles in a time period. The higher the frequency, the more pulse cycles per time period. When the pulse frequency is set low, the weld pool will have time to partially solidify between each pulse. If the frequency is set high, a more focused arc can be obtained.

Remote min current

This is used to set the minimum current for the foot pedal and analogue remote control. Is set in % of the set current in the range from 0–99% in steps of 1%.

For example: If the current is set to 100 A and the remote min current function is set to 20%, the remote min current will be 20 A. If the current is set to 80 A and the remote min current function is set to 50%, the remote min current will be 40 A. If the remote min current function is set to 0%, the remote min current will be equal to the lowest possible current (5 A).

Dual current mode

Dual current mode is used to regulate the heat input and maintain control of the weld puddle. Dual current mode can be used in TIG applications with non-pulse and 4-stroke mode, when the remote control function is NOT activated.

To activate: Set dual current mode to 1. The background current indicator flashes a couple of times. Set the dual current percentage value. See "Hidden TIG functions" for further instructions.

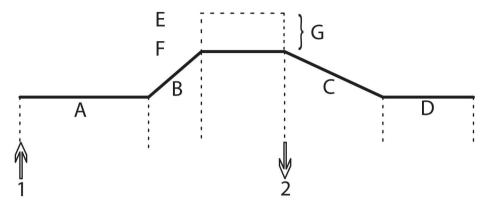
During welding: Activate dual current with a quick press on the torch trigger. The current drops down to the configured percentage of the set current value. Return to set current value with another short press on the torch trigger.



6.4.1 Foot pedal functions explanation

Foot pedal with 2-stroke using TIG torch trigger

In 2-stroke mode, with the foot pedal activated, press the TIG torch trigger switch (1) to start the shielding gas flow and initiate the arc. The current slopes up to the set remote min current. Use the foot pedal to adjust the current between the remote min current and the set current value. Release the TIG torch trigger switch (2) to start to slope down the current and terminate the arc. The shielding gas will continue to flow in order to protect the weld and the tungsten electrode.



A = Gas pre flow

B = Slope up

C = Slope down

D = Gas post flow

E = Set current

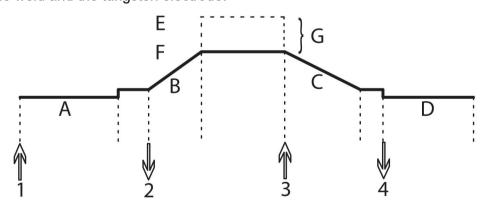
F = Remote min current

G = Current range adjustable by the foot

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Foot pedal with 4-stroke using TIG torch trigger

In 4-stroke mode, with the foot pedal activated, press the TIG torch trigger switch (1) to start the shielding gas flow and initiate the arc at a pilot level. Release the trigger switch (2) to slope up the current to the remote min current. Use the foot pedal to adjust the current between the remote min current and the set current value. To stop the welding, press the trigger switch again (3). The current will slope down to the pilot level again. Release the trigger switch (4) to terminate the arc. The shielding gas will continue to flow in order to protect the weld and the tungsten electrode.



A = Gas pre flow

B = Slope up

C = Slope down

D = Gas post flow

E = Set current

F = Remote min current

G = Current range adjustable by the foot

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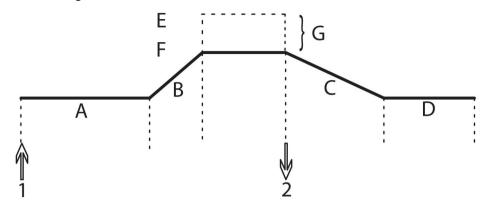
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Foot pedal

Press down the foot pedal (1) to start the shielding gas flow and initiate the arc. The current slopes up to the set remote min current. Use the foot pedal to adjust the current between the

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remote min current and the set current value. Release the foot pedal to start to slope down the current and to terminate the arc. The shielding gas will continue to flow in order to protect the weld and the tungsten electrode.



A = Gas pre flow

B = Slope up

C = Slope down

D = Gas post flow

E = Set current

F = Remote min current

G = Current range adjustable by the foot pedal

6.5 MMA settings

Symbol	Function	Setting range	Setting steps	Default value	ET 300i	ET 300iP
7-	MMA*	ON/OFF		ON	Х	Х
A	Current	1ph: 5–200 A 3ph: 5–300 A	1	100 A		
	Arc force	0–99	1	50	Н	Н
	Hot start	0–99%	1	20%	Н	Н
7	Remote control unit*	ON/OFF		OFF	Х	Х
	Remote min current	0–99%	1	20%	Н	Н
Paramet	er cannot be c	hanged while we	elding	1	H = Hidd function	en

6.5.1 Hidden MMA functions

There are hidden functions in the control panel. To access the functions, press parameter selection button for 3 seconds (see section SETTING PANEL for button placement). The display shows a letter and a value. Select function by pressing the same button. The knob is used to change the value of the selected function. To exit hidden functions, press the button for 3 seconds again.

Letter	Function	Settings
С	Arc force	0–99
Н	Hot start VELDING TECH	0-99%
I	Remote min current WELDING AND ENGI	0-99% EQUIPMENT



6.5.2 Measured values



Measured current

Measured value in the display for welding current A is arithmetic average value.



Measured voltage

Measured value in the display for arc voltage V is arithmetic average value.

6.6 MMA functions explanation

Arc force

The arc force function determines how the current changes in response to variations in arc length during welding. Use a low value of arc force to get a calm arc with little spatter and use a high value to get a hot and digging arc.

Arc force only applies to MMA welding.

Hot start

The hot start function temporarily increases the current in the beginning of the weld, thus reducing the risk of lack of fusion in the starting point.

Hot start only applies to MMA welding.

Remote min current

This is used to set the minimum current for the foot pedal and analogue remote control. Is set in % of the set current in the range from 0–99% in steps of 1%.

For example: If the current is set to 100 A and the remote min current function is set to 20%, the remote min current will be 20 A. If the current is set to 80 A and the remote min current function is set to 50%, the remote min current will be 40 A. If the remote min current function is set to 0%, the remote min current will be equal to the lowest possible current (5 A).





7 MAINTENANCE



WARNING!

Disconnect power before performing maintenance.



CAUTION!

Only persons with the appropriate electrical knowledge (authorised personnel) may remove safety plates.



CAUTION!

The product is covered by manufacturer's warranty. Any attempt to carry out repair work by non-authorised service centers will invalidate the warranty.



NOTE!

Regular maintenance is important for safe and reliable operation.



NOTE!

Perform maintenance more often during severe dusty conditions.

Before each use - make sure that:

- Product and cables are not damaged,
- The torch is clean and not damaged.

7.1 Routine maintenance

Maintenance schedule during normal conditions. Check equipment prior to every use.

Interval	Area to maintain			
Every 3 month				
	Clean or replace unreadable labels.	Clean weld terminals.	Check or replace weld cables.	
Every 6 month	Clean inside equipment. Use dry compressed air with reduced pressure.			

7.2 Cleaning instruction

To maintain the performance and increase the lifetime of the power source it is mandatory to clean it regularly. How often depends on:

- the welding process
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- · the arc time
- the working environment





CAUTION!

Make sure that the cleaning procedure is done in a suitable prepared workspace.



CAUTION!

During cleaning, always wear recommended personal safety equipment, such as ear plugs, safety glasses, masks, gloves and safety shoes.

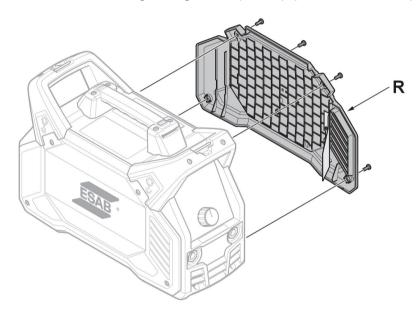
1. Disconnect the power source from the mains supply.



WARNING!

Wait at least 30 seconds for the capacitors to discharge before continuing.

2. Remove the four screws holding the right side panel (R) and remove the panel.



3. Clean the right side of the power source, using dry compressed air with reduced pressure.



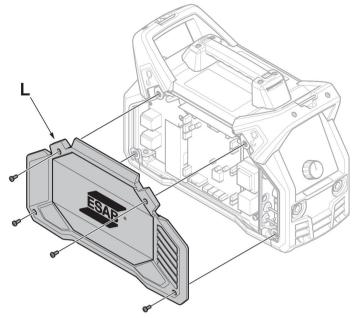
NOTE!

Since the power source contains one "dirty side" (the right side) and one "clean side" (the left side), it is important that you do not remove **the left** side panel before cleaning the right side of the power source.





4. Remove the four screws holding the left side panel (L) and remove the panel.

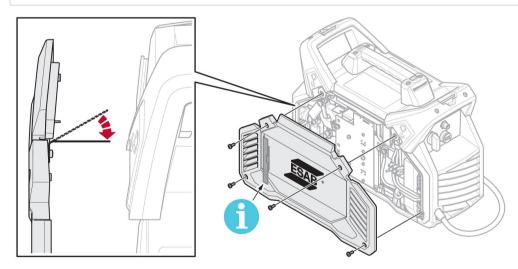


- Clean the left side of the power source, using dry compressed air with reduced pressure.
- 6. Make sure that there is no dust left on any part of the power source.
- 7. After having finished cleaning the power source, reattach the power source panels in the reverse order.



NOTE!

When reattaching the right side panel, make sure the IP shield on the inside of the panel is in the correct position. The IP shield should be angled approximately 90° into the power source, so that it is positioned between the welding outlet connector and the transformer outlets.

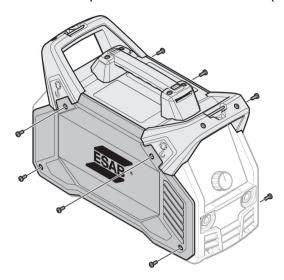


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8. Tighten the screws on the side panels with 3 Nm \pm 0.3 Nm (26.6 in lb. \pm 2.6).







8 TROUBLESHOOTING

Perform these checks and inspections before sending for an authorised service technician.

Type of fault	Corrective action		
MMA welding problems	 Check that the welding and return cables are not damaged and that they are correctly connected to the power source. Make sure the return clamp has proper contact with the work piece. Check that the correct electrodes and polarity are being used. For polarity, check electrode packaging. Check that the correct current value is set. Adjust Arc Force and Hot start. 		
TIG welding problems	 Check that the welding and return cables are not damaged and that they are correctly connected to the power source. Make sure the return clamp has proper contact with the work piece. Make sure the TIG torch lead is connected to negative welding terminal. Make sure the correct shielding gas, gas flow, welding current, filler rod placement, electrode diameter and welding mode on power source is used. Make sure the gas valve on the TIG torch is on. 		
No arc	 Check that display is on to verify that the power source has power. Check setting panel display correct values. Check that the mains power supply switch is turned on. Check that the mains, welding and return cables are correctly connected. Check the mains power supply fuses. 		
Welding current is interrupted during welding	 Check whether the overheating light (thermal protection) at setting panel is on. Continue with fault type "No Arc". 		
The thermal protection trips frequently	 Make sure the recommended duty cycle for the weld current has not been exceeded. See section "Duty cycle" in the TECHNICHAL DATA chapter. Make sure the air inlets or outlets are not clogged. Clean inside machine according to routine mainteance. Check and clean the cooler. 		
The maximum current setting is limited to 200 A	 Check that the power source is connected to 3-phase mains power supply. Check the mains power supply fuses. 		





9 ERROR CODES

The error code is used to indicate that a fault has occurred in the equipment. Errors are indicated by the text "Err" followed by the error code number shown in the display.

If several errors have been detected only the code for the last occurring error is displayed.

9.1 Error code descriptions

Error codes that the user can handle are listed below. If any other error code appears, contact an authorised ESAB service technician.

Error code	Description
Err 1	Temperature fault The temperature of the power source is too high. A LED indicating temperature fault is also lit on the panel. A temperature fault is indicated by the overheating indicator on the control panel.
	Action: The error code will automatically disappear and the LED indicating temperature fault will be turned off when the power source has cooled down and is ready for use again. If the error persists, contact a service technician.
Err 2	Coolant fault The temperature of the coolant fluid is too high.
	Action: Make sure that there is sufficient coolant fluid in the cooler. The error code will automatically disappear when the coolant has cooled down and is ready for use again. If the error persists, contact a service technician.
Err 3	Power supply fault The power supply to the power source is too low or too high.
	One phase is lost during 3-phase operation. Third phase voltage detected during 1-phase operation.
	Action: Make sure the power supply is stable, all leads are connected, that the mains voltage (all 3 phases) are OK and restart the system. If the error persists, contact a service technician.
Err 4	Communication fault The communication between units has been disrupted.
	Action: Check cables and connections, restart the power source. If the error persists, contact a service technician.
Err 5	Memory fault The program memory is damaged. This fault can disable preset functions or other functions where values are stored.
	Action: Remove the error indication from the display by pressing a button on the panel. Restart the power source. If the error persists, contact a service technician.
Err 6	Timing fault The power source electronics are not able to execute all functions in a timely fashion.
	Action: Restart the power source. If the error persists, contact a service technician.

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Error code	Description	
Err 7	OCV fault The OCV is too high or the electronic control of the OCV has been disrupted.	
	Action: Restart the power source. If the error persists, contact a service technician.	
Err 8	Water cooling disabled The hose from the torch is not connected to the cooling unit.	
	Action: If a water cooled torch is used make sure it is connected to the cooling unit. If a water cooled torch is not used, press a button on the control panel to cancel the error. If the error persists, contact a service technician.	





10 ORDERING SPARE PARTS



CAUTION!

Repair and electrical work should be performed by an authorised ESAB service technician. Use only ESAB original spare and wear parts.

The ET 300i and ET 300iP are designed and tested in accordance with international and european standards IEC/EN 60974-1, IEC/EN 60974-3 and IEC/EN 60974-10 Class A, Canadian standards CAN/CSA-E60974-1 and US standards ANSI/IEC 60974-1. On completion of service or repair work, it is the responsibility of the person(s) performing the work to ensure that the product still complies with the requirements of the above standard.

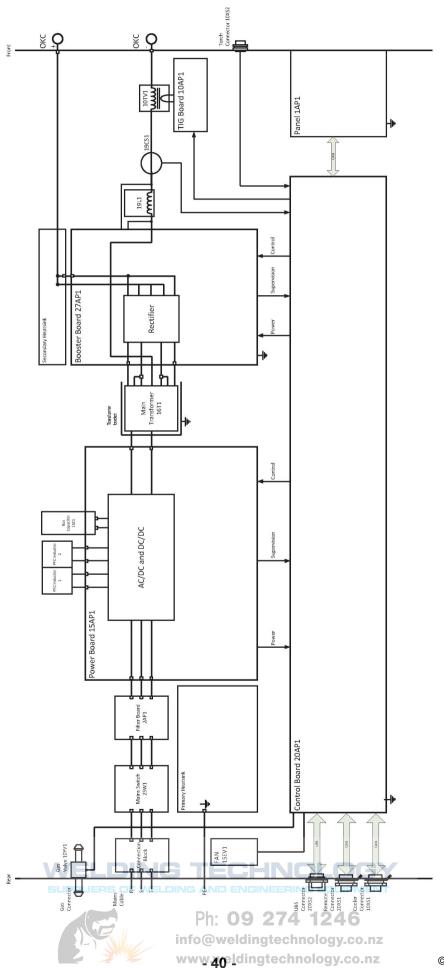
Spare parts and wear parts can be ordered through your nearest ESAB dealer, see esab.com. When ordering, please state product type, serial number, designation and spare part number in accordance with the spare parts list. This facilitates dispatch and ensures correct delivery.





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ORDERING NUMBERS



Ordering number	Denomination	Туре	Notes
0445 100 903	Welding power source	ET 300i	AU
0445 100 923	Welding power source	ET 300iP	AU
0463 423 001	Spare parts list		
0463 424 001	Service manual		

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0700 300 538	TIG torch TXH™ 151, 4 m (13 ft)	//
0700 300 544	TIG torch TXH™ 151, 8 m (26 ft)	
0700 300 552	TIG torch TXH™ 201, 4 m (13 ft)	
0700 300 555	TIG torch TXH™ 201, 8 m (26 ft)	
0700 300 855	TIG torch TXH™ 252w, 4 m (13 ft)	
0700 300 856	TIG torch TXH™ 252w, 8 m (26 ft)	~
0700 300 565	TIG torch TXH™ 401w, 4 m (13 ft)	
0700 300 567	TIG torch TXH™ 401w, 8 m (26 ft)	
0445 045 880	EC 1000 Cooler	
0460 330 881	Trolley	
0445 197 880	Shoulder strap kit	
0700 006 902	Welding cable kit 3 meter, incl. electrode holder and OKC 50 connector	
0700 006 888	Welding cable kit 5 meter, incl. electrode holder and OKC 50 connector	
0700 006 903	Return cable kit 3 meter, incl. clamp and OKC 50 connector	
0700 006 889	Return cable kit 5 meter, incl. clamp and OKC 50 connector	
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0445 536 881	ER 1 Remote control. 5 m (16.4 ft) interconnection cable, 6 pin, included.	
0445 536 882	ER 1 Remote control. 10 m (32.8 ft) interconnection cable, 6 pin, included.	
0445 536 883	ER 1 Remote control. 25 m (82 ft) interconnection cable, 6 pin, included.	
0445 280 880	Interconnection cable, 6 pin, 5 m (16.4 ft)	
0445 280 881	Interconnection cable, 6 pin, 10 m (32.8 ft)	
0445 280 882	Interconnection cable, 6 pin, 25 m (82 ft)	
0445 550 881	ER 1 F Foot pedal. 5 m (16.4 ft) interconnection cable, 6 pin, included.	
0445 550 882	ER 1 F Foot pedal. 10 m (32.8 ft) interconnection cable, 6 pin, included.	
0445 254 880	Interconnection cable, 6 pin, 5 m (16.4 ft)	
0445 254 881	Interconnection cable, 6 pin, 10 m (32.8 ft)	
0445 840 880	Renegade analogue remote kit	
0445 870 880	Remote Control MMA3, 10 m	
0445 870 881	Remote Control MMA3, 25 m	So So
0445 693 880	Interconnection cable for analogue remote control MMA3, 10 m	
0445 693 881	Interconnection cable for analogue remote control MMA3, 25 m	
0445 694 880	Interconnection cable for analogue remote controls AT1 and AT1 C/F, 10 m	
0445 694 881	Interconnection cable for analogue remote controls AT1 and AT1 C/F, 25 m	
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