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PREFACE

ABOUT THIS MANUAL

This Product Reference Guide (PRG) is provided for users seeking advanced technical information, including connection, programming, maintenance and specifications. The Quick Reference Guide (QRG) and other publications associated with this product can be downloaded free of charge from the website listed on the back cover of this manual.

Manual Conventions

The symbols listed below are used in this manual to notify the reader of key issues or procedures that must be observed when using the laser marker:



NOTE: Notes contain information necessary for properly diagnosing, repairing and operating the laser marker.



CAUTION: This symbol advises you of actions that could damage equipment or property.



WARNING: This symbol advises you of actions that could result in harm or injury to the person performing the task.

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Hover over the Support & Service menu for access to Services and Technical Support.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

GENERAL

Information included in this manual is intended for a qualified installer able to integrate the laser marker into a system, complying with all the protection features required by international rules and local legislations. Refer to the following sections for further information.

Reading this manual prevents the operator from carrying out operations that could cause damage to himself or others.

This Product Reference Guide refers to Arex™ 400AF Fiber laser markers, that is a Class 4 Laser Product.

Product intended for skilled person only, as defined according to UL 62368-1 3rd Ed.

In addition to being professionally trained in their role, personnel assigned to work with laser marker must be informed and made acquainted with the risks inherent to invisible and visible laser radiation. The operator is required to carefully read the section of the manual concerning safety instructions as well as the sections related to matters falling under her/his responsibility.



WARNING: Equipment intended for Restricted access area only.



WARNING: Equipment for use in locations where children NOT likely to be present.



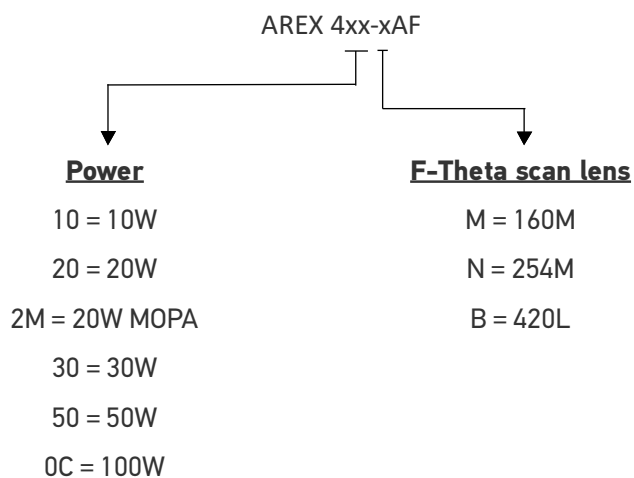
NOTE: Datalogic shall not be held responsible for any non-conforming use of laser marker of its manufacture.



CAUTION: BEFORE INSTALLING AND USING THE LASER MARKER, CAREFULLY READ THIS MANUAL.

MODEL DESCRIPTION

Arex™ 400AF laser markers are described by their model number which indicates the characteristics listed in the diagram below. Not all combinations are available. For a complete list of combinations see the Models tab on the Product page of the website.



COMPLIANCE

European Declaration of Conformity

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UKCA Declaration of Conformity

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FCC Compliance

Modifications or changes to this equipment without the expressed written approval of Datalogic could void the permission to use the equipment.

This laser marker complies with PART 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this laser marker may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this laser marker must accept any interference received, including interference which may cause undesired operation.

This laser marker has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This laser marker generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this laser marker in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his/her own expense.

EAC Compliance

Customs Union: this laser marker complies with CU Conformity certification; this allows the Product to bear the Eurasian Mark of conformity.

LASER STANDARDS

This laser marker is classified as Class 4 Laser Product according to the following:

EU: IEC60825-1:2014 EN60825-1:2014+A11:2021

USA: 21 CFR 1040.10

China: GB7247-1

Datalogic, as manufacturer of laser products, provides a laser marker which is NOT intended for immediate use, but it must be connected, by others, to other devices which have the final aim of creating a laser processing system.

The final system manufacturer MUST ensure the safety of the laser processing machine according to its standards including the risk-analysis, implementation of safety measures, certification and testing of safety measures and the production of adequate information for use of the machine.

Requirements for guarding, shielding, and other concerns related to the laser product is under the responsibility of the Laser Safety Officer (LSO) at each installation site.

Datalogic is available for providing to the customers all the information in its possession to help in complying with applicable standards.



WARNING: Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

OVERVIEW

The Fiber laser marker developed and manufactured by Datalogic employs the most advanced technologies with regards to the opto-mechanical parts, the electronic control of laser beam power, communication and the overall safety of the entire marker.

The Arex™ 400AF laser marker features a control rack and a scan head. The control rack size is standard 19" 2.5U (3.5U for Arex 40C-x models only). The scan head compact dimensions make it easy to integrate.

All product connections are on the rear or front of the control rack.

Laser Source

In Arex™ 400AF laser marker it is used a sealed fiber laser source. This source is based on the new fiber solid state technology. It guarantees high stability, lower sensitivity to optical misalignment and a longer product lifetime.

Galvanometric scan head

The scan head features two deflection mirrors that deflect the beam in X and Y directions, depending on the graphics/pattern to be reproduced.

Operation of a laser marker with galvanometric scanning

During the marking the laser generates an invisible, high-energy infrared beam.

In order to obtain a more accurate focus, the laser beam is first enlarged using an optical expansion system and then deflected by a scanning system consisting of two mirrors mounted on galvanometric motors.

These mirrors deflect the beam in a controlled path along the X and Y axes; processing of the product surface occurs by coordinating the movement of the two mirrors and the turning on/off of the laser beam.

The deflected laser beam is focused by an F-Theta scan lens on the surface of the product.

Generally speaking, the marking is carried out within the focus plane of the F-Theta scan lens.

Marking Software

The Lighter™ marking software is preinstalled on the product.



NOTE: Consult Lighter™ software user's manual for a proper use of the same.



NOTE: If necessary, consult "How to update the marking software" on page 140, to upgrade the preinstalled software.



CAUTION: Arex™ 400AF is compatible only with Lighter Suite 9.1.0 and following.

Important Warnings

Access to the internal parts of the laser marker is allowed only to authorized personnel, duly qualified and trained with regards to risks of optical and electrical nature.

Datalogic declines any and all responsibility for work carried out on active parts by untrained or unauthorized personnel.



CAUTION: It is forbidden to change the intended use for which the product was designed and developed.
Datalogic declines any and all responsibility for improper use of its laser product.



CAUTION: The integration and use of this laser marker is customer responsibility.



CAUTION: Never expose reflecting surfaces to laser radiation! The reflected laser beam may cause damage to laser marker.



CAUTION: Laser marking interacts with materials through, for example, a thermal carbonization process which may lead to the emission of fumes, dust and vapors.
Adequate fume/dust extractor and treatment must be provided by customer!



WARNING: Marking PVC (or other plastic material) can cause the release of chlorine gas which can be harmful to the laser operator and to the laser marker itself. Always use adequate fume extractor during PVC and plastic marking.



CAUTION: It is the responsibility of the customer to install the laser marker in proper safety condition!



CAUTION: Compliance with requirements for guarding, shielding, and other concerns related to the laser marker is the responsibility of the Laser Safety Officer at each installation site.

CHAPTER 2

INSTALLATION

UNPACKING



CAUTION: Control rack and scan head are joined by a connection cable 3 meters long, referred as Head Cable. Control rack and scan head are NOT separable.



CAUTION: Be extremely careful to not damage the connection cable between scan head and control rack.



CAUTION: To avoid damaging or breaking the optical fiber, never subject the Head Cable to a bending radius below the limits specified in the technical specification table (see “Head Cable minimum bending radius” on page 22).



CAUTION: The Arex™ 400AF laser marker is a delicate optical device, that can be damaged by shock and vibrations.

Before installing or operating the laser marker, you should:

- Inspect the shipping container for damage
- Inspect the laser marker for signs of damage
- Confirm that the shipping box contains all items on the shipping inventory list including any accessories

When unpacking the laser marker from the shipping box you should:

- Remove the accessories and documentations
- Carefully remove the laser marker from the packaging using both hands

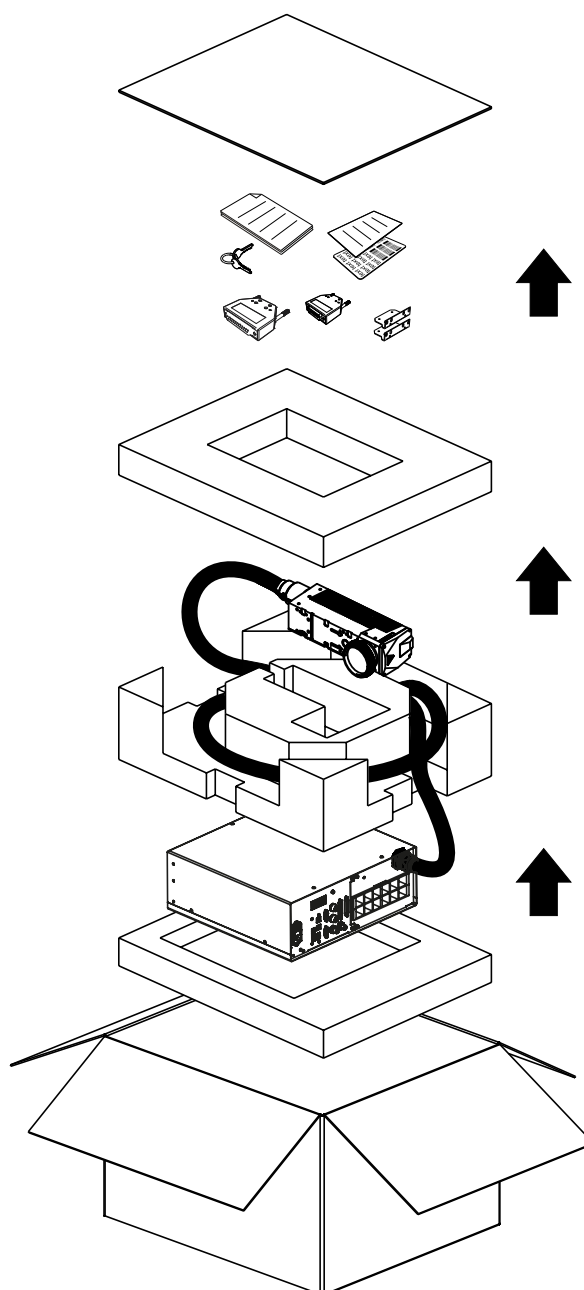
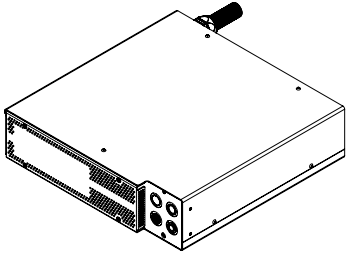
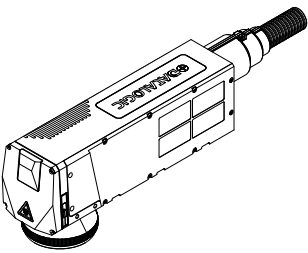
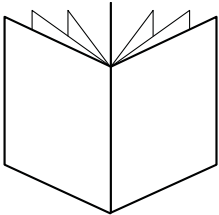
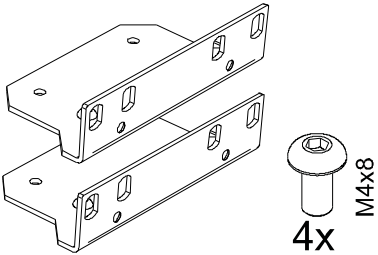
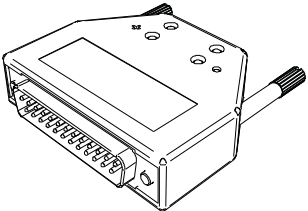
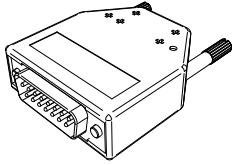
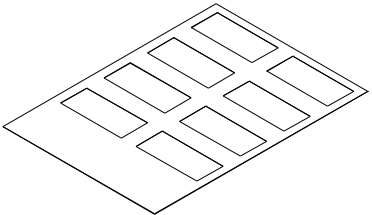
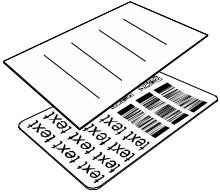
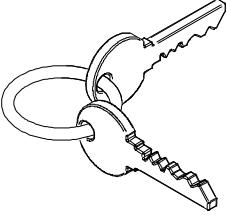


Figure 1: Unpacking

Keep all packing materials until the laser has been inspected for completeness and damage. If something is missing or defective, call Datalogic (see “Technical Support” on page 5 for contact details).

Be sure to use the original packaging material for the transportation of this laser marker, otherwise transportation could cause malfunctions or damage. Keep the original packaging materials for future use. Be careful to ship the laser marker following the recommendations present in the packaging labels.

CONTENTS OF THE PACKAGING

 Control Rack	 Scan Head	 Quick Reference Guide
 Rack Fixing Brackets	 X1 - Command Box BYPASS DEVICE	 X3 - SLO BYPASS DEVICE
 Safety labels	 Test report and sample test plate	 Selector Keys

ON MOISTURE CONDENSATION

If the laser marker is brought directly from a cold to a warm location, moisture may condense inside or outside the laser product. This moisture condensation may cause a malfunction of the laser marker.

Note on moisture condensation

Moisture may condense when you bring the laser marker from a cold place into a warm place (or vice versa) and when you use the laser marker in a humid place.

If moisture condensation occurs

Turn off the laser marker and wait about 1 hour for the moisture to evaporate.

How to avoid moisture condensation

Before moving the laser marker from a cold place into a warm place, put it in a plastic bag and seal it tightly. Remove the bag when the air temperature inside the plastic bag has reached the ambient temperature (after about 1 hour).

FIXING AND POSITIONING



CAUTION: Fix the laser marker according to instructions shown in the figures.



CAUTION: It is mandatory to secure the laser marker before you start marking, since improper securing or positioning may cause serious damage.

Do not secure the laser marker in a way other than the one described in the figure.



CAUTION: Introduction of optical or mechanical surfaces, such as mechanical shutters or additional protective glass, between F-Theta scan lens output and marking surface may cause optical feedback into the laser marker. Optical induced damage caused to laser marker by reflection from external surfaces is not covered by warranty.



NOTE: In order to prevent marking distortions, avoid vibrations and bumps during the marking process!



NOTE: It is recommended to install the scan head on a positioning Z-axis system for accurate mounting at focal distance!

CONTROL RACK INSTALLATION

Horizontal installation

The control rack must be positioned in a safe manner, following the recommendations below:

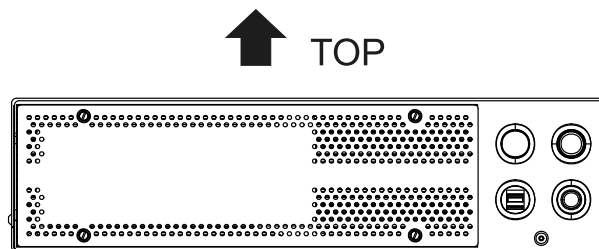


Figure 2: Control rack horizontal positioning

The control rack can be installed on a standard 19" rack cabinet using the fixing brackets. Rack handles for an easier installation are available as an accessory (see "[Rack Handles](#)" on page 93).

The figure below shows the fixing points for installation in a rack cabinet.

Using the fixing brackets is possible to install the control rack in three different positions inside the cabinet:

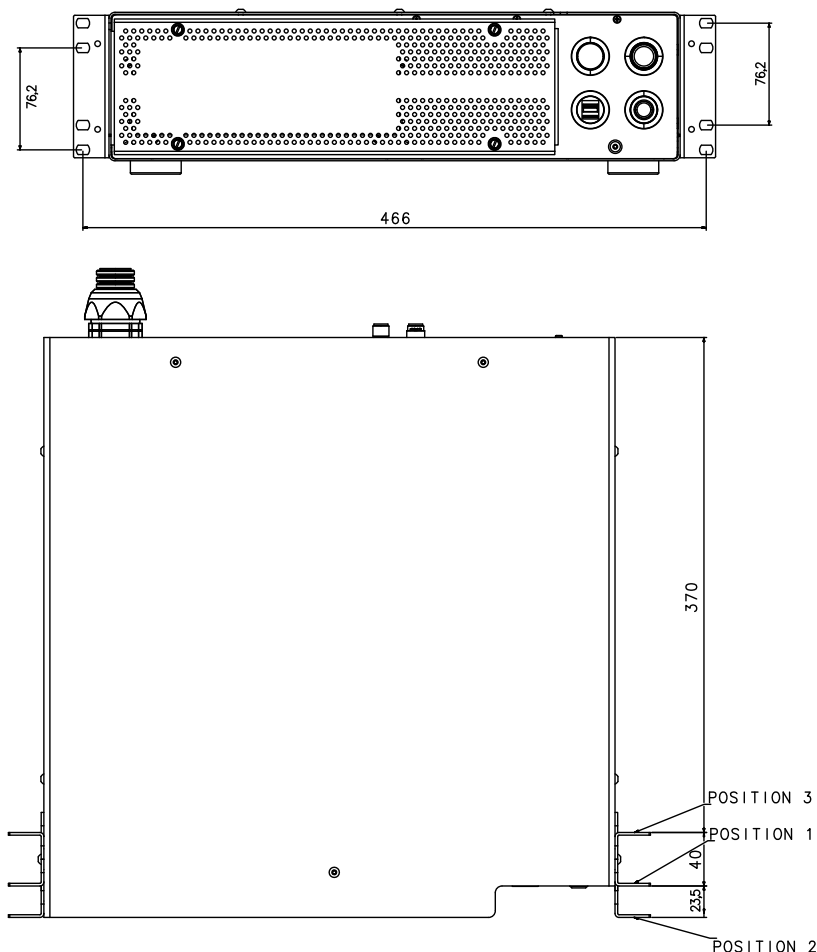


Figure 3: Control rack fixing bracket mounting configuration



NOTE: All dimensions are in millimeters.

Using this position the fixing brackets are aligned with the console.

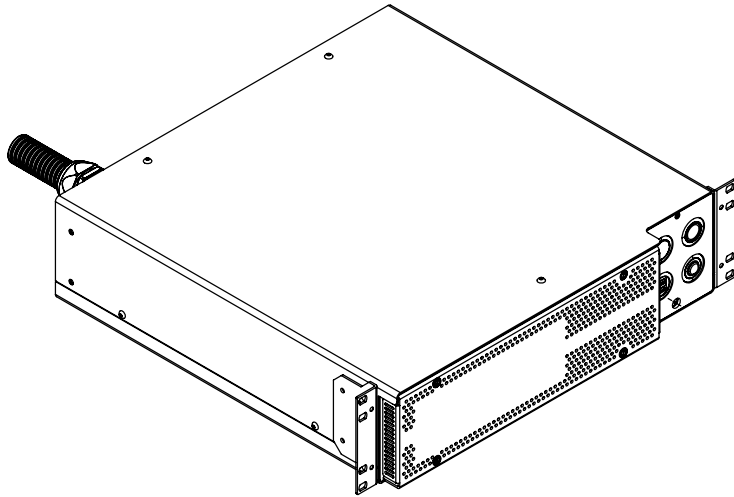


Figure 4: Control rack fixing brackets mounting position 1

Using this position the fixing brackets are aligned with the frontal grid panel.

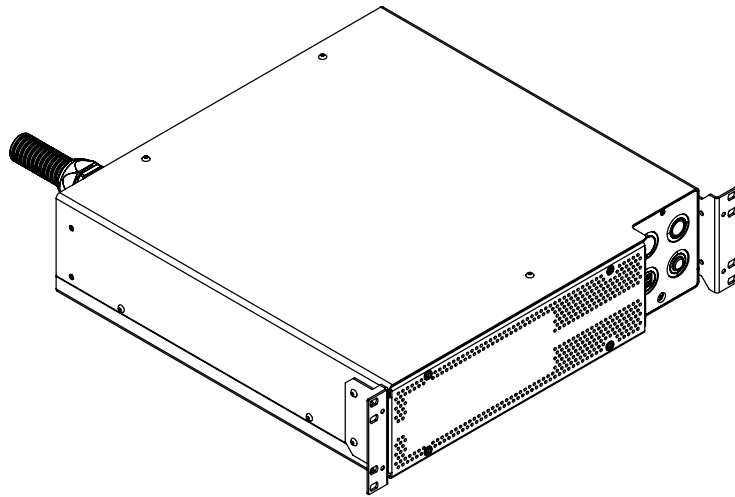


Figure 5: Control rack fixing brackets mounting position 2

Use this position if you want to use a pre-existing integration for AREX™ 3 and it is required that the back panel of AREX™ 400AF is in the same position as the back panel of AREX™ 3 inside the cabinet.

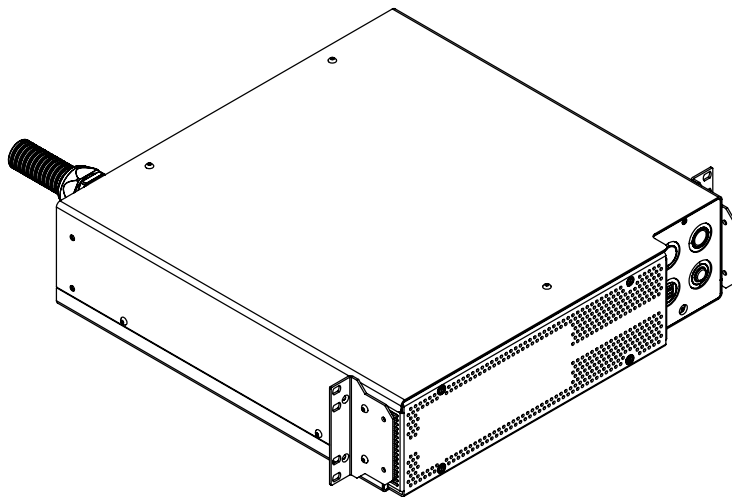


Figure 6: Control rack fixing brackets mounting position 3

Vertical installation

The control rack must be positioned in a safe manner, following the recommendations below.



NOTE: The feet must be removed from the bottom of the control rack and installed on the left side of the control rack using the appropriate fixing points. Tightening torque = 0.5 Nm.

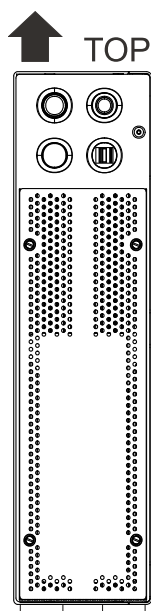


Figure 7: Control rack vertical positioning



CAUTION: The control rack **MUST** be fixed to a side wall using the appropriate fixing points placed on the bottom of the control rack.

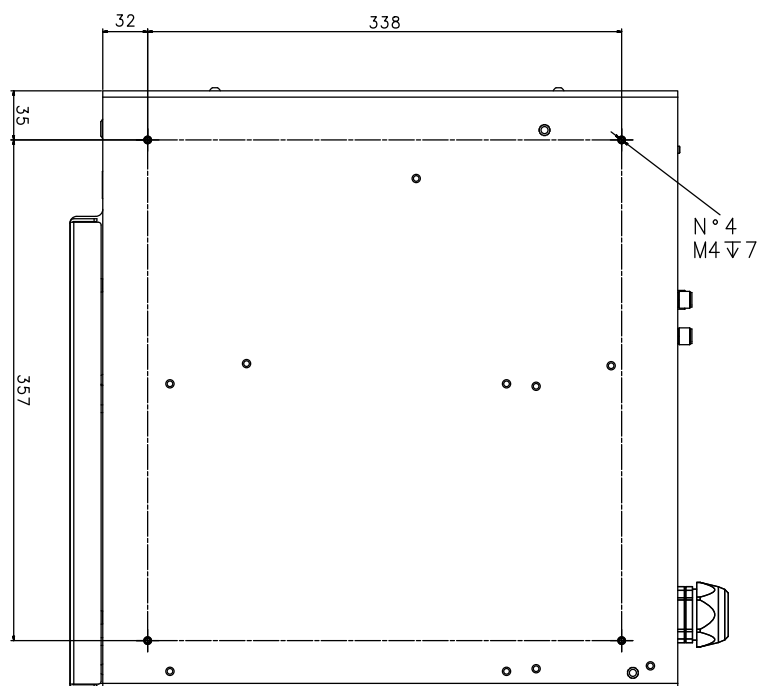


Figure 8: Control rack fixing points for vertical installation

Control rack mounting screws length

To determine the length of the mounting screws, consider the thickness of the mounting plate and the thickness of the washer.

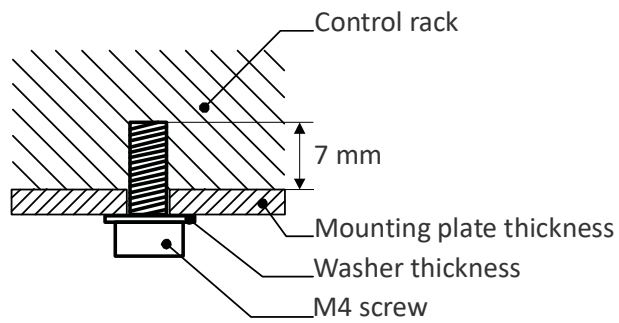


Figure 9: Length of mounting screws



NOTE: Mounting holes depth is = 7mm. Tightening torque = 2 Nm.

SCAN HEAD INSTALLATION

The scan head can be installed in any orientation and must be fixed to a suitable base (not supplied by Datalogic) using the dedicated threaded holes and the high-precision slotted seats:

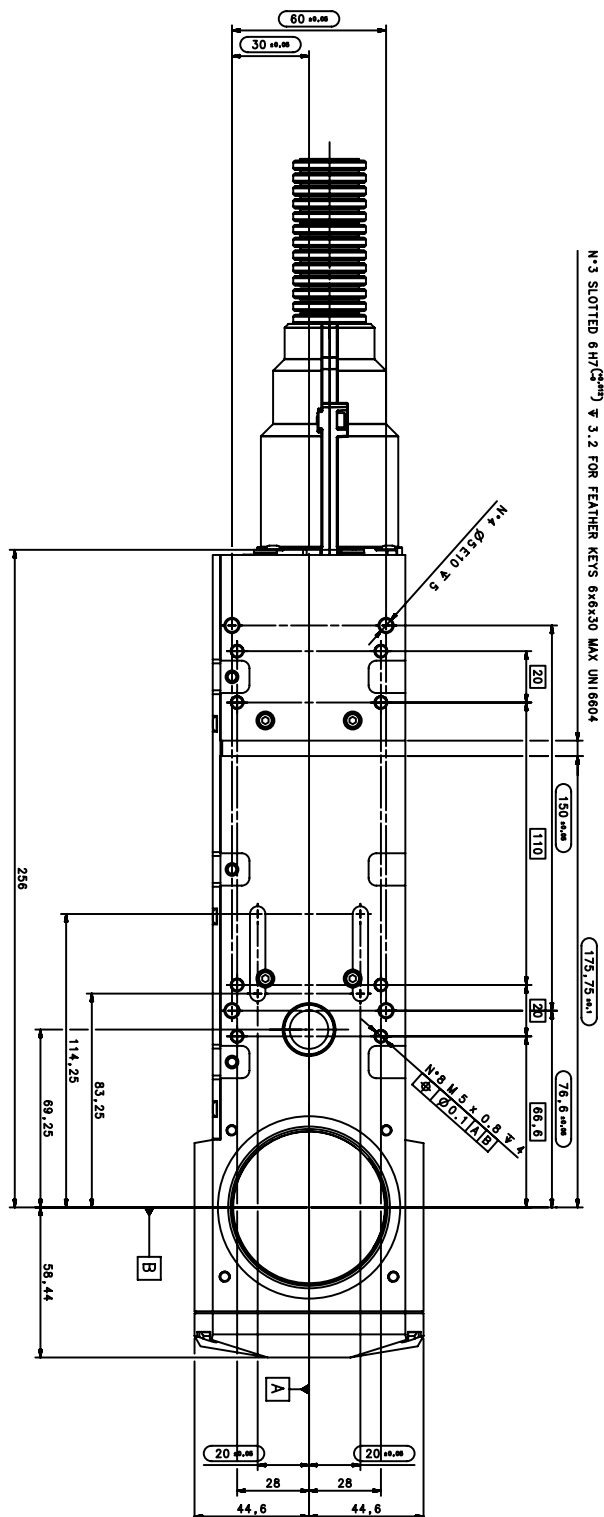


Figure 10: Fixing points on scan head (bottom view)



NOTE: All dimensions are in millimeters.

It is also possible to mount the scan head sideways using dedicated threaded holes:

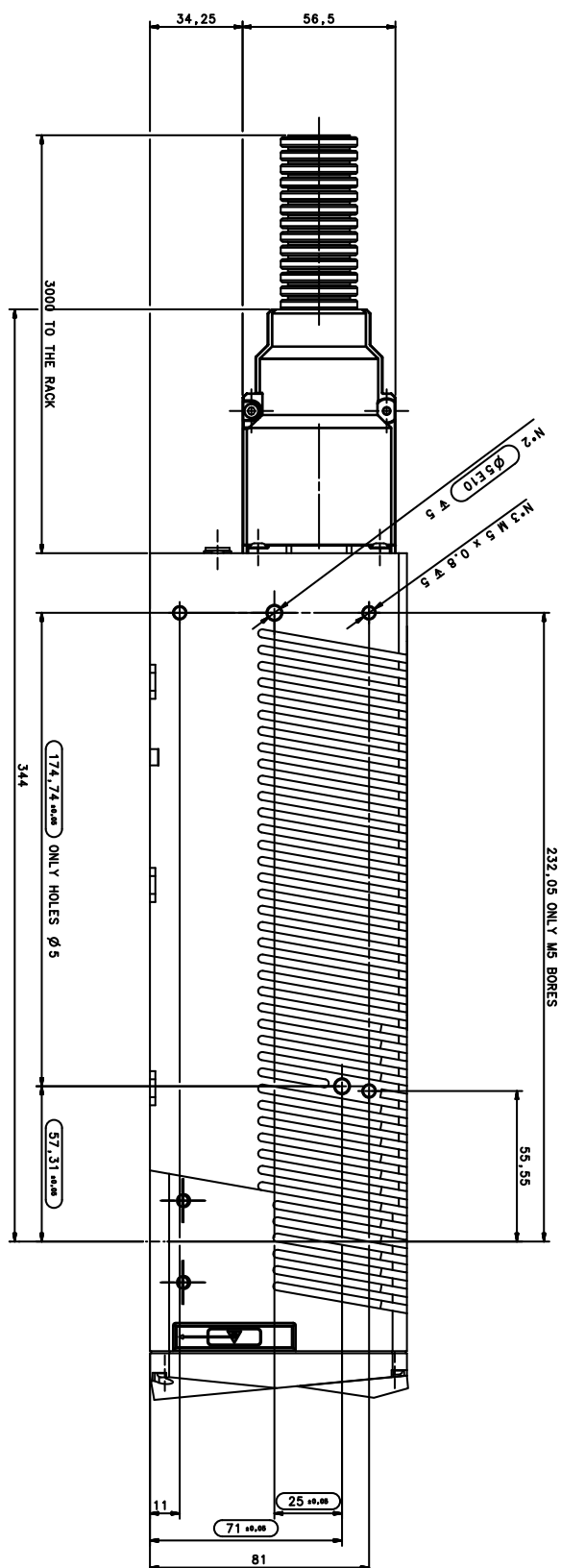


Figure 11: Fixing points on scan head side



NOTE: All dimensions are in millimeters.

Scan head mounting screws length

To determine the length of the mounting screws, consider the thickness of the mounting plate and the thickness of the washer.

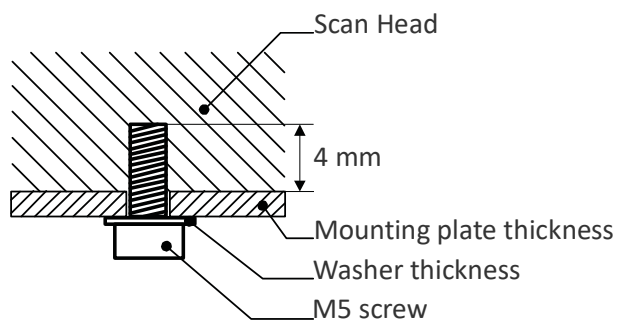


Figure 12: Length of mounting screws



NOTE: Mounting holes depth is = 4mm. Tightening torque = 2 Nm.

INSTALLATION ENVIRONMENT

Control rack

The control rack must be installed in a suitable environment in order to allow proper air flow and correct housing of the cables.

The control rack uses a forced air cooling system: an adequate air flow is necessary to guarantee its correct cooling. Install the control rack so that air flow is not obstructed. Moreover, do not install it near a heat source.



CAUTION: If not enough space is provided, the temperature inside the control rack could rise, causing temperature error.

Clean the air filter when it is dirty. If the air filter is dirty, insufficient air-flow might not ensure correct cooling and might stop the marking operation. Clean or replace the air filter periodically.

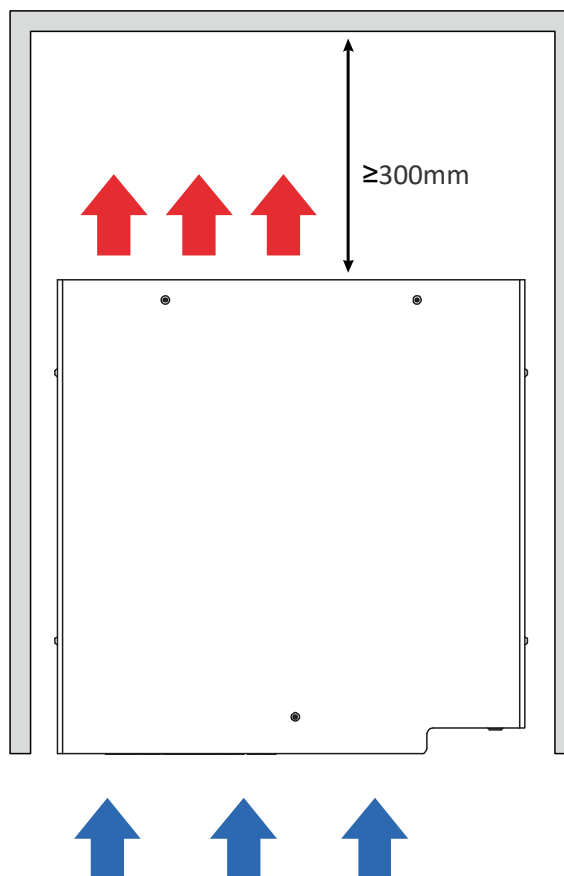


Figure 13: Control rack installation environment



CAUTION: DO NOT place heavy objects on top of the control rack!



NOTE: The control rack IP rating is IP31 in horizontal position, otherwise IP30.

Scan Head

The scan head must be installed in a suitable environment in order to allow proper air flow and correct housing of the cables.

The scan head uses a passive air cooling system: an adequate air flow is necessary to guarantee its correct cooling. Install the scan head so that air flow is not obstructed. Moreover, do not install it near a heat source.



CAUTION: If not enough space is provided, the temperature inside the scan head could rise, causing temperature error.

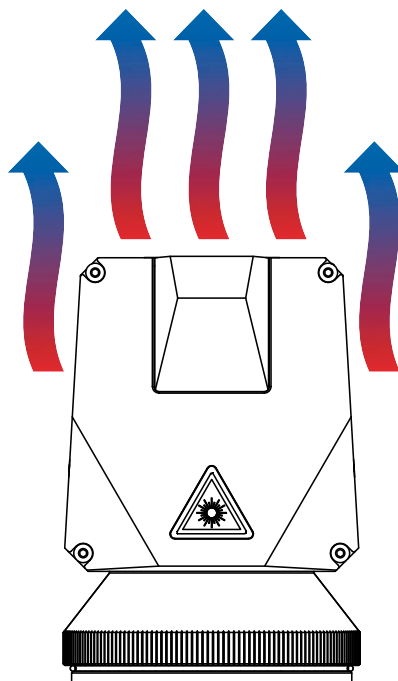


Figure 14: Scan head installation environment



NOTE: The scan head IP rating is IP64 not considering F-Theta scan lens.

FUME / DUST EXTRACTOR

During the marking process, dust and/or fume may be produced. It is important to use an adequate fume/dust extractor and/or air filtration (see “Fume Extractor” on page 93).



CAUTION: Marking PVC (or other plastic material) can cause the release of chlorine gas which can be harmful to the laser operator and to the laser marker itself. Always use adequate fume extractor during PVC and plastic marking.

CHAPTER 3

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

AREX 400AF		42M-xAF	410-xAF	420-xAF	430-xAF	450-xAF	40C-xAF
ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS							
Input Voltage (main power supply)	V (~)	100 to 240 @ 50-60 Hz					
Max. Input Current (main power supply)	A	4 - 1.6				6.8 - 2.7	
Max power	W	400				680	
LASER SOURCE SPECIFICATIONS ¹							
Laser Type		MOPA	Pulsed Fiber Laser				
Nominal Average Power	W	20	10	20	30	50	100
Pulse Energy (max.)	mJ	1					
Peak Power (max.)	kW	10	10				
Central Emission Wavelength	nm	1055-1075					
Typical Nominal Pulse Width	ns	1.5 to 350	100				
Repetition Rate	kHz	2 to 950	2 to 200				
Laser Aiming Beam Focus Beam		max. 1mW - 655 nm					
ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS							
Operating Temperature	°C (°F)	5 to 40 (41 to 104)				5 to 35 (41 to 95)	
Storage Temperature	°C (°F)	-10 to 60 (14 to 140)					
Humidity	%	< 90 without condensation					
Max. Altitude	m	2000					
Shock and Vibration		MIL 810E "CAT 1 Basic Transportation"					
Package Drop Test	cm	60					
Pollution Degree		2					
Overvoltage Category		II					

AREX 400AF		42M-xAF	410-xAF	420-xAF	430-xAF	450-xAF	40C-xAF
PHYSICAL SPECIFICATIONS							
Control Rack dimensions (HxWxD)	mm (in)	111x427x433.5 (4.43x16.81x17.1)					157.7x427x433.5 (6.2x16.81x17.1)
Control Rack Weight	kg (lbs)	17.5 (38.8)					23.5 (51.8)
Control Rack IP Rating		IP31 (in horizontal position, otherwise IP30)					
Control Rack Cooling		Forced Air Rack fans: L10@40°C = 70000 h Laser source fans: L10@40°C = 65000 h					
Noise	dB (A)	<65 at 1 meter					
Scan Head dimensions (HxWxD) ²	mm (in)	95.4x89.2x312.5 (3.75x3.51x12.3)					
Scan Head Weight ³	kg (lbs)	3.5 (7.7)					
Scan Head IP Rating		IP64					
Scan Head Cooling		Air Cooling					
Head Cable minimum bending radius	mm in	80 (fixed installation); 110 (mobile installation) 3.15 (fixed installation); 4.33 (mobile installation)					
Head Cable length	mm (in)	2885 (113.5)					
Beam deflection		High speed galvanometer scanning system					
OTHER SPECIFICATIONS							
Marking speed ⁴	mm/s	Up to 10000					
Char Marking Speed ⁵	char/s	Up to 600					
MOF (marking on fly)		YES (constant speed or encoder)					
Line speed - Productivity	m/min pcs/s	Up to 75 3					
Marking Control and Software		EMC (Embedded Marking Control) and Lighter™ Suite					
Communication		RS232, Ethernet (TCP/IP 10, 100 Mbit), EtherNet/IP ProfiNet I/O, TcpServer Protocol, Digital I/O					

1. Specification @ 25°C
2. Without F-Theta scan lens
3. Without F-Theta scan lens
4. May vary: measured with $f = 160\text{mm}$
5. Single line string, Roman-s font, 1mm height

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Control rack

A description of the main parts of the control rack unit is provided here below:

AREX 410/420/42M/430/450-xAF models:

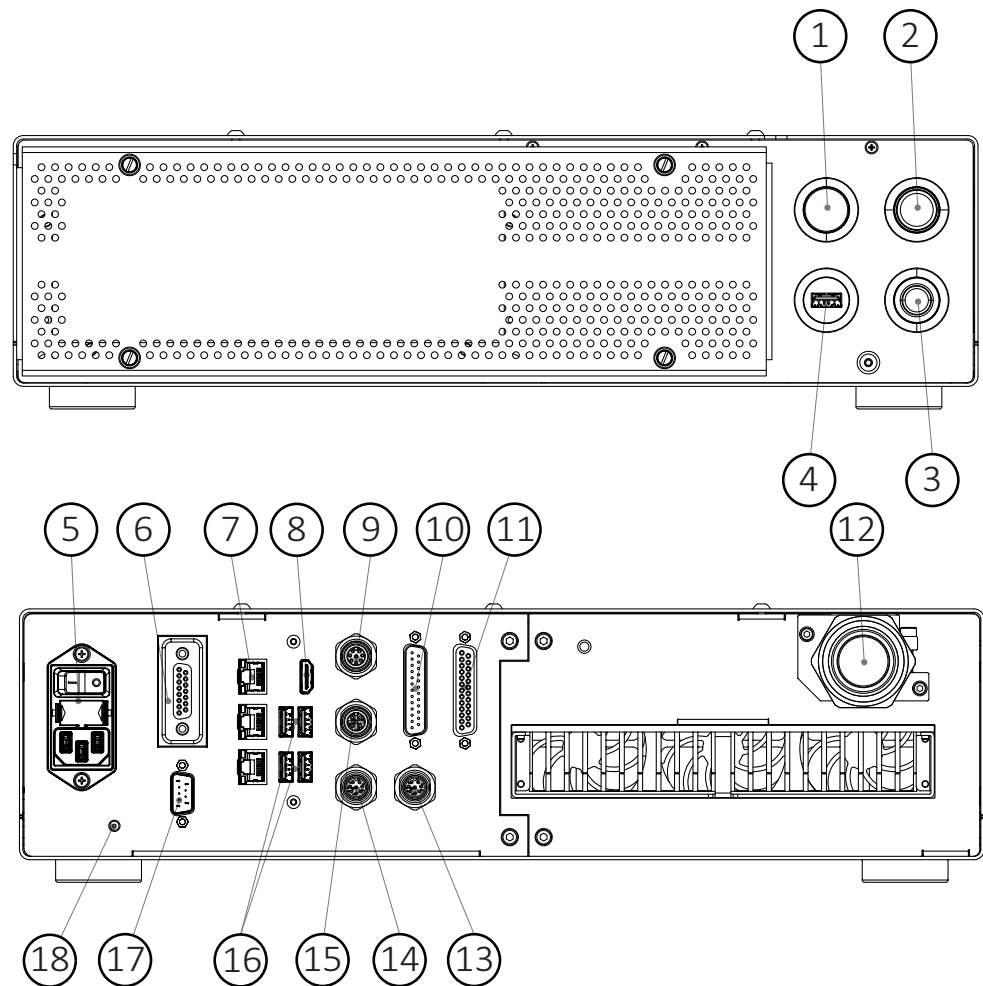


Figure 15: Control rack overview 10W,20W,30W and 50W (front and back panels view)

Front panel:

- 1 - Status LED
- 2 - Start Marking button
- 3 - Key Selector
- 4 - USB 2.0 port

Back panel:

- 5 - Main Power Supply connection
- 6 - X3 - SLO connector
- 7 - Ethernet ports (3x)
- 8 - HDMI port
- 9 - Encoder connector
- 10 - X2 - Axes connector (I/O Control)
- 11 - X1 - Command Box connector (Laser Control)
- 12 - Head Cable
- 13 - Device Port 2
- 14 - Device Port 1
- 15 - Photocell connector
- 16 - USB 2.0 ports (4x)
- 17 - RS232 port
- 18 - Earth ground connection

AREX 40C-xAF models:

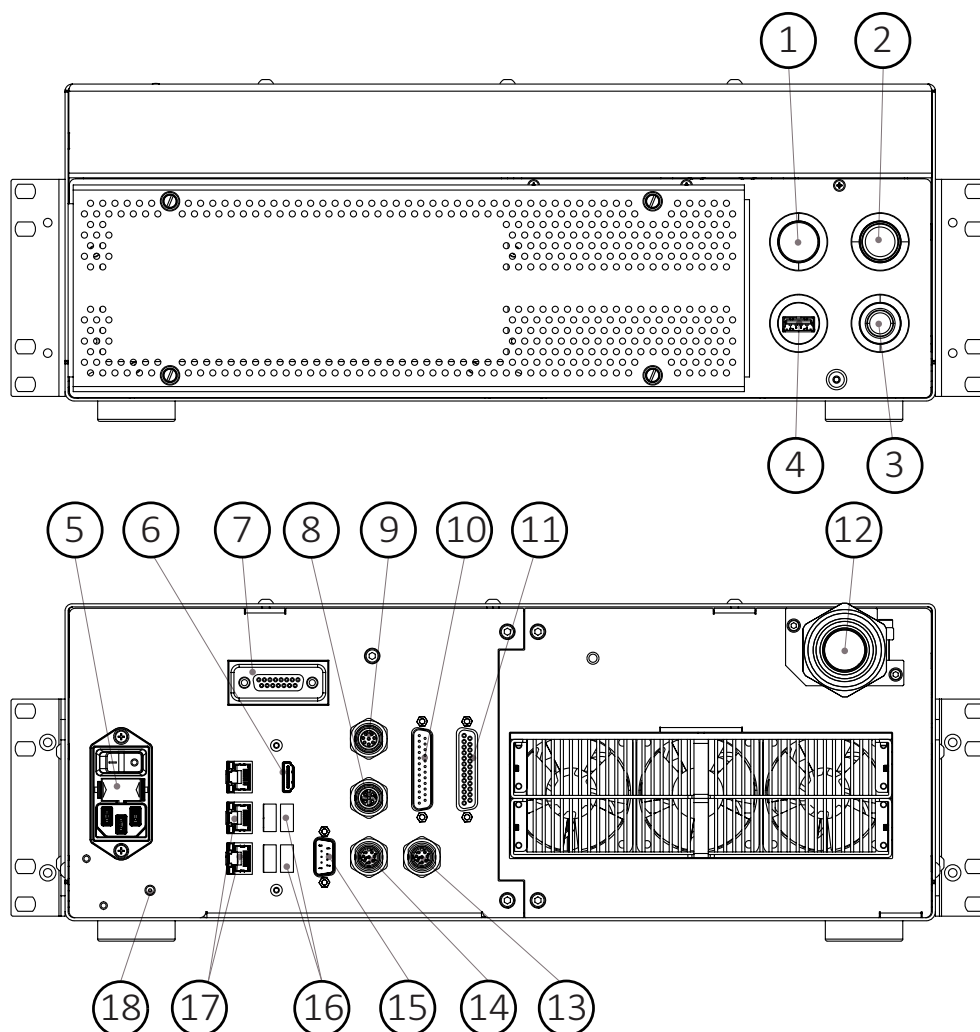


Figure 16: Control rack overview 100W (front and back panels view)

Front panel:

- 1 - Status LED
- 2 - Start Marking button
- 3 - Key Selector
- 4 - USB 2.0 port

Back panel:

- 5 - Main Power Supply connection
- 6 - HDMI port
- 7 - X3 - SLO connector
- 8 - Photocell connector
- 9 - Encoder connector
- 10 - X2 - Axes connector (I/O Control)
- 11 - X1 - Command Box connector (Laser Control)
- 12 - Head Cable
- 13 - Device Port 2
- 14 - Device Port 1
- 15 - RS232 port
- 16 - USB 2.0 ports (4x)
- 17 - Ethernet ports (3x)
- 18 - Earth ground connection

Scan head

A description of the main parts of the scan head unit is provided here below:

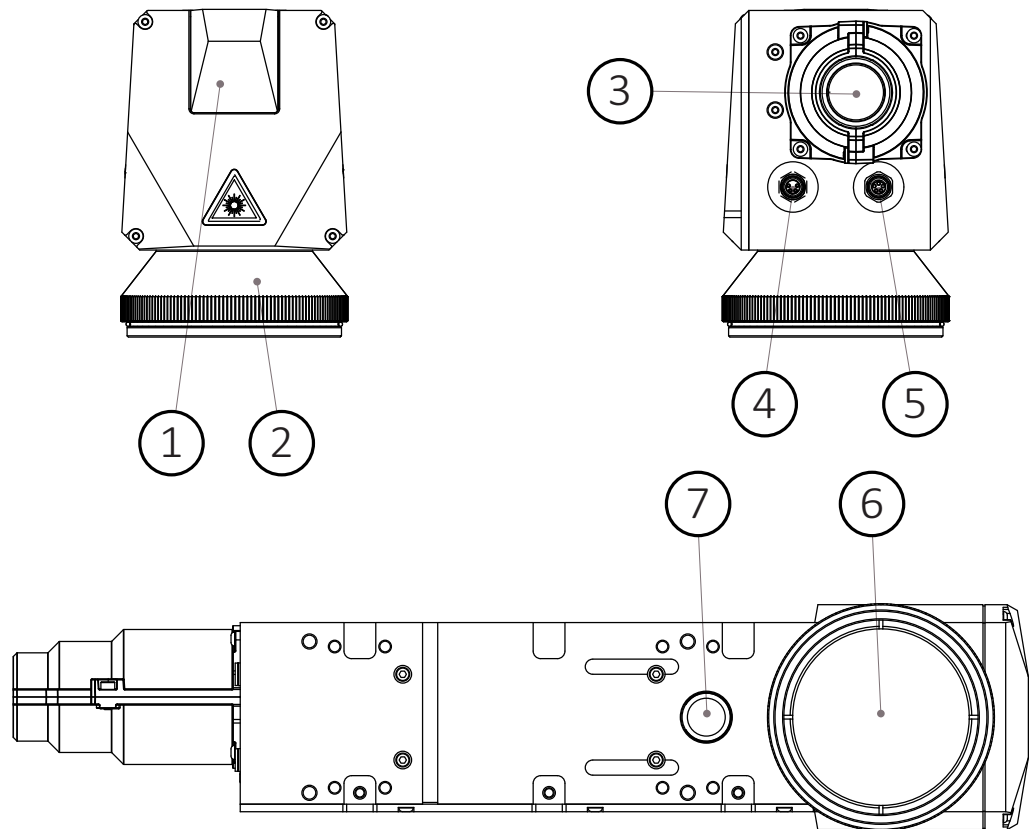


Figure 17: Scan head overview (front, rear and bottom view)

1. Status LED
2. F-Theta Scan Lens
3. Head Cable
4. External Focus Beam connector
5. External Distance Sensor connector
6. IR laser beam output / Aiming laser beam output / Green Spot output
7. Focusing Beam output

MARKING AREA SPECIFICATION

Datalogic provides a wide range of laser marker models with different F-Theta scan lenses configurations.

These configurations are provided to best match customer needs regarding marking field size, working distance and power density.



NOTE: Contact Datalogic if other configurations are necessary.



NOTE: Definition of Marking Area: square marking field within which power is >95% with respect to power in center.



CAUTION: This product was designed to use only certain configurations of F-Theta scan lens and marking field. If your needs are not satisfied by the currently available F-Theta scan lens configurations please contact Datalogic for a solution. The use of other F-Theta scan lenses or operation outside the specified marking field for a certain F-Theta scan lens configuration can lead to damage of the F-Theta scan lens, scan head or laser source. Such damage is not covered by warranty!



CAUTION: For each F-Theta scan lens configuration Datalogic provides a specific adapter. This adapter ensures that residual back reflections caused by the F-Theta scan lens do not damage the scanning head optics. The removal of such adapter or its incorrect use (for example incomplete threading, use of another F-Theta scan lens adapter, etc.) can lead to damage of the F-Theta scan lens, scan head or laser source. Such damage is not covered by warranty!

F-Theta Scan Lens

The table below lists the standard F-Theta scan lenses currently available for Arex™:

F-Theta Scan Lens		4xx-MAF	4xx-NAF	4xx-BAF
Lens Diameter		M60	M60	M85
Standard Working Distance (SWD) ¹	mm	158	261	492.5
Standard Fixing Distance (SFD) ¹	mm	198.5	301.5	560.5
Z-adjustment range	mm	± 20	± 40	± 60
Marking Area (MA) ²	mm ²	90 x 90 ³	140 x 140	285 x 285

1. $Z = 0$
2. Marking outside this Marking Area (up to 100x100mm) is allowed for 410-MAF, 420-MAF, 42M-MAF in $Z=0$
3. 90x90 for 430-MAF, 450-MAF and 40C-MAF models



NOTE: The Working Distance is defined as the distance between the center of the marking area (defined in the focal plane) and the closest mechanical edge of the F-Theta scan lens.



NOTE: The Fixing Distance is defined as the distance between the base of the scan head and the marking area.

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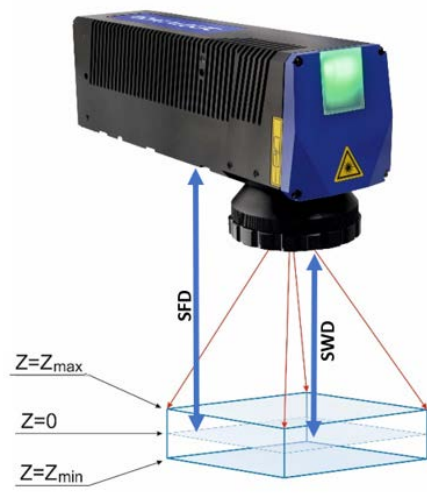


Figure 18: Marking Area



NOTE: The focal point is defined as the position where the Focusing Beam is aligned with the center of the circular pattern generated by the Aiming Beam. Refer to “Smart focusing” on page 32 for further details.

ADJUSTABLE FOCUS FUNCTIONALITIES

Adjustable focus and operating modes

The Arex™ 400AF laser marker introduces the adjustable focus function, enabling dynamic control of the working distance and allowing marking on components with multiple height levels.

In Lighter Laser Editor, the Z position can be assigned at Layer level or at Object level. Once the Z Axis flag is enabled in the property browser, the value is called Height and is expressed in mm.

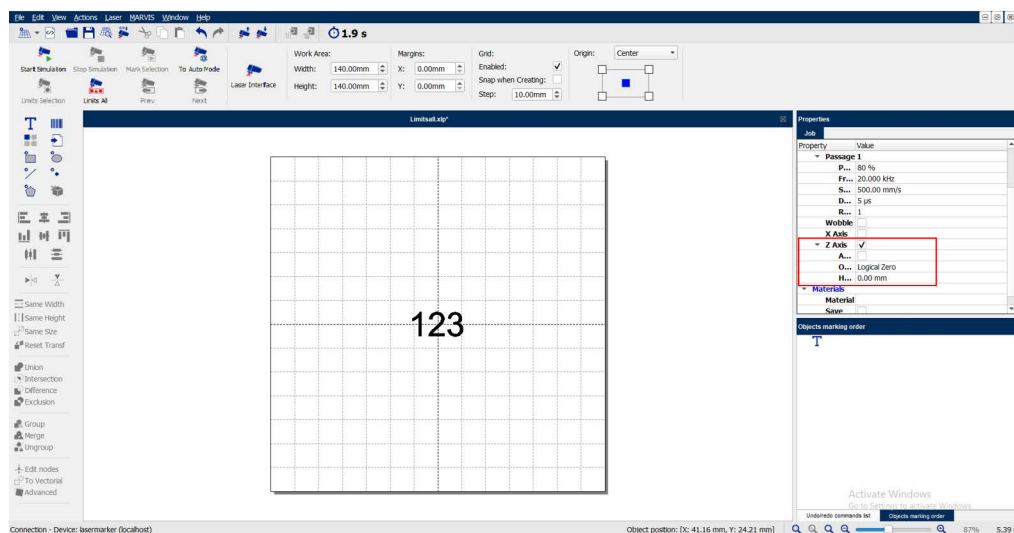


Figure 19: Layer level

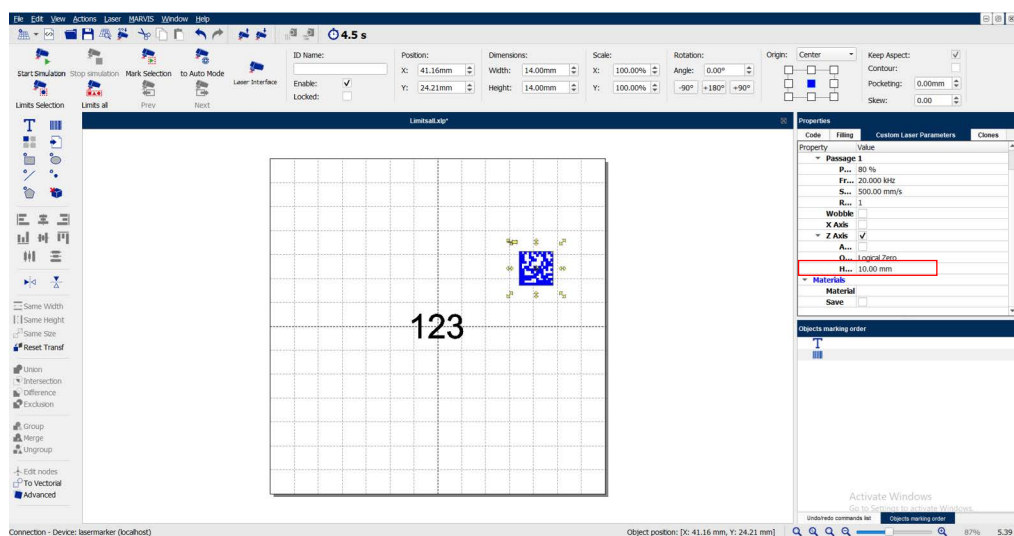


Figure 20: Object level

Multiple objects can be assigned multiple positions to realize marking at different focus distances. The focus distance specified for each object will be reached before marking the object itself.

In Laser Interface, for the Z axis, it's possible to configure three operating modes:

1. Internal
2. External
3. Internal + External

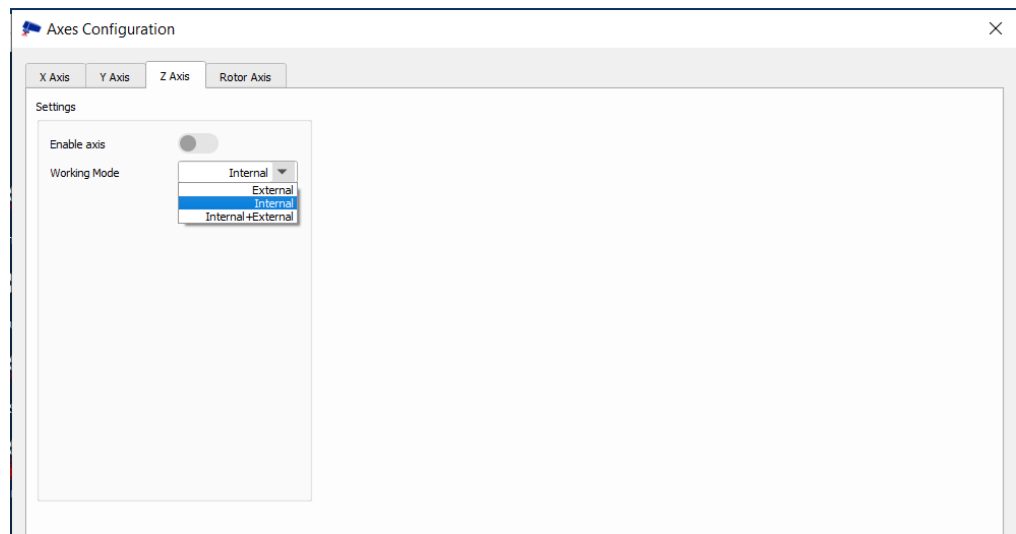


Figure 21: Z axis configuration

Internal Mode

In this mode only of the internal focus shifter is enabled. The working distance of each f-theta configuration can be adjusted via software within the following ranges.

Working distance adjustable range by Lens Type:

- Arex 4xx-MAF: 158 ± 20 mm
- Arex 4xx-NAF: 261 ± 40 mm
- Arex 4xx-BAF: 492.5 ± 60 mm

For each lens, the nominal factory focus position is in the center of the range (Z=0).

In Laser Interface window is possible to see the Z adjustment range (for the lens configuration in use), the Z nominal position and the Z current position.

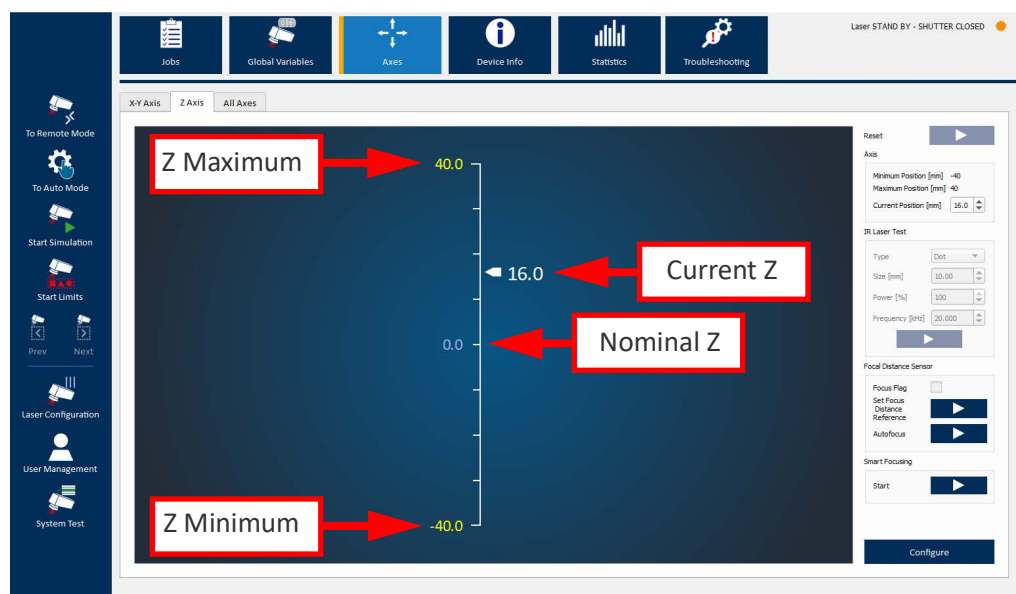


Figure 22: Internal mode

External Mode

In this mode only the external stepper Z axis controller (at X2 socket) is enabled. The internal focus shifter is positioned by default in the center of its range (nominal position) and it will not move. This ensures full backward compatibility with the Arex400 product family.

To configure the external stepper Z axis parameters clicks the configuration button in Laser interface window and select External.

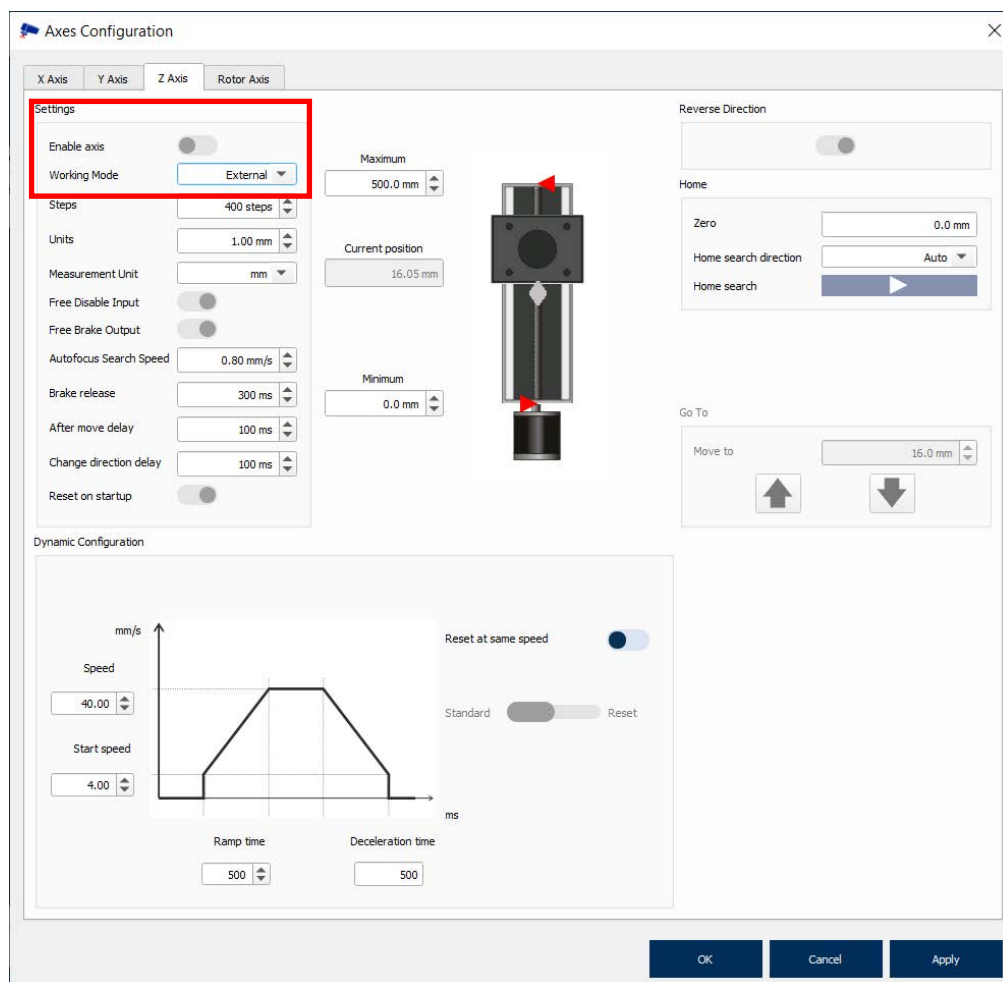


Figure 23: External mode

Internal + External Mode

In this mode both the Internal focus shifter and the external stepper Z axis controller are enables.

The movement philosophy is the following:

- If the final Z position is within the range of the internal focus shifter only the internal axis will be moved
- If the final Z position exceeds the range of the internal focus shifter, the internal axis is reset at nominal position (center of the range) and the external stepper controller is used.

This mode of operation allows to reach Z adjustment beyond the range of the internal focus shifter.

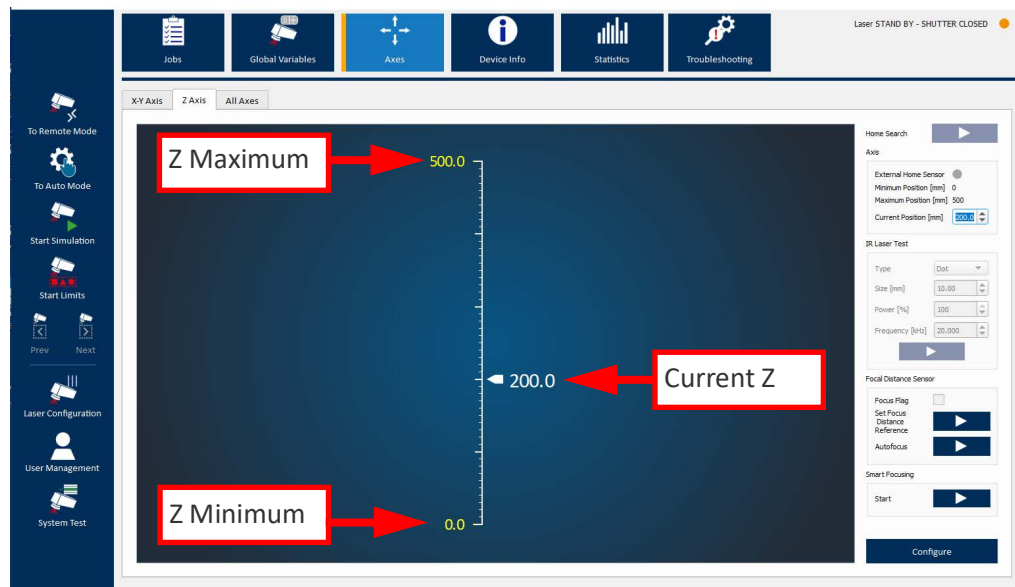


Figure 24: Internal + External mode



NOTE: The external motorized axis is not supplied by Datalogic.

Smart focusing

The smart focusing is a new function that allows to have visual feedback of the correct laser marker focus position at different Z positions of the focus shifter.



Figure 25: Smart focusing

By clicking the **Start** button in the **Smart Focusing** section, the system projects a circle with the aiming beam. The correct Laser Marker focus distance is defined as the point where the **focusing beam** is in the center of the **circle projected from the aiming beam** coming from the f-theta lens.

At each focus position within the Z-axis range supported by the installed lens, the focusing beam and the projected circle remain concentric at the laser marker focal distance, providing a precise visual reference for optimal focus alignment.

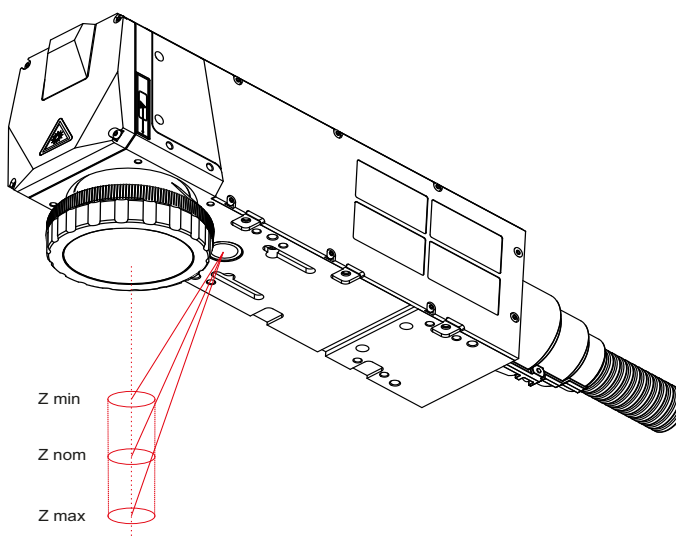


Figure 26: Smart focusing function



NOTE: The smart focusing function is usable for Arex 4xx-MAF and 4xx-NAF models only.



NOTE: The smart focusing function is enabled if the laser marker is in Standby-shutter closed status.

Multiple aiming



NOTE: Multiple aiming function is enabled if the laser marker is in Standby-shutter closed status.

When multiple objects are positioned at different Z-levels, clicking the Limits all button the system projects the limits of each object (or group of objects) according to its specific Z position.

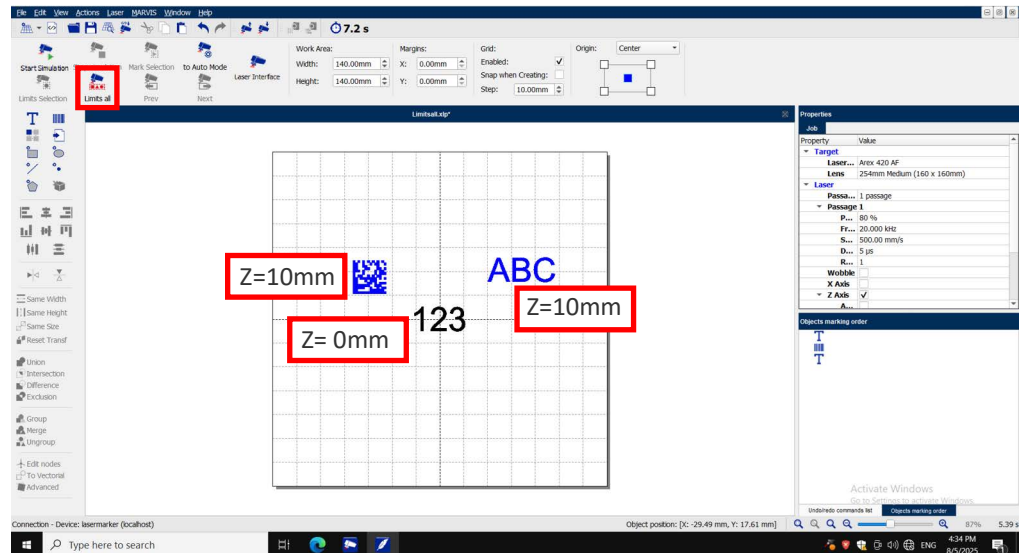
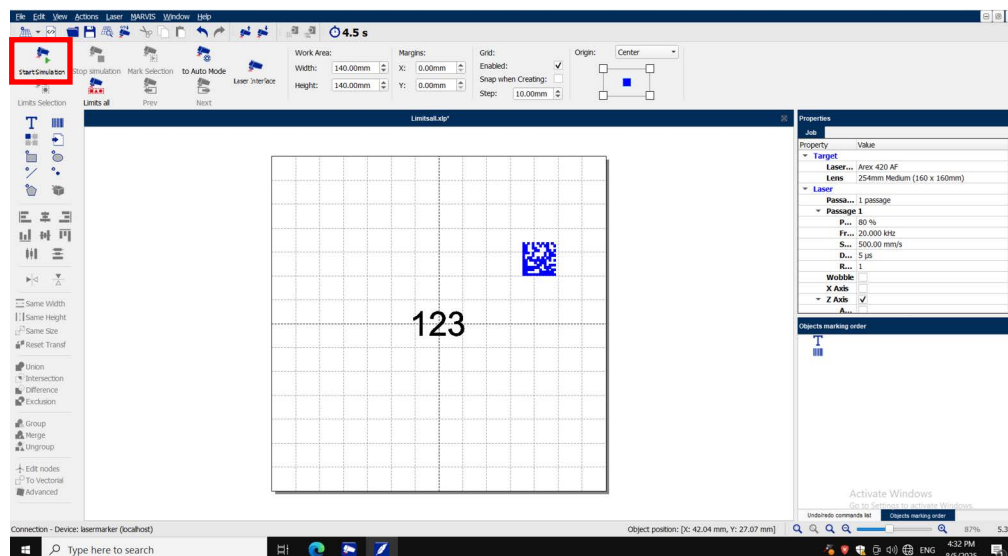


Figure 27: Limits all

By default, the limits projection starts from the lowest Z-value. By clicking “Prev” and “Next”, it is possible to navigate through the different Z values and view the corresponding limit projections.

Simulator



When the laser is in Standby shutter closed status it's possible to simulate the marking process and marking time by clicking the **Start Simulation** button. The marking will be done by the aiming beam following the same objects order and parameters of the real marking process.

If necessary, the simulation can be stopped by clicking the **Stop Simulation** button.

When the simulation is finished the marking time is readable on the bottom right corner of the Laser editor window.



GREEN SPOT

The Green Spot is an indicator integrated in the scan head able to provide a green visual feedback in the center of marking field area.

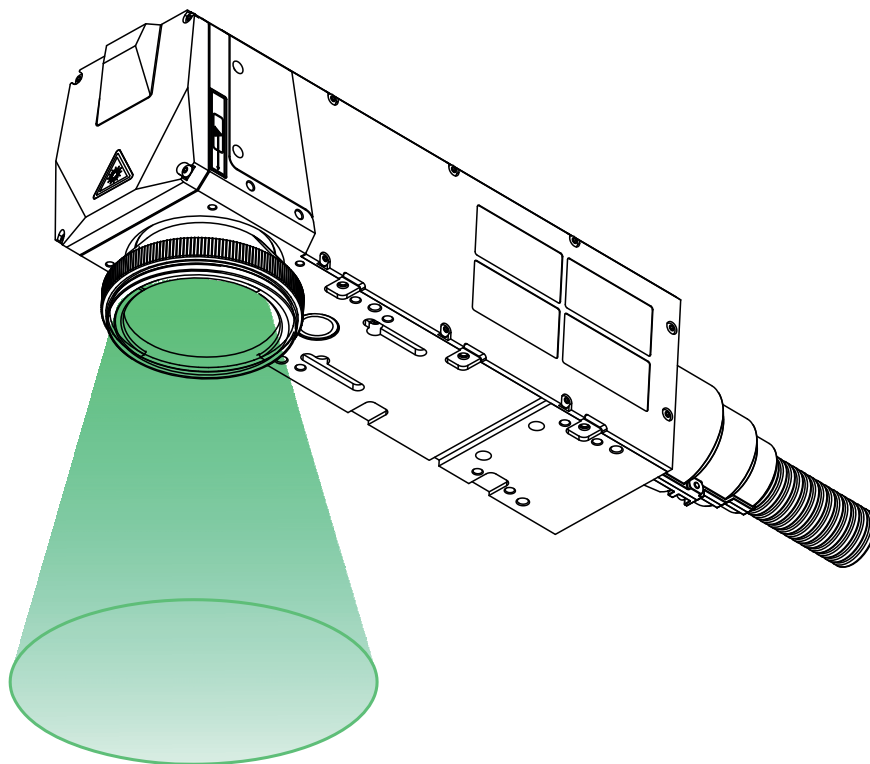


Figure 28: Green Spot indicator

CONFIGURATION ¹	DESCRIPTION
OFF	The Green Spot indicator is not active (always OFF)
SYSTEM READY TO MARK	The Green Spot is steady ON only when all these events are verified: - the laser marker is in READY state - a document is in AUTO MODE or WORK MODE - the marking process is not in progress
MARKING CONFIRMATION	The Green Spot turns ON when all these events are verified: - the laser marker is in READY state - a document is in AUTO MODE or WORK MODE - the marking process was correctly executed (no errors, no stop marking, no state changing) The Green Spot indicator turns ON at the end of the marking process and stay active for a configurable range of time from 0.1s to 5s
MARVIS VERIFICATION	This is available only if MARVIS™ feature is enabled. The Green Spot turns ON when all these events are verified: - the laser marker is in READY state - a document is in AUTO MODE or WORK MODE - the marking process was correctly executed (no errors, no stop marking, no state changing) - the verification of the marking content made by MARVIS™ device was positive The Green Spot indicator turns ON at the end of the marking process and stay active for a configurable range of time from 0.1s to 5s

1. refer to Lighter™ user's manual "Setting I/O parameters" paragraph to set the signal properties

CONNECTORS SPECIFICATIONS

X3 - SLO (Safe Laser Off)

Control rack back panel connector

Socket Sub-D, 15 pins, female.

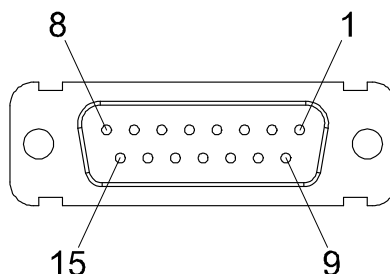


Figure 29: X3 - SLO connector, female panel plug (front view)

PIN	SIGNAL	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
X3.1	VCC	Power Output	Isolated Auxiliary 24V DC power supply
X3.2	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
X3.3	VCC	Power Output	Isolated Auxiliary 24V DC power supply
X3.4	SAFETY_FDBK+	Digital Output	Clean contact pole for feedback monitor (Common)
X3.5	SAFETY_FDBK-	Digital Output	Return of clean contact pole for feedback monitor (Normally Closed)
X3.6	GND	Ground	Isolated Ground reference
X3.7	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
X3.8	GND	Ground	Isolated Ground reference
X3.9	INTERLOCK_A	PNP Digital Input	INTERLOCK_A positive signal (to be connected to VCC)
X3.10	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
X3.11	INTERLOCK_B	PNP Digital Input	INTERLOCK_B positive signal (to be connected to VCC)
X3.12	LASER_STOP_A	PNP Digital Input	LASER_STOP_A positive signal (to be connected to VCC)
X3.13	/ LASER_STOP_A	NPN Digital Input	LASER_STOP_A negative signal (to be connected to GND)
X3.14	LASER_STOP_B	PNP Digital Input	LASER_STOP_B positive signal (to be connected to VCC)
X3.15	/ LASER_STOP_B	NPN Digital Input	LASER_STOP_B negative signal (to be connected to GND)

Table 1: X3 - SLO connector pinout



CAUTION: For a correct use of the LASER STOP functionality, exclusively use all PNP inputs or alternatively all NPN inputs (mixed configurations not allowed).

X3 - SLO Electric Diagram

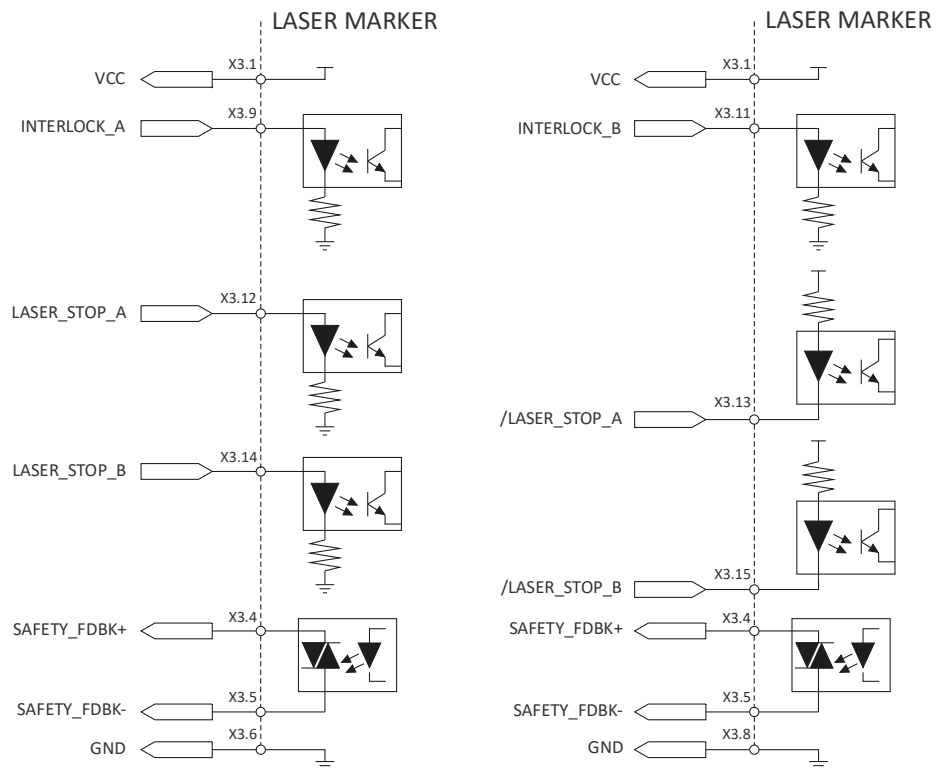


Figure 30: X3 - SLO connector, electric diagram

Input

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS			
Type	Optocoupler		
V _{typ}	24 V DC		
I _{max}	15 mA @ 24 V DC		
Pulse Width	≥ 1 ms (debounce)		
	MIN	TYP	MAX
INPUT Logic LOW	0.0 V DC	0.0 V DC	2.0 V DC
INPUT Logic HIGH	20.0 V DC	24.0 V DC	28.0 V DC

Table 2: Input specification

Output

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS	
Type	Opto Relay
Supply voltage	7 to 36VDC (24V nominal)
I _{max}	50 mA
ON Resistance Max.	8 Ω
Leakage current	≤ 1 μA

Table 3: Output specification

SAFETY_FDBK Output Status

SYSTEM	INTERLOCK_A (X3.9)	INTERLOCK_B (X3.11)	SAFETY_FDBK (X3.4-X3.5)	MARKING ALLOWED ¹
OFF	DON'T CARE	DON'T CARE	CONTACT CLOSED	NO
ON	CONTACT OPEN	CONTACT OPEN	CONTACT CLOSED	NO
ON	CONTACT OPEN	CONTACT CLOSED	CONTACT OPEN	NO
ON	CONTACT CLOSED	CONTACT OPEN	CONTACT OPEN	NO
ON	CONTACT CLOSED	CONTACT CLOSED	CONTACT OPEN	YES

1. "LASER_STOP_A" and "LASER_STOP_B" signals are enabled, where "enabled" means contacts CLOSED

SYSTEM	LASER_STOP_A (X3.12)	LASER_STOP_B (X3.14)	SAFETY_FDBK (X3.4-X3.5)	MARKING ALLOWED ¹
OFF	DON'T CARE	DON'T CARE	CONTACT CLOSED	NO
ON	CONTACT OPEN	CONTACT OPEN	CONTACT CLOSED	NO
ON	CONTACT OPEN	CONTACT CLOSED	CONTACT OPEN	NO
ON	CONTACT CLOSED	CONTACT OPEN	CONTACT OPEN	NO
ON	CONTACT CLOSED	CONTACT CLOSED	CONTACT OPEN	YES

1. "INTERLOCK_A" and "INTERLOCK_B" signals are enabled, where "enabled" means contacts CLOSED

Table 4: SAFETY_FDBK Output Status Tables

SL0 Bypass Device

Sub-D 15 pins, male, with shell.

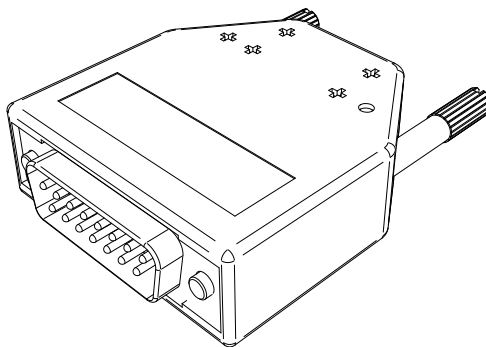


Figure 31: SL0 Bypass Device



CAUTION: The SL0 Bypass device must be used for troubleshooting purpose ONLY.



CAUTION: It is the customer's responsibility to provide a correct integration of the safety signals according to applicable regulations.

Internal electric diagram

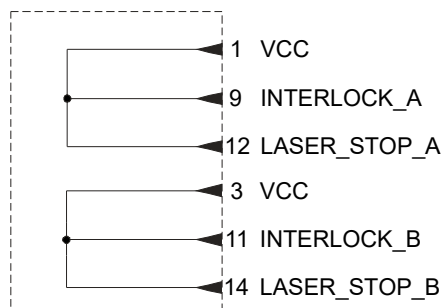


Figure 32: SL0 Bypass Device electric diagram

X1 - Command Box (Laser Control)

Control rack back panel connector

Socket Sub-D, 25 pins, female.

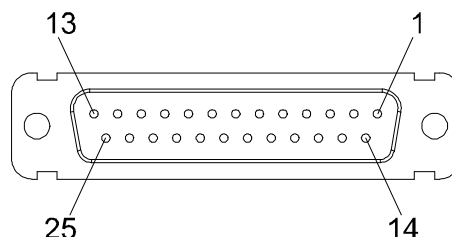


Figure 33: X1 - Command Box connector, female panel socket (front view)

PIN	SIGNAL	TYPE***	DESCRIPTION
X1.1	24V_ENABLE_B	Output power supply	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply available for EXT_ENABLE_B (max 125mA)
X1.2	EXT_ENABLE_B	Digital Input	Secondary external ENABLE signal: - HIGH level: contact closed - LOW level or disconnected: contact opened
X1.3	MARKING_KO	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	This signal is used to notify a BAD marking: - ON in case of bad marking (the marking process has been stopped due to STOP_MARKING signal; laser emission has been interrupted due to change in the system status; MOF process has been interrupted due to invalid parameters)
X1.4	EXT_24V	Output power supply	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply available for drive input logical HIGH (max 125mA)
X1.5	EXT_24V	Output power supply	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply available for drive input logical HIGH (max 125mA)
X1.6	EXT_24V	Output power supply	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply available for drive input logical HIGH (max 125mA)
X1.7	24V_ENABLE_A	Output power supply	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply available for EXT_ENABLE_A (max 125mA)
X1.8	EXT_ENABLE_A	Digital Input	Primary external ENABLE signal: - HIGH level: contact closed - LOW level or disconnected: contact opened
X1.9	BUSY	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	This signal is used to know if the current spooler is executing (marking in progress): - ON during marking process
X1.10	CONNECTOR_PRESENCE	Digital Input	This signal is used to check the presence of the Command Box connector: - HIGH level: normal operation - LOW level or disconnected: laser marker faulty
X1.11	START_MARKING*	Digital Input	This signal is used to start the marking process when a document or a sequence is running in AUTO MODE** or WORK MODE**: - HIGH level pulsed signal start the marking process
X1.12	EXT_KEY	Digital Input	External KEY signal: - HIGH level: contact closed - LOW level or disconnected: contact opened
X1.13	STOP_MARKING*	Digital Input	This signal is used to stop the marking process: - HIGH level pulsed signal stop the marking process
X1.14	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
X1.15	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT

PIN	SIGNAL	TYPE***	DESCRIPTION
X1.16	VIN_EXT	Input power supply	External reference input power supply voltage for PNP output type configuration: - NOT CONNECTED or GND: sets all digital outputs to NPN (default) - 10÷28V DC sets all digital outputs to PNP
X1.17	END	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	This signal is used to know if the marking process is finished: - ON at the end of marking process
X1.18	POWER_ON	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	This signal is used to know if the laser marker is already warmed up: - ON when the laser is in STAND_BY or READY state
X1.19	GND	Ground	Ground reference
X1.20	SYSTEM_ALARM	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	This signal is used to know if the laser marker is in booting up state or in error state: - ON during BOOTING UP - ON in case of system error
X1.21	GND	Ground	Ground reference
X1.22	ENABLE_OUT	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	This signal is used to know if the laser marker is ready to emit laser radiation: - ON when the laser marker is in READY state
X1.23	SW_READY*	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Depending on the configuration this signal can be used in different ways: - COMPATIBILITY: ON when a document or a sequence is running in AUTO MODE** or WORK MODE** independently from the laser marker state. The signal is ON regardless of whether the laser marker is ready to start a new marking - STANDARD: ON when a document or a sequence is running in AUTO MODE** or WORK MODE** and the laser marker state is READY. The signal is ON regardless of whether the laser marker is ready to start a new marking - READY TO MARK: ON only when a document or a sequence is running in AUTO MODE** or WORK MODE** and the laser marker state is READY. The signal is ON only if the laser marker is ready to accept a new START_MARKING event (loading/spooling already executed) This signal can also be driven using Lighter™ Script engine "IoPort.setReady (true)" function
X1.24	GND	Ground	Ground reference
X1.25	GND	Ground	Ground reference

Table 5: X1 - Command Box connector pinout

(*) refers to Lighter™ user's manual "Setting I/O parameters" paragraph to set the signal properties

(**) refers to Lighter™ user's manual

(***) see "Input/Output specifications" on page 49

Bypass Device

Sub-D, 25 pins, male, with shell.

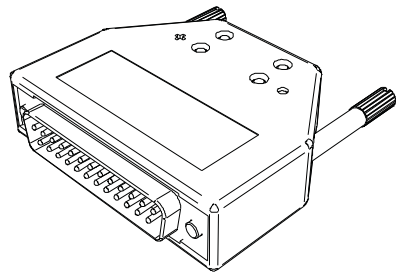


Figure 34: Command Box Bypass Device provided



CAUTION: If the Command Box Bypass Device provided is connected, the laser marker enable is bypassed.

Internal electric diagram

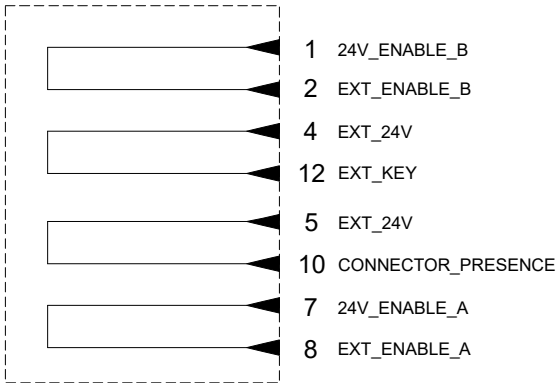


Figure 35: Command Box Bypass Device electric diagram

X2 - Axes (I/O Control)

Control rack back panel connector

Plug Sub-D, 25 pins, male.

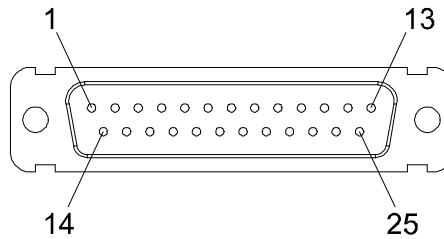


Figure 36: X2 - Axes connector, male panel plug (front view)

PIN	SIGNAL **	TYPE***	DESCRIPTION
X2.1	EXT_24V	Output Power supply	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply available for drive input logical HIGH (max 125mA)
X2.2	OUTPUT_0 (*) or STEP_Y	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or Y-Axis drive step signal (Clock) for axis control (**)
X2.3	OUTPUT_2 (*) or STEP_Z	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or Z-Axis drive step signal (Clock) for axis control (**)
X2.4	OUTPUT_4 (*) or BRAKE X	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or X-Axis electromechanical brake release signal. ON during drive motion
X2.5	OUTPUT_6 (*) or BRAKE Y	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or Y-Axis electromechanical brake release signal. ON during drive motion
X2.6	OUTPUT_8 (*) or BRAKE Z	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or Z-Axis electromechanical brake release signal. ON during drive motion
X2.7	INPUT_0 (*) or ZERO X	Digital Input	Generic input or X-Axis home sensor input. The home search is stopped when this signal goes HIGH
X2.8	INPUT_1 (*) or ZERO Y	Digital Input	Generic input or Y-Axis home sensor input. The home search is stopped when this signal goes HIGH
X2.9	INPUT_2 (*) or ZERO Z	Digital Input	Generic input or Z-Axis home sensor input. The home search is stopped when this signal goes HIGH
X2.10	INPUT_3 (*) or DISABLE X	Digital Input	Generic input or X-Axis disable signal. When HIGH, the corresponding step signal remains in the state prior to activation
X2.11	INPUT_4 (*) or DISABLE Y	Digital Input	Generic input or Y-Axis disable signal. When HIGH, the corresponding step signal remains in the state prior to activation
X2.12	INPUT_5 (*) or DISABLE Z	Digital Input	Generic input or Z-Axis disable signal. When HIGH, the corresponding step signal remains in the state prior to activation
X2.13	GND	Ground	Ground reference
X2.14	OUTPUT_12 (*) or STEP R	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or R-Axis drive step signal (Clock) for axis control
X2.15	OUTPUT_1 (*) or STEP X	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or X-Axis drive step signal (Clock) for axis control
X2.16	OUTPUT_3 (*) or DIR Z	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or Z-Axis drive direction signal
X2.17	OUTPUT_5 (*) or DIR Y	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or Y-Axis drive direction signal

PIN	SIGNAL **	TYPE ***	DESCRIPTION
X2.18	OUTPUT_7 (*) or DIR X	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or X-Axis drive direction signal
X2.19	INPUT 9	Digital Input	Generic Input
X2.20	INPUT 8	Digital Input	Generic Input
X2.21	INPUT_7 (*) or ZERO R	Digital Input	Generic input or R-Axis home sensor input. The home search is stopped when this signal goes HIGH
X2.22	INPUT_6 (*) or DISABLE R	Digital Input	Generic input or R-Axis disable signal. When HIGH, the corresponding step signal remains in the state prior to activation
X2.23	OUTPUT_9 (*) or BRAKE R	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or R-Axis electromechanical brake release signal. ON during drive motion
X2.24	OUTPUT_11 (*) or DIR R	Digital Output PNP/NPN configurable	Generic output or R-Axis drive direction signal
X2.25	GND	Ground	Ground reference

Table 6: X2 - Axes Connector pinout

(*) enabling an axis causes the corresponding control signals to no longer be available as generic inputs/outputs. Refer to Lighter™ user's manual, "Setting the X, Y, Z, and Rotor Axes parameters" to enable/disable Axes and set the Axes properties. Generic input/output can be used also as MARVIS™ control signals. Refer to Lighter user's manual, "MARVIS™ configuration" to set the MARVIS™ properties

(**) see "Axes I/O signals behavior" on page 59

(***) see "Input/Output specifications" on page 49



NOTE: PNP/NPN digital output selection made by X1.16 input.

Encoder

Control rack back panel connector

Socket, M12, 8 pins female. Recommended encoder: incremental Encoder PNP, M12, 8 pins, push/pull outputs AB0 only, 10-30 VDC.

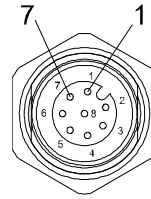


Figure 37: Encoder connector, female panel socket (front view)

PIN	SIGNAL	TYPE*	DESCRIPTION
1	GND	Ground	Ground reference
2	VCC	Power Output	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply (750mA max)
3	ENC_A	Digital input	Encoder HTL A channel signal
4	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
5	ENC_B	Digital Input	Encoder HTL B channel signal
6	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
7	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
8	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
BODY	SHIELD	Shield	Shield

Table 7: Encoder connector pinout

(*) see "Input/Output specifications" on page 49

Photocell

Control rack back panel connector

Socket, M12, 4 pins female. Recommended photocell: Datalogic S51-PA-5-B01-PK; Datalogic S15-PA-5-B01-PK or equivalent.

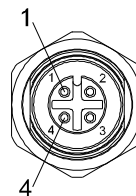


Figure 38: Photocell connector, female panel socket (front view)

PIN	SIGNAL	TYPE*	DESCRIPTION
1	VCC	Power Supply	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply (120mA max)
2	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
3	GND	Ground	Ground reference
4	PHOTOCELL	Digital input	PNP photocell signal

Table 8: Photocell connector pinout

(*) see "Input/Output specifications" on page 49

Device Port 1

Control rack back panel connector

Plug, M12, 8 positions male.

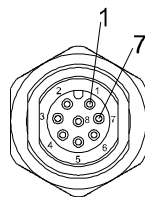


Figure 39: Device Port 1 connector, male panel plug (front view)

PIN	SIGNAL	TYPE*	DESCRIPTION
1	VCC	Power Output	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply (15W max power)
2	GND	Ground	Ground reference
3	EXT_TRIG_#1	Digital Output	Reserved output for MARVIS™
4	EXT_INPUT_#1	Digital Input	Reserved input for MARVIS™
5	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
6	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
7	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
8	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
BODY	SHIELD	Shield	Connector case provides electrical connection to the body

Table 9: Device Port 1 connector pinout

(*) see "Input/Output specifications" on page 49

Device Port 2

Control rack back panel connector

Plug, M12, 8 positions male.

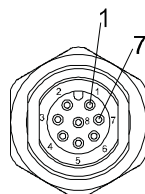


Figure 40: Device Port 2 connector, male panel plug (front view)

PIN	SIGNAL	TYPE*	DESCRIPTION
1	VCC	Power Output	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply (15W max power)
2	GND	Ground	Ground reference
3	EXT_TRIG_#2	Digital Output	Reserved output for MARVIS™
4	EXT_INPUT_#2	Digital Input	Reserved input for MARVIS™
5	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
6	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
7	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
8	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
BODY	SHIELD	Shield	Connector case provides electrical connection to the body

Table 10: Device Port 2 connector pinout

(*) see "Input/Output specifications" on page 49

RS232 (COM3)

Control rack back panel connector

Plug Sub-D, 9 pins, male.

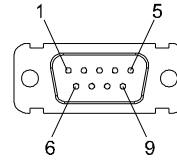


Figure 41: RS232 connector, male panel plug (front view)

PIN	SIGNAL	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
1	DCD	Input	Data Carrier Detect
2	RXD	Input	Receive Data
3	TXD	Output	Transmit Data
4	DTR	Output	Data Terminal Ready
5	GND	Ground	Ground reference
6	DSR	Input	Data Set Ready
7	RTS	Output	Request To Send
8	CTS	Input	Clear To Send
9	RI	Input	Ringing Indicator

Table 11: Standard RS232 connector pinout

Ext Focus

Scan head connector

Socket, M8, 4 pins female.

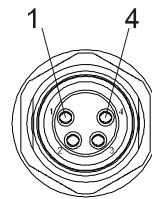


Figure 42: Ext Focus connector, female socket (front view)

PIN	SIGNAL	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
1	EXT_FOCUS-	Ground	Reserved ground for focusing beam
2	EXT_FOCUS+	Power Output	Reserved Auxiliary power supply for focusing beam
3	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
4	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT

Table 12: Ext Focus connector pinout

Ext Distance Sensor

Scan head connector

Socket, M8, 5 pins female.

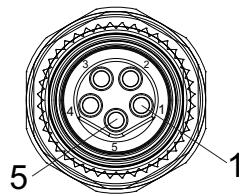


Figure 43: Ext Distance Sensor connector, female socket (front view)

PIN	SIGNAL	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
1	VCC	Power Output	Auxiliary 24V DC power supply (5W max power)
2	ANALOG	Analog Output	Reserved output for Distance Sensor
3	GND	Ground	Ground reference
4	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT
5	RESERVED	-	DO NOT CONNECT

Table 13: Ext Distance Sensor connector pinout

Main Power Supply

VDE POWER INLET STYLE C14 with V-Lock cord retaining system, compatible with IEC 60320 Type C13 power cord (refer to "Power Cord" on page 90 for the list of available power cords).

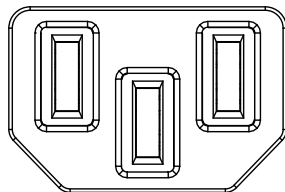
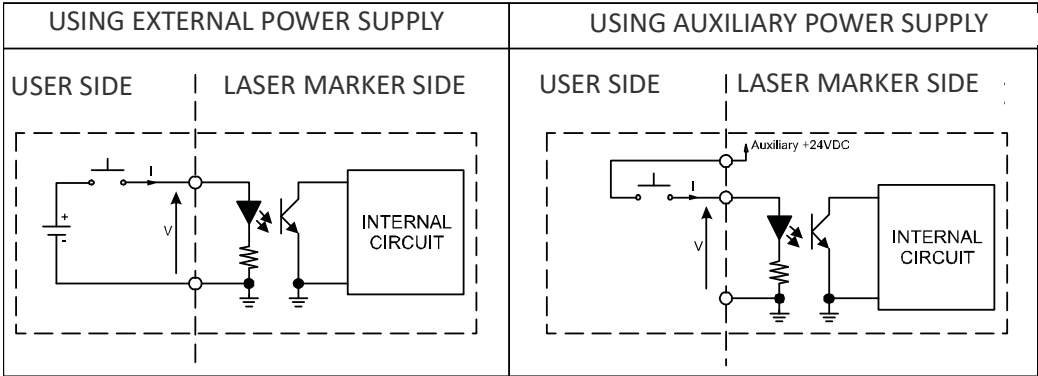


Figure 44: Main Power Supply connector (front view)

INPUT/OUTPUT SPECIFICATIONS

Digital Input

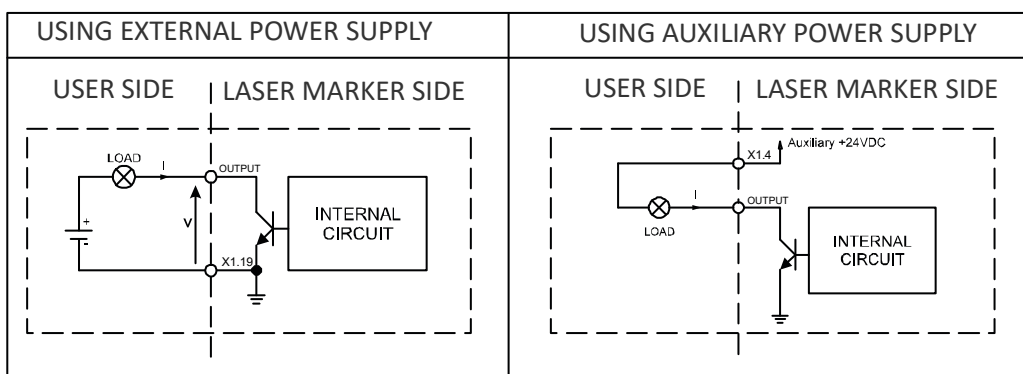


TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS			
Type	Optocoupler		
Vmax	28 V DC		
Imax	10 mA @ 24 V DC		
Pulse Width	≥ 1ms (debounce)		
	MIN	TYP	MAX
INPUT Logic LOW	0.0 V DC	0.0 V DC	2.0 V DC
INPUT Logic HIGH	10.0 V DC	24.0 V DC	28.0 V DC

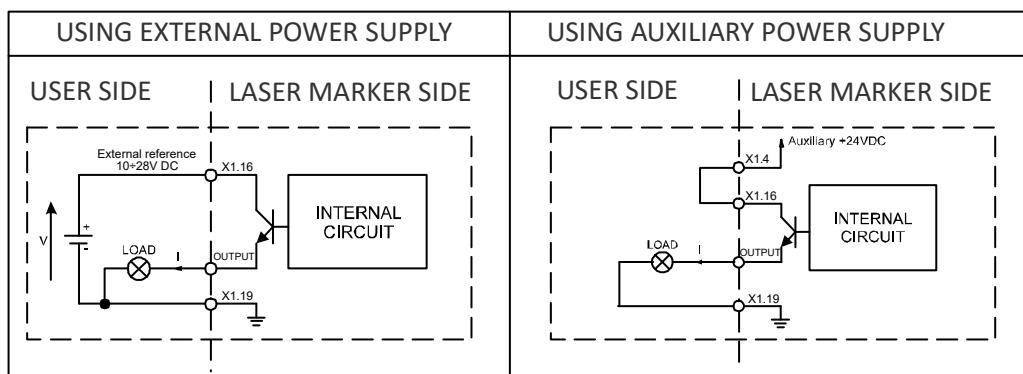
Table 14: Digital Input specification

Digital Output

NPN Configuration (default)



PNP Configuration



TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Type	PNP/NPN configurable output
Supply voltage	10 to 28VDC (24V nominal)
I _{max}	50 mA ¹
V _{DS} (ON) MAX	< 1.0V@50mA
Leakage current	< 80μA

1. Max current for each output if all are used.
If only maximum 2 outputs are used, it could reach about 300mA for each one.

Table 15: Digital Output specification

LASER MARKER STATES

Normal Operation States

STATE	DESCRIPTION	STATUS LED
SYSTEM BOOTING UP	This state occurs since the laser marker is switched on until Laser Engine has been loaded and no errors occurred	 Blinking
WAIT FOR START	In this state the laser marker cannot emit IR lasers radiation and Aiming and Focus beam cannot be activated	 Steady
STANDBY SHUTTER CLOSED	In this state Aiming and Focus beam can be activated while the laser marker cannot emit IR laser radiation	 Steady
READY	In this state the laser marker is able to emit IR laser radiation	 Steady

Error States

STATE	DESCRIPTION	STATUS LED
ERROR	This state occurs if the laser marker detects an error that prevents normal operation	 Blinking

SYSTEM ERROR	DESCRIPTION
INTERLOCK ERROR	This error occurs if the INTERLOCK function is ON. To reset the error, set INTERLOCK function to OFF and repeat the turning on sequence
CBOX ERROR	This error occurs if the CONNECTOR_PRESENCE signal (pin X1.10 Command Box connector) is LOW or not connected. To reset the error, set CONNECTOR_PRESENCE signal to HIGH value and repeat the turning on sequence
RACK TEMPERATURE WARNING	This alarm occurs if the temperature inside the control rack is out of the operating temperature range
SCANHEAD TEMPERATURE WARNING	This alarm occurs if the temperature inside the scan head is out of the operating temperature range
SCANHEAD CONNECTION ERROR	This alarm occurs if the cable between control rack and scan head is not connected. To reset the error repeat the turning on sequence
SCANHEAD CONNECTION ERROR	This alarm occurs if communication with scan head is interrupted or corrupted while piloting AF module position. To reset the error an AF module home search must be performed
MOTOR ERROR	This alarm occurs if the internal Z axis motor homing procedure fails or if an out of range movement of the Z axis was required. To reset the error repeat the turning on sequence

LASER SOURCE ERRORS	DESCRIPTION
TEMPERATURE ERROR	This error occurs if the temperature inside the laser source is out of the operating temperature range. To reset the error repeat the turning on sequence
POWER SUPPLY ERROR	This error occurs if the power supply of the laser source is out of range. To reset the error repeat the turning on sequence
BACK REFLECTION ERROR	This error occurs if high optical power is reflected back to the laser source. To reset the error repeat the turning on sequence
GENERIC ERROR	This error occurs if the laser source detects an internal failure. To reset the error repeat the turning on sequence

Warning State

STATE	DESCRIPTION	STATUS LED
WARNING INVALID START SEQUENCE	This state occurs if the turning on sequence has not been followed. To restore normal laser marker operation, repeat the turning on sequence	 Blinking

Control the Laser Marker States

The laser marker states can be controlled by:

- **Key Selector**
- **X1 - Command Box connector**

Key Selector mode

Controlling the laser marker states using the *Key Selector* on the control rack front panel requires that the input signals of the *X1 - Command Box* connector **X1.12 (EXT_KEY)**, **X1.8 (EXT_ENABLE_A)** and **X1.2 (EXT_ENABLE_B)** are set to fixed **HIGH** level:

STATE	X1 - COMMAND BOX INPUT STATE		KEY SELECTOR	STATUS LED
SYSTEM BOOTING UP	EXT_KEY	HIGH		 Blinking
WAIT FOR START	EXT_KEY	HIGH		 Steady
STANDBY SHUTTER CLOSED	EXT_KEY	HIGH		 Steady
READY*	EXT_KEY	HIGH		 Steady

* *LASER_STOP* safety function not active

Command Box mode

Controlling the laser marker states using the *X1 - Command Box* connector on the control rack back panel requires that the *Key Selector* is set to fixed position “2”:

STATE	X1 - COMMAND BOX INPUT STATE		KEY SELECTOR	STATUS LED
SYSTEM BOOTING UP	EXT_KEY	LOW		 Blinking
WAIT FOR START	EXT_KEY	LOW		 Steady
STANDBY SHUTTER CLOSED	EXT_KEY	HIGH		 Steady
READY*	EXT_KEY	HIGH		 Steady

* *LASER_STOP* safety function not active

OPERATING MODES

MODE	MEASURE			DESCRIPTION
	KEY SELECTOR	LASER_STOP ¹	INTERLOCK ²	
LASER OFF	0	DISABLED	ENABLED	• PC running • Marking not allowed
	0	ENABLED	ENABLED	• Aiming beam not allowed • Focusing beam not allowed
	ANY	ANY	DISABLED	• SAFETY LEVEL according to proper use of safety inputs
SETTING	1	DISABLED	ENABLED	• PC running • Marking not allowed
	1	ENABLED	ENABLED	• Aiming beam allowed • Focusing beam allowed
	2	DISABLED	ENABLED	• SAFETY LEVEL according to proper use of safety inputs
OPERATING	2	ENABLED	ENABLED	• PC running • Marking allowed • Aiming beam allowed (smart aiming) • Focusing beam not allowed • SAFETY LEVEL according to proper use of safety inputs

1. "LASER_STOP_A" or "LASER_STOP_B" signals are disabled, where "disabled" means contacts open
2. "INTERLOCK_A" or "INTERLOCK_B" signals are disabled, where "disabled" means contacts open

TIMING DIAGRAMS

Turning On sequence

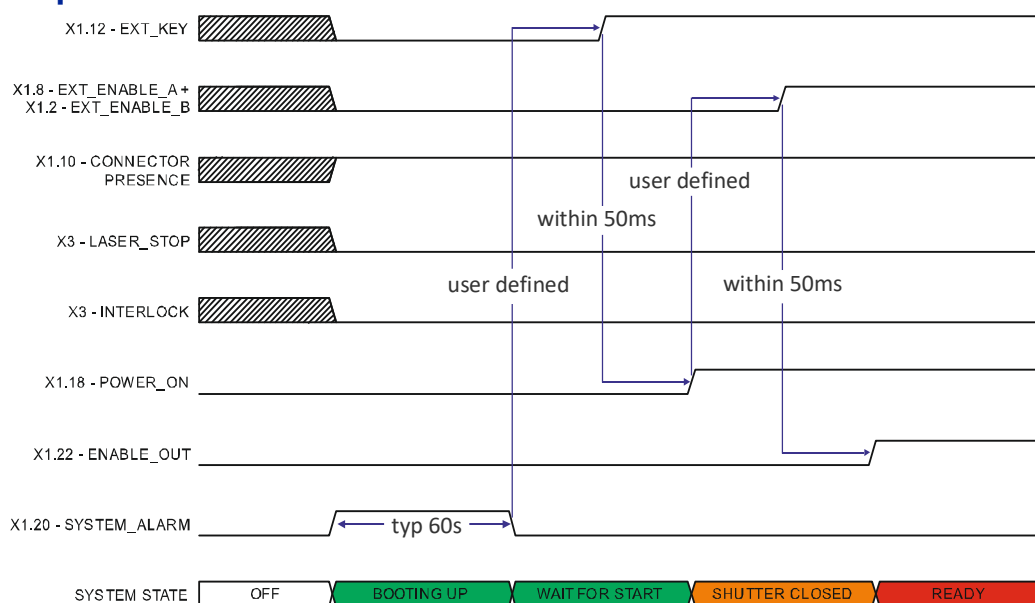


Figure 45: Turning On sequence timing diagram

Marking control signals behavior

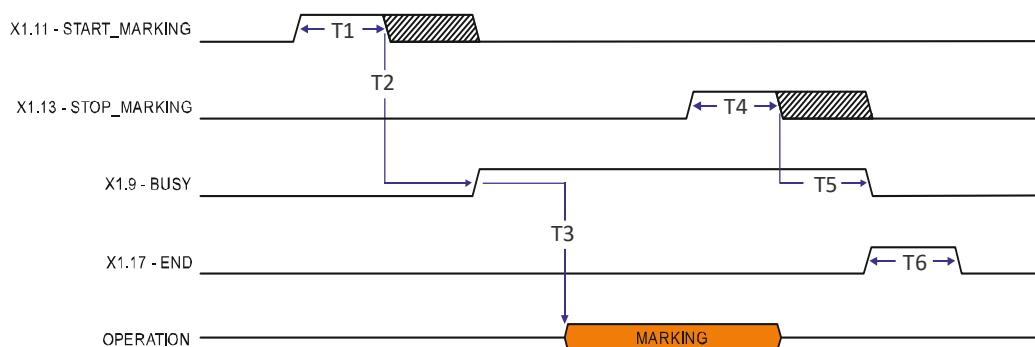


Figure 46: Marking process timing diagram

REF.	NAME	DESCRIPTION
T1	Start Time	Minimum time duration that the START_MARKING signal must have in order to be accepted as a valid START_MARKING event
T2	Start Delay	Delay between the acceptance of the START_MARKING signal and the rising edge of the BUSY signal
T3	Busy Advance	Delay between the rising edge of the BUSY signal and the laser emission
T4	Stop Time	Minimum time duration that the STOP_MARKING signal must have in order to be accepted as a valid STOP_MARKING event
T5	Busy Delay	Delay between the end of the laser emission and the falling edge of the BUSY signal
T6	End Time	Time duration of the END signal



NOTE

Consult Lighter™ software user's manual for a proper use of the same.

SW_READY output signal (Ready to Mark mode)

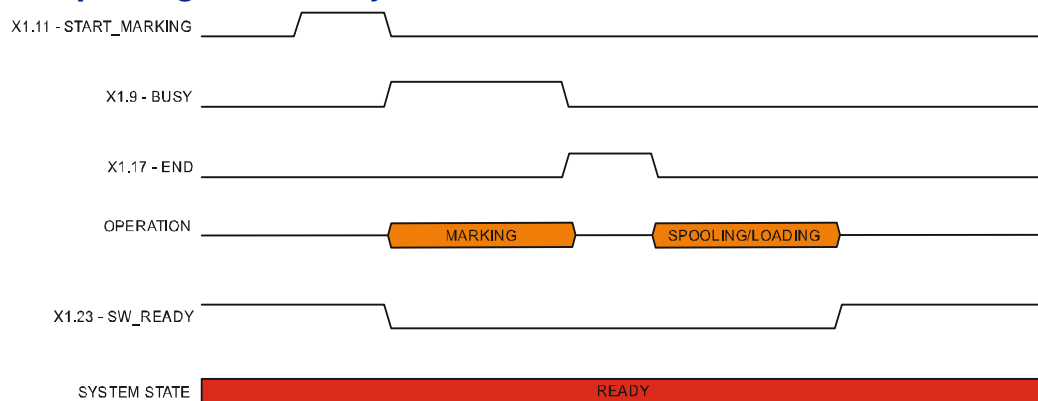


Figure 47: SW_READY signal timing diagram

MARKING_KO output signal

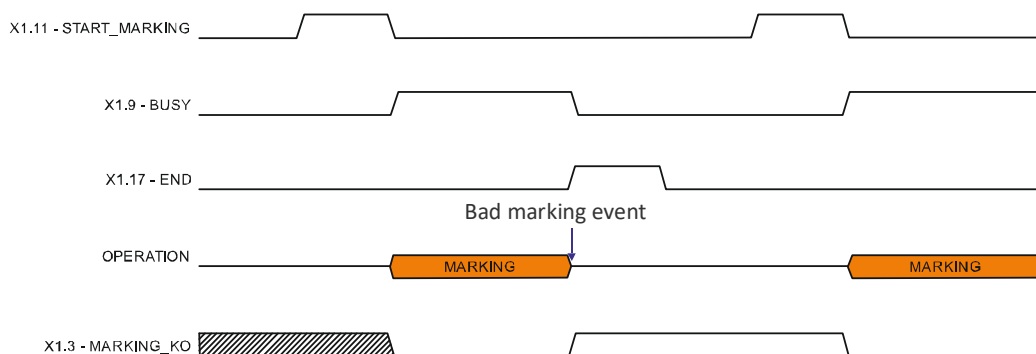


Figure 48: MARKING_KO signal timing diagram

SYSTEM_ALARM output signal

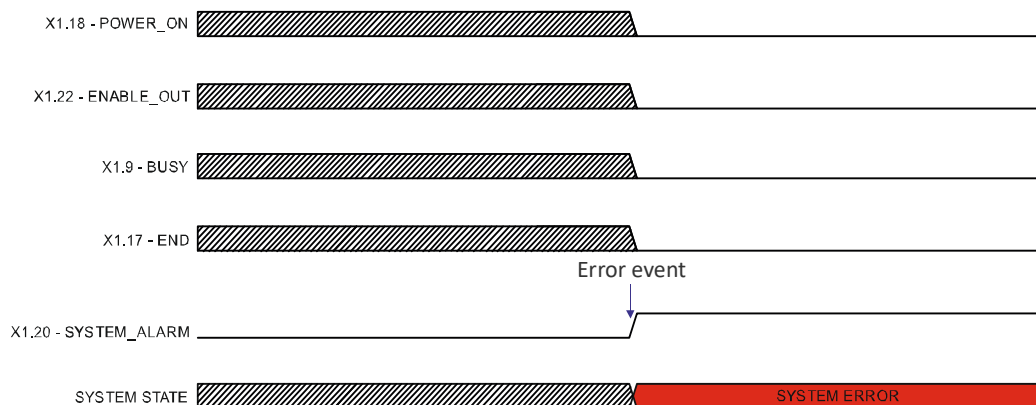


Figure 49: SYSTEM_ALARM timing diagram

MARVIS™ I/O signals behavior

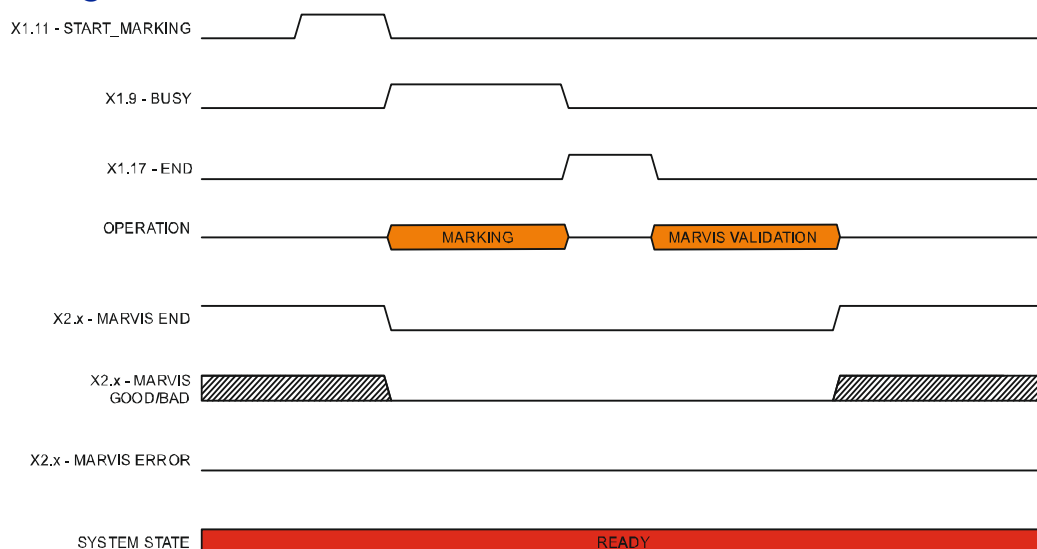


Figure 50: MARVIS™ I/O signals behavior

Safety functions behavior

INTERLOCK behavior

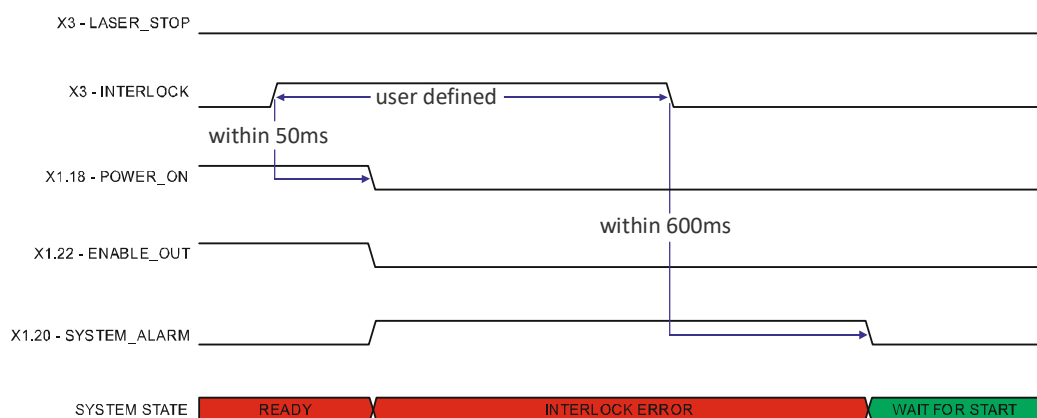


Figure 51: INTERLOCK behavior

LASER_STOP behavior

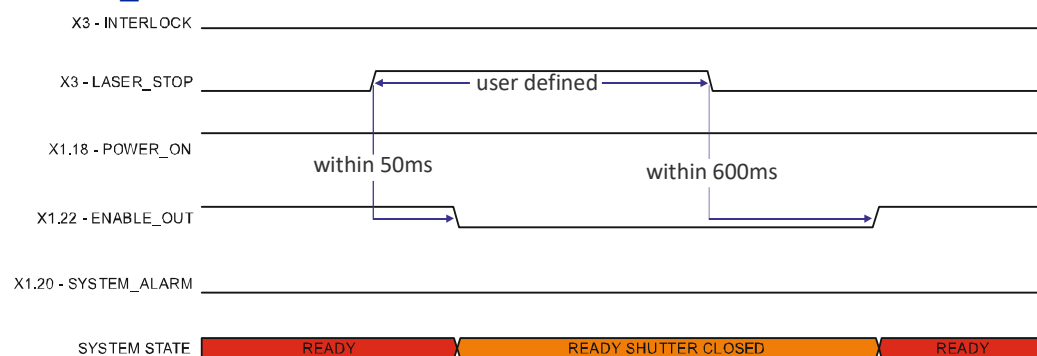


Figure 52: LASER_STOP behavior

Green Spot behavior

System Ready to Mark mode

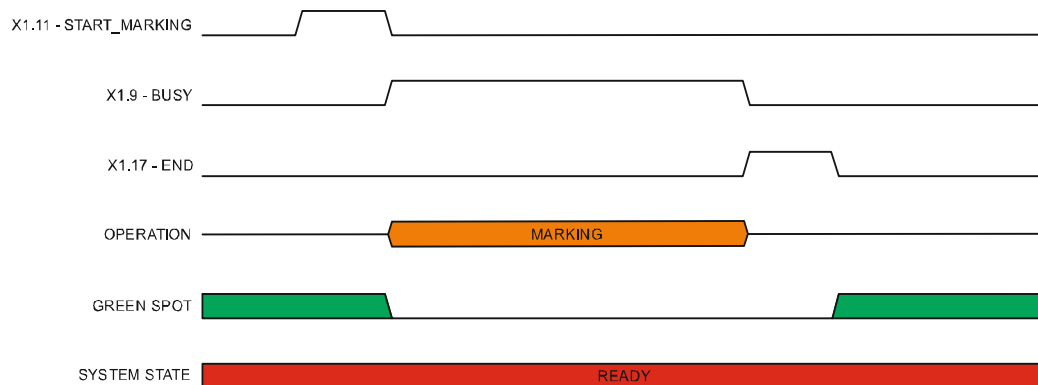


Figure 53: Green Spot: System Ready to mark

Marking Confirmation mode

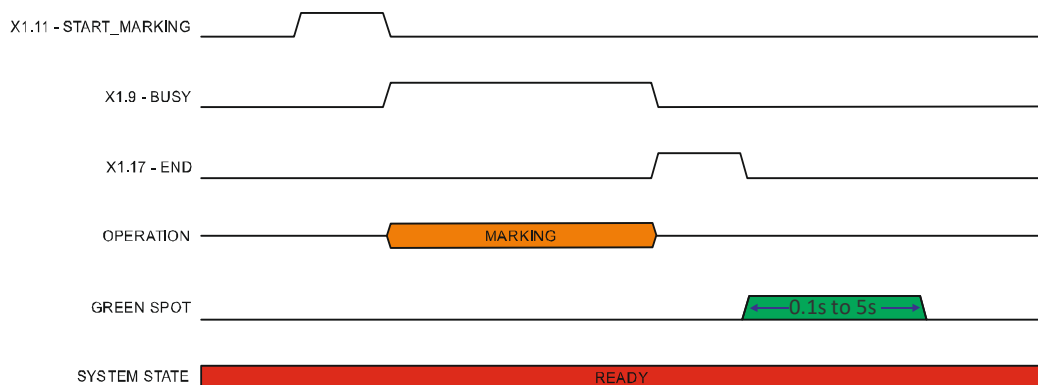


Figure 54: Green Spot: Marking Confirmation

MARVIS™ Verification mode

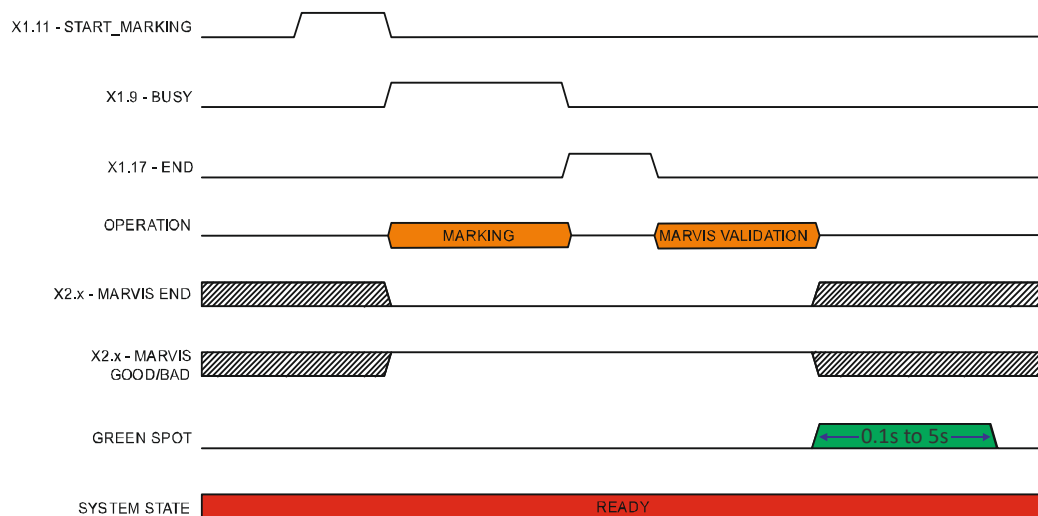


Figure 55: Green Spot: MARVIS™ Verification

Axes I/O signals behavior

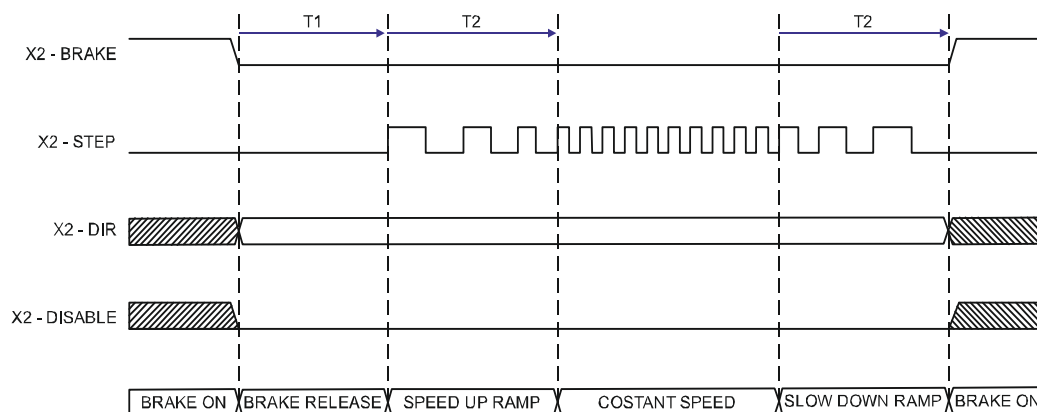


Figure 56: Axes I/O signals behavior

REF.	NAME	DESCRIPTION
T1	Brake release	The time that elapses between the brake release signal activation and the start of mechanical movement
T2	Ramp Time	The time to go from minimum speed (Start speed) to working speed (Speed)

LIGHTER™ SUITE MARKING SOFTWARE

The laser marker is equipped with Lighter™ Suite marking software.

Lighter™ Suite is the all-inclusive editing and laser management software for all Datalogic Laser Marking products.

Lighter™ Suite with its innovative approach focused on the user experience is revolutionizing Laser Marking management; the powerful and simple interface, the flexible and comprehensive customization capabilities and effective production tools represent an important step-ahead in traceability and branding industrial applications.

Lighter™ Suite combines into a unified GUI (Graphical User Interface) a powerful vectorial graphical editor, an advanced laser controller and the innovative MARVIS™ (Mark Read Verify Integrated Solution) feature to seamlessly interact with AutoID code reader for in-line validation of marked traceability codes.

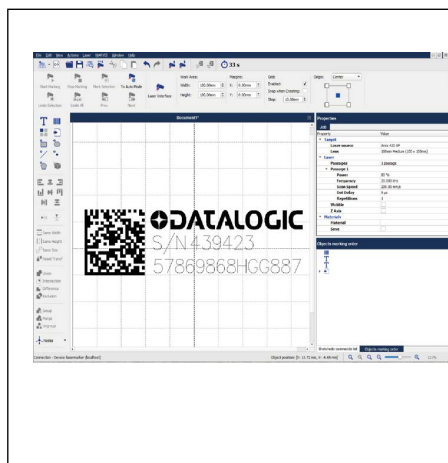
MARVIS™ connects Datalogic MATRIX™ N-series reader with the laser marker, enabling controlling from one single interface and enhancing individual products' performances.

MARVIS™ is also available as update for existing products.

Object-Oriented Configuration

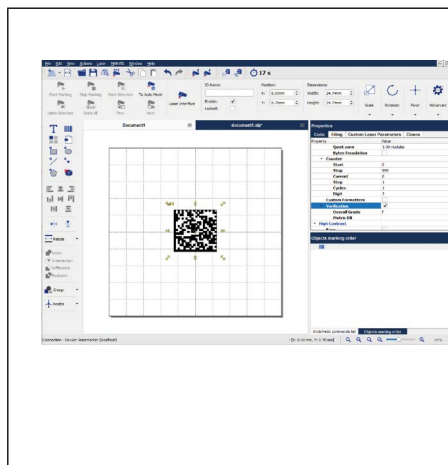
In the Lighter Suite, each object is associated with specific LASER parameters and READER configuration; loading a graphical layout will automatically retrieve and update laser and reader configurations.

Advanced Editing Function



- Easily create, import and edit texts, shapes and logos
- One-click code generator for 1D and 2D symbologies
- Object-related Property Browser for fast adjustment of Marker and Reader parameters
- Imports Bitmap and Vector files (DXF, DWG, PLT, PDF, AI, SVG, BMP, JPG, PNG and TIFF...)
- Advanced filling featured with various laser-optimized patterns

MARVIS™ Integrated Configuration And Setup



- IP address discovery and connection management
- Dedicated Digital output for in-line parts selection
- Dedicated Digital input for deferred reader trigger
- Configurable images storage pool
- New Code Quality Training feature to automatically define code quality threshold from "Golden Sample"
- Patent Pending "Quality Grade Metric Profile" (QGP)

Connectivity

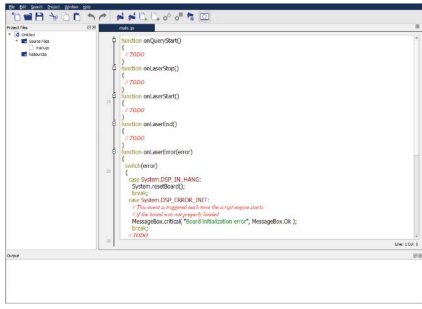
The Lighter™ Suite allows OEMs and Machine builders to develop a complete and cost effective Laser Marking Station, based on embedded hardware and software resources (such as STAND ALONE mode) or to design an advanced Laser Marking Solution able to control machinery over a simple Ethernet connection with a supervisor computer (MASTER-SLAVE mode).

Lighter™ Suite natively embeds TcpServer, Profinet I/O and EtherNet/IP protocols.

Scripting programmability

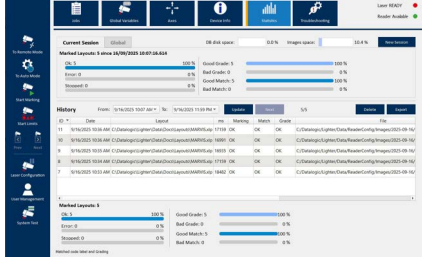
The LIGHTER Suite integrates the IDE (Integrated Development Environment) providing the users with a full set of tools to be used for extremely flexible customization.

The programming language is ECMAScript (also called JavaScript).



- Control the entire marking process
- Create and fully customize marking layout and its content at runtime
- Interact with local or centralized databases
- Create alternative customized interfaces
- Interact with Third Party devices

Runtime Production Statistics and Reports



Built-in validation statistics dashboard.

Configurable log file with Quality Reporting and code images.

CHAPTER 4

SET UP

CONNECTIONS

The laser marker connections are described here below. Follow the operations as described.



CAUTION: Control rack and scan head are joined by a connection cable 3 meters long. Control rack and scan head are NOT separable.

Connecting X1 - Command Box connector

The X1 - *Command Box* connector must always be inserted with proper signals provided in order to use the laser marker. The absence of such connector blocks the laser marker operations.



WARNING: If the Command Box Bypass Device provided is connected, the laser marker enable is bypassed.

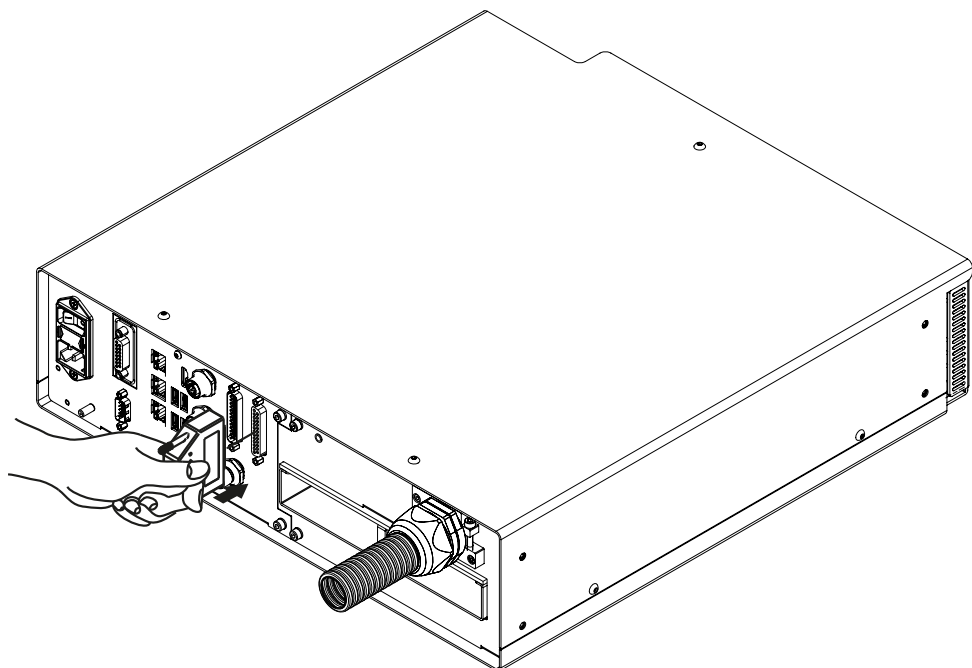


Figure 57: Connecting X1 - Command Box connector

Connecting X3 - SLO connector

The X3 - SLO connector must always be inserted with proper signals provided in order to use the laser marker. The absence of such connector blocks the laser emission.



WARNING: Do not use X3 SLO BYPASS DEVICE except for maintenance of this product, since it deactivates the safety function of the laser marker.



WARNING: It is the customer's responsibility to provide a correct integration of the safety signals according to applicable regulations.



NOTE: See "Appendix B " on page 108 about the compliance to safety.

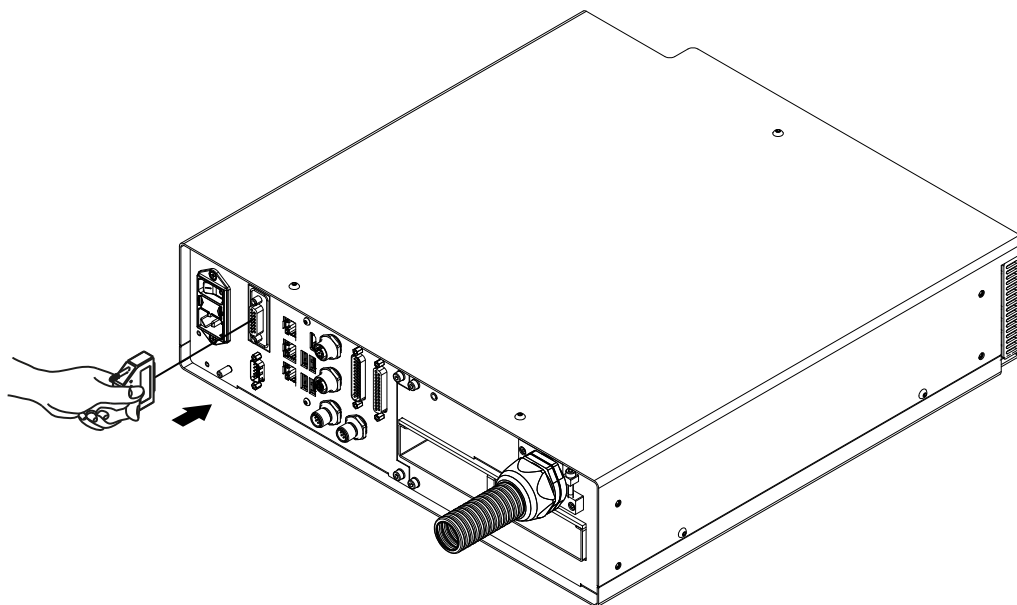


Figure 58: Connecting X3 - SLO connector

Connecting Power Supply cable

Connect the Power Supply cable using the cord retention system.



NOTE: The locking mechanism is released again by pressing the release lever. Thanks to its luminous bright yellow color, it is easily recognizable and distinguishes this system from conventional mains connections.



CAUTION: Double pole, neutral fusing. Disconnect mains before servicing.



WARNING: Verify that the socket outlet is provided with earth connection.

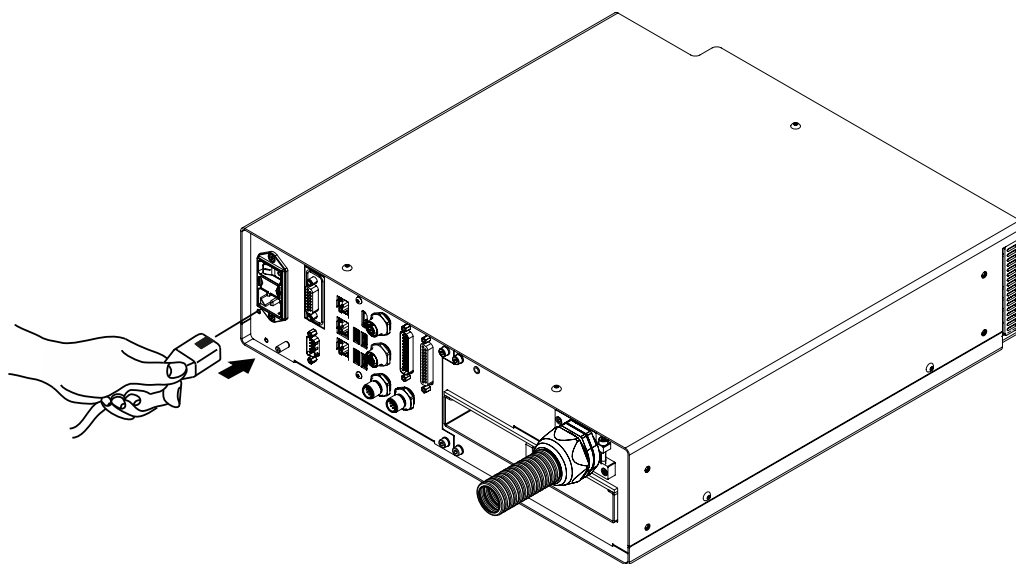


Figure 59: Connecting Power Supply cable

Connecting the Earth Ground

To ensure high electrical noise immunity it is strongly recommended to connect the chassis to suitable earth ground.

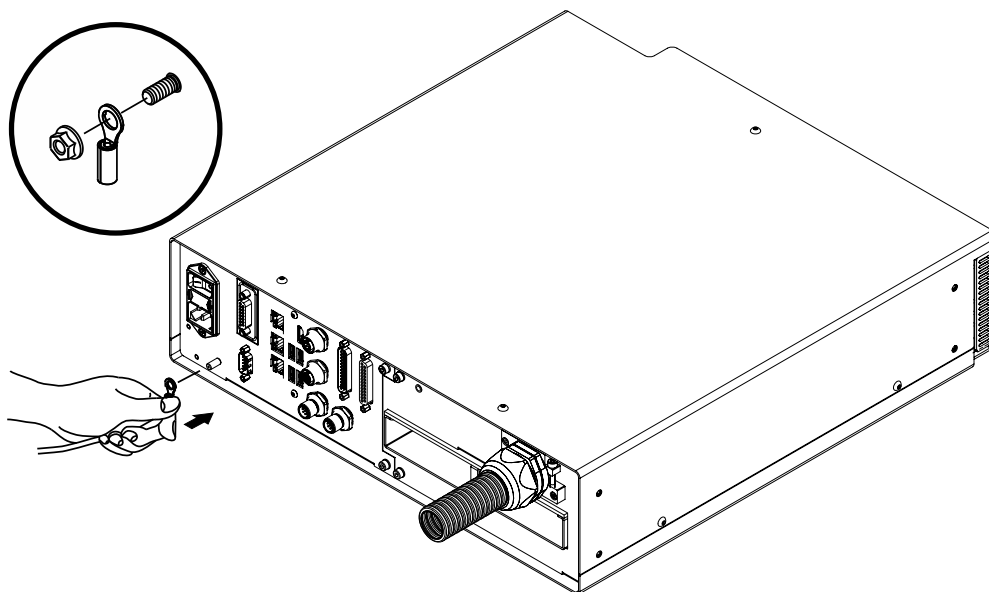


Figure 60: Connecting the Earth Ground

Local Mode Control connections

To use the laser marker in “Local Mode Control” it is necessary to install a mouse, keyboard and monitor. Connect the monitor and input devices to laser marker as shown below:

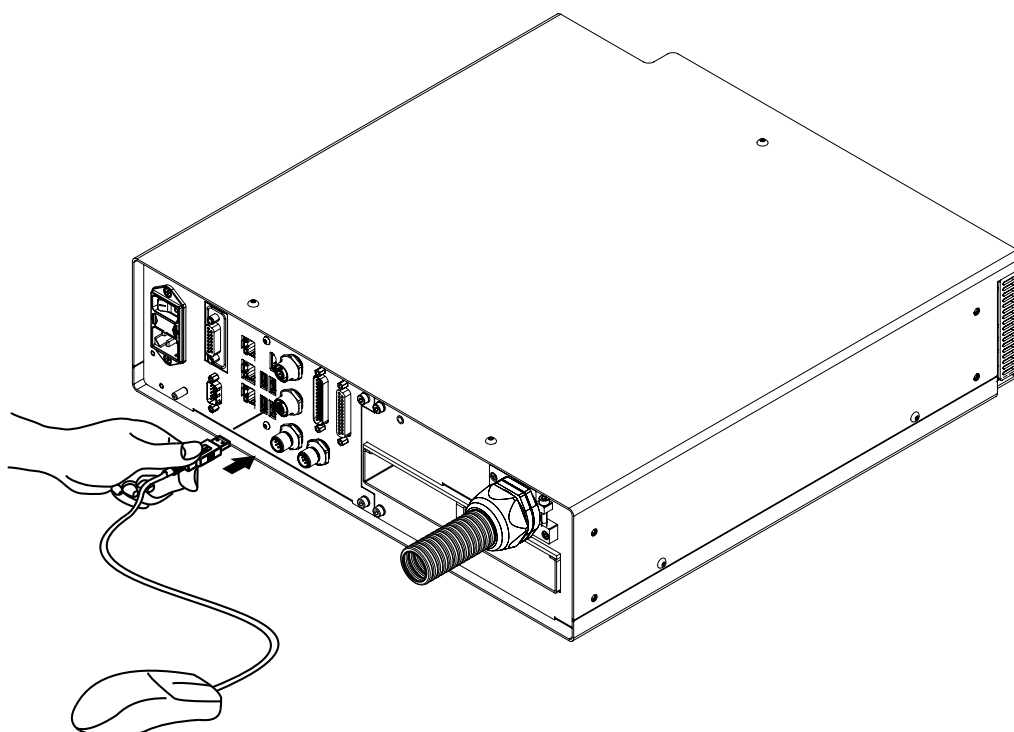


Figure 61: Connecting the mouse

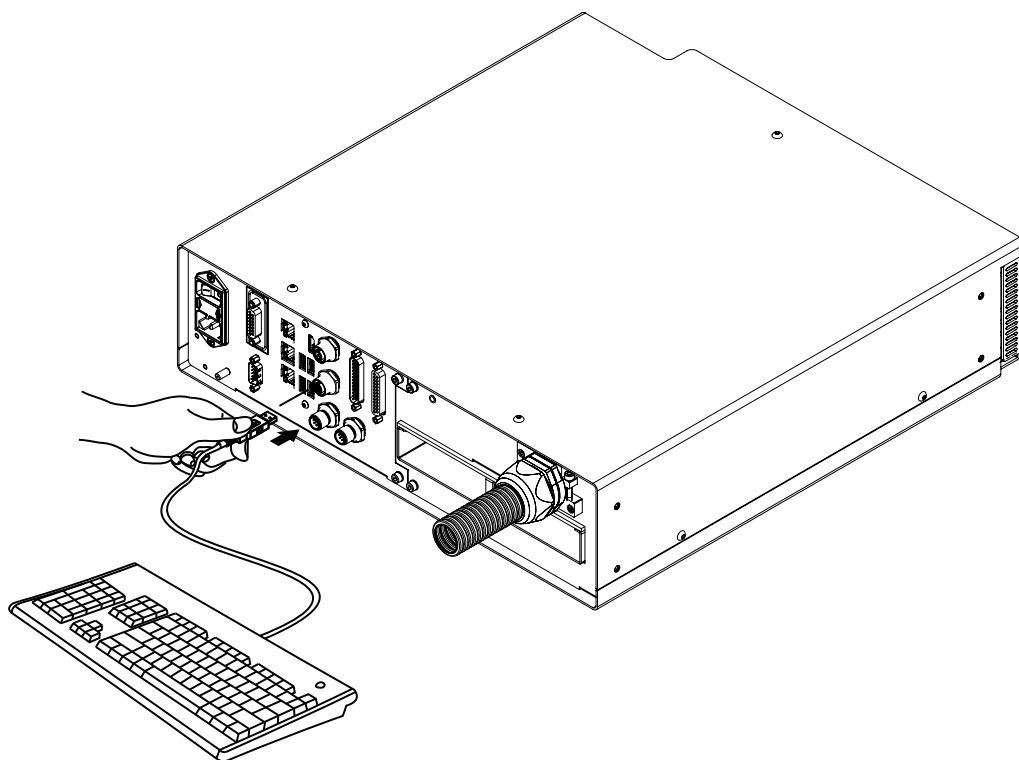


Figure 62: Connecting the keyboard

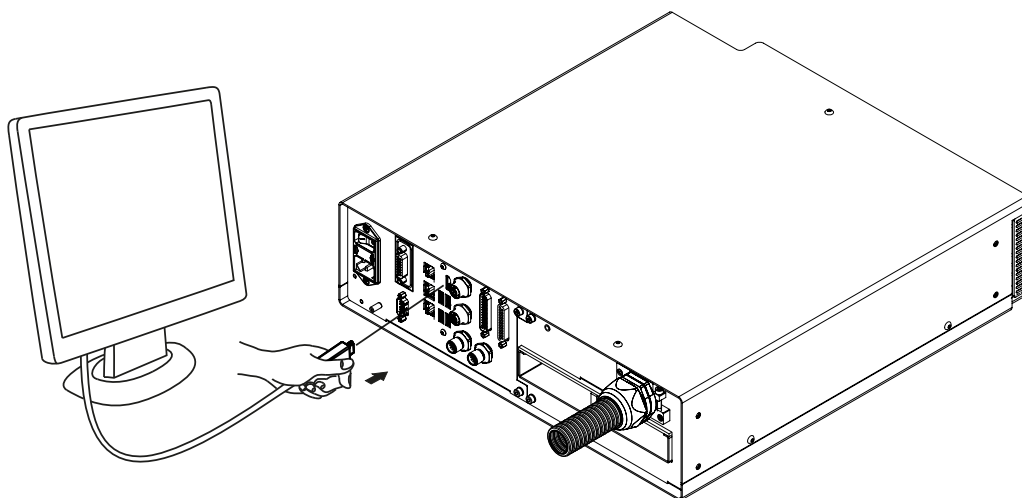


Figure 63: Connecting the monitor



NOTE: Minimum monitor resolution 800 x 600 (HDMI standard).

Remote Mode Control connection

To use the laser marker in “Remote Mode Control” it is necessary to connect a network cable:

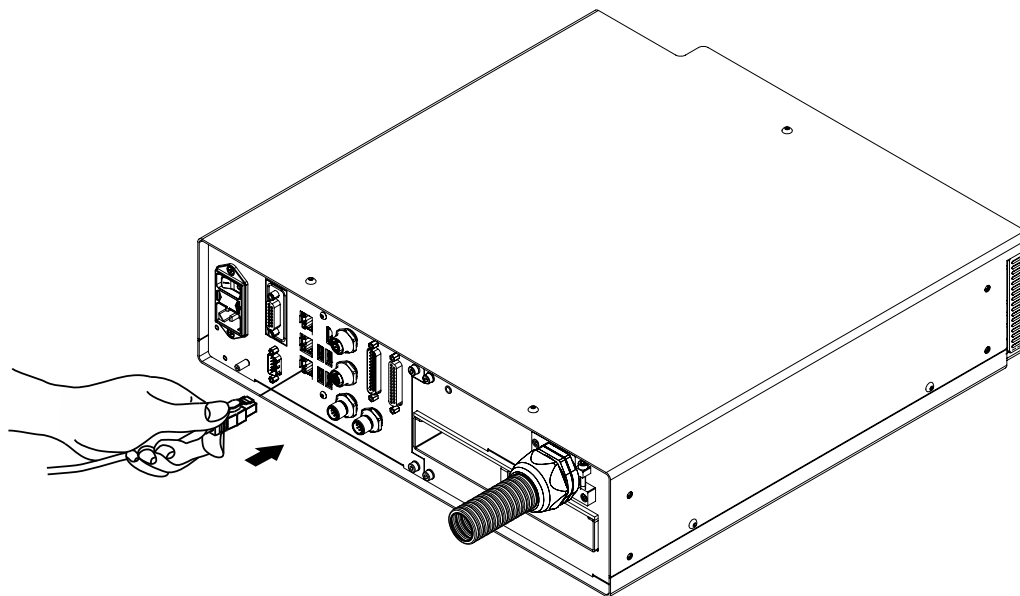


Figure 64: Connecting LAN port



NOTE: The LAN ports are configured by default with a fixed IP Address and Subnet Mask:

- LAN 1 Default IP address: 192.168.1.10
- LAN 2 Default IP address: 192.168.3.10
- LAN 3 Default IP address: 192.168.0.10
- Default Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

See “Change the LAN configuration and IP address” on page 84 in order to change LAN configuration.



NOTE: Ethernet TCP/IP 10, 100 Mbit.

F-THETA PROTECTIVE CAP (Arex 4XX-MAF and AREX 4XX-NAF models only)



NOTE: Laser markers with M F-Theta scan lenses are provided by default with the F-Theta protective cap.

Remove the plastic cap from the F-Theta:

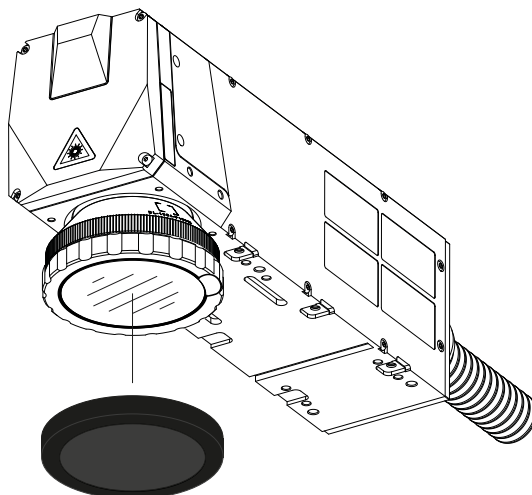


Figure 65: F-Theta scan lens plastic cap removal



CAUTION: Marking with the plastic cap in place could result in damage to the laser marker.



NOTE: Remove the Protective film before marking.

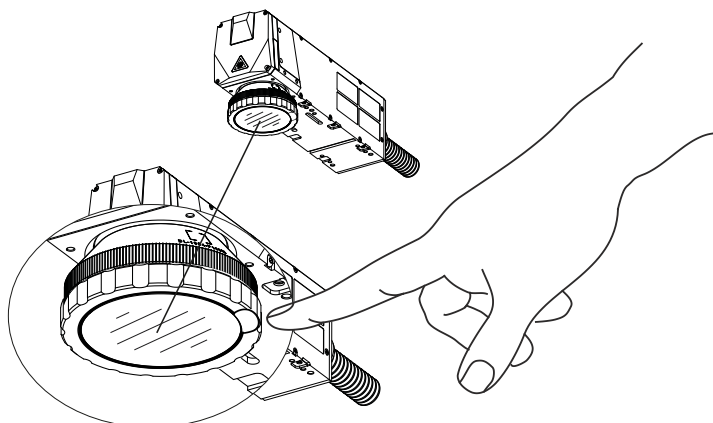


Figure 66: Remove the Protective film



CAUTION: WARNING! Marking without removing the protection film could result in damage to the protective glass and/or laser marker.

CHAPTER 5

USE AND OPERATION

Before turning on the laser marker, be sure that the laser marker is connected as previously described. Check the presence of:

- Voltage power supply connection
- X3 - SLO connection
- X1 - Command Box connection



WARNING: Do not use X3 SLO BYPASS DEVICE except for maintenance of this product, since it deactivates the safety function of the laser marker.



WARNING: It is the customer's responsibility to provide a correct integration of the safety signals according to applicable regulations.



WARNING: If the Command Box Bypass Device provided is connected, the laser marker enable is bypassed.

TURNING ON SEQUENCE

The laser marker states can be controlled by:

- Key Selector (see “Sequence using Key Selector” on page 70)
- X1 - Command Box connector (see “Sequence using X1 - Command Box connector” on page 75)

Sequence using Key Selector



CAUTION: Controlling the laser marker states using the Key Selector on the control rack front panel requires that the input signals of the X1 - Command Box connector X1.12 (EXT_KEY), X1.8 (EXT_ENABLE_A) and X1.2 (EXT_ENABLE_B) are set to fixed HIGH level.

1. Set the Key Selector to “0” and turn ON the main power supply switch in the back panel of the control rack. The laser marker turn on and goes in booting-up state:

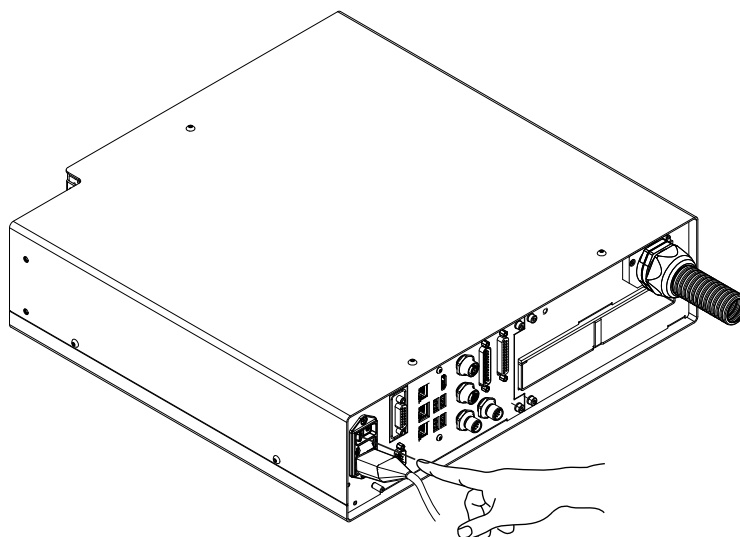


Figure 67: Power on the laser marker

During booting up state, the status LED on the control rack and the status LED on the scan head blink green.

After boot up, the laser marker will be in LASER OFF state for a few seconds while the system performs an initial calibration. If calibration is successful, the system will switch to WAIT FOR START state.

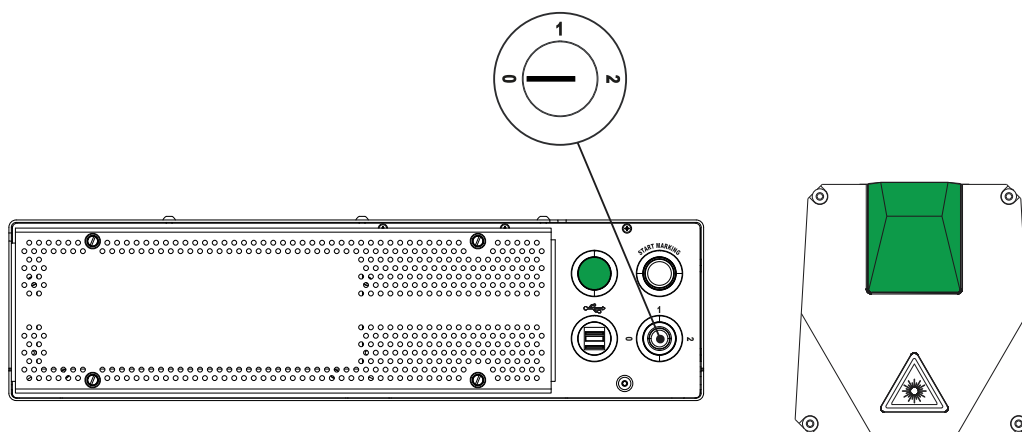


Figure 68: Wait for start state

2. Rotate the key selector one-step to "1" position:

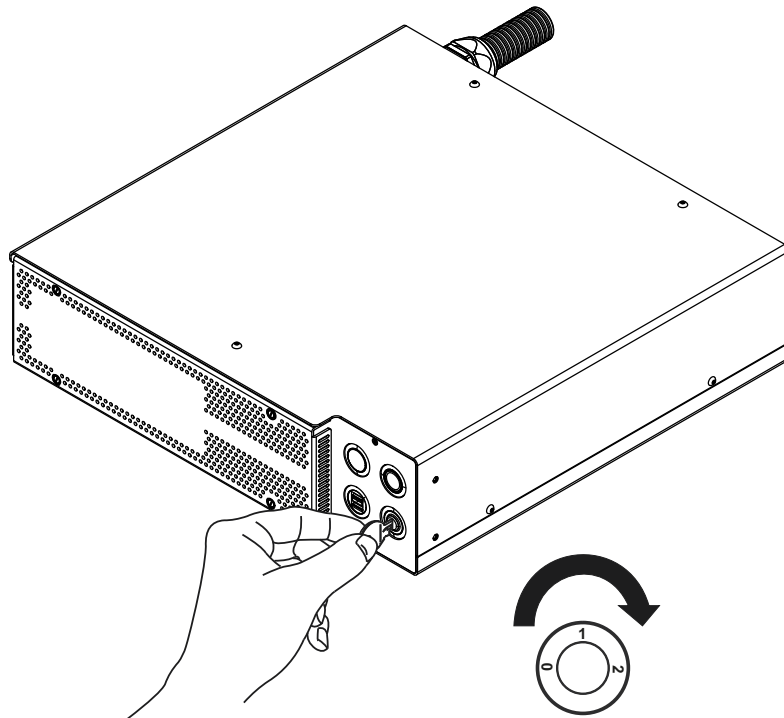


Figure 69: Key selector in "1" position

The status LED on the control rack and the status LED on the scan head are steady orange. The laser marker is in STANDBY SHUTTER CLOSED state.

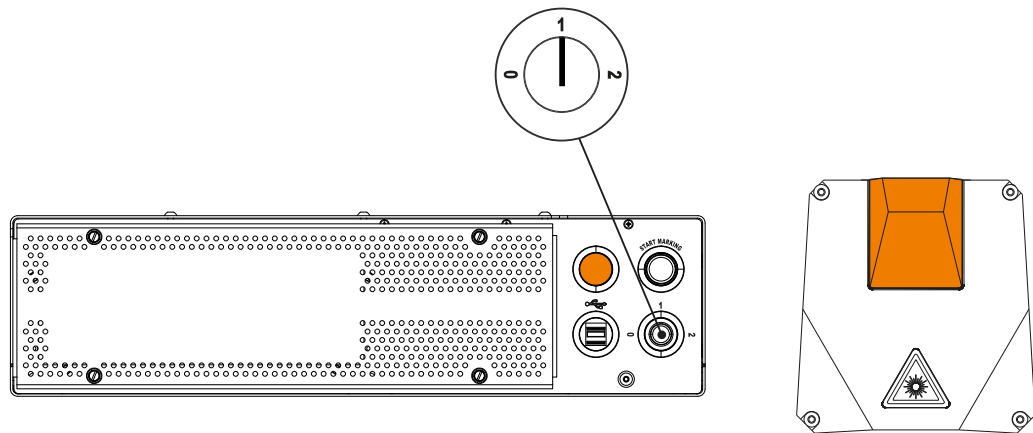


Figure 70: Standby Shutter closed state

Displaying the limits

This function refers to displaying the margins of the drawing on the work plain. Margins are displayed using a red laser pointer.

Limits function displays the bounding box of the object(s) that will be engraved: this result is obtained by driving head scanners to move along the box path at a fast speed.

In order to use this function you must be connected to the device and the Manual Mode must be activated. In Auto Mode this function is not available.



NOTE: For further information on the laser pointing parameters that are used to display engraving limits, refer to Lighter Suite User manual.

To display the limits:

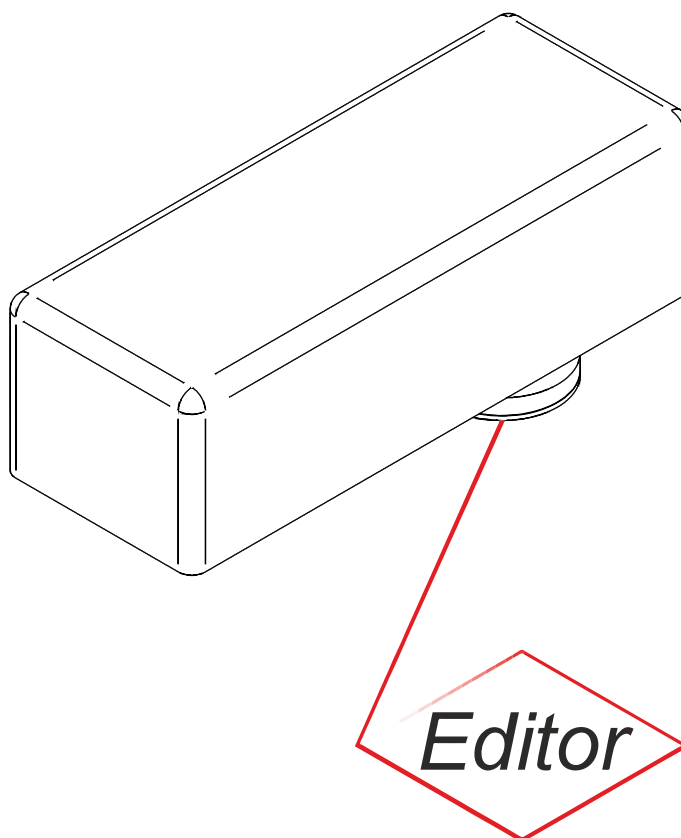
- Be sure that you are connected to a device and that you have activated the **Manual Mode** (otherwise, the Limits buttons are unavailable). To activate it do one of the following:
 - Select  **Switch to Manual Mode** on the ribbon bar.
 - From the Laser Editor menu bar, choose **Laser > Switch to Manual Mode**



NOTE: This is a toggle button: if the Manual Mode is activated, the tooltip says Switch to Auto Mode, and vice versa.

- Do one of the following:
 - To see the engraving limits for one or more specific objects, select the object(s) and click on  **Limits on selection** on the ribbon bar. (Alternatively, choose **Laser > Limits on selection** from the menu bar).
 - To see the engraving limits for the whole graphic area, click on  **Limits all** on the ribbon bar. (Alternatively, choose **Laser > Limits all** from the menu bar).
 - To see the engraving limits for the objects positioned at different value of Z axis, after clicking Limits all, click on  **Prev Next** buttons.
 - To see the engraving limits for the sectors that compose the object when engraving on a ring document or on an Extended Layer, click on   **Limits previous sector** and **Limits next sector** buttons on the ribbon bar. The buttons become available (colored) after pressing either the Limits on selection or Limits all button. (Alternatively, choose **Laser > Limits next sector** and **Limits previous sector** from the menu bar)

The example below shows how the limits for a sheared word (Editor) would appear:



3. Rotate the key selector one-step to "2" position:

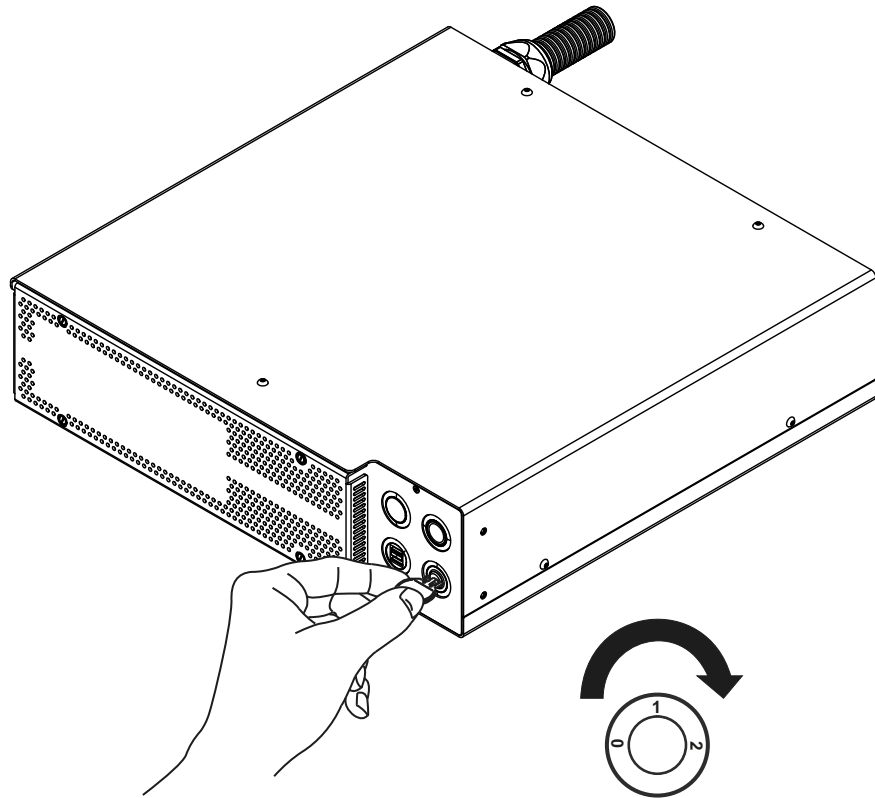


Figure 71: Key selector in "2" position

The status LED on the control rack and status LED on the scan head will turn red. The laser marker is in READY state.

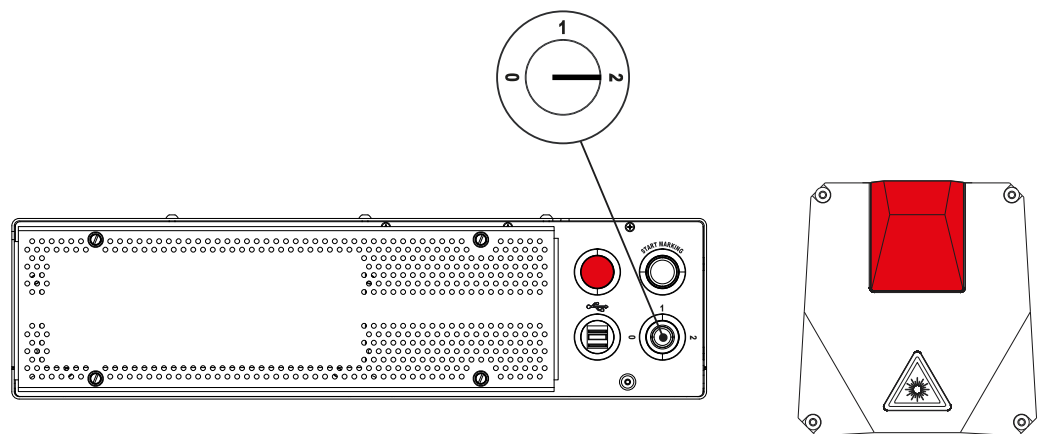


Figure 72: Ready state

Start Marking



NOTE: Consult Lighter™ software user's manual for a proper use of the same.

Laser Editor allows two ways for sending a graphic layout to marking:

- In **Manual Mode** - By pressing **F5** (or choosing **Laser > Start Marking**) to send a layout. By pressing **F9** or click on  (or choosing **Laser > Mark Selection** on selection) to send a selected object. If you are operating on a stand-alone marking unit, and are interacting directly to the laser device, you can either use the simulator to test the layout, or send it to marking.
- In **Auto Mode** - By saving the graphic layouts to the device. The layouts will then be sent to marking based on the programs that have been created via Project Editor.



NOTE: The functions described in this section are also accessible via the Laser Interface application.

Sending the layout to marking

To send a layout directly to marking:

- Be sure that you are in Manual Mode. To switch to this mode, do one of the following:
 - Choose **Laser > Switch to Manual Mode** from the Laser Editor menu bar.
 - Click  **Switch to Manual Mode** on the toolbar.
- Press **F5** or click on  **Start Marking** on the toolbar. (Alternatively, choose **Laser > Start Marking** from the menu bar).



NOTE: If you are not connected to a laser device, the graphic simulator will automatically be activated instead.

- To interrupt the laser marking or the simulation, use the  **Stop marking** button on the toolbar (or choose **Laser > Stop Marking** from the menu bar).

To save a layout to the device for next marking:

- From the Laser Editor menu bar, choose **File > Save to Device** or press  on the toolbar.
- In the **Save document as** window that is displayed, select from the Devices drop-down list the device you are sending the layout to.
- Enter a name for the document and click **OK**. This is the name that will be used in the **Project Editor** to write a program to upload the document send it to the engraver in an automated way.



NOTE: The Project Editor is a tool integrated into Laser Editor that allows creating customized programs. To access it, choose **File > Project Editor. The tool has its own context-sensitive Help and it is used to automate marking procedures, or to update the layout contents at runtime. Default programs and easy-to-use examples are provided with the tool.**

Sequence using X1 - Command Box connector



CAUTION: Controlling the laser marker states using the X1 - Command Box connector on the control rack back panel requires that the Key Selector is set to fixed position “2”.

1. Turn ON the main power supply switch in the back panel of the control rack. The laser marker turns on and goes in booting-up state. During booting up state, the status LED on the control rack and the status LED on the scan head blink green.

Wait until booting-up has ended: the status LED on the control rack and the status LED on the scan head are steady green. The laser marker is in WAIT FOR START state.

STATE	X1 - COMMAND BOX INPUT STATE		KEY SELECTOR	STATUS LED
WAIT FOR START	EXT_KEY EXT_ENABLE_A EXT_ENABLE_B	LOW LOW LOW		 Steady

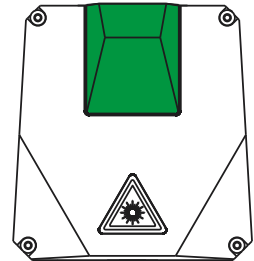
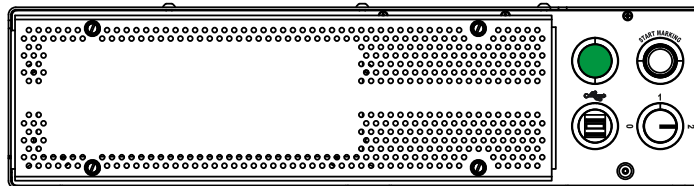


Figure 73: Wait for start state

2. Set the Command box input signals as in the table below:

STATE	X1 - COMMAND BOX INPUT STATE		KEY SELECTOR	STATUS LED
STANDBY SHUTTER CLOSED	EXT_KEY EXT_ENABLE_A EXT_ENABLE_B	HIGH LOW LOW		 Steady

The status LED on the control rack and the status LED on the scan head are steady orange. The laser marker is in STANDBY SHUTTER CLOSED state.

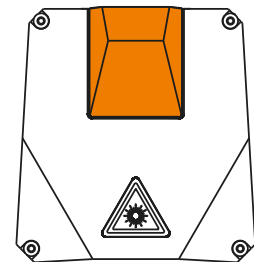
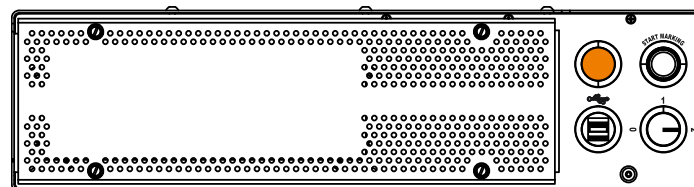


Figure 74: Standby Shutter closed state

3. Set the Command box input signals as in the table below:

STATE	X1 - COMMAND BOX INPUT STATE		KEY SELECTOR	STATUS LED
READY*	EXT_KEY	HIGH		 Steady
	EXT_ENABLE_A	HIGH		
	EXT_ENABLE_B	HIGH		

The status LED on the control rack and status LED on the scan head will turn red. The laser marker is in READY state.

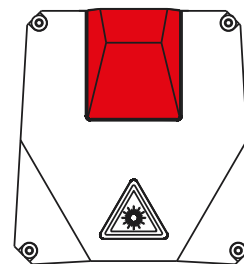
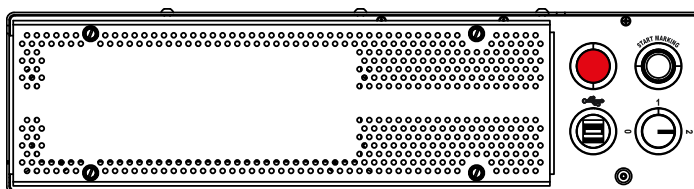


Figure 75: Ready state

CHAPTER 6

CUSTOMIZE THE LASER MARKER SOFTWARE



CAUTION: When the System Protection is disabled, the system is not protected against disk corruption or malware attacks. Disable the System Protection only for the purpose of changing the OS parameters indicated in the User Manual and for the time necessary to do such changes. The modification of OS parameters other than those indicated in the User Manual, as well as the installation of HW and / or SW not authorized or supplied by Datalogic can adversely affect system stability and marking performance. In case of system instability or performance degradation following SW / HW modifications, restore the original laser marker configuration (see Appendix B).

SYSTEM PROTECTION

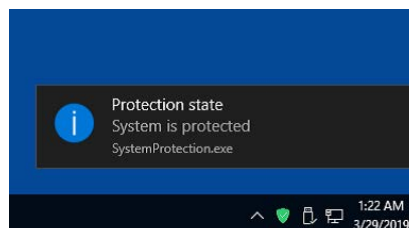
The System Protection enhances the security of the system against disk corruption that might be caused by unexpected system shutdowns or malware attacks and protects the **C:\ drive** from unwanted changes.

When the System Protection is enabled, any change or deletion on the C:\ drive will be restored after system reboot, otherwise when the System Protection is disabled any modification will be stored on the disk and it will persist after reboot.

System Protection Tool

The System Protection tool shows the status of the System Protection and is visible on the tray-bar icon in the lower- right corner of the screen.

A notification popup message that shows the status of System Protection is still visible on the screen for a few seconds after system startup.



The tray-bar icon color represents the protection state:

- **Red:** the system protection is **disabled**
- **Green:** the system protection is **enabled**
- **Yellow:** the system **must be rebooted** to apply the new settings

How to use the System Protection tool

The System Protection tool GUI can be opened:

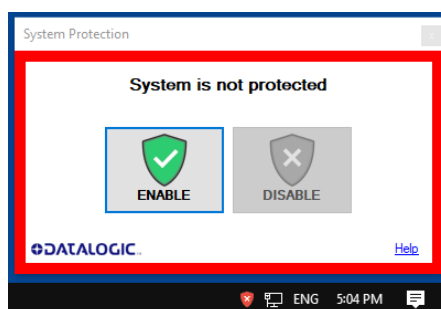
- By clicking on the notification popup
- By right-clicking the tray-bar icon then, "Configure"
- Double-clicking the tray-bar icon
- From *Start Menu\Datalogic\System Protection*

Enable the system protection

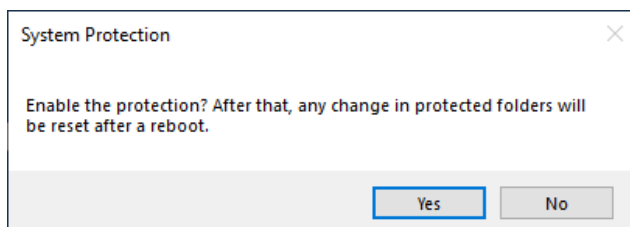


NOTE: When the System Protection is enabled any change or deletion on the C:\ drive will be restored after system reboot.

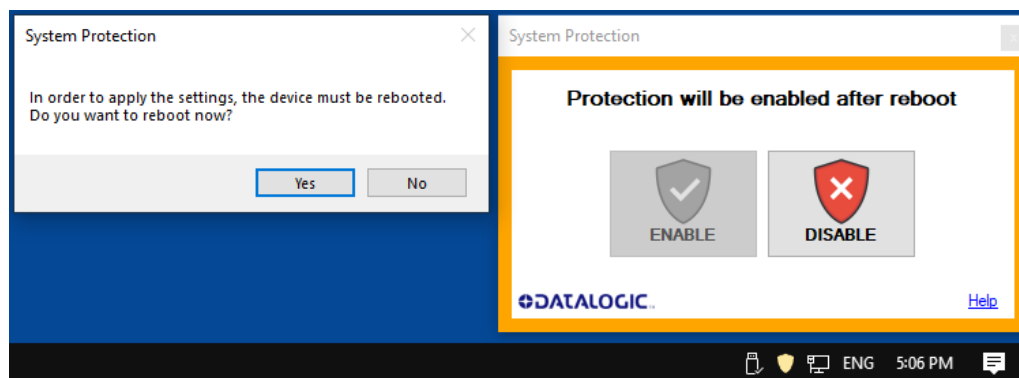
- Open the System Protection tool GUI
- Click the **ENABLE** button



- A message advise the User to confirm the new setting. Press **YES** to enable System Protection



- A message advise the User that the system will be rebooted. Press **YES** to continue

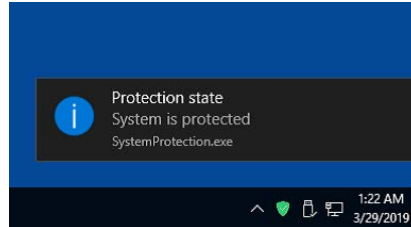


- Wait for system reboot



CAUTION: DO NOT turn OFF or UNPLUG the system while Windows® is shutting down.

- Check if the Tray-bar icon color is **GREEN** (protection enabled)

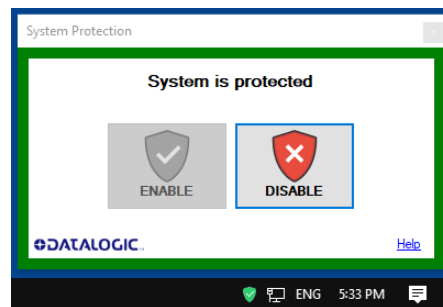


Disable the system protection

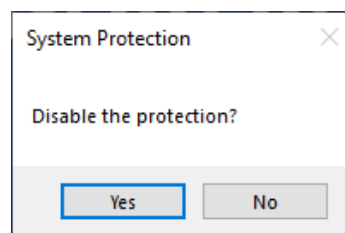


CAUTION: When the System Protection is disabled the system is not protected against disk corruption or malware attacks. Disable the protection only for the time necessary to make disk changes.

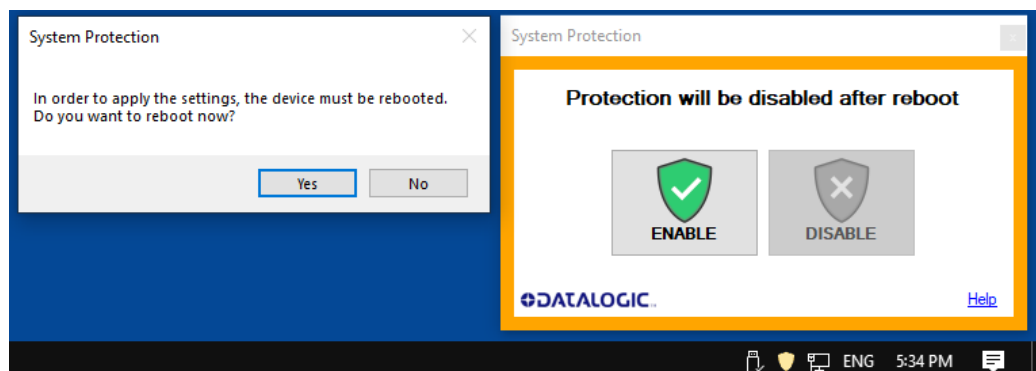
- Open the System Protection tool GUI
- Click the **DISABLE** button



- A message advise the User to confirm the new setting. Press **YES** to disable System Protection



- A message advise the User that the system will be rebooted. Press **YES** to continue

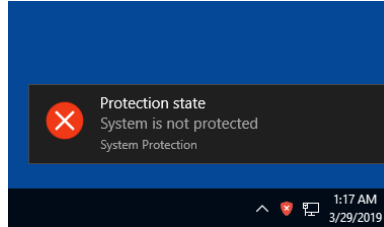


- Wait for system reboot



CAUTION: DO NOT turn OFF or UNPLUG the system while Windows® is shutting down.

- Check if the Tray-bar icon color is **RED** (protection disabled)



CHANGE O.S. LANGUAGE AND KEYBOARD LAYOUT

The laser marker allows you to customize the operating system changing the language used in menus, dialogs and languages you can use to enter text and keyboard layout.

The following languages are pre-installed in the system: Chinese (PRC), Chinese (Taiwan), English (United States), French (France), German (Germany), Italian (Italy), Japanese (Japan), Korean (Korea), Spanish (Spain).



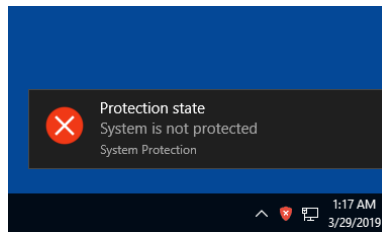
NOTE: In order to perform this setting it is necessary to connect mouse, keyboard and monitor to the laser marker (see “Local Mode Control connections” on page 65).

1. Disable system protection (see “Disable the system protection” on page 79)

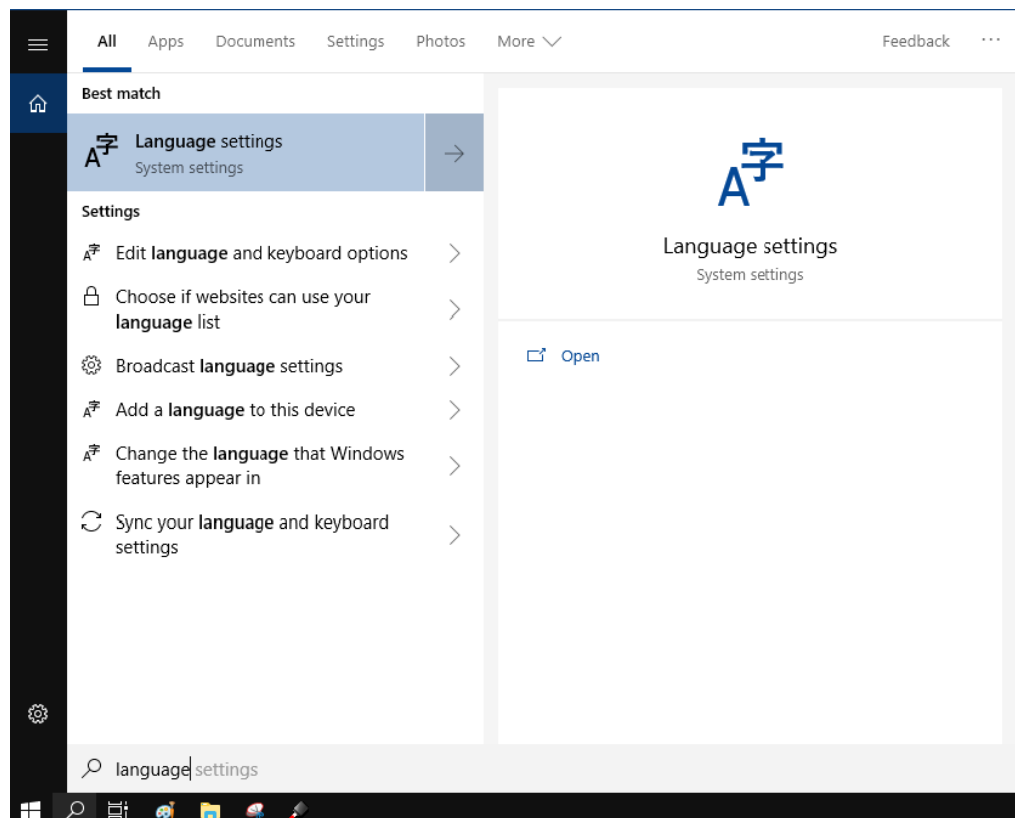


CAUTION: When the System Protection is disabled the system is not protected against disk corruption or malware attacks. Disable the protection only for the time necessary to make disk changes.

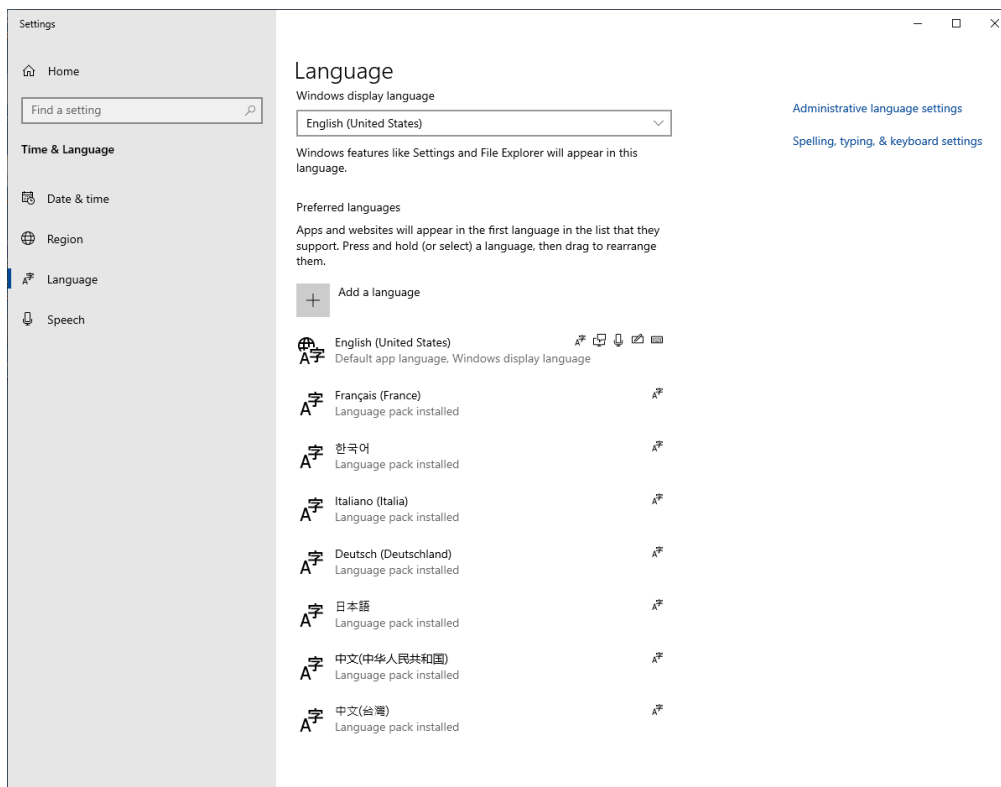
2. Wait for the operating system to **restart**
3. Check that the System Protection is **disabled** (red icon):



4. Click the **Search icon** and type “**language**”
5. Click on **Language settings**

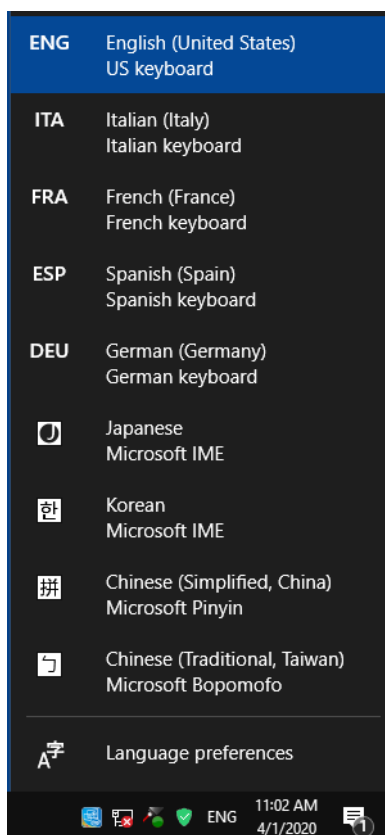


6. Select the Windows display language:



7. Click on the **Input Indicator** icon in the taskbar

8. Select the **keyboard layout** from the list:



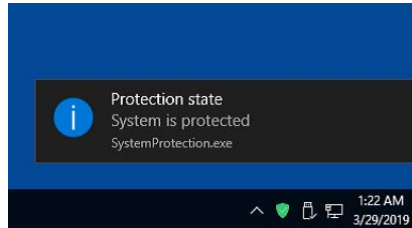
9. Close all the open windows

10. Enable system protection (see “Enable the system protection” on page 78)



CAUTION: When the System Protection is disabled the system is not protected against disk corruption or malware attacks.

11. Wait for the operating system to **restart**
12. Check that the System protection is **enabled** (green icon):



CHANGE THE LAN CONFIGURATION AND IP ADDRESS

The operating system allows you to change the LAN configuration and IP address.



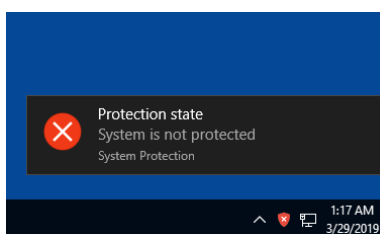
NOTE: In order to perform this setting it is necessary to connect mouse, keyboard and monitor to the laser marker (see “Local Mode Control connections” on page 65).

1. Disable system protection (see “Disable the system protection” on page 79)

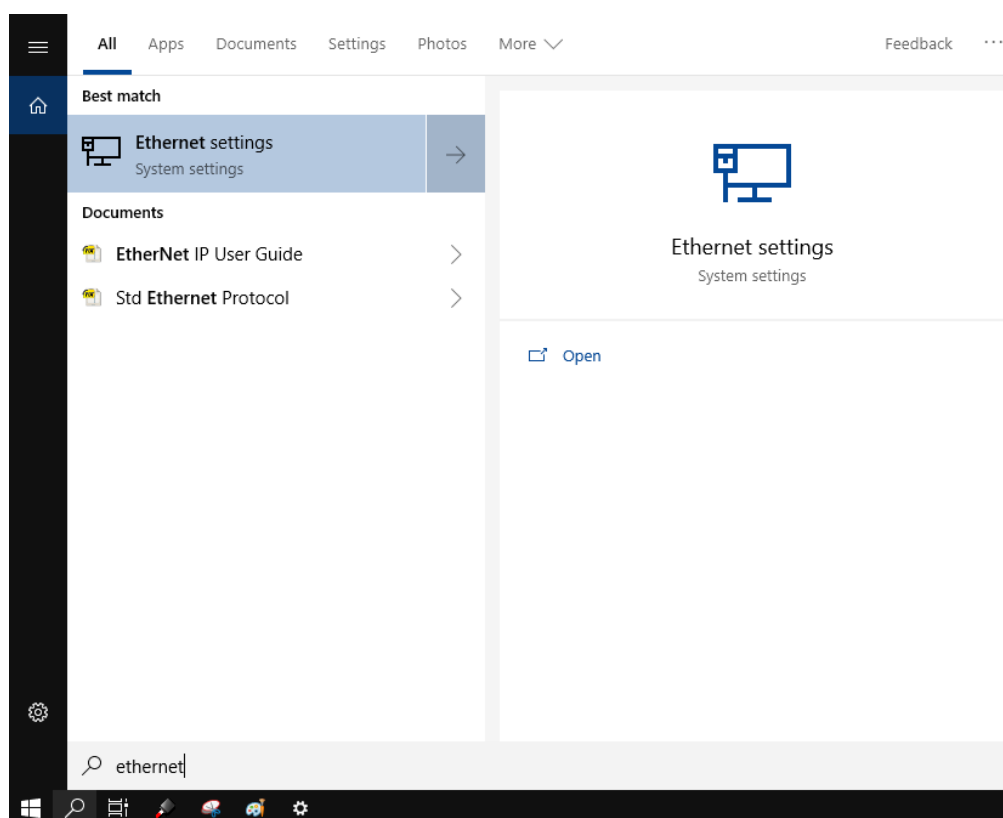


CAUTION: When the System Protection is disabled the system is not protected against disk corruption or malware attacks. Disable the protection only for the time necessary to make disk changes.

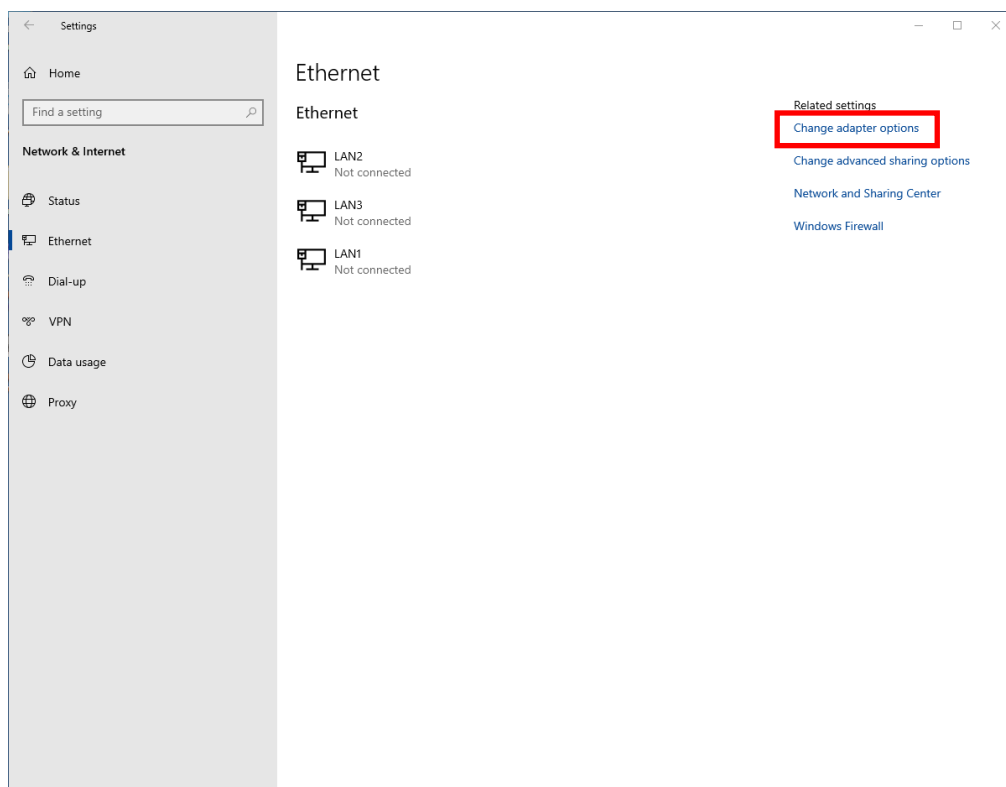
2. Wait for the operating system to **restart**
3. Check that the System protection is **disabled** (red icon):



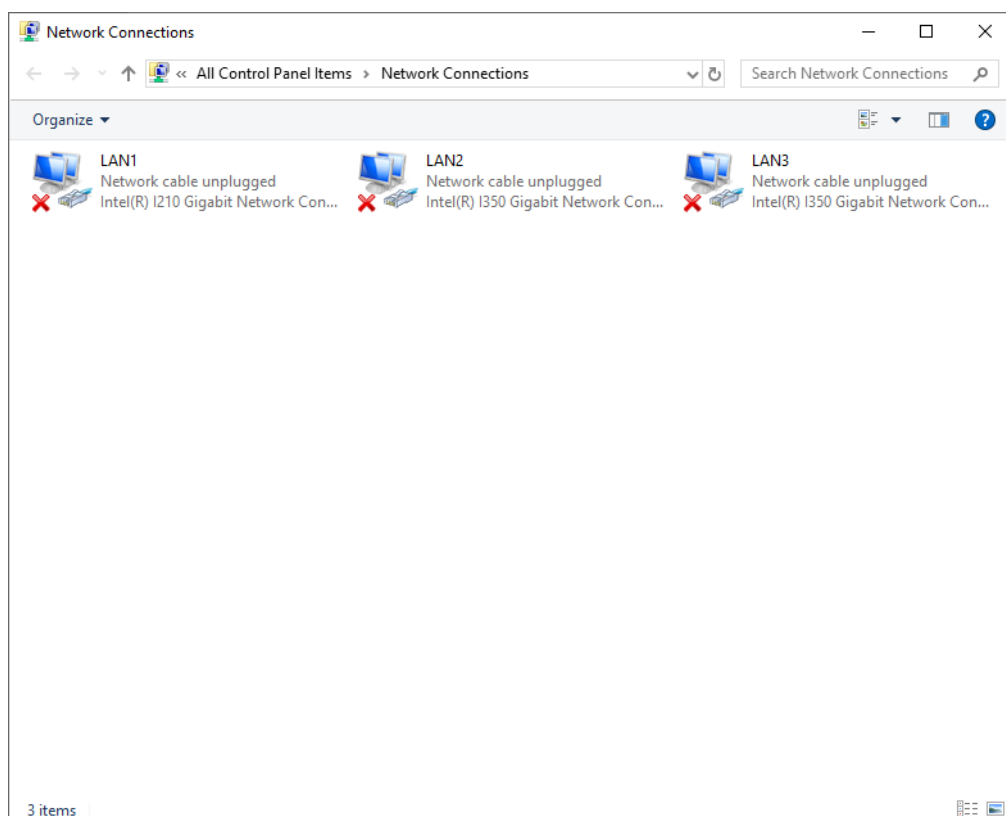
4. Click the **Search icon** and type “**Ethernet**”
5. Click on **Ethernet settings**



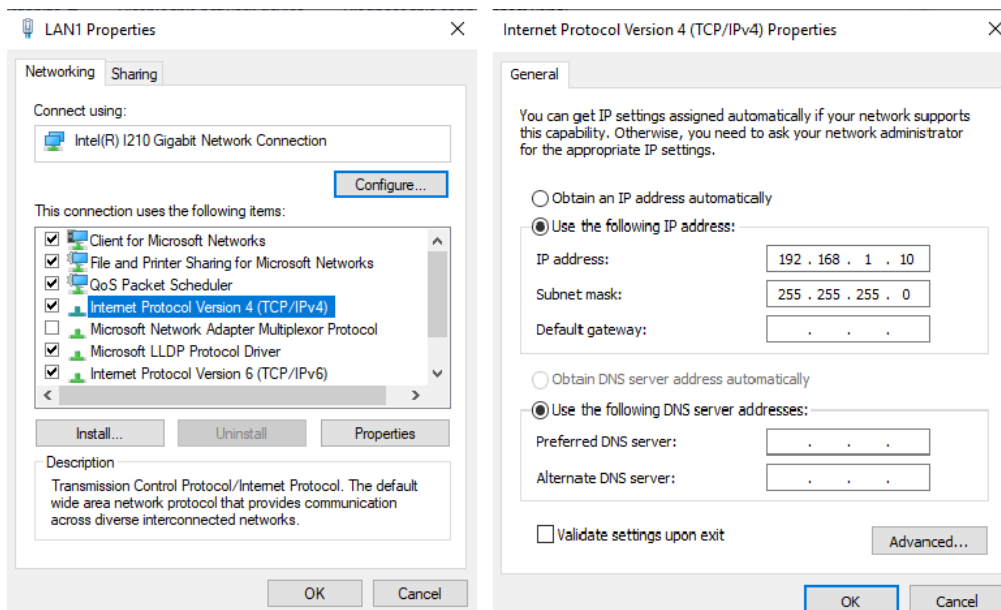
6. Click on **Change adapter options**



7. In the Network Connections window double click on the desired Network icon:



8. In the Network Properties window double click on **Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)** and edit the IP address and/or subnet mask.

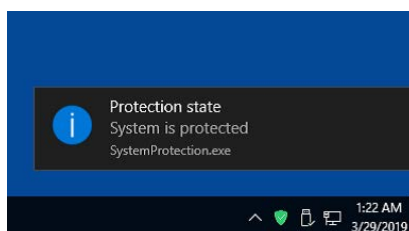


9. Close all the open windows
10. Enable system protection (see “Enable the system protection” on page 78)



CAUTION: When the System Protection is disabled the system is not protected against disk corruption or malware attacks.

11. Wait for the operating system to **restart**
12. Check that the System protection is **enabled** (green icon):



CHANGE THE VIDEO SETTING

The operating system allows you to change the Video setting.



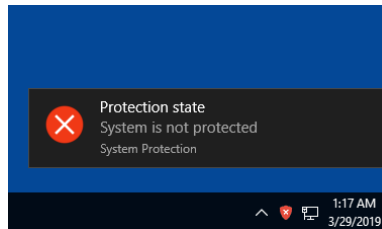
NOTE: In order to perform this setting it is necessary to connect mouse, keyboard and monitor to the laser marker (see “Local Mode Control connections” on page 65).

1. Disable system protection (see “Disable the system protection” on page 79)

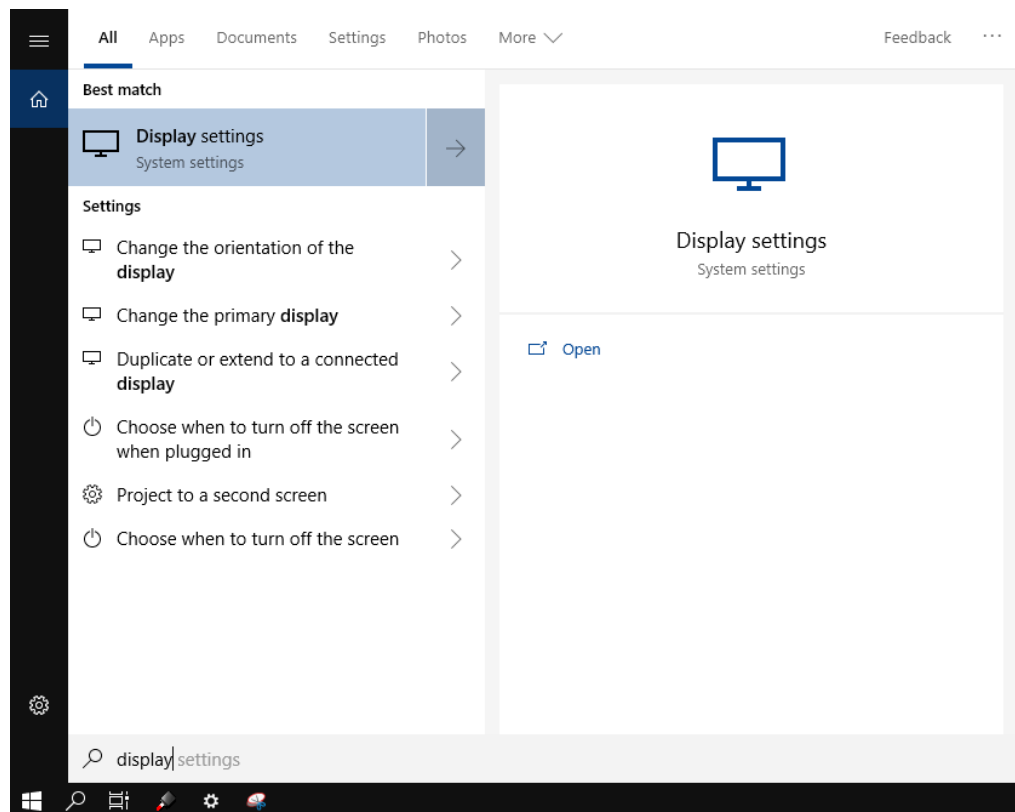


CAUTION: When the System Protection is disabled the system is not protected against disk corruption or malware attacks. Disable the protection only for the time necessary to make disk changes.

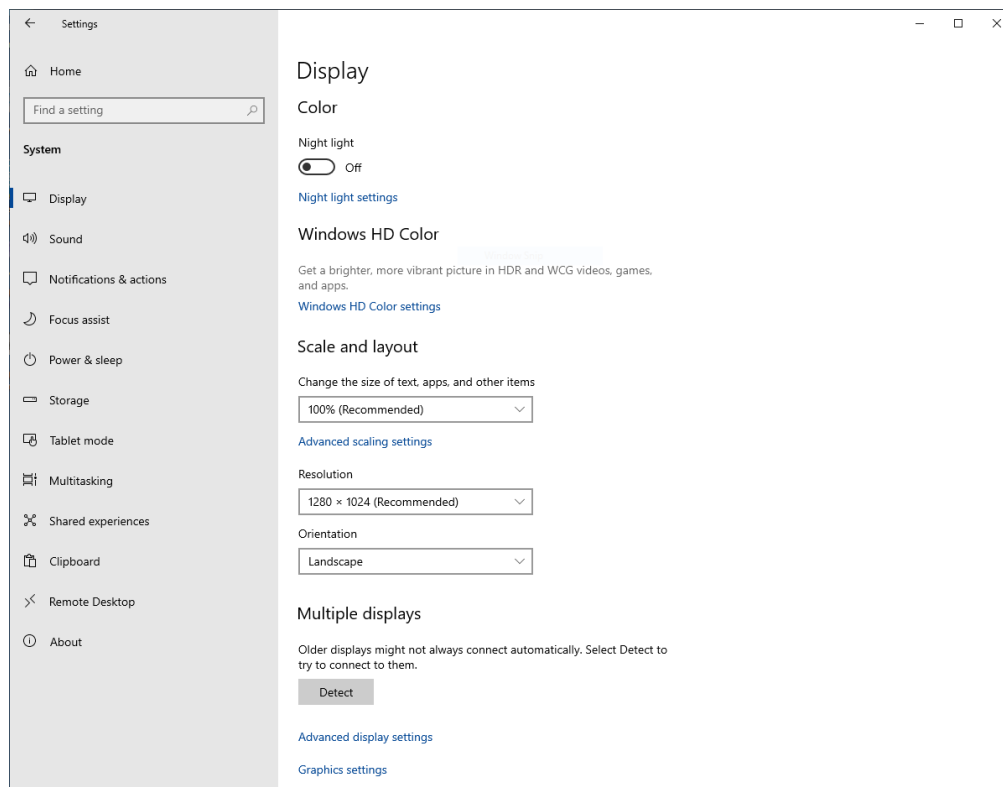
2. Wait for the operating system to **restart**
3. Check that the System protection is **disabled** (red icon):



4. Click the **Search icon** and type “display”
5. Click on **Display settings**



6. Change the Display settings



7. Close all the open windows

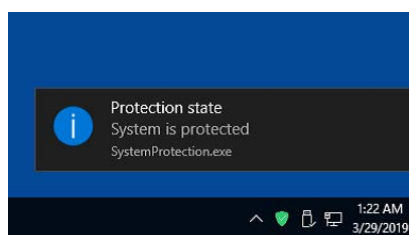
8. Enable system protection (see “Enable the system protection” on page 78)



CAUTION: When the System Protection is disabled the system is not protected against disk corruption or malware attacks.

9. Wait for the operating system to **restart**

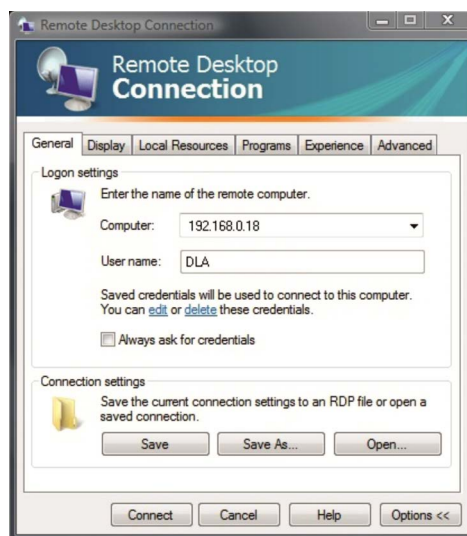
10. Check that the System protection is **enabled** (green icon):



REMOTE DESKTOP CONNECTION

To connect the laser marker to a remote Windows® based computer, follow these steps:

1. Turn on the laser marker
2. Make sure that both laser marker and remote computer are connected to the LAN
3. On the remote computer click **Start > All Programs > Accessories**, and then click **Remote Desktop Connection**
4. Click **Options**
5. In the Computer list, type the host name or the IP address of the computer to which you want to connect
6. Type the user name, password, and domain (if applicable) of an account to which you have allowed remote access into the corresponding boxes, and then click **Connect**



7. In the **Log On to Windows®** dialog box that appears, type the password of the account with remote access privileges into the Password box:

User name: **DLA**

Password: **dla**



8. In the **Log on to** list, if applicable, select the domain or remote computer that you want, and then click **OK**. The Laser Marker desktop is displayed in a window on the desktop. The Laser Marker computer is locked during this session
9. To disconnect the session, click the **Close** button in the session window, and then click **OK** when you are prompted to disconnect the Windows® session.

CHAPTER 7

ACCESSORIES

The accessories listed here below are described for information purposes only, and are not necessarily included in the packaging. The minimum contents of the packaging include the main hardware, cables and keys. For additional information, please see “Contents of the packaging” on page 9.

POWER CORD

ORDERING N.	DESCRIPTION
93ACC0444	US POWER CORD 2m w/ V-Lock AREX 400AF
93ACC0445	EU POWER CORD 2m w/ V-Lock AREX 400AF
93ACC0446	CN POWER CORD 2m w/ V-Lock AREX 400AF
93ACC0447	STRIPPED POWER CORD 2m w/ V-Lock AREX 400AF

CONTROL BOX

This accessory is used to control the laser marker through the Control Box interface.

The Control Box allows to perform the following functions:

- Changing laser marker state
- Starting and Stopping the marking process
- Showing the marking process state
- Showing the system error state

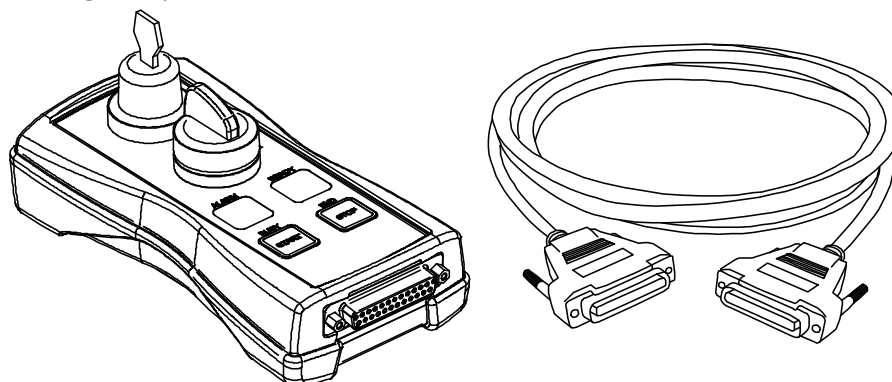


Figure 76: Control Box (ordering no: 985330031)



NOTE: See “X1 - Command Box (Laser Control)” on page 40 for detailed control signal description.

REMOTE START FOOT SWITCH

This accessory is used to provide the *START_MARKING* signal to the laser marker when the pedal is pressed by the operator.

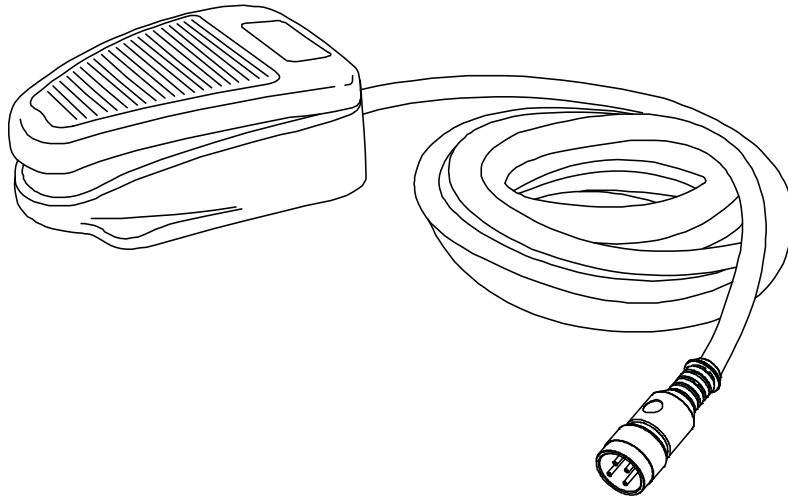


Figure 77: Remote Start Foot Switch (ordering no: 985350035)



NOTE: Refer to Remote Start Foot Switch instruction manual for more information.

I/O INTERFACE

Dedicated to on-site quick and easy termination, PLC interfacing, System Test, I/O troubleshooting, etc. The DB25 Pass-through Command Box connector allows the integrator to use the interface as a I/O test tool on previously installed products.

- I/O Monitoring LED
- Easy assembly thanks to screw down termination
- Dry contact outputs
- Dry contact inputs
- DIN rail mounting enclosure

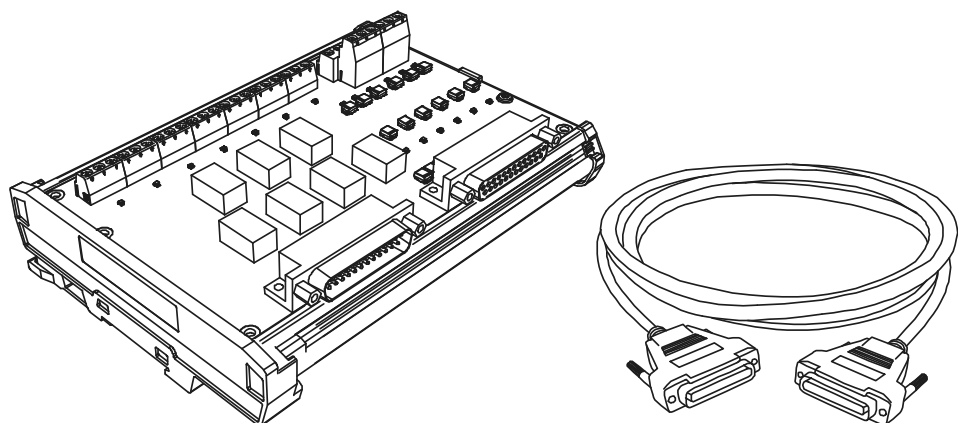


Figure 78: I/O interface (ordering no: 985330032)



NOTE: Refer to I/O Interface instruction manual for more information.

DB25-TO-FREE LEADS CABLE

This accessory allows an easier integration of the laser marker: the Command Box connector signals are all available on the free leads side of the cable, labeled with cable tags.

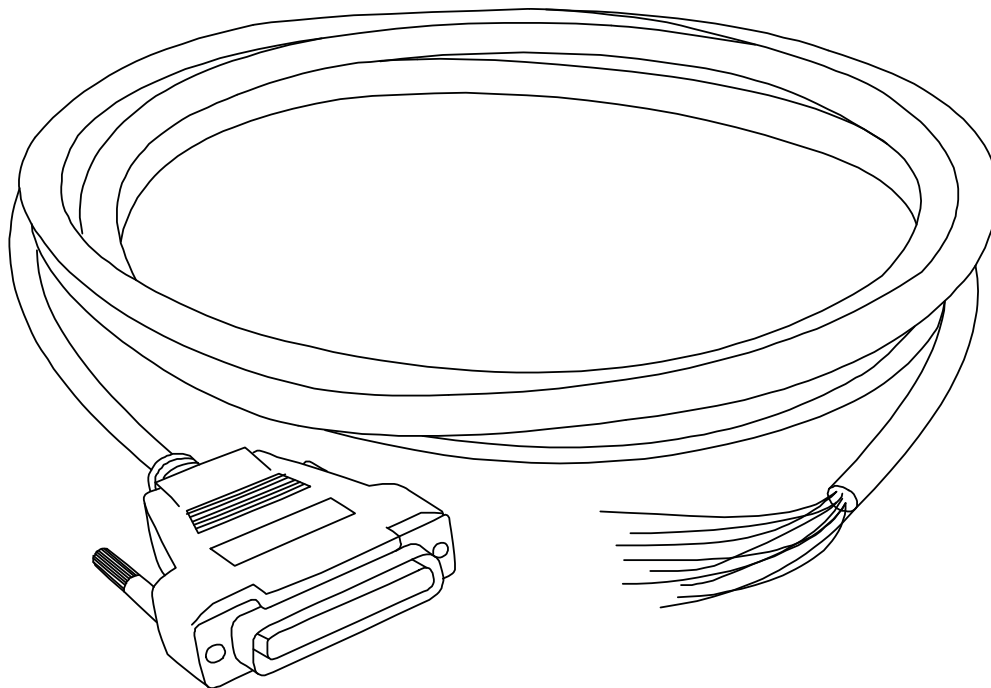


Figure 79: DB25-to-free leads cable (ordering no. 985350032)

MARVIS™ MOUNTING BRACKET FOR M AND L LENSES

This accessory is used to properly fix the MATRIX™-N to the scan head in a MARVIS™ application (suitable for M and L F-Theta scan lenses).

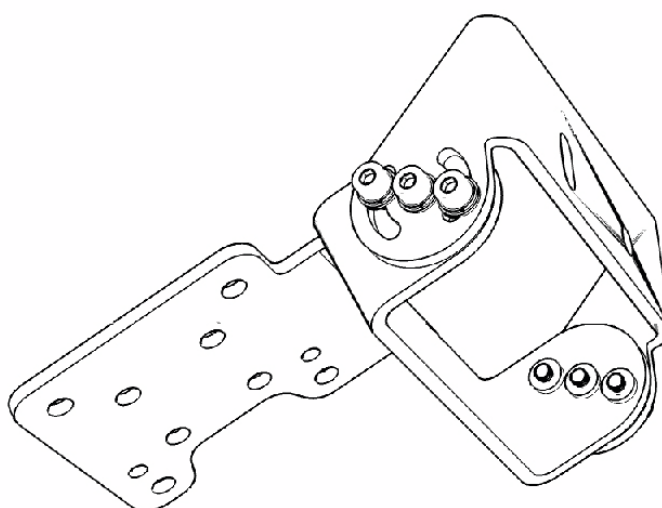


Figure 80: MARVIS™ Mounting Bracket for M and L lenses (ordering no: 93ACC0372)

ANALOG DISTANCE SENSOR KIT AREX 400AF

Automatically measure target position displacement from pre-setted focus position, and automatically drive the external (optional) Z-axis stage to the correct laser head position

- Simplified connectivity with dedicated External Distance Sensor connector on the scan Head.
- KIT includes sensor, mounting brackets, wires and protective YAG filter

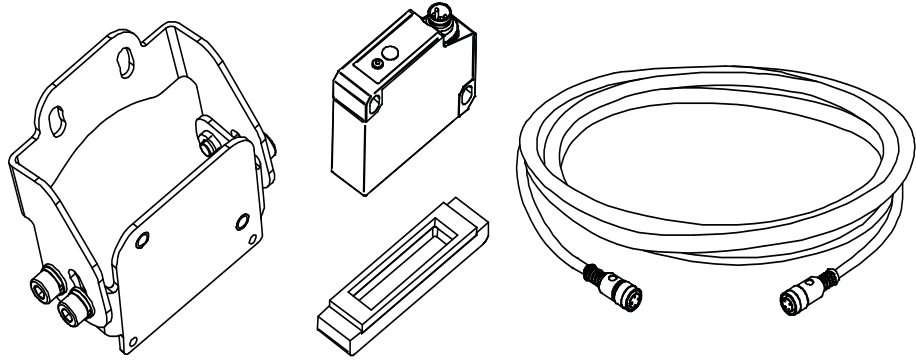


Figure 81: Distance sensor (ordering no: 93ACC0448)



NOTE: Refer to Micrometric distance sensor kit instruction manual for more information.

RACK HANDLES

This accessory is used to easily fasten the control rack to the cabinet. The fixing brackets are equipped with handles for easier handling.

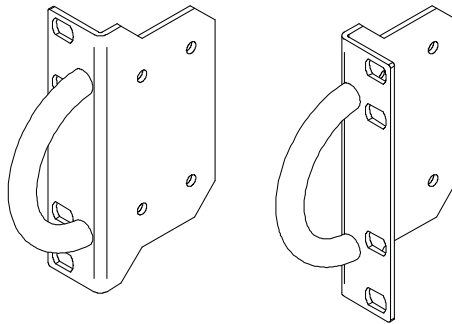


Figure 82: Rack Handles (ordering no: 985350039)

FUME EXTRACTOR

This accessory is suitable for collecting and filtering dry and non combustible types of dust contained in non explosive air mixtures produced during laser marking.

MODEL	ELECTRICAL DATA	HOSE / NOZZLE
985340038 - FUME EXTRACTOR BASIC 230VAC	230 VAC, 1 phase, @ 50 Hz (EU)	50-50 mm hose, length 4 m. 50 mm nozzle assembly
985340040 - FUME EXTRACTOR BASIC 115VAC	115 VAC, 1 phase, @ 60 Hz (US)	50-50 mm hose, length 4 m. 50 mm nozzle assembly
985340039 - FUME EXTRACTOR PRO 90-257VAC	90 - 257 VAC, 1 phase, @ 50-60 Hz	75-50 mm hose, length 4 m. 50 mm nozzle assembly

EXTERNAL FOCUS FINDER

This accessory is used to show the focus distance in all those cases where the focusing beam pointer integrated in the scan head cannot be used due to the mechanical interference between the red laser beam and large F-Theta lenses (suitable for 420L F-Theta scan lens).

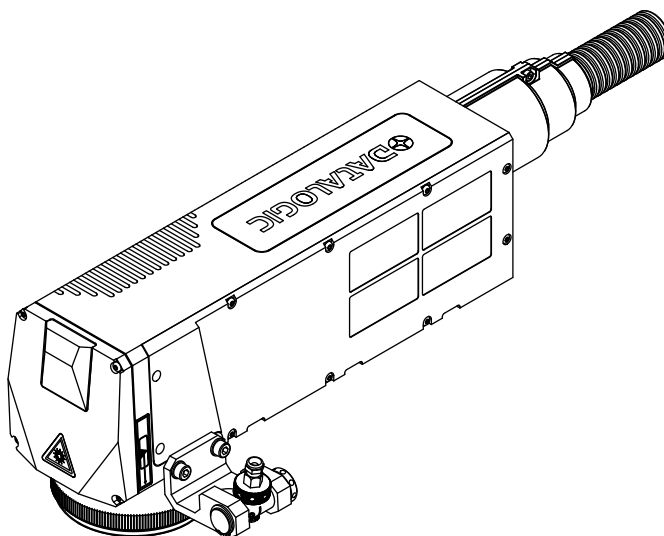


Figure 83: External Focus Finder (ordering no: 93ACC0413)

F-THETA PROTECTIVE CAP FOR M LENSES

Easy to install, easy to replace; simplifies preventive/periodic maintenance cleaning operation on F-Theta scan lens and allow no-stop operations.

- Ensure complete IP64 protection
- Protect expensive lens from dust and scratches
- Suitable for 160M and 254M F-Theta scan lenses

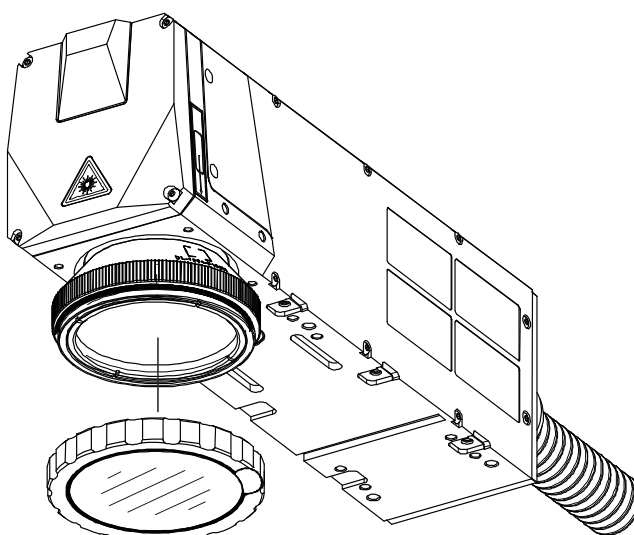


Figure 84: F-Theta protective cap (ordering no.93ACC0371)



NOTE: The Protective Cap guarantees IP64 protection grade.

CHAPTER 8

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

SEALS

The laser marker has seals in some areas. The seals must not be broken or removed for any reason. The sealed parts may be opened only and exclusively by Datalogic. Breaking these seals voids the warranty on the entire laser marker.



CAUTION: If customer breaks or removes the seals placed by Datalogic on the laser marker the warranty will immediately become “null and void”.



CAUTION: Datalogic shall not be held liable for any non-conforming use of the laser marker.

It is forbidden to operate the laser marker before the machine where it is integrated has been declared in conformance with applicable statutory Directives.



CAUTION: Only Datalogic authorized personnel, who have been trained and instructed on the electrical and optical risks, is allowed to access the internal parts of the control rack.

Datalogic shall not be held liable for any damage caused by inadequate work from non-authorized personnel.



CAUTION: Only Datalogic authorized personnel, who have been trained and instructed on the electrical and optical risks, is allowed to access the internal parts of the scan head.

Datalogic shall not be held liable for any damage caused by inadequate work from non-authorized personnel.

MAINTENANCE

The ordinary maintenance program of the laser marker includes only simple operations. Some operations consist in a mere “check” of the operating condition.

The maintenance activities must be done in compliance with the legal directives regarding the safety rules during these operations.

The following parts/functions have to be controlled periodically:

COMPONENT	TYPE OPERATION	INTERVALS
F-Theta Scan Lens	Check / Clean	Weekly: wipe gently with a dry cloth (or soaked in high-purity isopropyl alcohol) or clean it with dry air blowing
Rack Air filter	Clean / Replace	Every 3 months (according to the environment and frequency of use)



CAUTION: Disconnect AC power cable before starting any maintenance operations.

F-Theta scan lens cleaning procedure

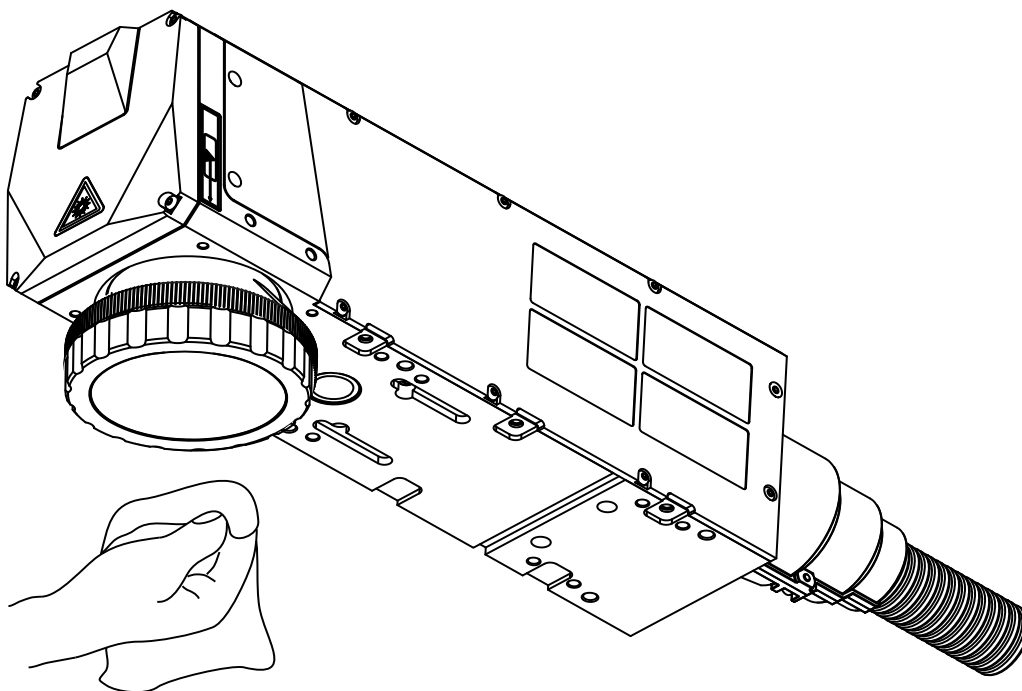


Figure 85: Cleaning F-Theta scan lens

Air filter cleaning procedure

Procedure:

1. Turn off key switch on controller unit
2. Disconnect AC power cable
3. Unscrew grid panel screws and remove it
4. Remove filter

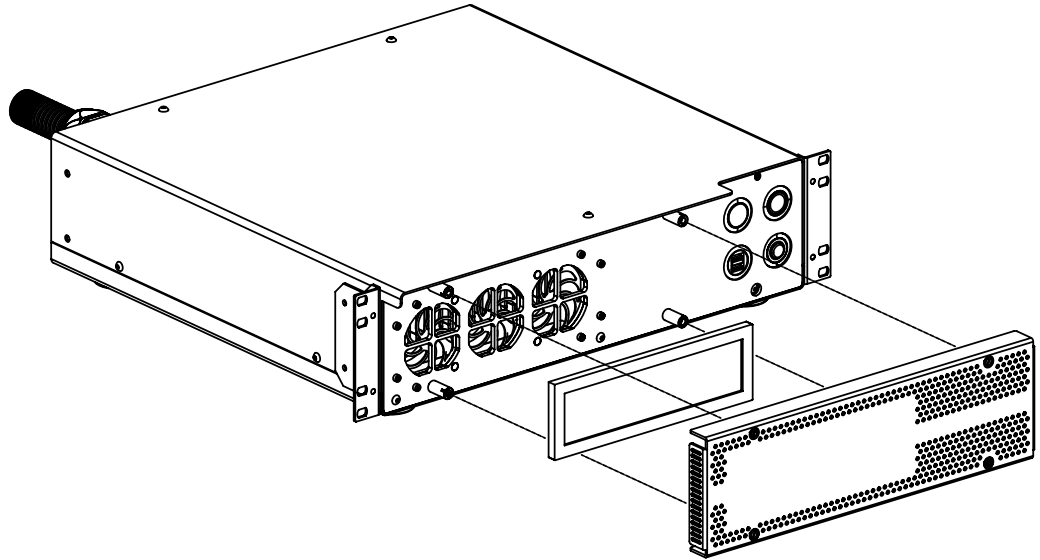


Figure 86: Removal of air filter

5. Clean filter with compressed air or with neutral detergent and air-dry it
6. Reinstall filter and grid panel



CAUTION: Insert the filter making sure that the surface with the wider meshes is oriented towards the outside.



CAUTION: DO NOT install wet filter!

7. If filter cannot be cleaned, replace the filter
8. Suitable filters are available as spare parts (ordering no: 890006346)

TROUBLESHOOTING

If a problem occurs during operation, first check the following troubleshooting. If you cannot fix the problem, contact Datalogic Customer Service (see “Technical Support” on page 5).

Service Interface

The laser marker is equipped with a Service Interface integrated in *Lighter™ Laser Configuration - Service* useful for service purpose.

The Service Interface provide the following information:

SYSTEM INFO	
INFO TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Serial Number	Laser marker serial number
FW revision	Shows the FW and HW revision (separated by dot) installed in the Laser Control Board
System Working Hours	Counter of the laser marker working hours expressed in hours and minutes
CPU Temperature	Shows the CPU temperature of the Laser Control Board
BOARD#1 Temperature	Shows the temperature measured by BOARD#1 sensor of the control rack
BOARD#2 Temperature	Shows the temperature measured by BOARD#2 sensor of the control rack
Scan Head Temperature	Shows the internal temperature of the Scan Head
ERROR TYPE	DESCRIPTION
System Temperature error	This counter is incremented every time the system temperature is out of the operating temperature range
Scan Head Temperature error	This counter is incremented every time the scan head temperature is out of the operating temperature range
Service Interface error	This counter is incremented every time the service interface detect a MMC error

SAFETY INFO	
INFO TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Safety relay switching	Counter of the safety functions events. The safety functions events counter is incremented every time the INTERLOCK or LASER_STOP safety function are activated

LASER SOURCE INFO	
INFO TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Serial Number	Source serial number
Source Working Hour	Counter of the laser source working hours expressed in hours and minutes
Diode Working Hours	Counter of the source diode working hours expressed in hours and minutes. The counter starts to count every time the laser marker is in READY state
Temperature Error	This counter is incremented every time the Laser source temperature is out of the operating temperature range
Power Supply Error	This counter is incremented every time the External supply voltage of the laser source is out of the specified range
Back Reflection Error	This counter is incremented every time the laser source detect an high optical power reflected back to the laser
Generic Error	This counter is incremented every time the laser source detects an internal failure

BACKUP AND RESTORE SERVICE DATA	
INFO TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Backup button	The BACKUP button shall be used to save the actual service data in a XML file

List of warning and error states

STATUS LED	DESCRIPTION	POSSIBLE CAUSE	ACTION	X1 - COMMAND BOX CONNECTOR OUTPUT STATE	
Blinking ORANGE	Warning invalid start sequence	Incorrect turning-on sequence	Set <i>Key Switch</i> to “0” and repeat the turning-on sequence. See “Turning On sequence” on page 70	SYSTEM_ALARM POWER_ON ENABLE_OUT	OFF OFF OFF
Blinking RED	System Error	Interlock error	- Check X3 - SLO connector signals (see “X3 - SLO (Safe Laser Off)” on page 36) - Check X3 - SLO connector presence	SYSTEM_ALARM POWER_ON ENABLE_OUT	ON OFF OFF
		CBOX error	- Check if X1 - Command Box connector is present - Check X1.10 CONNECTOR_PRESENCE input signal (see “X1 - Command Box (Laser Control)” on page 40)		
		Rack Temperature error	Check the temperature of the environment where the control rack is placed. The temperature must not exceed the operative limit		
		Scan Head Temperature error	Check the temperature of the environment where the scan head is placed. The temperature must not exceed the operative limit		
		Scan Head Connection error	Contact Datalogic Technical Support		
		Source Temperature error	Check the temperature of the environment where the control rack is placed. The temperature must not exceed the operative limit	SYSTEM_ALARM POWER_ON ENABLE_OUT	ON OFF OFF
		Source generic error	Contact Datalogic Technical Support		
		Source Power Supply error	Contact Datalogic Technical Support		
		Incorrect Firmware version error	Contact Datalogic Technical Support		
		Back reflection error	Check the reflectance of the material to be marked. Marking on high reflective material could damage the laser source.		

List of problems related to laser marker states

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION	STATUS LED	POSSIBLE CAUSE	ACTION
Laser marker never goes to WAIT FOR START state	Blinking GREEN	- Lighter™ Suite marking SW corrupted - C:\ or D:\ drive corrupted	Restore the laser marker (see “Recover the laser marker” on page 146)
		Laser marker fails to perform internal AF axis homing	Power cycle the laser marker
Laser marker never goes to READY state	Steady ORANGE	Key Switch selector in wrong position	Check the Key Switch is set to “2” (see “Turning On sequence” on page 70)
		EXT_ENABLE_A and/or EXT_ENABLE_B contact are LOW level or disconnected	Check X1.8 (EXT_ENABLE_A) and X1.2 (EXT_ENABLE_B) input signals on the X1 - Command Box connector are set to HIGH level (see “X1 - Command Box (Laser Control)” on page 40)
		LASER_STOP safety function is active	Check X3.13 (/LASER_STOP_A) and X3.15 (/LASER_STOP_B) input signals on the X3 - SLO connector are both closed to GND or X3.12 (LASER_STOP_A) and X3.14 (LASER_STOP_B) input signals on the X3 - SLO connector are both closed to VCC
Laser marker never goes to STANDBY SHUTTER CLOSED state	Steady GREEN	Key Switch selector in wrong position	Check the Key Switch is set to “1” (see “Turning On sequence” on page 70)
		EXT_KEY contact is LOW level or disconnected	Check X1.12 (EXT_KEY) input signal on the X1 - Command Box connector is set to HIGH level (see “X1 - Command Box (Laser Control)” on page 40)

List of most common problems

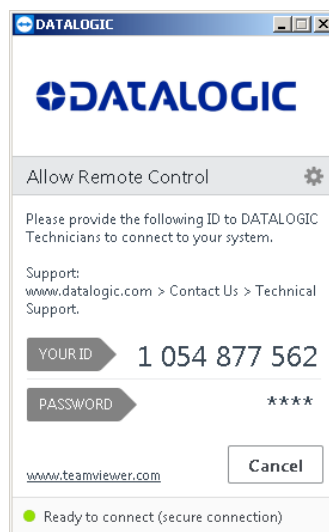
PROBLEM DESCRIPTION	POSSIBLE CAUSE	ACTION
Laser marker doesn't turn ON	POWER SUPPLY CABLE cable disconnected	Check the POWER SUPPLY CABLE connection to the power grid
	Power supply SWITCH of set to OFF	Check that the POWER SUPPLY switch is set to ON
	FUSES damaged	Check that FUSES of power supply are not damaged: Control Rack: - Littlefuse 0213005.MXP for all models except AREX 40C-xAF - Littlefuse 021306.3MXP for AREX 40C-xAF models only
Impossible to control the marking process using the Command Box control signals	Incorrect integration	Check that the X1 - Command Box control signals are compatible with the external devices used for integration
Bad marking result	F-Theta scan lens is dirty	Clean the F-Theta scan lens. See “F-Theta scan lens cleaning procedure” on page 96
	Incorrect focus distance	Check that the material to be marked is placed at the right <i>working distance</i> . See “Marking Area Specification” on page 26
	Incorrect laser parameters	Check that the laser parameters set in the layout are appropriate for the material to be marked. Contact Datalogic Technical Support
Laser marker doesn't engrave	Incorrect laser marker state	Check the laser marker state is set to READY
	F-Theta lens protection not removed	Check that the F-Theta scan lens protection has been removed
	The optical path is obstructed	Check that the optical path is free

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION	POSSIBLE CAUSE	ACTION
Laser marker doesn't start to engrave using external START_MARKING signal on the Command Box connector	STOP_MARKING signal is active	Check that the X1.13 (STOP_MARKING) signal on the X1 - Command Box connector is not set to HIGH level
	START_MARKING signal incorrect timing	- Check the X1.11 (START_MARKING) signal on the X1 - Command Box connector (see "X1 - Command Box (Laser Control)" on page 40). HIGH level pulsed signal start the marking process (refer to Lighter™ user's manual "Setting I/O parameters" paragraph to set the signal properties) - Use Lighter™ System Test to check external START_MARKING and STOP_MARKING signals
	Lighter™ is not set in AUTO MODE / WORK MODE	Check that Laser Engine is set in AUTO MODE or that Laser Editor is set in WORK MODE
Laser marker doesn't start to engrave using the START MARKING button on the frontal rack Console	STOP_MARKING signal is active	Check that the X1.13 (STOP_MARKING) signal on the X1 - Command Box connector is not set to HIGH level (see "X1 - Command Box (Laser Control)" on page 40)
	Lighter™ is not set in AUTO MODE / WORK MODE	Check that Laser Engine is set in AUTO MODE or that Laser Editor is set in WORK MODE
Laser marker doesn't start to engrave using an external photocell	STOP_MARKING signal is active	Check that the X1.13 (STOP_MARKING) signal on the X1 - Command Box connector is not set to HIGH level
	Incorrect photocell type or incorrect connection	Check that the photocell is compatible with the laser marker (see "Photocell" on page 45). HIGH level pulsed signal start the marking process (refer to Lighter™ user's manual "Setting I/O parameters" paragraph to set the signal properties)
	Lighter™ is not set in AUTO MODE / WORK MODE	Check that Laser Engine is set in AUTO MODE or that Laser Editor is set in WORK MODE
Laser marker doesn't work in Marking On Fly mode	MOF is not enabled or not configured	- Use the Laser Engine MOF wizard to setup the laser marker (refer to Lighter™ User's Manual) - Check that the MOF MODE is enabled (refer to Lighter™ User's Manual)
	Laser Engine is not set in AUTO MODE	Check that Laser Engine is set in AUTO MODE (refer to Lighter™ User's Manual)
	Incorrect encoder's type or connection	- Check that the encoder is compatible with the laser marker (see "Encoder" on page 45) - Check that the encoder is working using Laser Engine MOF wizard (refer to Lighter™ User's Manual)
	Incorrect photocell type or connection	- Check that the photocell is compatible with the laser marker - Check that the photocell is working using Laser Engine MOF wizard (refer to Lighter™ User's Manual)
	Inappropriate layout	Check that the layout to engrave is compatible, in terms of marking time, with the MOF application

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION	POSSIBLE CAUSE	ACTION
Red Aiming Beam not visible	<i>F-Theta</i> Lens protection not removed	Check that the <i>F-Theta</i> scan lens protection has been removed
	<i>Aiming Beam Standby time</i> expired	The laser marker is provided with a system that prevent diode wear turning of the diode when the <i>Aiming Beam Standby time</i> expired. Change laser marker state to reset the Standby time
	Laser marker is not in the correct state	Check that the laser marker state is coherent with the <i>AIMING BEAM TYPE</i> property set in Laser Engine Configuration "LASER" (refer to <i>Lighter™ User's Manual</i>)
	Incorrect Aiming beam setting in Laser Engine	Check <i>STANBY POSITION</i> property in Laser Engine Configuration "SCANNER" . Depending on the setting, the aiming beam could be not visible because pointed outside the marking field (refer to <i>Lighter™ User's Manual</i>) Check <i>AIMING BEAM TYPE</i> property in Laser Engine Configuration "LASER" (refer to <i>Lighter™ User's Manual</i>) OFF: always OFF AUTOMATIC: active only in <i>STANDBY SHUTTER CLOSED</i> state SMART: active only on request
Red Focusing Beam not visible	The focusing beam output window is obstructed	Check that the focusing beam output window is not obstructed
	Laser marker is not in the correct state	Check that the laser marker state is coherent with the <i>FOCUSING BEAM TYPE</i> property in Laser Engine Configuration "LASER" (refer to <i>Lighter™ User's Manual</i>)
	Incorrect Focusing Beam setting	Check <i>FOCUSING BEAM TYPE</i> property in Laser Engine Configuration "LASER" (refer to <i>Lighter™ User's Manual</i>) OFF: always OFF AUTOMATIC: active only during <i>STANDBY SHUTTER CLOSED</i> state
X, Y, Z, R Axis doesn't work	Incorrect integration	Check that the Axes control signals are compatible with the external devices used for integration
	Axis is not enabled	Check that the selected Axis is enabled in Laser Engine Configuration (refer to <i>Lighter™ User's Manual</i>)
	Axis is not correctly configured	Check that the selected Axis is correctly configured in Laser Engine Configuration (refer to <i>Lighter™ User's Manual</i>)
Windows settings are not saved at system restart	C:\ drive is write-protected by UWF filter	Follow the procedure present in "System Protection Tool" on page 77
Generic I/O signals doesn't work	Incorrect integration	Check that the I/O control signals are compatible with the external devices used for integration
	I/O already used by Axis	Generic I/O and Axes share the same I/O signals. Check that the selected I/O are not used by an Axis that is enabled
X1 - X2 Digital Output signals doesn't work in NPN mode	Wrong setting	Check that X1.16 is NOT CONNECTED or connected to GND
X1 - X2 Digital Output signals doesn't work in PNP mode	Wrong setting	Check that X1.16 is set to 10-28V DC reference power supply voltage.

REMOTE ASSISTANCE

The laser marker is equipped with a remote connection tool that can be used for diagnostic purposes by Datalogic technical support.



NOTE: The laser marker must be connected to the Internet.

APPENDIX A

LABELS

LABELS

LABEL	DESCRIPTION
	Identification label
	Warning laser logotype
	Laser Label (scan head) (*)
	Aperture Label
	Label for non-interlock protective housing
	USB port
	MAC Address
	Windows 10 IoT Enterprise COA
0 - 1 - 2	Key Selector positions
X1	Command Box connector
X2	Axes connector
X3	SLO connector
LAN1 - LAN2 - LAN3	LAN ports

LABEL	DESCRIPTION
RS232	RS232 port
VGA	VGA port
PHOTOCELL	Photocell connector
ENCODER	Encoder connector
DEVICE PORT 1	Device port 1
DEVICE PORT 2	Device port 2
EXT FOCUS	External focusing beam connector (on Scan Head)
EXT DISTANCE SENSOR	External distance sensor connector (on Scan Head)
	Fuses

(*) Maximum output of laser radiation as per definition 3.55 of IEC60825-1 considering single fault conditions.

POSITIONING OF EXTERNAL LABELS

Positioning of labels on the control rack

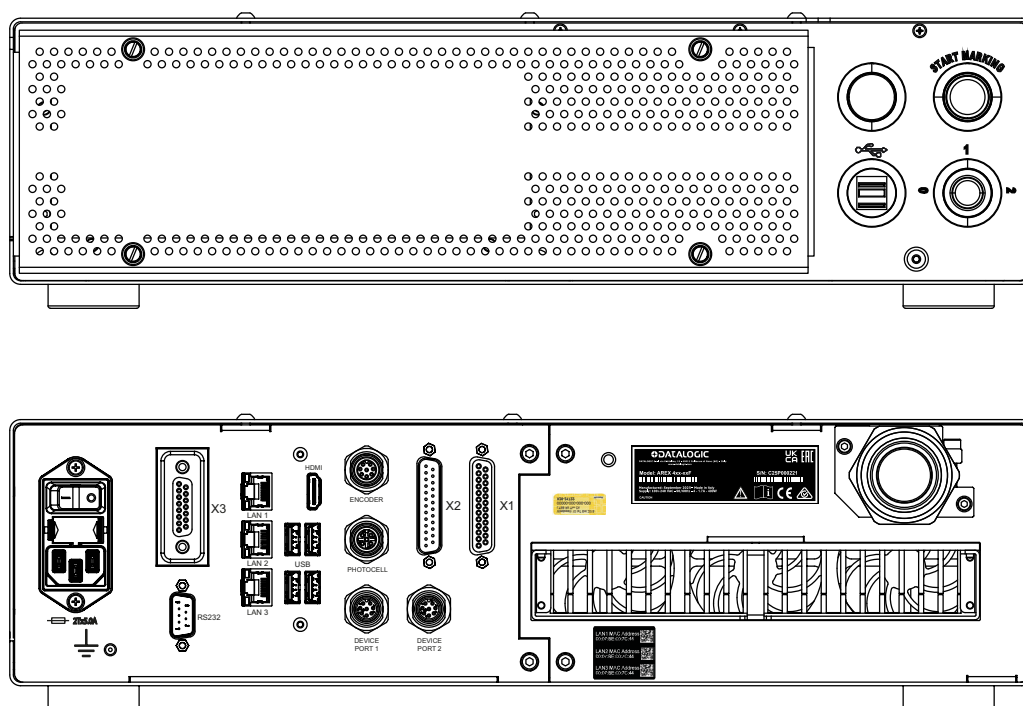


Figure 87: External labels rack location

Positioning of labels on the scan head

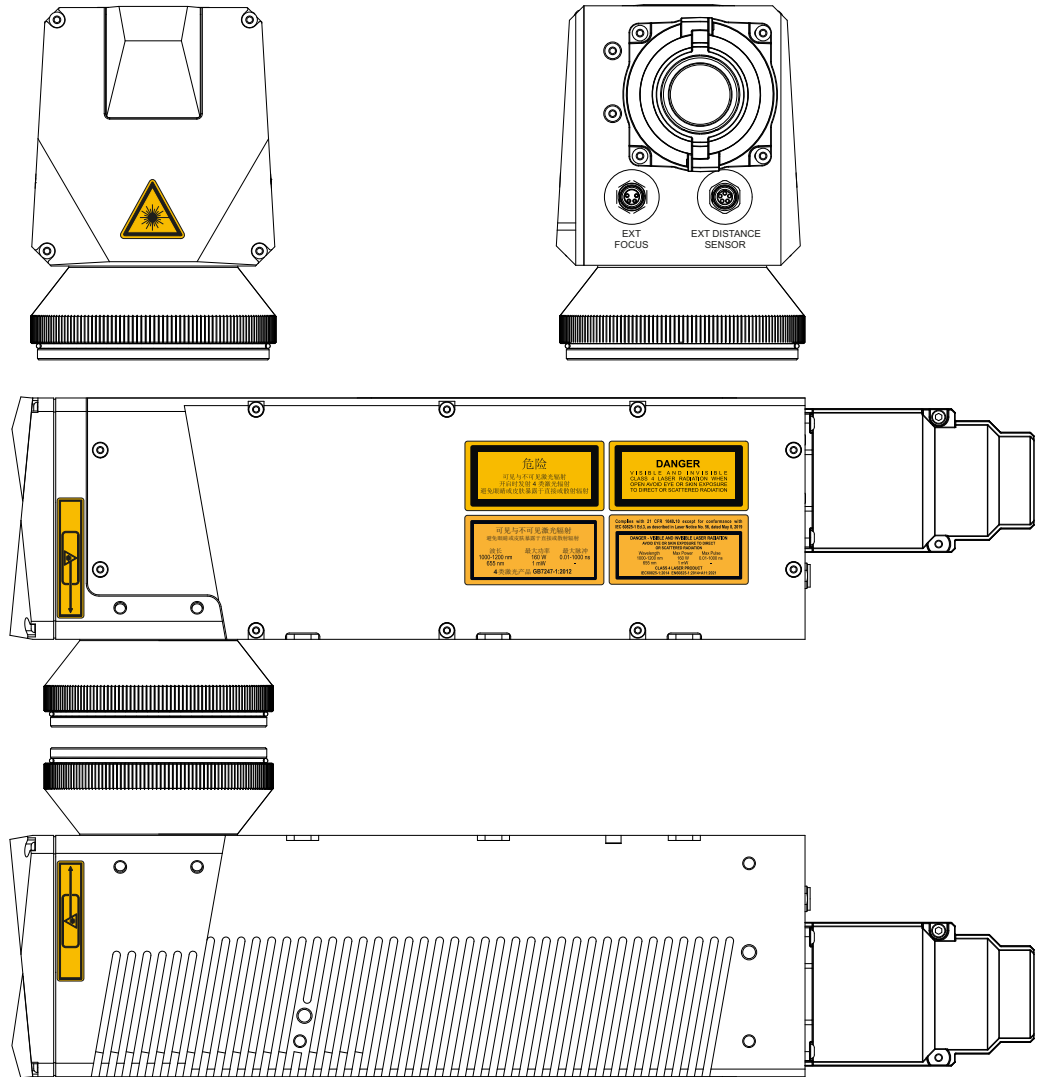


Figure 88: External labels Scan Head location

SAFETY LABELS IN LOCAL LANGUAGES

The laser marker is provided by default with laser labels and labels for non-interlock protective housing in Chinese and English language already attached to the product.

Additional labels in French, Swedish, German, Italian, Spanish, Korean, Russian and Polish languages are provided with the laser marker.



NOTE: Be sure to attach the labels in a language understandable to operators in the locations shown in “Positioning of external labels” on page 106.

APPENDIX B

UNDERSTANDING SLO: SAFE LASER OFF SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS ACCORDING TO EN ISO 13849-1:2015

MACHINE SAFETY

The European Community Directives establish that industrial machinery should not present a risk for workers and operators. The manufacturers should retain full responsibility for certifying the conformity of their machinery to the provisions of **Machine Directive**.

The **CE mark** () is the only marking which guarantees that machinery conforms to the requirements of the Machine Directive.

The Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC compels machine manufacturers to meet a **minimum set of requirements** before a machine may be placed on the market, Annex I, of such directive, provides a **list of Safety Requirements** to which machinery must comply where relevant.

It is the responsibility of the final machine manufacturer to ensure that all the Safety Requirements are satisfied.

Several harmonized Standards have been published to support Manufacturers in Safety Requirements fulfillment.

For Laser Processing machine:

1. EN 60825-1
2. EN ISO 11553-1

The process that brings evidence that all potential machine hazard are addressed is the **risk assessment**.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Core of the Machine Directive are “Risk Assessment” and “Risk Reduction” process.

EN ISO 12100:2010 is aimed to support manufacturers during Risk Assessment.

Machinery must be designed to be **operated, adjusted** and **maintained** without putting persons at risk when these operations are carried out.

Risk Assessment must also taking into account any **reasonably foreseeable misuse** of the system.

RISK ASSESSMENT is based on a clear understanding of the machine limits and functions and the tasks that may be required to be performed at the machine throughout its life.

During Risk Assessment all the **Hazards** must be **identified** and analyzed for all the possible tasks of the machine (such as maintenance or cleaning).

As an example, for a “Laser Processing Machine” the hazards list will include laser-related hazards like:

- Direct, scattered, diffused and indirect laser radiation
- Fumes, particles and vapors from target material
- Fire/explosion from target material

Refer to EN ISO 11553-1 for a complete list.

Each Hazard represent a risk of harm, and each **Risk** must be **estimated** and quantified in terms of:

- THE SEVERITY OF POTENTIAL INJURY
- THE PROBABILITY OF ITS OCCURRENCE

Once the Risk Estimation is completed, next step is the Risk Reduction.

The 2006/42/EC Directive provides a hierarchy of measures for eliminating the risk:

1. Inherently Safe Design: Eliminate/reduce risks as far as possible by machine design
2. **Additional Protection Devices:** Install safeguarding and protective measures in relation to risks that cannot be eliminated by design
3. Personal Protective Equipment and/or Training

In case of Protective Devices It will be necessary to ensure that access can only be gained while the machine is safe. Protective measures such as interlocked guard doors and/or trip systems will be required.

THERE is no ONE SINGLE SOLUTION TO SAFETY but a SYSTEMATIC PROCESS.

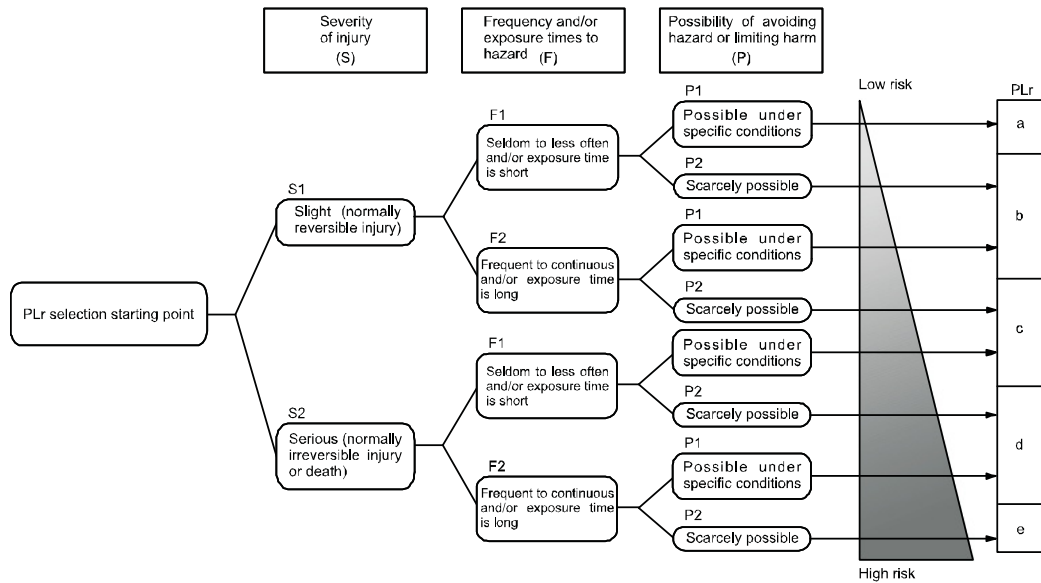
RISK ASSESSMENT based on a clear understanding of the machine limits and functions and the tasks that may be required to be performed at the machine throughout its life.

RISK REDUCTION is then performed if necessary and safety measures are selected based on the information derived from the risk assessment stage. The manner in which this is done is the basis of the SAFETY STRATEGY for the machine.



PERFORMANCE LEVEL (PL)

The PL is specified in EN-ISO13849-1. The risk analysis will lead to a PLr (Performance Level required) for a safety function based on the following graph:



DATALOGIC LASER MARKERS

The Machinery Directive 2006/42/UE, EN 13849-1 and EN ISO 11553-1 are NOT applicable to Datalogic Laser Markers.

Datalogic, in order to help customers in their approval process, as a voluntary act, has applied in its laser marker, where possible, some points of above mentioned regulations.

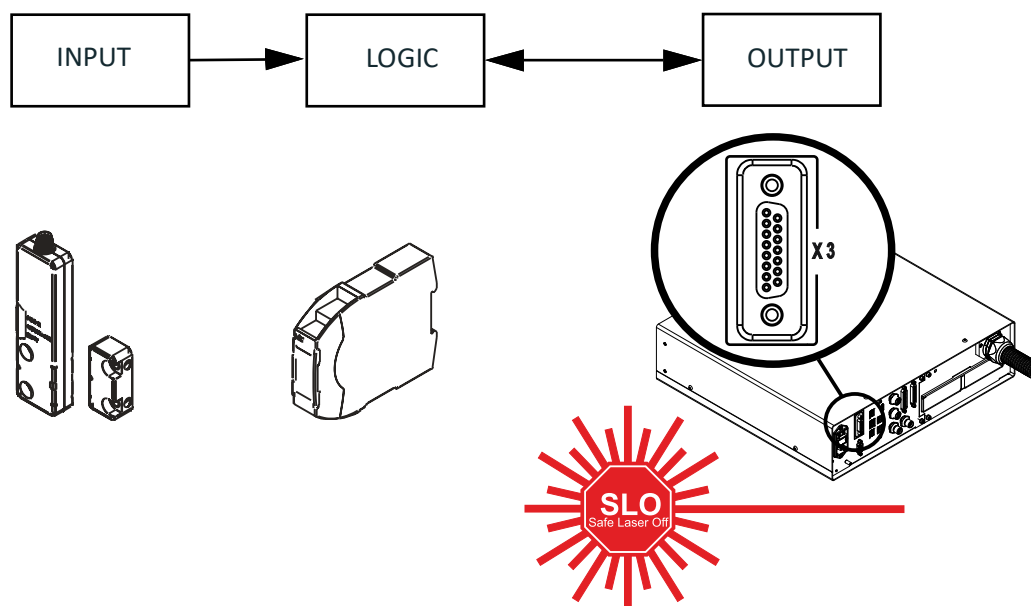
The examples of this appendix relate only to the features introduced in Arex™ XXX-X6X models to assist in the laser radiation risk reduction.



CAUTION: Any other risks (mechanical, electrical, etc.) must always be evaluated and appropriate risk reduction measures taken where necessary.

The target safety integrity or performance level (e.g. PLd according to ISO13849-1) shall be determined by the customer, taking into account the machinery directive, the harmonized standards and any sector-specific standard that may apply.

SLO CONNECTION DIAGRAM



SLO is one of the components of the Protective System and Equipment.

SLO is intended to be used in combination with safety PLC or safety relays.

SAFETY FUNCTIONS

SAFETY FUNCTION	PHYSICAL INTERFACE	
SF.1: Enable no laser emission if "EXT_ENABLE_A" or "EXT_ENABLE_B" signals are disabled, where "disabled" means contacts open	X1 - Command Box connector (Sub-D 25 F type)	Number of Channels: 1 Category: B MTTFd: 3 to 10 years Continuous operation: yes Reaction Time: 10 ms IP degree: IP31
SF.2: Interlock No laser output if "INTERLOCK_A" or "INTERLOCK_B" signals are disabled, where disabled" means contacts open. This SF complies with IEC 60825-1_2014	X3 - SLO connector (Sub-D 15 F type)	Number of Channels: 2 Category: 3 PFHd: 8,68 FIT each channel DC Coverage: up to 99% Continuous operation: yes Reaction Time (Class IV to Class I): 100 ms IP degree: IP54
SF.3: Laser Stop no laser output if "LASER_STOP_A" or "LASER_STOP_B" signals are disabled, where "disabled" means contacts open	X3 - SLO connector (Sub-D 15 F type)	Number of Channels: 2 Category: 3 PFHd: 14,4 FIT each channel DC Coverage: up to 99% Continuous operation: yes Reaction Time (Class IV to Class I): 100 ms IP degree: IP54
SF.4: Fast Turn OFF The voltage applied to the laser source is reduced to 0,5V in less than 100ms when SF.2 or SF.3 is requested	X3 - SLO connector (Sub-D 15 F type)	Number of Channels: 2 Category: 3 PFHd: 3,4 FIT years each channel DC Coverage: 0% Continuous operation: yes Reaction Time: <100ms IP degree: IP54

Example 1

Risk Analysis of a fully automatic laser processing machine that operates only when protection system is disengaged.

- Operative cycle: 500 pcs/hour, 3 shifts (8h/shift) 350 days/year
- Dedicated enclosures prevent laser emission also during parts loading/unloading
- An interlocked door is dedicated to **maintenance and cleaning**
- Maintenance technicians are **SKILLED** on laser risks and have specific **DPI**
- In case of access line is stopped and restarted

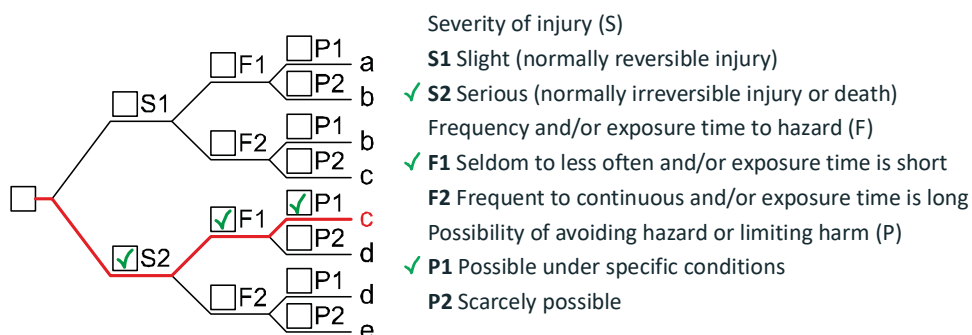
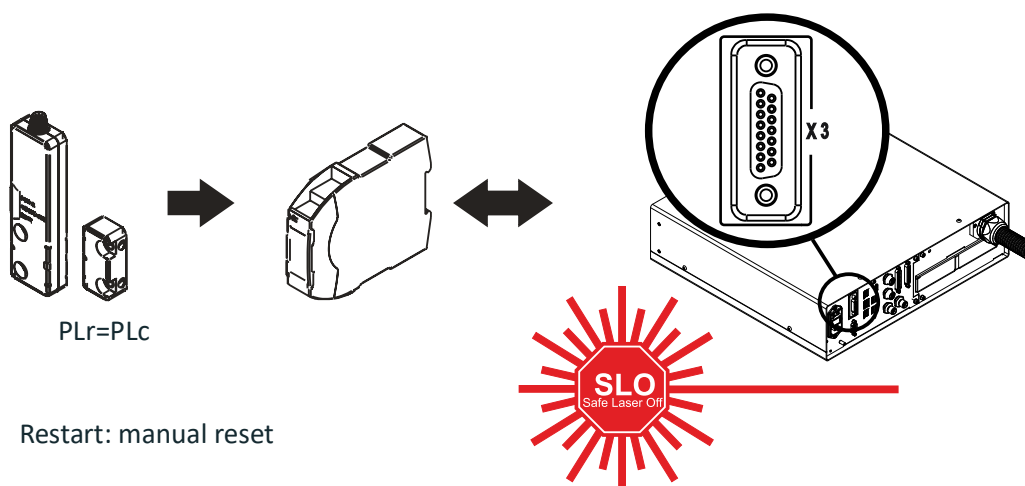
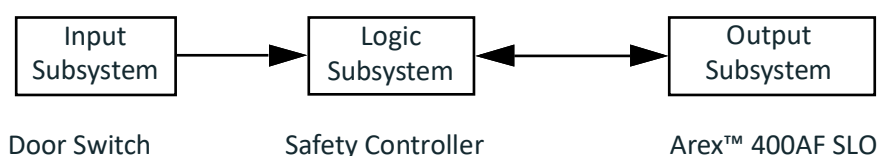
LASER RISK ASSESSMENT: HAZARD, direct and scattered laser radiation:

- RISK SEVERITY: **SEVERE** (irreversible eye damage)
- RISK FREQUENCY: **RARE** (1/month for maintenance)
- AVOIDANCE PROBABILITY: **POSSIBLE** (with DPI)

RISK REDUCTION: INTERLOCKED DOOR

Estimation of PLr for door interlock safety function

- SEVERITY: SEVERE **S2**
- FREQUENCY: SELDOM **F1**
- POSSIBILITY OF AVOIDING HAZARD: POSSIBLE **P1**


$$P_{Lr} = P_{Lc}$$


Example 3

Risk Analysis of a manual loading laser processing machine.

- Operative cycle: 600 pcs/hour (load every minute)
- Dedicated enclosures prevent laser emission during laser processing
- An interlocked door is dedicated to **part loading**
- Operator are **NOT SKILLED** on laser risks and do **NOT** have **DPI**
- In case of access to marking area, laser is disabled, system is not stopped

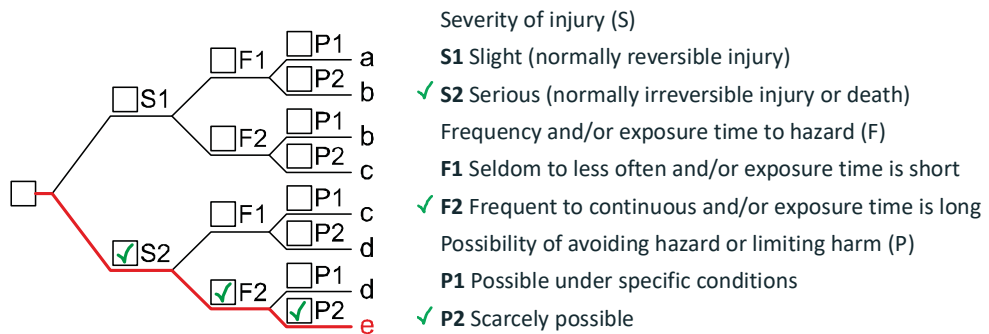
LASER RISK ASSESSMENT: HAZARD, direct scattered laser radiation

- RISK SEVERITY: **SEVERE** (irreversible eye damage)
- RISK FREQUENCY: **FREQUENT** (1/minute)
- AVOIDANCE PROBABILITY: **NOT POSSIBLE**

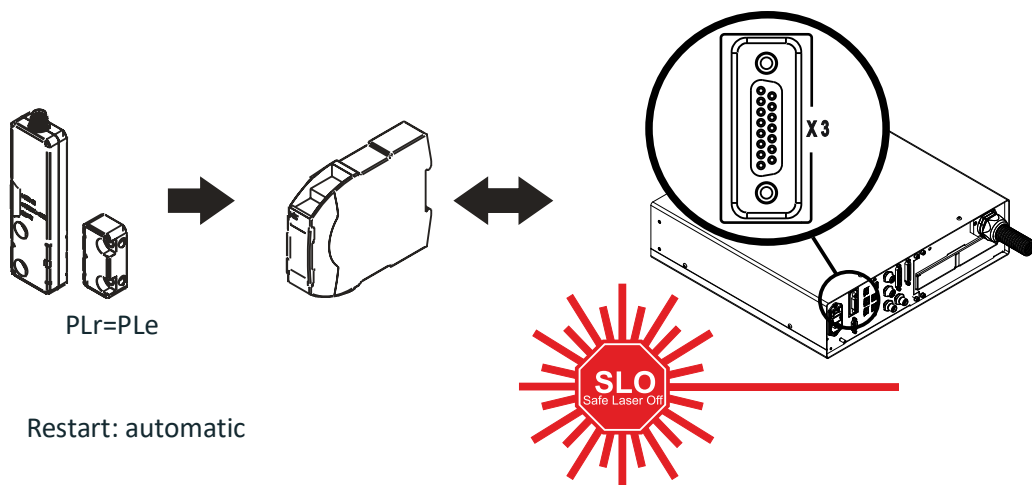
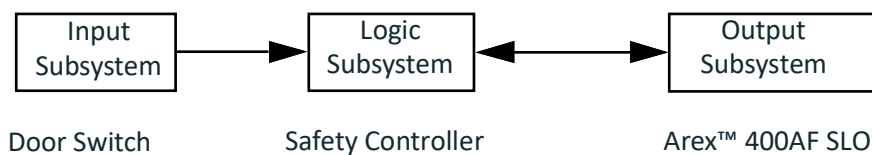
RISK REDUCTION: INTERLOCKED DOOR

Estimation of PLr for door interlock safety function

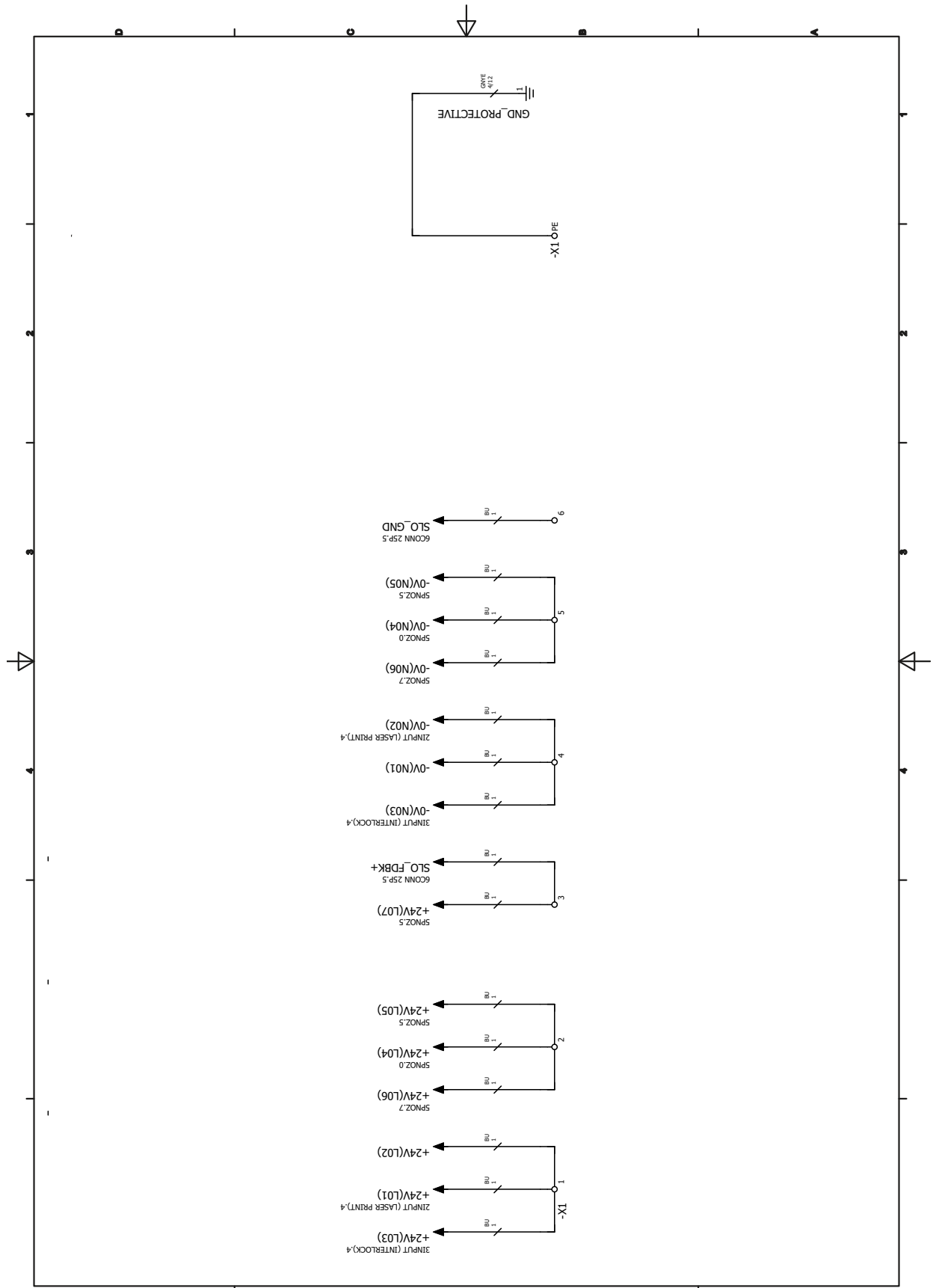
- SEVERITY: SEVERE **S2**
- FREQUENCY: FREQUENT **F2**
- POSSIBILITY OF AVOIDING HAZARD: NOT POSSIBLE **P2**

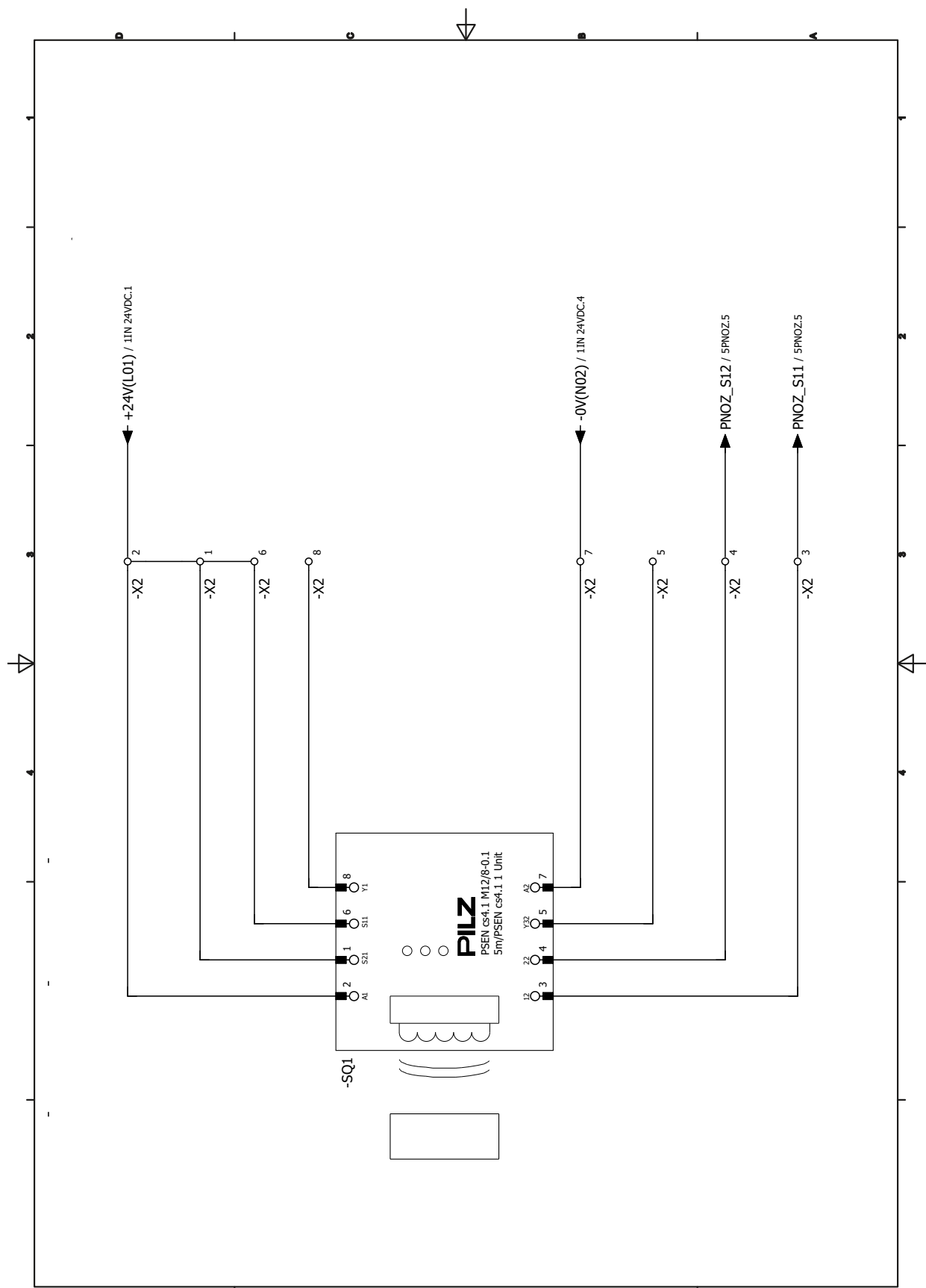


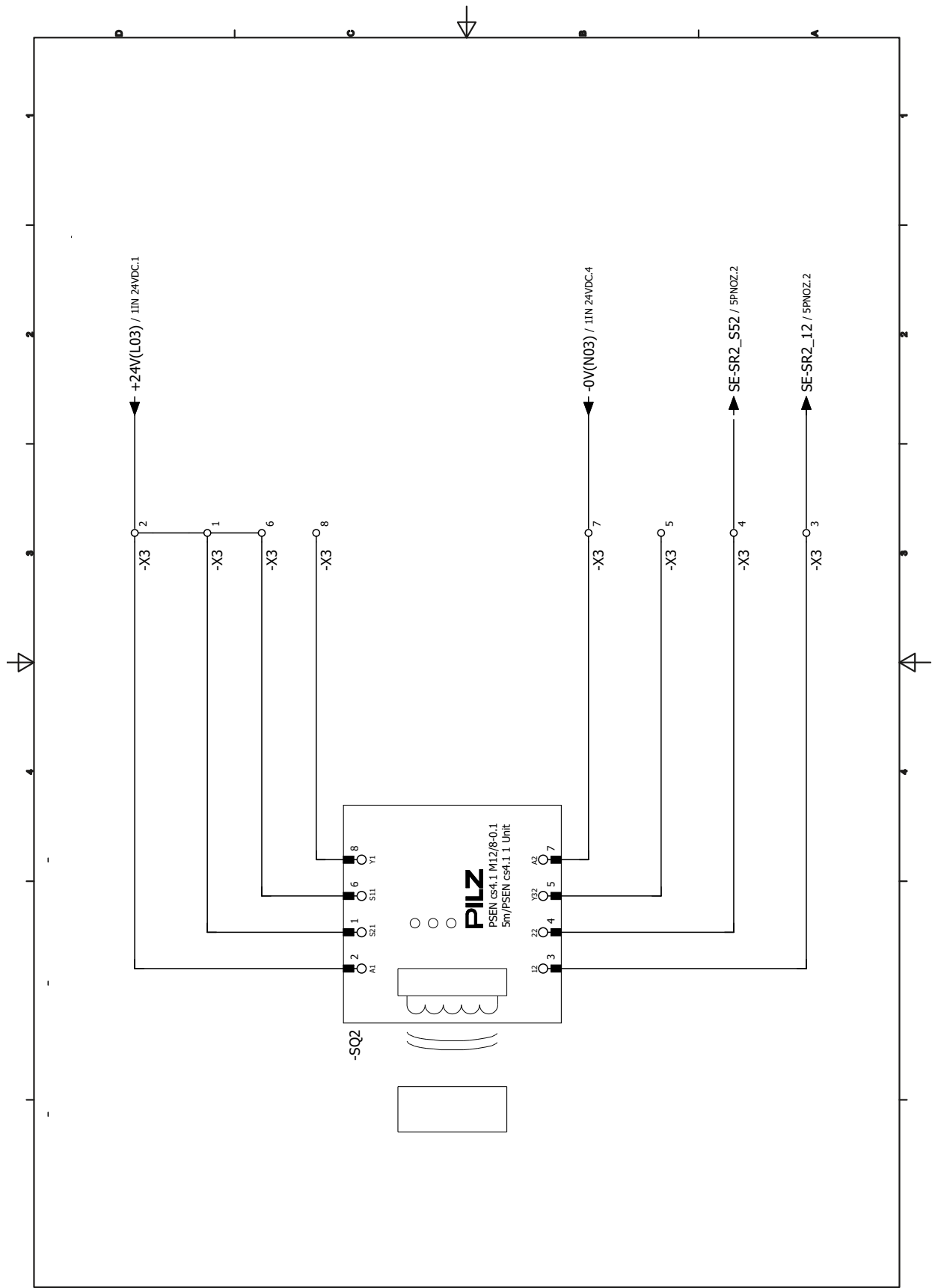
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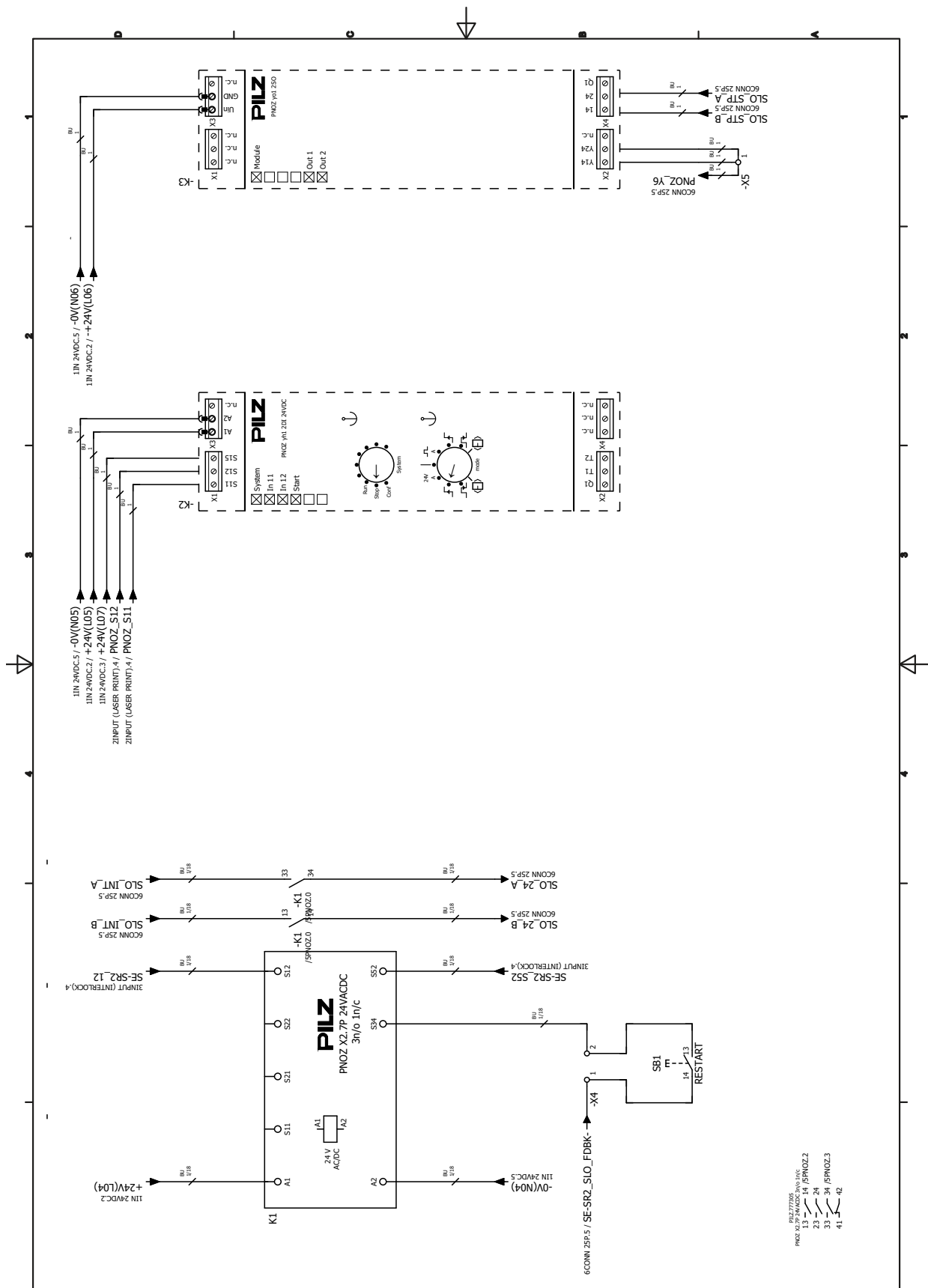


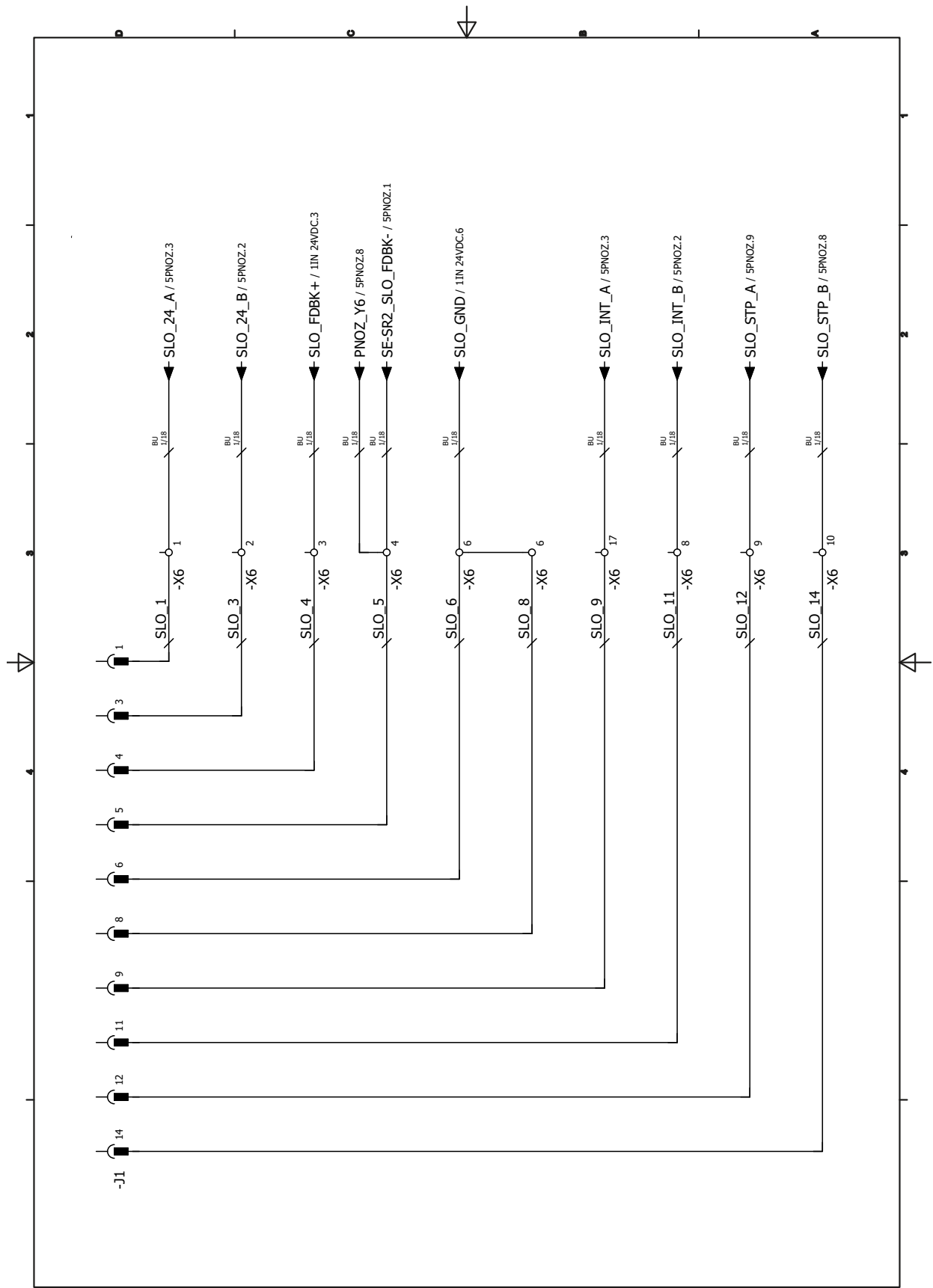
SLO INTEGRATION EXAMPLE











APPENDIX C

LASER SAFETY

The following information is provided in compliance with regulations set by International Authorities, and it refers to proper use of the laser marker.

LASER RADIATION

Laser radiation is form of electromagnetic emission in the wavelength range from the ultraviolet (e.g. from excimer lasers), through visible (e.g. HeNe or Argon lasers) and near infrared (e.g. Yb Doped Fiber and Nd:YAG, Nd:YVO4 DPSS lasers) up to long infrared (e.g. CO2 lasers). It should be considered as non-ionizing Radiation.

In the Arex™ 400AF laser marker, the laser radiation emission, at near 1 micron wavelength range, is obtained through a diode optical pumping of an Yb doped rare earth doped pulsed fiber laser. Depending on the model, the laser is a standard Q-switch or Fiber MOPA fiber laser system installed at the control rack. The laser optical radiation is delivered to the scan head through an armored fiber cable (inside the Head cable), and an isolated beam delivery optical system (IBDO). The laser beam exiting the IBDO is a collimated laser beam that is then processed inside the Scan Head through an optical scan system and F-Theta scan lens to scan and focus the laser beam at the marking plane.

The radiation of the Arex™ 400AF laser marker is therefore invisible to human eye and thus not blocked by the natural pupil reflex and can result in severe damage to human eye and skin.



WARNING: Directly viewing a laser beam can cause irreversible damage to human eye.

Arex™ 400AF laser markers are classified Class 4 according to applicable norms. This means that the laser radiation level emitted by these laser markers is dangerous even when not directly exposed to the laser beam. Partial reflected laser beam or scattered laser radiation surfaces can cause damage to human eye and skin. It is therefore mandatory that customer apply all applicable regulatory safety protection measures when integrating these laser markers into their machines including, but not limiting, to individual operator protection devices such as protective eye goggles, etc.



WARNING: Viewing of a reflected laser beam can cause irreversible damage to human eye. The use of accessory external optics may increase the risk of damage.

In addition to possible injuries to human eye and skin, these lasers can ignite flammable materials and cause fires even at long distances.



WARNING: This laser marker is classified as Class 4. Class 4 Lasers can cause damage, not only from direct or reflected laser radiation, but also from scattered radiation. These lasers cause significant risk of irreversible damage to human eye and skin as well as risk of ignition and fire of flammable materials, even at long distances from laser radiation output aperture.



WARNING: Make sure that no flammable objects/materials are within the laser beam path. Use only non-flammable materials for enclosures or any other machine surfaces that may be exposed to direct or indirect laser beam radiation.

ABSORPTION OF LASER RADIATION

Human tissues absorb electromagnetic radiation in different ways depending on tissue characteristics and the wavelength of the radiation. Certain wavelengths may be transmitted or absorbed, in different levels, by the human tissue. In the specific case of the eye, the Cornea and Crystalline lens allows most of the radiation within the wavelength range of 400nm to 1400nm to pass and reach the retina (where are the vision sensors). This range includes the visible light as well as a near-infrared. The Arex™ 400 laser markers emit in the 1060nm range and thus can be focused by the eye lens at retina with serious risk of causing irreversible damage to vision sensors.

Regarding human skin, the tissue absorption level is higher for the same wavelength range but the maximum exposure tolerance level, before there is a damage, is different compared to eye.

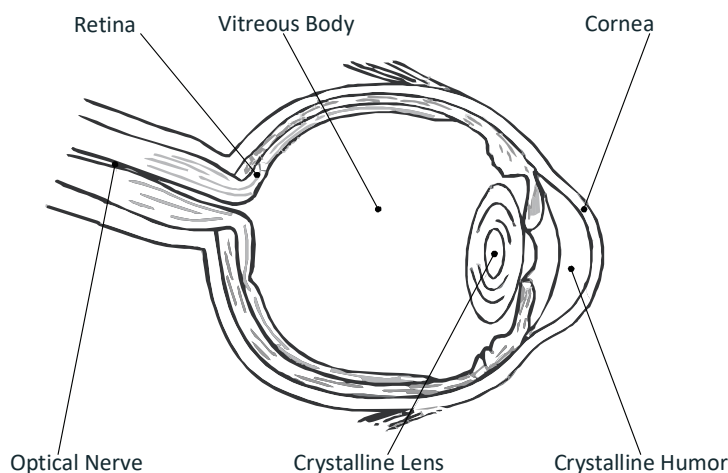


Figure 89: Eyeball section.

The degree of injury depends on the amount of absorbed radiation; the power, energy and peak power of the radiation source, as well as the time exposed to such radiation.

CLASSIFICATION AND DANGER LEVEL

Regulations have established different classes of Lasers, based on their ability to cause human injury. These classes ranges from Class 1 (basically safe in all conditions) to Class 4 (dangerous in several conditions).

Lasers that can produce risk to human being, not only from direct or reflected radiation but also from scattered radiation, belong to Class 4. These lasers sources can also present risk of causing fires through ignition of flammable materials. For these reasons the Customer must, when integrating the laser marker into their machine, implement all necessary measures to contain laser radiation and ensure compliance with applicable safety regulations. All operators using lasers systems should also use appropriated individual protection devices such as goggles, etc.



WARNING: The Arex™ 400AF laser marker contain Class 4 invisible laser sources. Refer to applicable regulations (including Laser Safety and Machine safety) for recommendations for compliance of your machine with integration and use of such Class lasers type.

DEGREE OF RISK WITH RADIATION VIEWING CONDITIONS

If F-Theta scan lens is removed from scan head the output radiation is a collimated intense coherent laser beam. The image of such a beam, created by any lens is then a very small spot with extremely high power and energy density. Such a beam is also focused by the human eye and thus result in irreversible damage to the retina. The output radiation of the laser marker, with the F-Theta scan lens, is not a collimated beam but a convergent (before focus plane) and divergent (after focus plane) laser beam. The degree of convergence and divergence depends on the F-theta scan lens specifications and thus varies with the different laser marker models. While marking the laser radiation is typically scattered at the object being marked. Special attention must my taken with objects with high reflectivity to the laser wavelength range since such objects may not only reflect the laser radiation but also change its characteristics according to the shape of such surface (that can work as a lens element). Thus the risk related with laser radiation depends on the characteristics of the beam at which the human is exposed.

In the following sections the risk degree to human eye, related with different viewing conditions, is qualitatively described. Please note that this is intended only as awareness on such risks.



WARNING: It is responsibility of Customer to makes an independent risk evaluation and to implement the necessary safety measures, according to applicable regulations, pertinent to Class 4 Lasers.

Direct viewing of the laser beam

This type of viewing is the most danger for human eye and can occur if looking directly into laser output aperture. Risk is higher in case F-Theta scan lens is removed since output laser beam is, in such conditions, collimated.



WARNING: Do not look directly to laser beam. Individual Protection Devices such goggles do not warrant protection for direct exposure to laser radiation.

Viewing of a laser reflected beam

This may occur when beam is reflected on a mirror surface. This type of viewing is as danger for human eye as direct viewing of the laser beam.



WARNING: Do not look to reflected laser beam. Individual Protection Devices such goggles may only provide protection for a short period of time and thus do not warrant protection for exposure to reflected laser radiation.



WARNING: Many materials, including metals and plastics, have surfaces that strongly reflect laser radiation. Make sure to use non-reflective materials for enclosures or any other machine surfaces that may be exposed to direct or indirect laser beam radiation. Pay special attention when marking objects with high reflectivity properties.

Viewing of direct laser beam from a fiber output

Although unlikely to happen since fiber is protected by an armored stainless steel cable, this may occur when Cable Head, that connect control rack with scan head is damaged and fiber is broke. The laser radiation is highly divergent but power and energy is high and risk is similar to direct viewing of a laser beam.



WARNING: Do not look to fiber output laser beam. Individual Protection Devices such goggles may only provide protection for a short period of time and thus do not warrant protection for exposure to direct laser radiation.

Viewing of scattered laser beam

This is the most typical exposure condition when laser is scattered by at a non-reflective surface (such as blocking element or when marking of some materials). In this case, special filter widows and Individual Protective Devices (such as goggles) may allow full protection even for prolonged exposures if is such protective means respect applicable norms for the type of laser radiation.



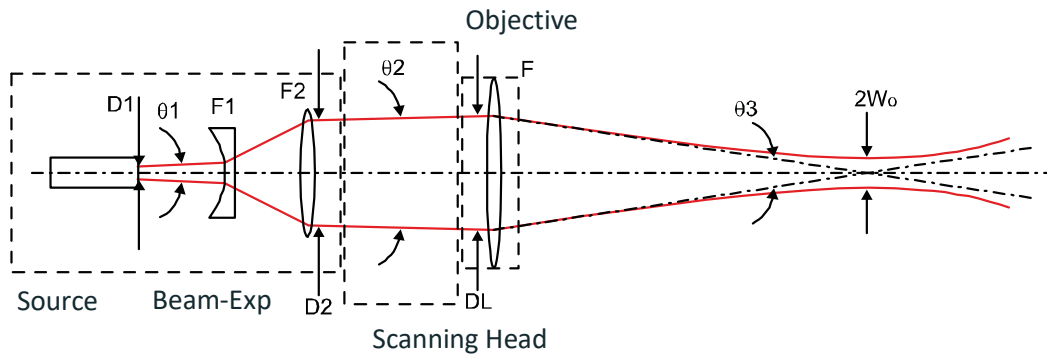
WARNING: Always use certified protecting goggles appropriated for the laser radiation characteristics to which you can be exposed.



WARNING: Remember that none goggles can provide sufficient protection for prolonged direct or reflected laser beams.

N.O.H.D. DETERMINATION AND O.D. OF PROTECTION GOGGLES

In order to determine the characteristics of the protection goggles, it is essential to determine the characteristics of the laser radiation, knowing its optical path, the dimensions of the beam and its divergence.



It is very important to know the real divergence of the laser beam at the output of the F-Theta scan lens.

With the availability of these optical data, it is possible to calculate the Nominal Ocular Hazard Distance (N.O.H.D.) and the Optical Density (O.D.) required by the laser radiation protection filters (goggles).

Below results have been done considering Directive 2006/25/CE on the minimum health and safety requirements regarding the exposure of workers to risks arising from physical agents (artificial optical radiation). The user must check if Directive 2006/25/EC was implemented as a law in his own country and regulate himself accordingly.

Only accidental direct exposure has been considered (exposure time = 10 seconds).

PARAMETER	UNIT	4x0-MAF	4x0-NAF	4x0-BAF
Wavelength	nm	1064		
Pulse Energy	mJ	1 @ 10 kHz		
Pulse Duration	ns	100		
Beam Diameter (DL)	mm	7	7.5	
Working Distance (WD) ¹ Worst Case	mm	178	301	552.5
Real Divergence after the lens (θ_3)	mrad	39.33	24.92	13.57
N.O.H.D. ²	m	17.32	27.36	50.22
O.D. ³		> 6		

1. See Note on page 27

2. Assuming the F-Theta scan lens as reference point

3. Assuming the F-Theta scan lens as reference point, this O.D. is valid for a distance greater of 0.5 m + WD

PARAMETER	UNIT	40C-MAF	40C-NAF	40C-BAF
Wavelength	nm	1064		
Pulse Energy	mJ	1 @ 100 kHz		
Pulse Duration	ns	100		
Beam Diameter (DL)	mm	7	7.5	
Working Distance (WD) ¹ Worst Case	mm	178	301	552.5
Real Divergence after the lens (θ_3)	mrad	39.33	24.92	13.57
N.O.H.D. ²	m	42.03	66.35	121.79
O.D. ³		> 6		

1. See Note on page 27
2. Assuming the F-Theta scan lens as reference point
3. Assuming the F-Theta scan lens as reference point, this O.D. is valid for a distance greater of 0.5 m + WD

EN207 AND EN208

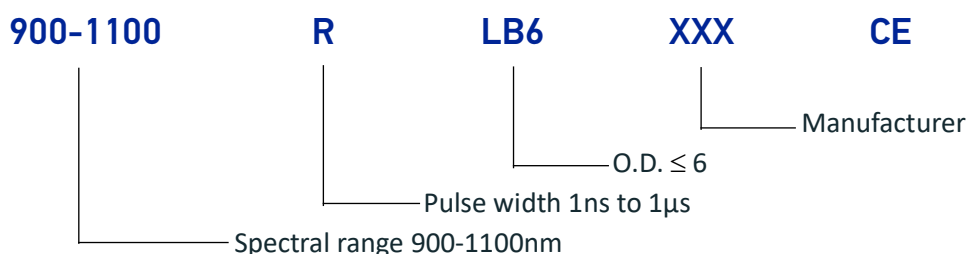
The O.D. value specifies the attenuation factor that the filter material theoretically has on the beam. However it does not specify the damage threshold of the filter material! The filter material may not be able to withstand the power of a particular laser and may fail instantaneously and result in serious eye injury.

In Europe, two standards have been developed for materials used as filters and frames for laser protective eye wear and laser protection windows. The EN207 and EN208 norms both specify the damage threshold of the filter material used.

The EN207 standard is used for full attenuation, these filters are used to completely block the wavelength for which they are specified.

The EN208 standard is used for partial attenuation, these filters are used only in the visible range 380-700nm where they reduce the beam intensity down to the Maximum Permissible Exposure (safe level). They are particularly useful for alignment where seeing the beam is necessary.

Safety goggles are labeled according to EN207 or EN208 as appropriate. For example, a filter labeled 900-1100 R LB6 xxx CE means that:



EYES AND SKIN RISKS

If exposed to intense Laser radiation, even of a short duration, or a less intense but longer lasting duration, both the Cornea and the Retina can burn and be damaged irreparably. This is particularly critical for Class 4 laser beam.

If subject to direct focalized radiation, even the skin can burn.

GENERAL SAFETY REGULATIONS

The user of the laser marker must comply with all regulations and work best practices regarding safety. Therefore it is necessary to develop a Standard Operating Procedure (S.O.P.) related to operations of the machine incorporating this laser marker. This procedure, shall be available at time of installation, shall serve as a reference for the Operator and shall be written in his/her language.

Training is essential and must include:

- Familiarization with system operating procedures.
- Knowledge of the biological effects of radiation on the Eyes and Skin.
- Understanding of the necessity for Individual Protection Devices (I.P.D.)

OTHER RISKS

An additional risk may be represented by fire caused by processing materials other than those the laser marker was designed for.



WARNING: Do not use this laser marker for other purpose than the one it was designed for.

Another additional risk associated with the laser marker is electricity. This may occur when accessing internal parts of the laser marker.



CAUTION: Only Datalogic authorized personnel, who have been trained and instructed on the electrical and optical risks, is allowed to access the internal parts of the control rack.

Datalogic shall not be held liable for any damage caused by inadequate work from non-authorized personnel.



CAUTION: Only Datalogic authorized personnel, who have been trained and instructed on the electrical and optical risks, is allowed to access the internal parts of the scan head.

Datalogic shall not be held liable for any damage caused by inadequate work from non-authorized personnel.

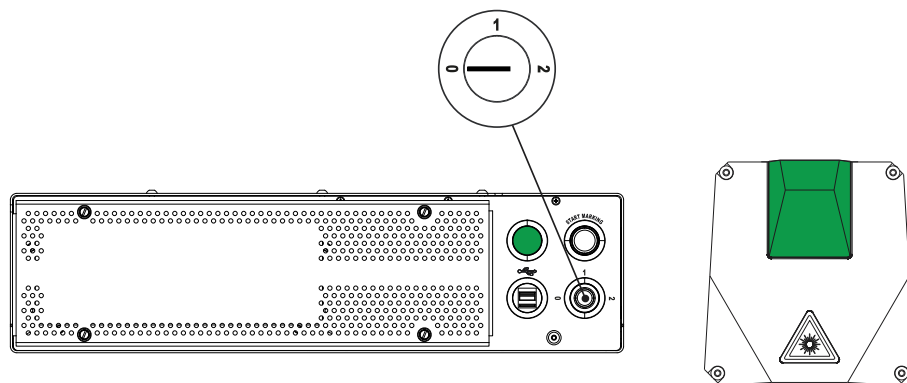
APPENDIX D

USING MARKING SOFTWARE

HOW TO CREATE AND EDIT GRAPHICS LAYOUT

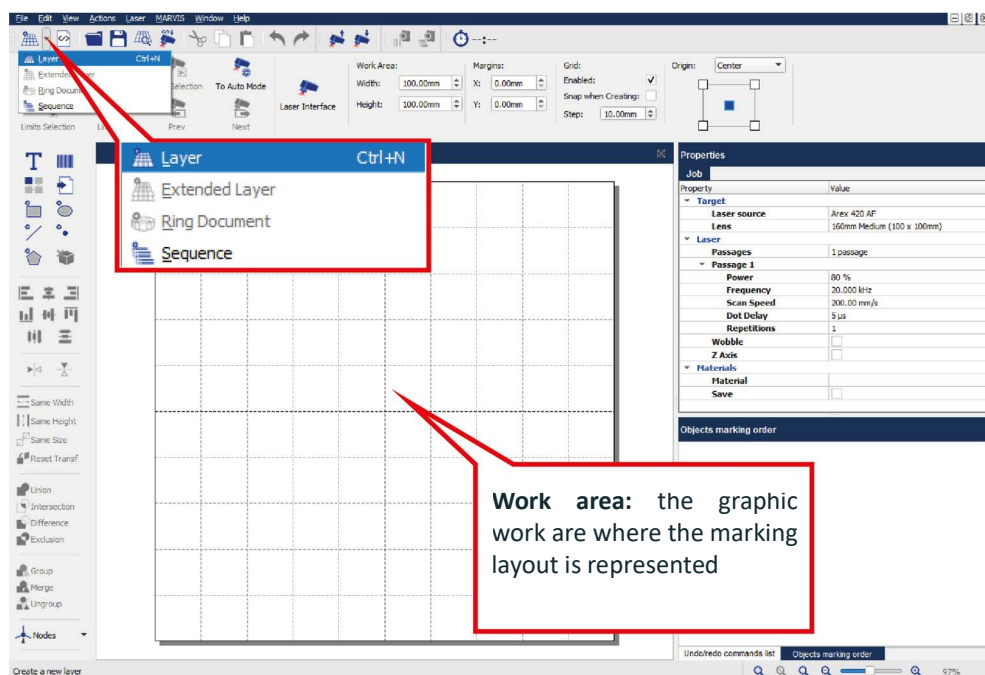


NOTE: This example considers that the laser marker is controlled in Key Selector mode (see “Key Selector mode” on page 53).

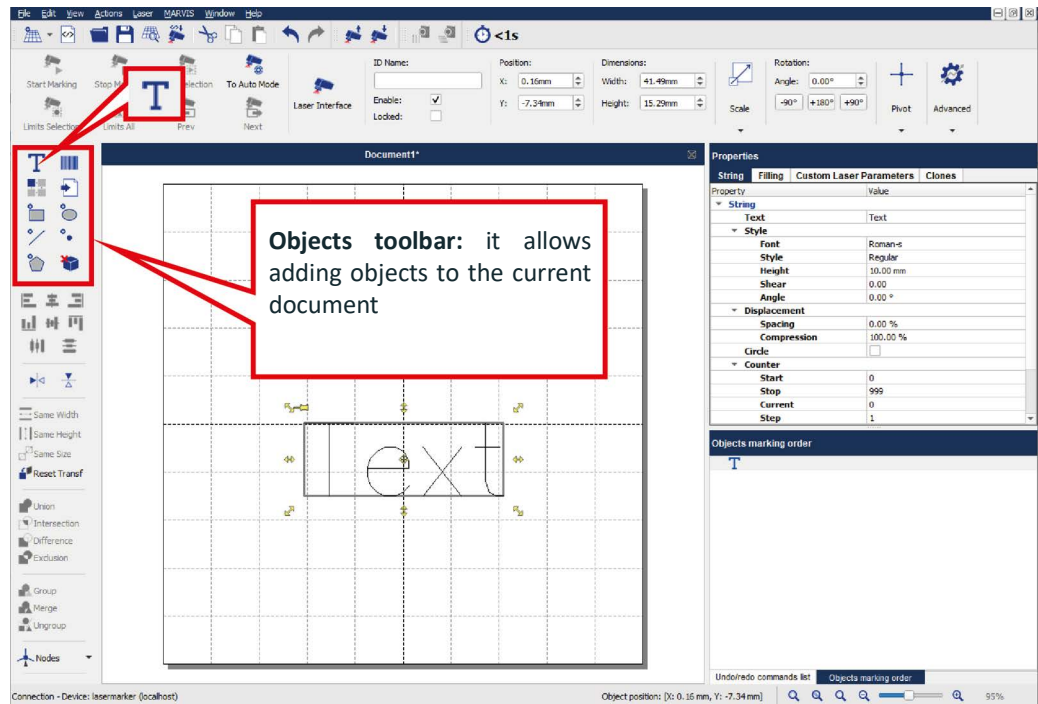


In “WAIT FOR START” state, double click the **Laser Editor** icon to start the layout editor application.

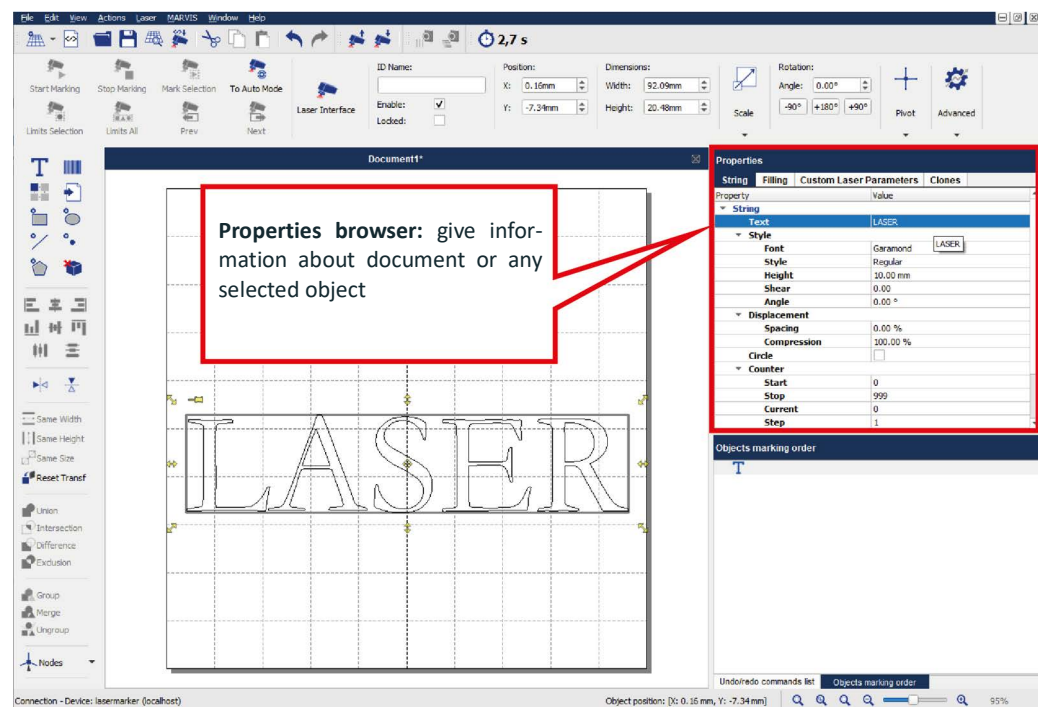
Click on the document type selector and choose **Layer**:



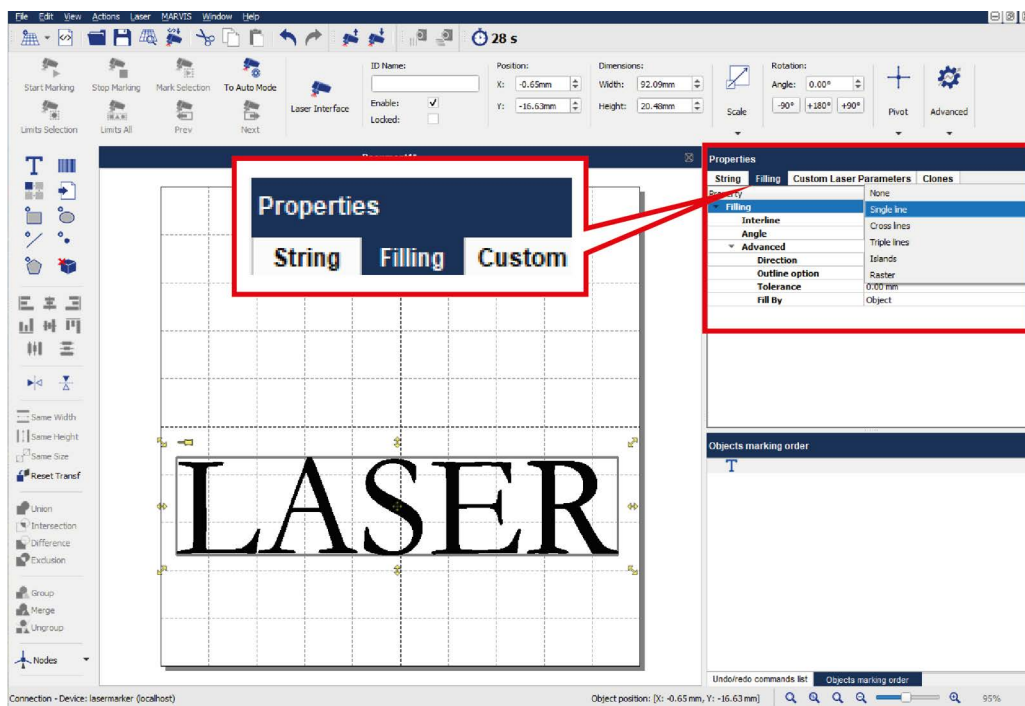
Click on the **Text String** icon in the **Object toolbar** to add a string object to the layer:



Edit String properties such as value, font, style, etc. using the **Properties browser**:



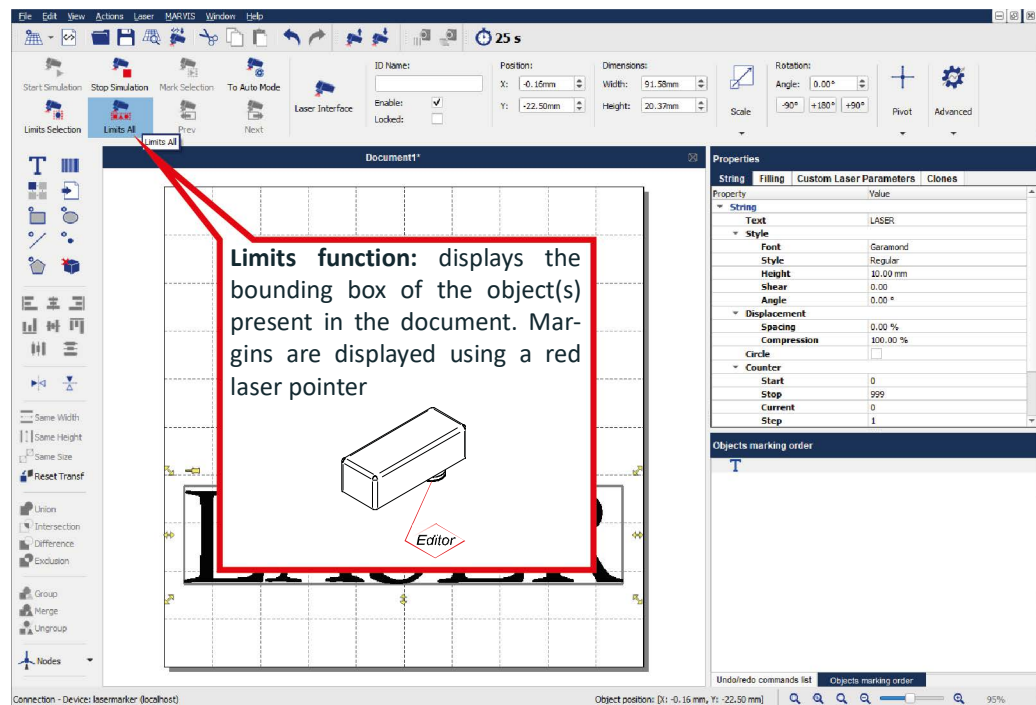
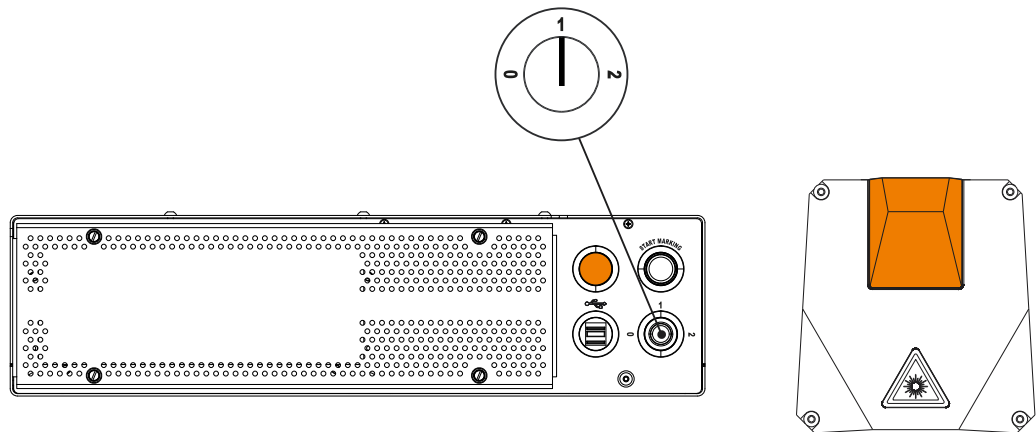
Edit Filling properties such as filling type, interline, etc. using the **Properties browser**:



NOTE: Consult Lighter™ software user's manual for a proper use of the same.

HOW TO TEST AND MARK LAYOUT

In “STANDBY SHUTTER CLOSED” state, press **Limits All** button in the **Laser Toolbar** to adjust the object position in the marking field:



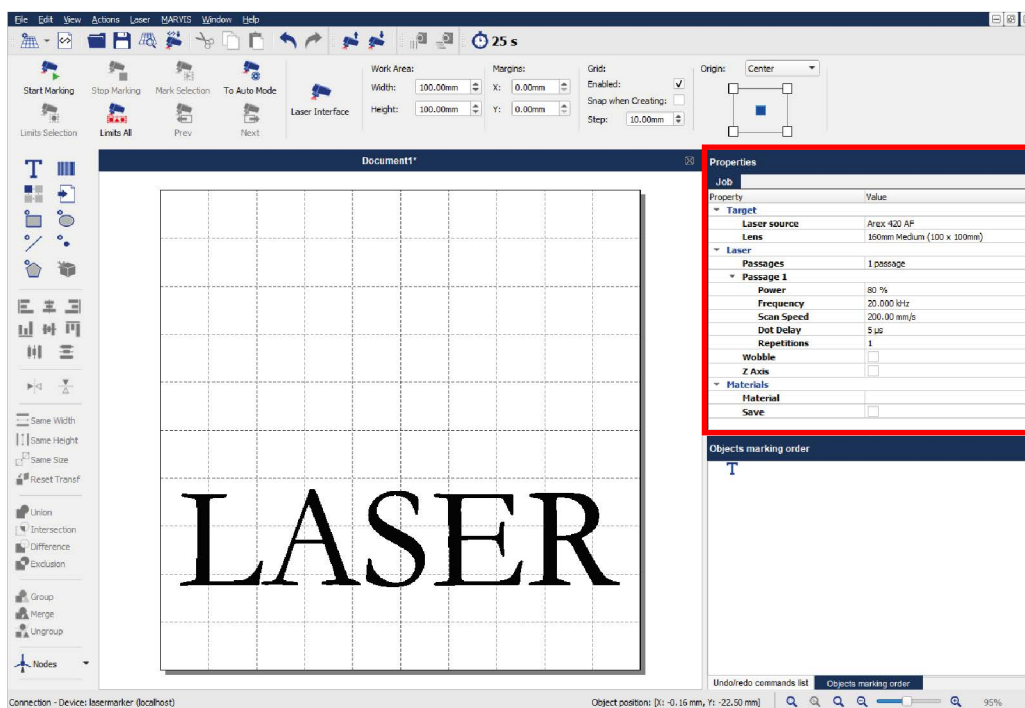
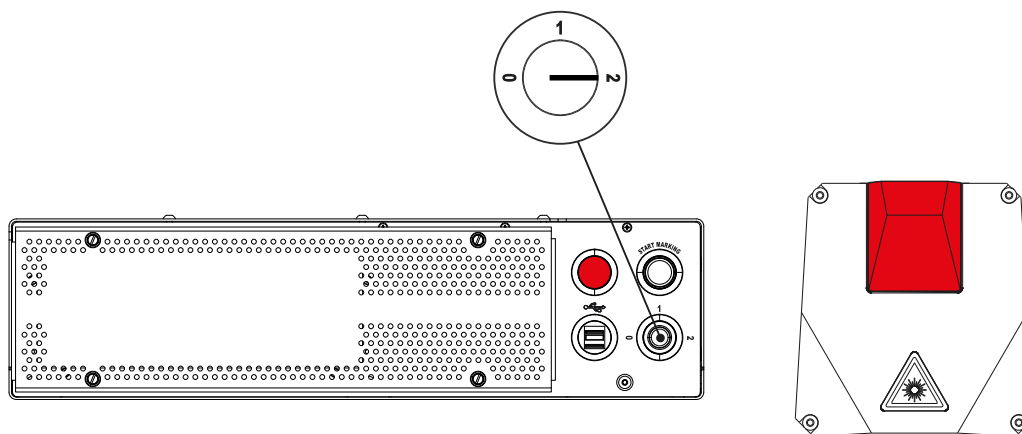
CAUTION: Marking highly reflective materials might cause optical feedback into laser marker. This may result into irreversible damage of the optical components of laser marker.

Verify that the position and geometry of the object to mark does not cause any reflection into the optical aperture of the laser marker F-Theta scan lens.

Please contact our Customer Support Service for support on your particular application.

Optically-induced damage caused to laser marker by back reflection from high reflective materials is not covered by warranty.

In “READY” state, adjust the Job parameters using the **Properties browser**:

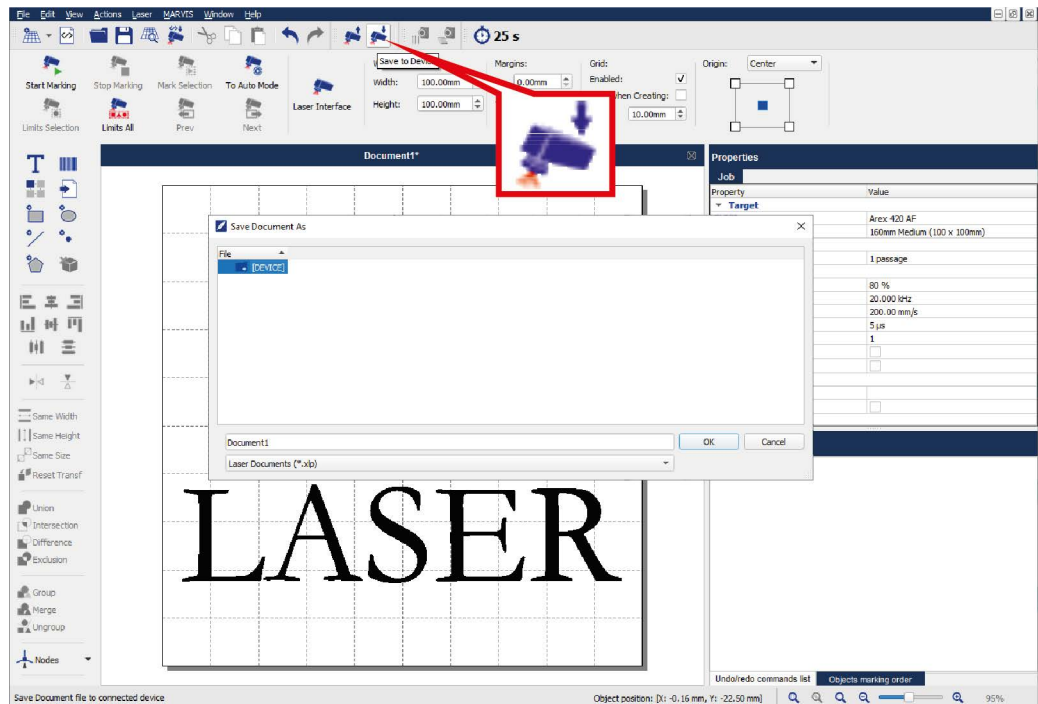


Press the **Start Marking** button in the **Laser Toolbar** .

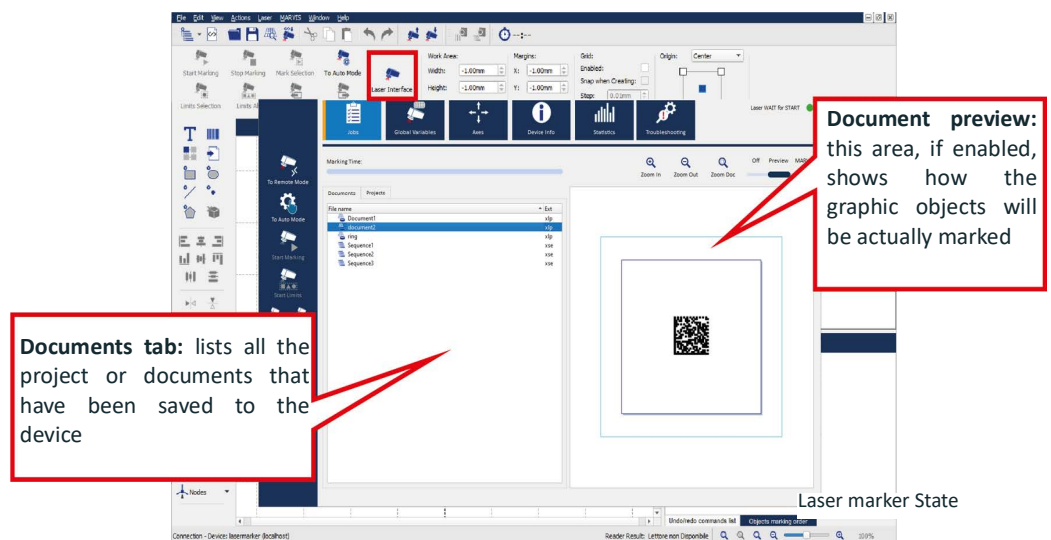
HOW TO USE COMMAND BOX SIGNALS TO MARK LAYOUT

Automate the marking process allowing documents to be marked using external **X1.11** (*START_MARKING*) and **X1.13** (*STOP_MARKING*) signals, which can be generated by PLC or other external devices.

Click on the **Save to Device** button to save the layout in the device memory:



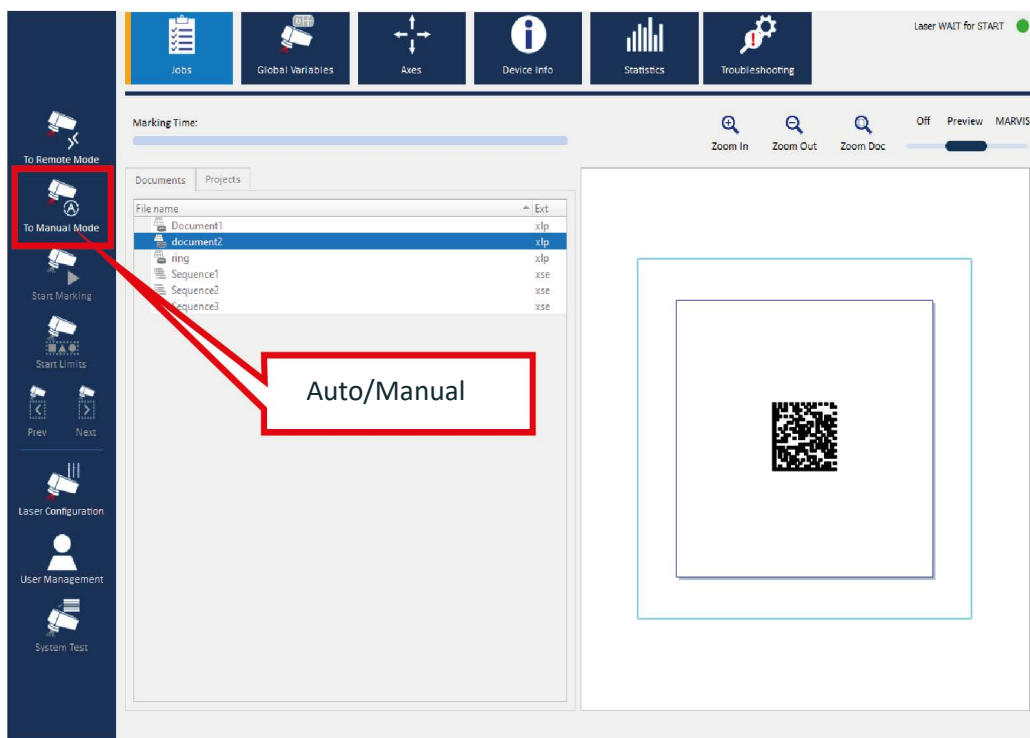
Click on the **Show Laser Engine** button to display Laser Engine window:



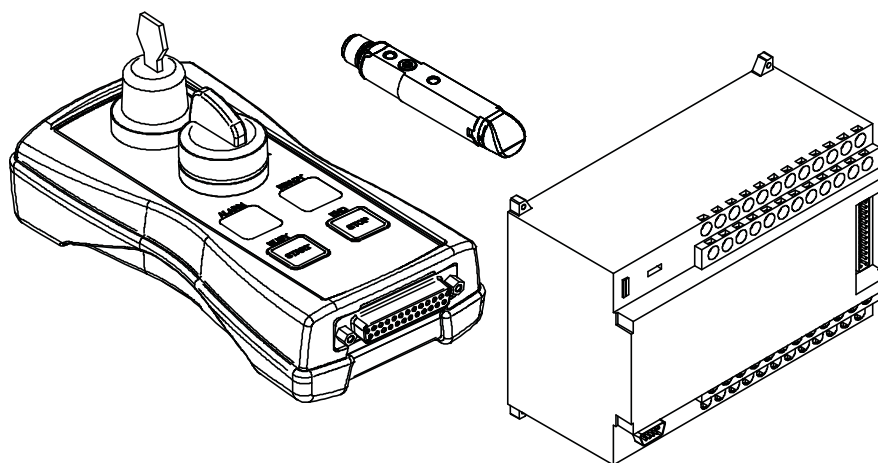
AUTO/MANUAL Mode button allows switching between the two available working modes:

- Auto mode: the engraving operations are executed automatically using external signals.
- Manual mode: used for displaying the margins of the graphic objects to be marked and to test layouts.

Select the document from the list and click on the **To Auto Mode** button:



The laser marker is ready to mark the document using external **X1.11** (*START_MARKING*) and **X1.13** (*STOP_MARKING*) signals:



NOTE: Consult Lighter™ software user's manual for a proper use of the same.

APPENDIX E

MOPA FIBER LASER

LASER MARKER OPERATIONS

The Arex™ 42M-xAF is a very flexible laser marker based on a master oscillator power amplifier (MOPA) architecture, that allows the user for a wide selection of pulse profiles and pulse repetition frequencies.

Depending on the Pulse Profile selection and pulse Frequency the laser will generate pulses with stable output energy/peak power or stable laser average power.

The following picture illustrates the pulse peak power and laser average power dependence on the frequency, for the entire operating frequency range.

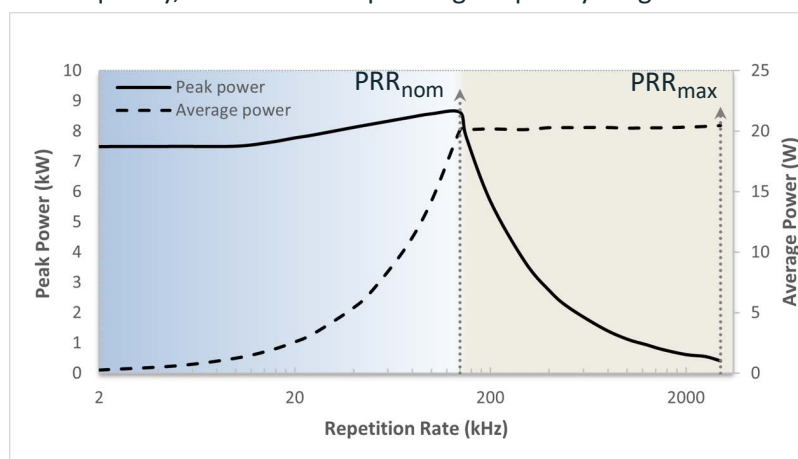


Figure 90: Typical average power (dash line) and peak power (solid line) dependence on the frequency for the 16 ns the pulse profile

As shown, when the laser is operated with Repetition Rate above the pulse repetition rate transition (PRR_{nom}) (typically 140 kHz for the 16 ns pulse profile) the average power (dash lines) remains constant while the pulse energy/peak power (solid lines) will change. This is the more common operating region for most applications. Datalogic designates this region as the “Constant Average Power Region”.

A characteristic of the Arex™ 42M-xAF laser marker is that user is allowed to operate the laser at pulse repetition frequencies that can be reduced down to 2kHz and up to 950kHz (depending on Pulse profile selected). If the laser was allowed to operate down to lower repetition rates without any restriction, the pulse energy would keep increasing until reaching non-linear thresholds that would result in laser performance degradation or even self-destructive failure. To prevent the laser marker from reaching these undesired conditions, while allowing the user to set the laser pulse repetition rate freely, laser has internal safety controls to allow stable pulse peak power/energy below the PRR_{nom}.

Thus, within the extended operating region below the nominal pulse repetition rate, the pulse energy/peak power will remain constant (as illustrated in the figure above). DataLogic designates this extended region as “Constant Energy/Peak Power Region”. This region is ideal for applications that require changing of the laser pulse repetition rate while keeping pulse energy or peak power constant.

The Arex™ 42M-xAF shows similar behavior for all other pulse profiles, within the same operating conditions. For each pulse profile there is a maximum allowed input repetition rate (PRR_{max}) and a Nominal Pulse Repetition Rate (PRR_{nom}) (refer to your device Test Report for details about your specific laser). As illustrated in following picture, below the transition frequency, the pulse peak power and energy will remain constant for all pulse profiles.

Pulse Profile

Arex™ 42M-xAF laser marker includes 10 factory preset pulse profiles from 1.5 ns to 350 ns, user selectable through software interface (see “Lighter™ Pulse Profile Configuration” on page 137).

For the longer pulse profiles (30ns and above), the pulse shape varies with pulse frequency and Power level. Below the PRR_{nom} , the pulse profile shape will remain invariant, i.e., will not vary with pulse frequency, while above PRR_{nom} the shape will vary with pulse frequency. Increasing the pulse frequency and/or decreasing the Power level will make the pulse shape less “leading peak” like and more “square” like.

The following pictures illustrates for some typical Pulse Profiles, the pulse shape variation in the “Constant Average Power Region” and the “Constant Energy/Peak Power Region”.

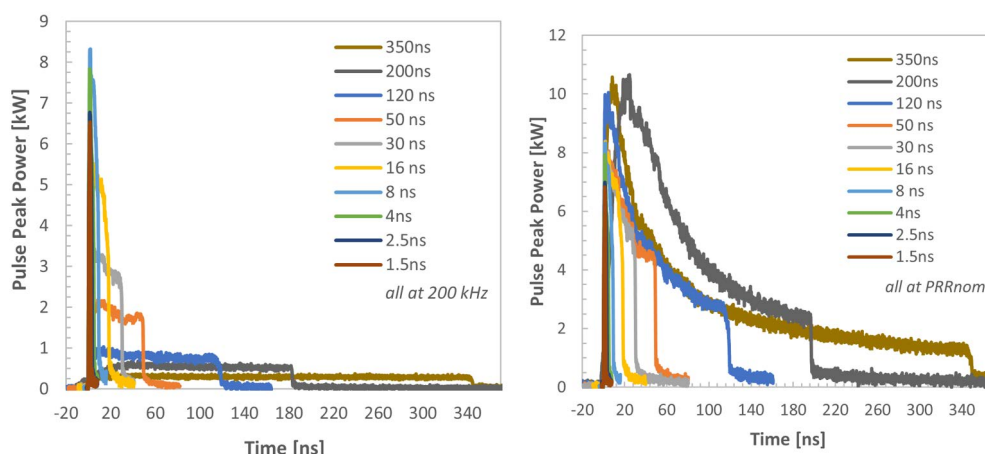


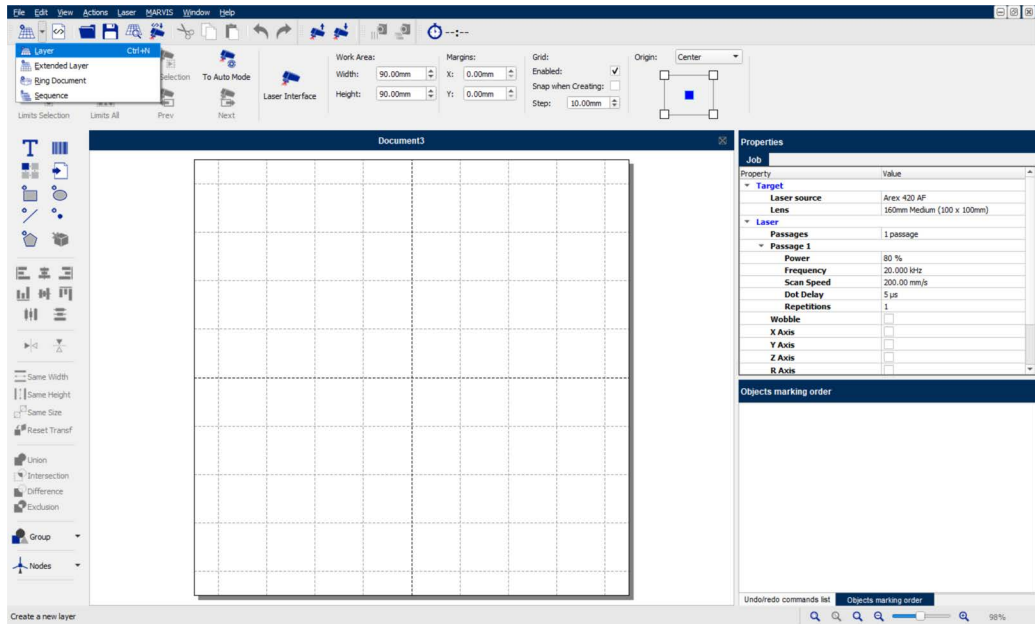
Figure 91: Typical optical output pulse shape in the “Constant Average Power Region” at 200kHz (left) and the “Constant Energy/Peak Power Region” at PRR_{nom} (right)

If operating below nominal repetition rate (PRR_{nom}), the user can vary the pulse energy without any other setting change (namely Peak Power) by changing the Pulse Profile selected. If operating above PRR_{nom} , the user can vary pulse peak power without changing pulse energy by changing the Pulse Profile selected.

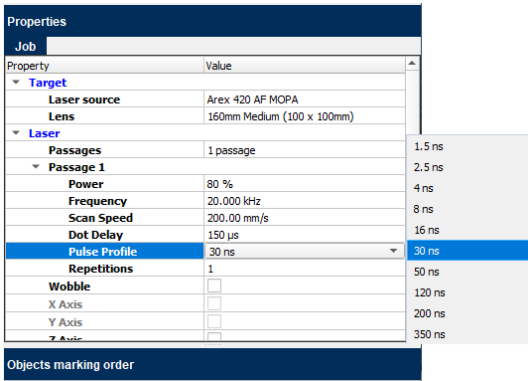
LIGHTER™ PULSE PROFILE CONFIGURATION

Creating a document with multiple objects using a single pulse profile

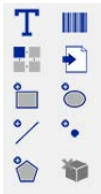
You can create documents with multiple objects, using the same pulse profile.
To accomplish this, create a **new Layer**:



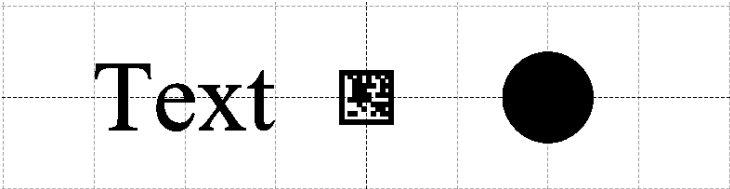
In the **Property** window, **Laser** section, select the **Pulse Profile** you want to use for the entire document:



Add the desired objects to the document using the **Insert object** toolbar:

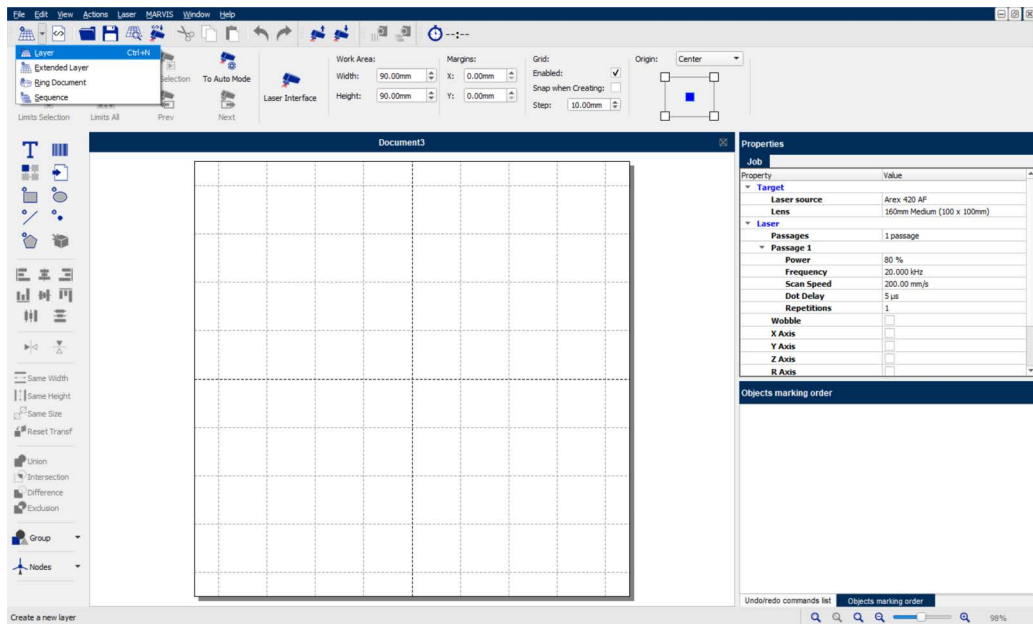


By default, the new objects use the same laser property as those set for the document. The new objects are shown in black color to indicate that their laser property are the same as those set for the document:



Creating a document with multiple objects using different pulse profiles

You can create a document with multiple objects, each having its own Pulse Profile. To accomplish this, create a **new Layer**:

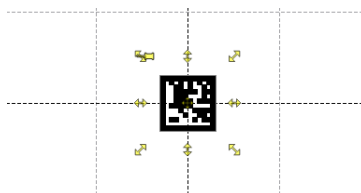


Add the desired objects to the document using the **Insert object** toolbar:

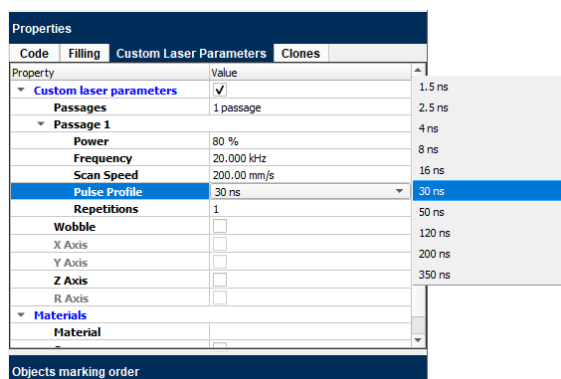


By default, all the added objects use the same laser property as those set for the document.

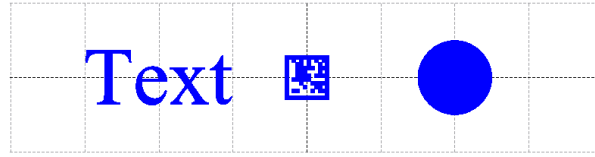
Select the object you want to change the **Pulse Profile**:



In the **Property** window flag the **Custom laser parameters** property and select the desired **Pulse Profile**:



The object will be shown in blue color to indicate that its laser property are different from those set for the document:



NOTE: Consult Lighter™ software user's manual for a proper use of the same.

APPENDIX F

MARKING SOFTWARE UPGRADE

HOW TO UPDATE THE MARKING SOFTWARE

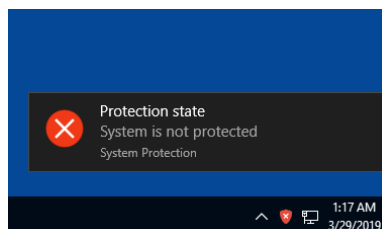
This document describes how to update the Lighter™ Suite software version.

Before updating the software, disable system protection (see “Disable the system protection” on page 79).

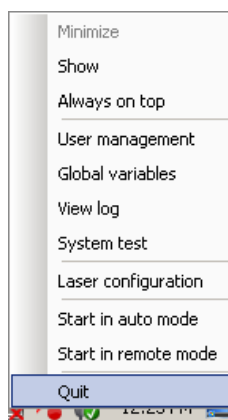


CAUTION: When the System Protection is disabled the system is not protected against disk corruption or malware attacks. Disable the protection only for the time necessary to make disk changes.

1. Wait for the operating system to **restart**
2. Check that the System Protection is **disabled** (red icon):



3. Close Lighter™ *Laser Editor* and *Laser Engine* (right-click on the icon in the tray bar and select **QUIT**)

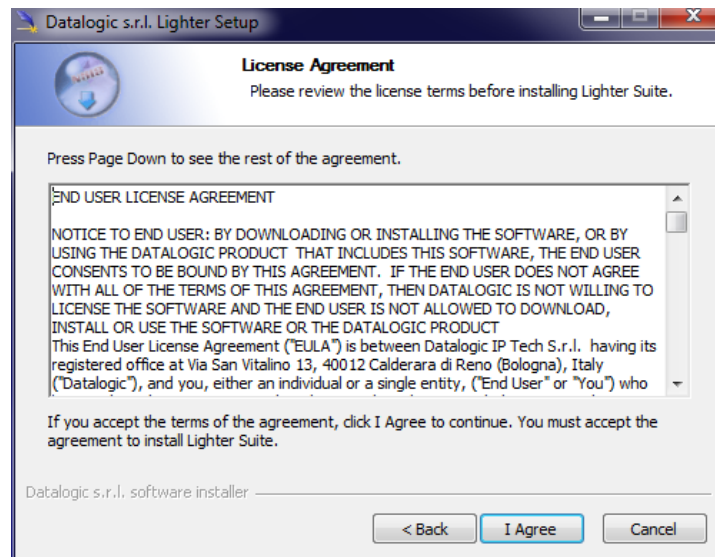


4. Run the new *Lighter™ Suite* installer from an external USB device.

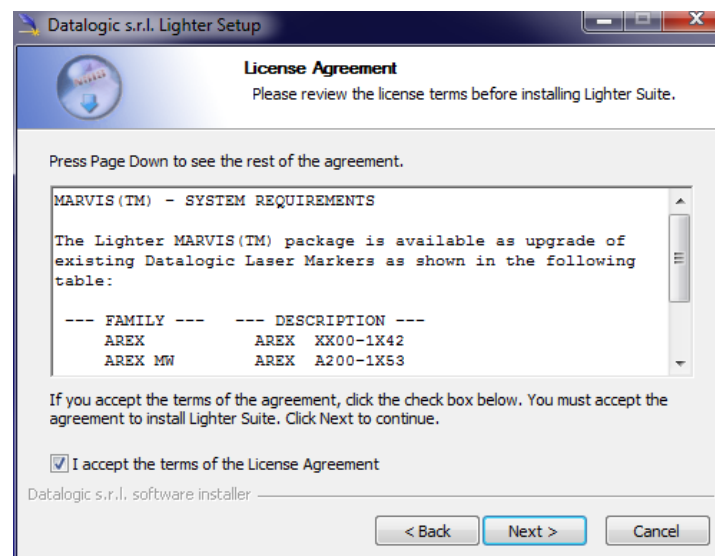
5. Press **Next** to continue:



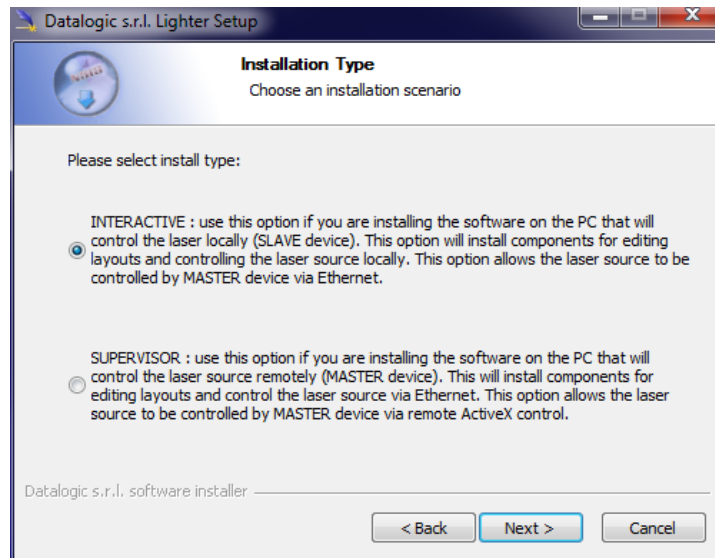
6. Press **I Agree** to continue:



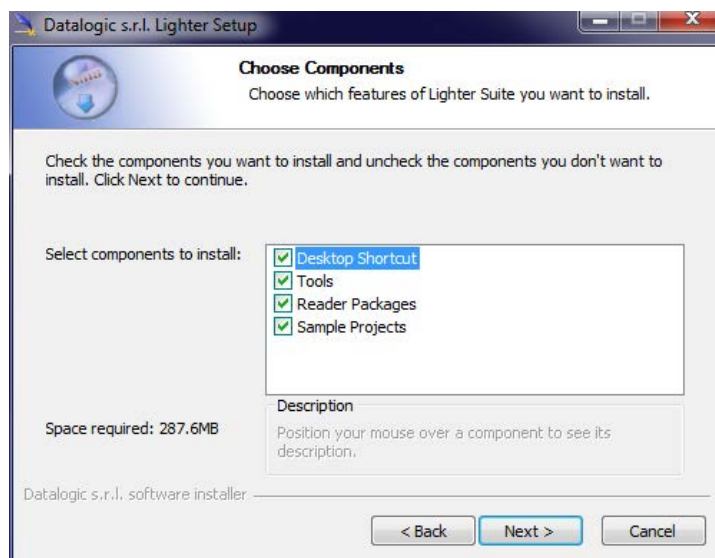
7. Check *"I accept the terms of the License Agreement"* and press **Next** to continue:



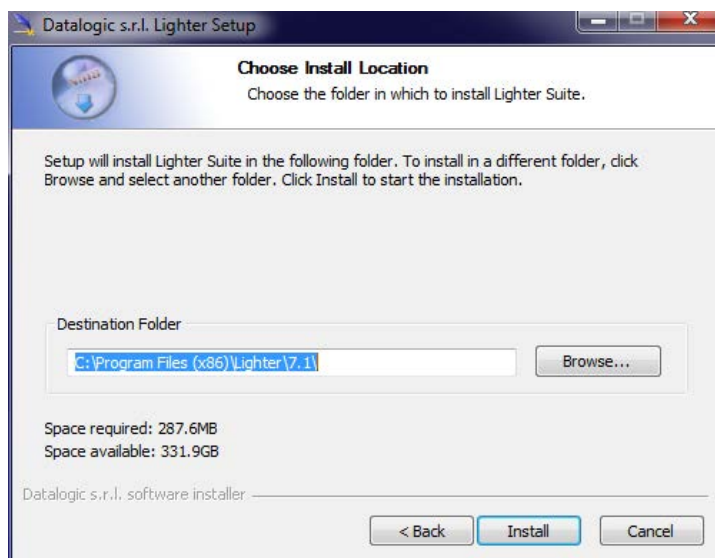
8. Choose the *INTERACTIVE* installation type and press **Next** to continue:



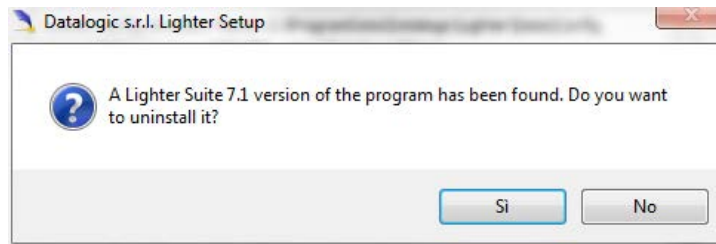
9. Choose the components to install and press **Next** to continue:



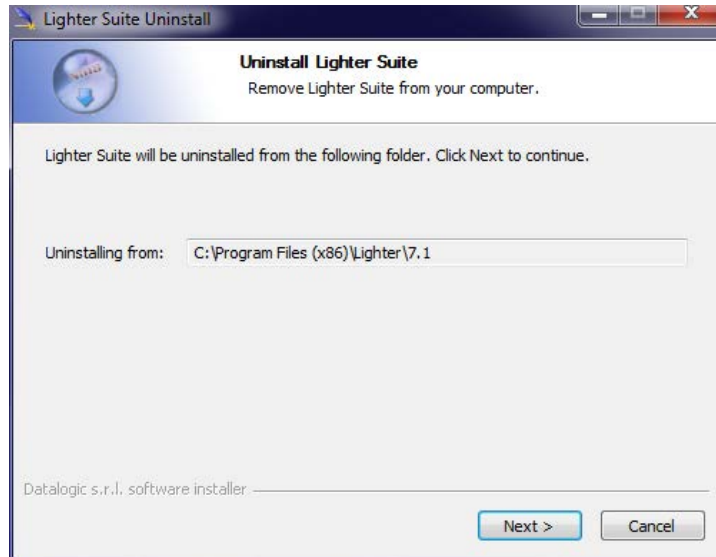
10. Do not change the destination folder and press **Install** to continue:



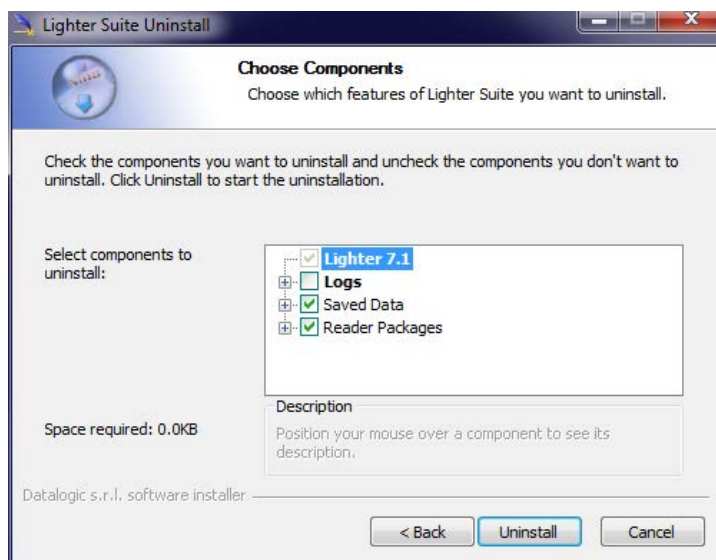
11. Press **OK** to uninstall the old Lighter™ Suite version



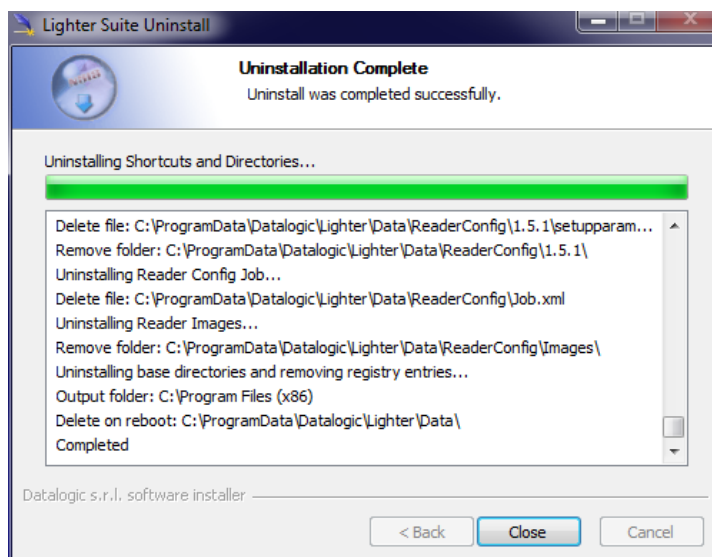
12. Press **Next** to continue:



13. Select the components of the old Lighter™ Suite version to remove and press **Uninstall**:



14. Wait until the uninstallation is complete and press **Close** to continue:

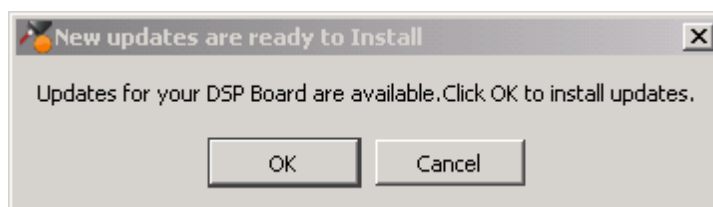


15. Lighter Suite will be installed. Press **Finish** to complete the procedure:



16. If Lighter™ Suite update includes any **control board updates** follow the procedure below otherwise jump to step 17:

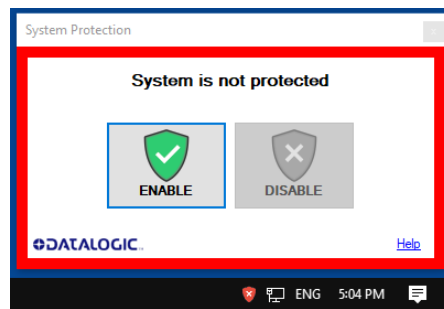
- Procedure with laser **control board upgrade**:



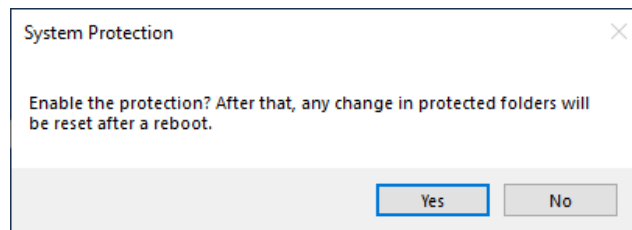
- press **OK** to execute control board update
- wait for the laser control board update

17. Open the System Protection tool GUI

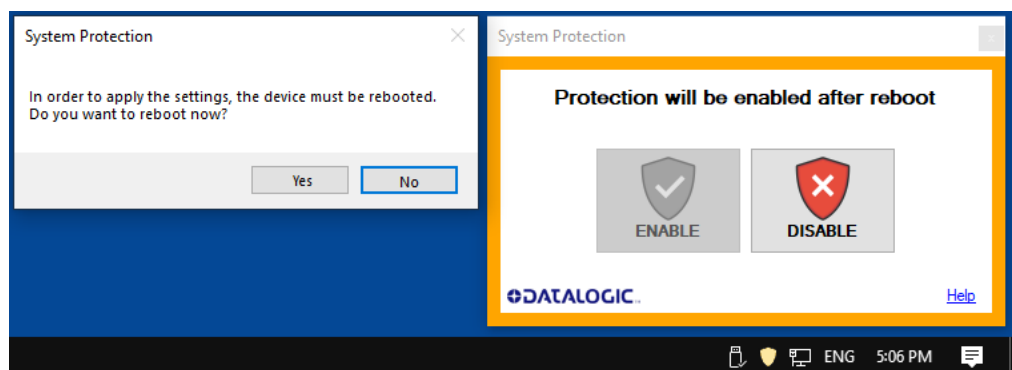
- Click the **ENABLE** button



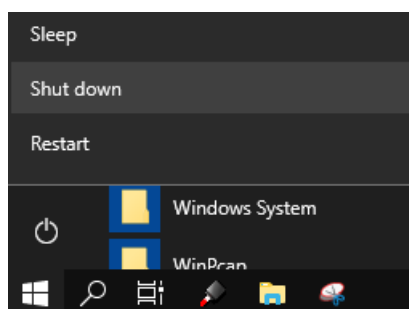
- A message advise the User to confirm the new setting. Press **YES** to enable System Protection



- A message advise the User that the system will be rebooted. Press NO to continue



- Shut down the system:



- wait until the operating system shuts down (black screen)



CAUTION: DO NOT turn OFF or UNPLUG the laser marker while Windows® is shutting down!

- **POWER OFF** the laser marker to complete installation

APPENDIX G

RECOVER THE LASER MARKER

OVERVIEW

The laser marker is provided with a *RECOVERY partition* able to restore the system to the factory settings.

The RECOVERY procedure should be used if the Operating System is corrupted or disks are corrupted.

HOW TO RECOVER THE LASER MARKER



CAUTION: All existing data in the laser marker will be overwritten. All existing data will be lost. If possible, make a backup of all the customer's data located by default in D:\Data folder, before recovering the system.

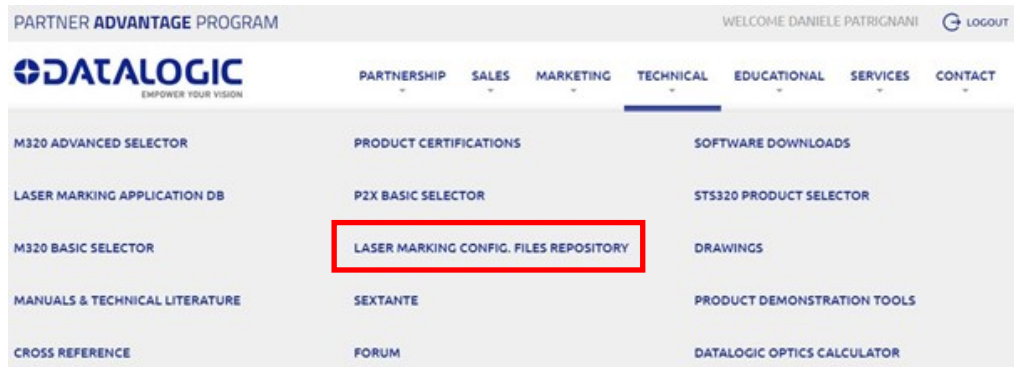


NOTE: The following images are indicative only.

Preliminary Operations

Before proceeding with the recovery procedure, it is necessary to get the original factory configuration files on the laser marker:

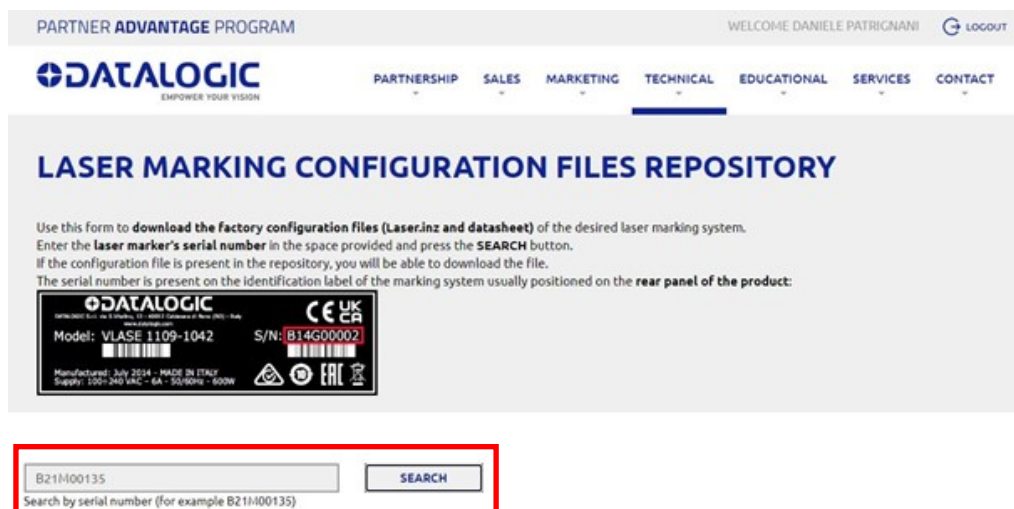
1. From an external PC connected to the Internet, go to [Datalogic](#) web site and click on **PARTNER LOGIN**.
2. If you are not registered yet, you will be asked to **Create your login**.
3. Enter **Username** and **Password**.
4. Select **TECHNICAL** and click on **LASER MARKING CONFIG. FILES REPOSITORY**.



5. Insert the **Serial Number** of the laser marker and press **SEARCH** button.



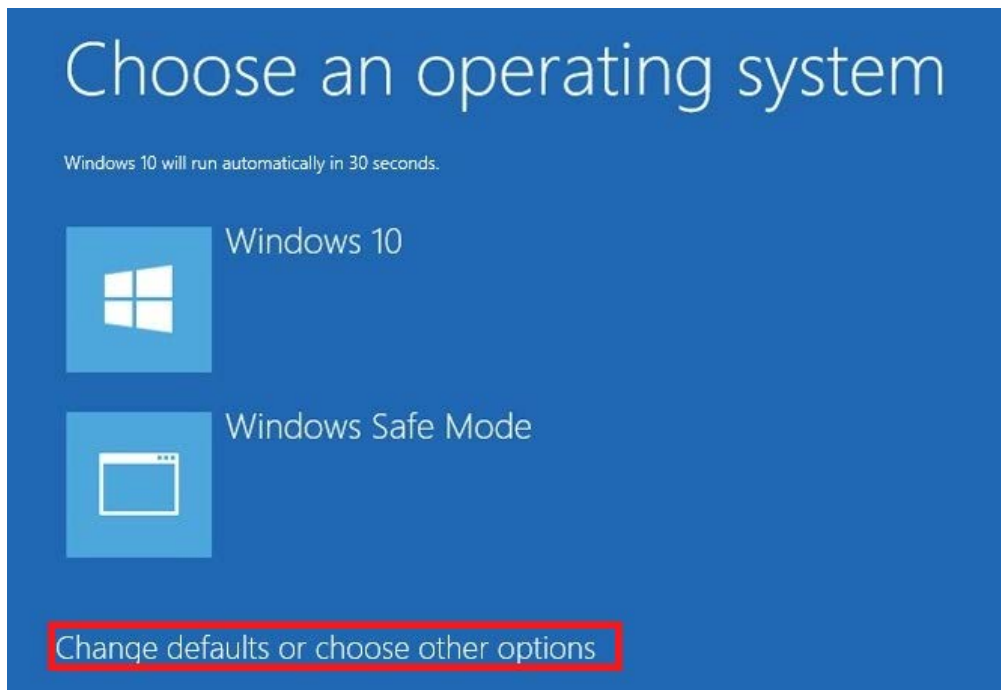
6. Select **CLICK HERE** to download the file in **zip** format.



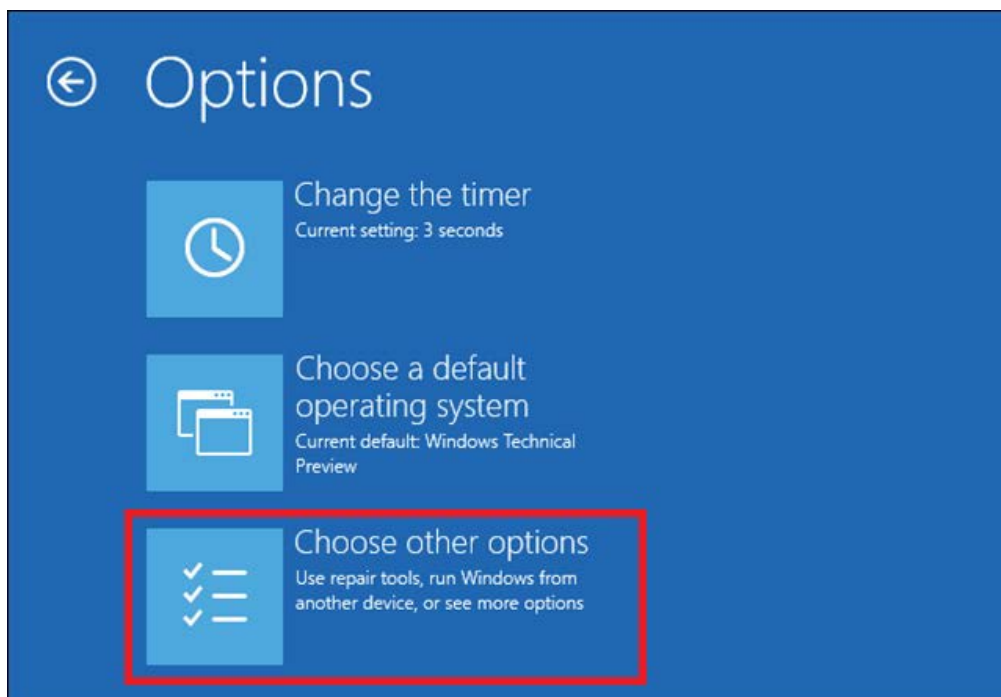
7. **Extract** the content of the **zip** file in a USB drive (the Zip file contains Config and Correction files, and a TestReport doc.).

Recover the system

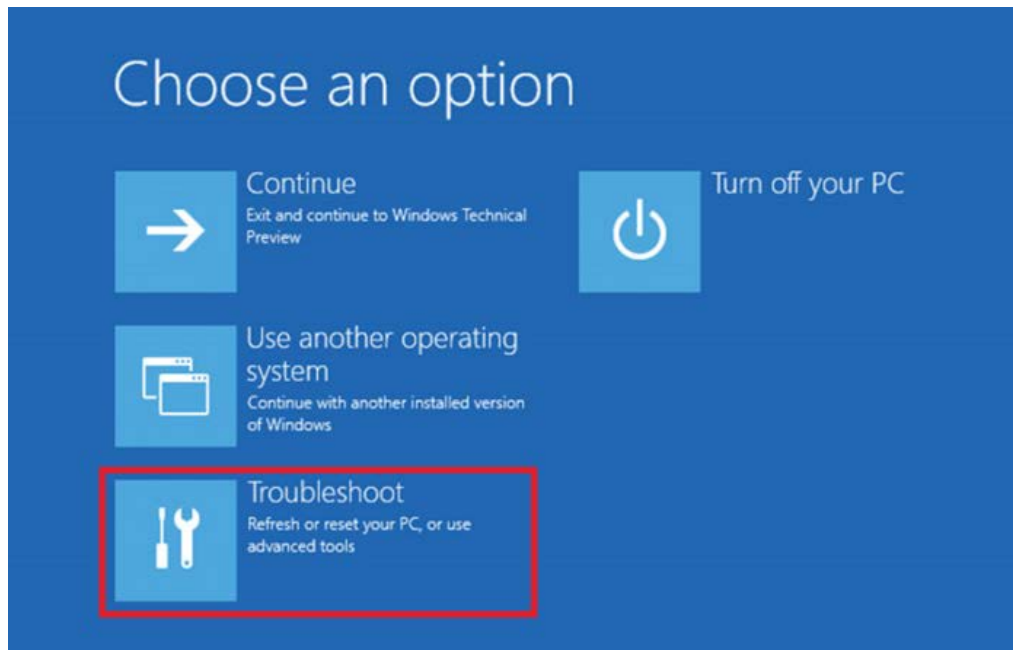
1. **Turn ON** the laser marker
2. Wait for '**Choose an operating system**' menu to appears
3. Select '*Change defaults or choose other options*' using **TAB** key and then press **ENTER** key



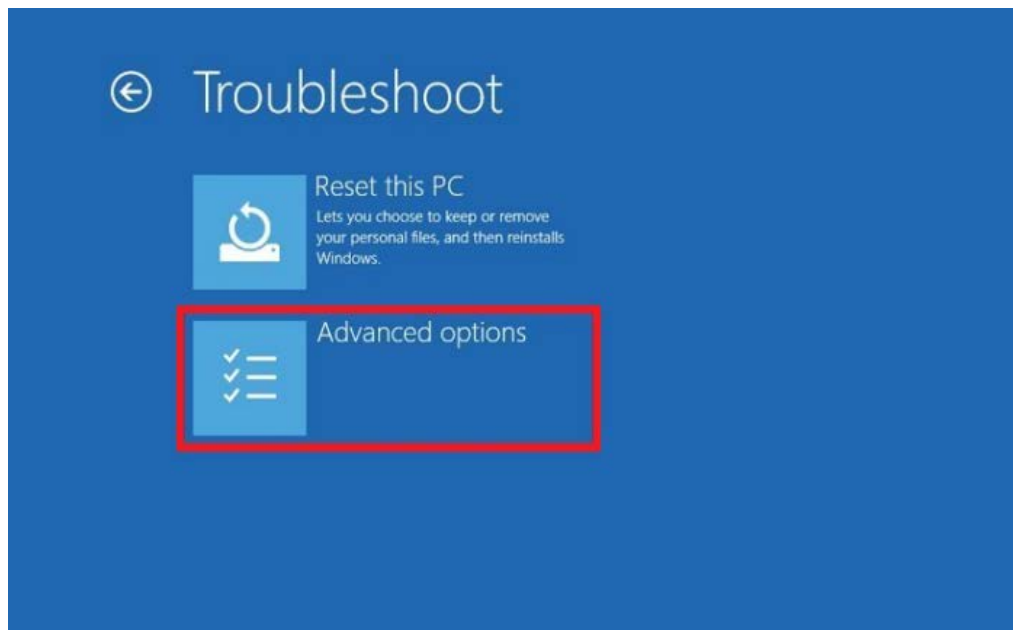
4. The **Options** screen will be shown
5. Select '*Choose other options*' using **TAB** key and then press **ENTER** key



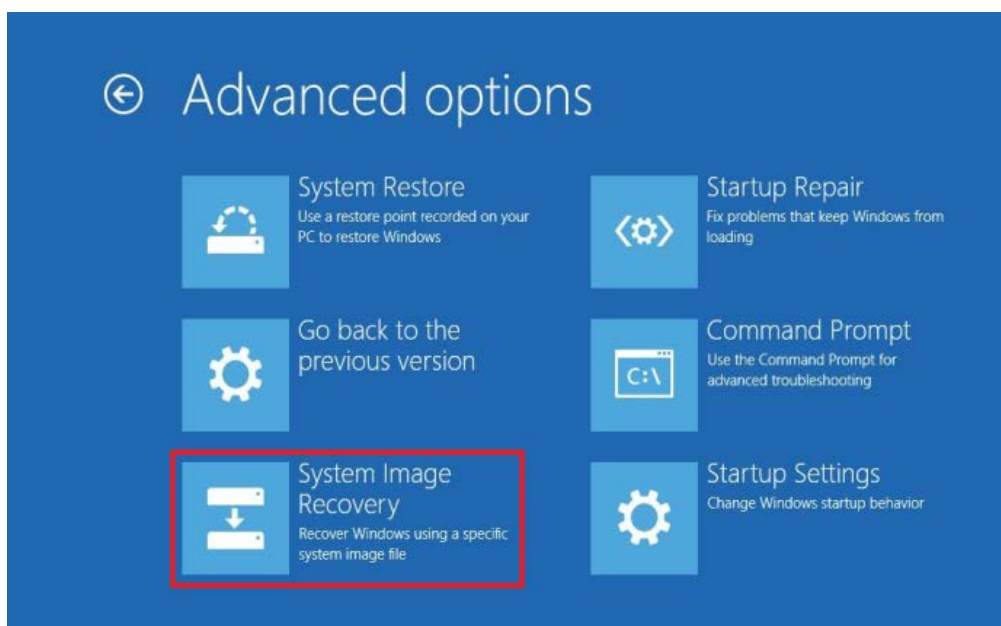
6. The **Choose an Option** menu will be shown
7. Select '*Troubleshoot*' using **TAB** key and then press **ENTER** key



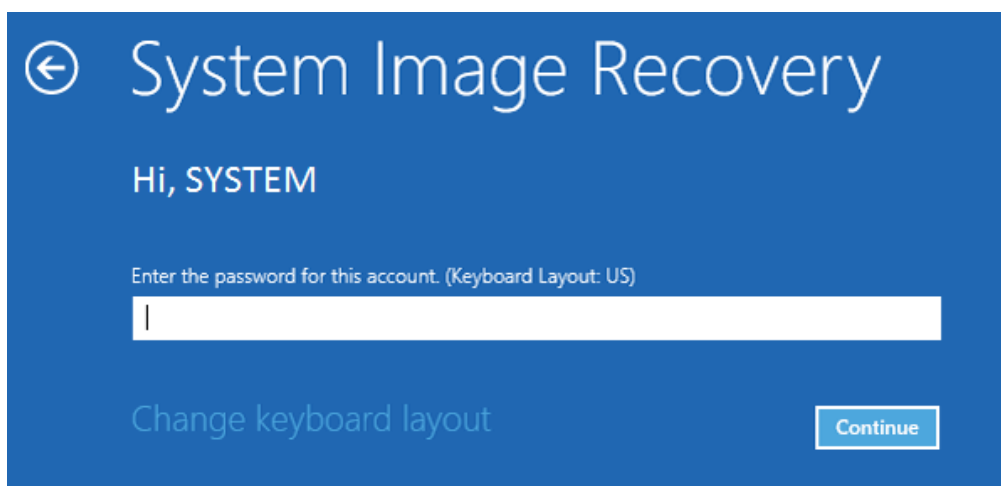
8. The **Troubleshoot** menu will be shown
9. Select '*Advanced Options*' using **TAB** key and then press **ENTER** key



10. The **Advanced options** menu will be shown
11. Select 'System Image Recovery' using **TAB** key and then press **ENTER** key

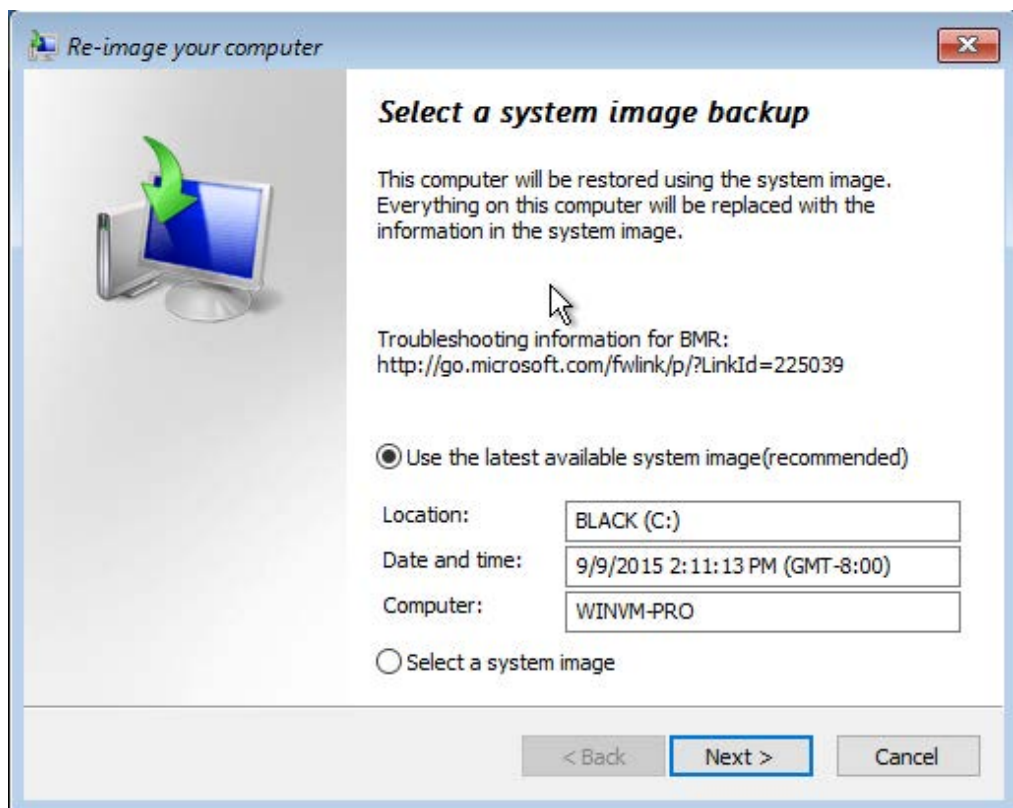


12. Enter the password '*dla*' and press **CONTINUE**

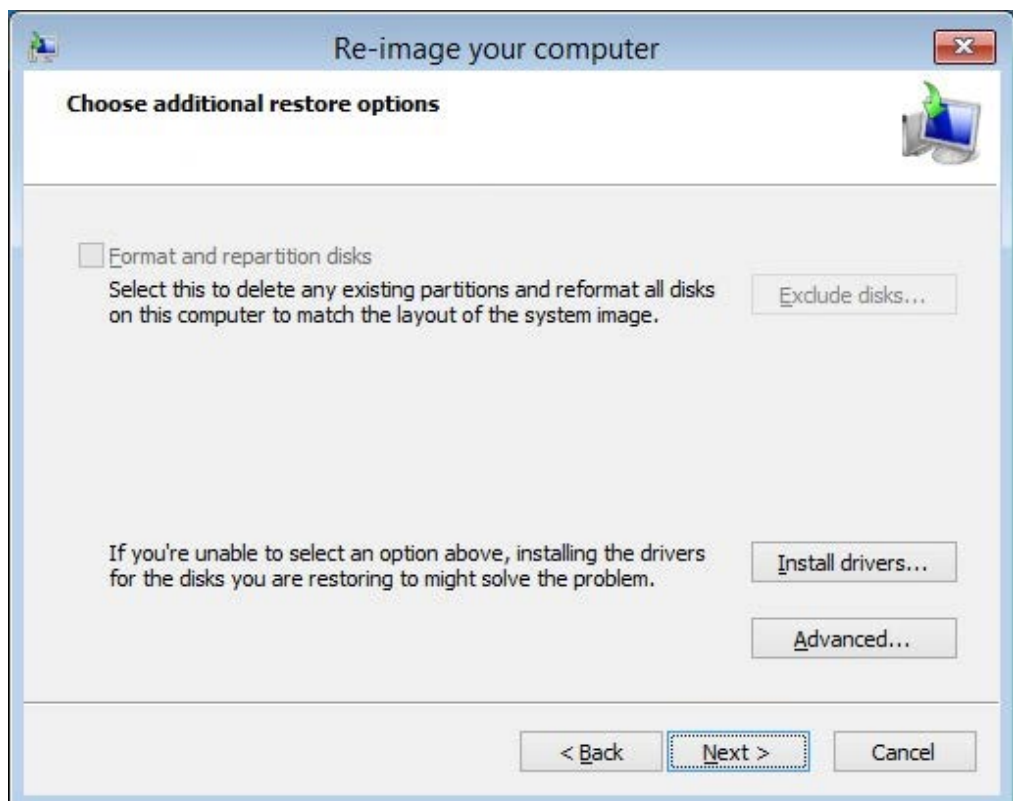


13. Select 'Use the latest available system image (recommended)'

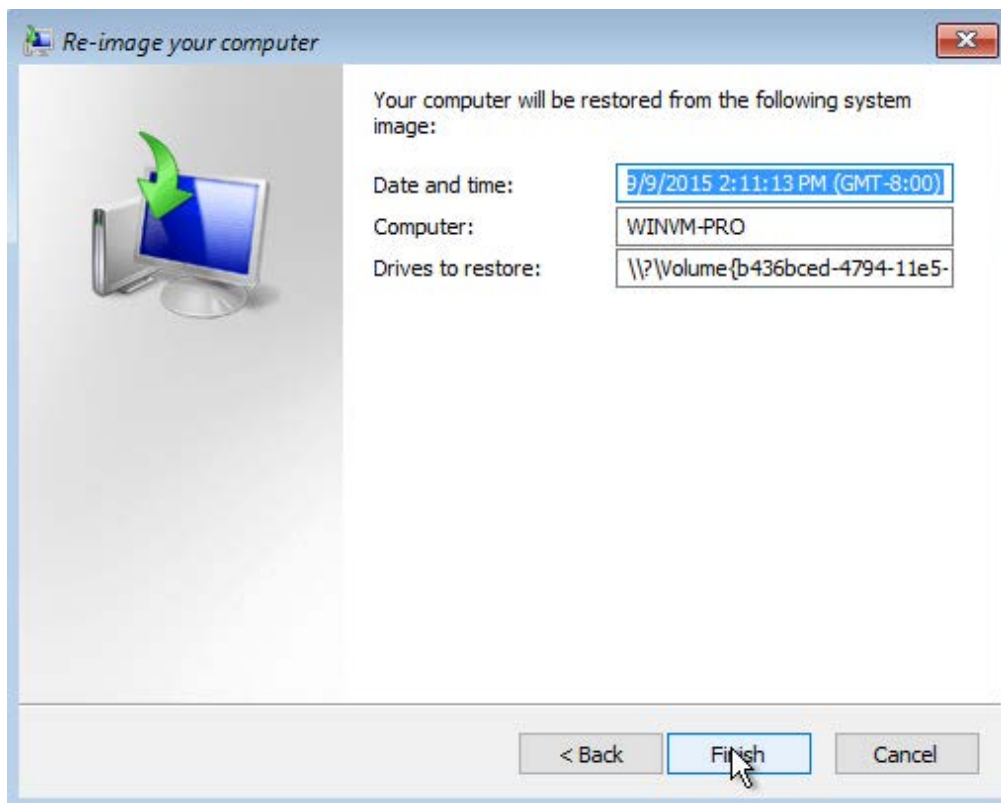
14. Press **NEXT** to continue



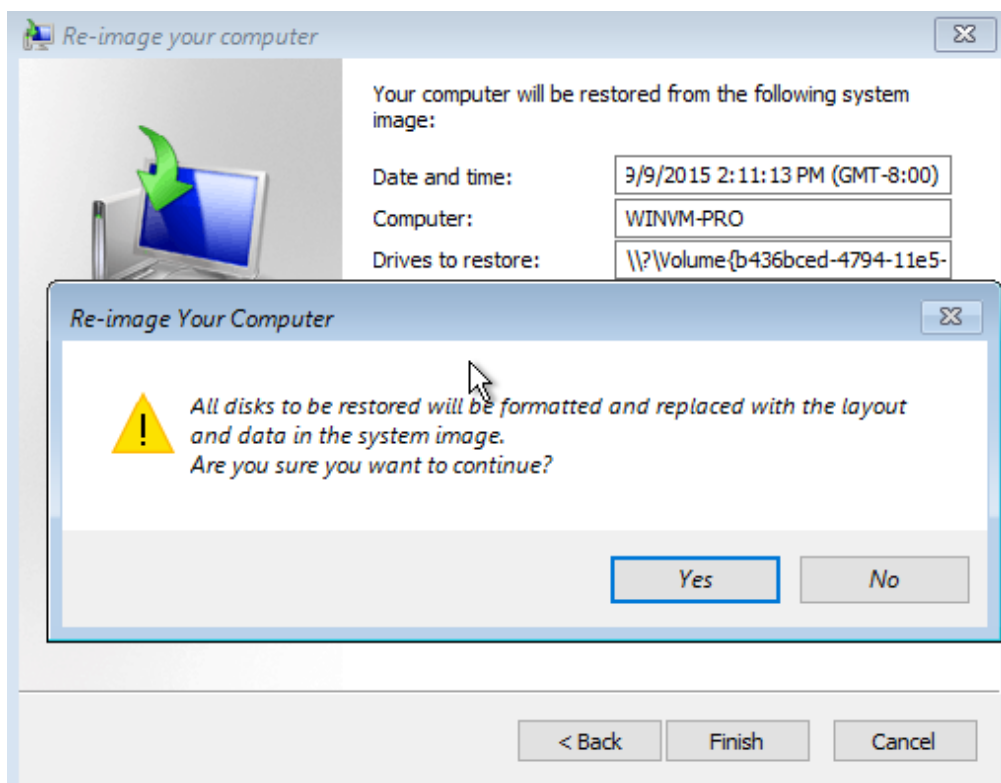
15. Press **NEXT** to continue



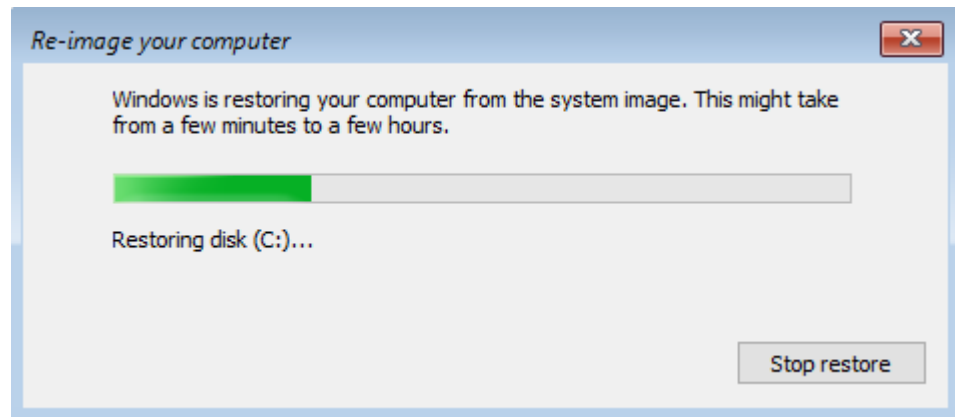
16. Press **FINISH** to continue



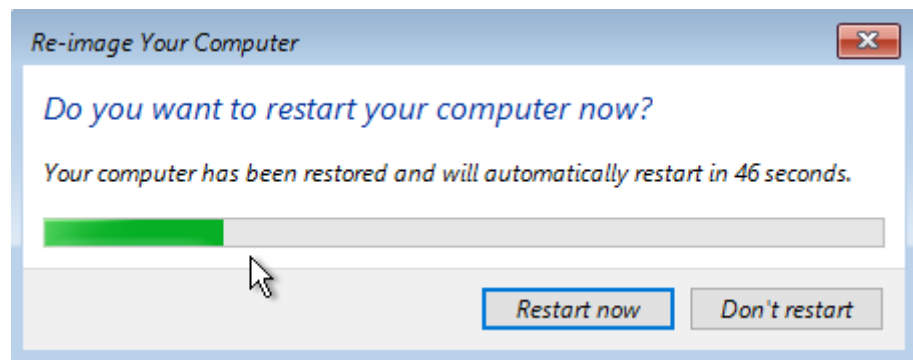
17. Press **YES** to continue



18. **Wait** for disks restoring

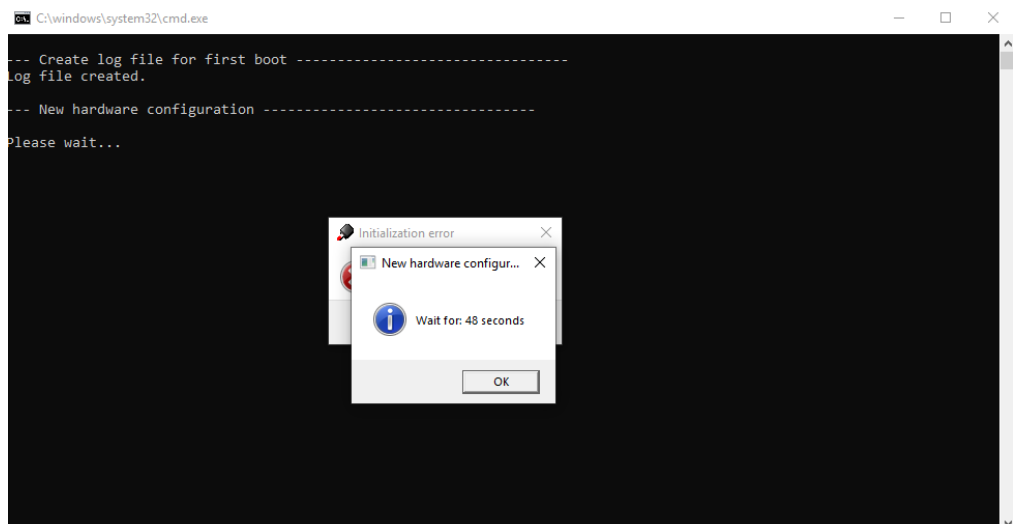


19. The system will **restart** automatically



20. After the restart, the system will perform the **New Hardware Configuration** procedure

21. **Wait** for the end of the procedure

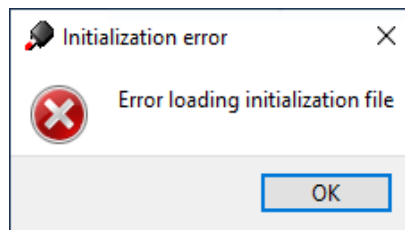


22. The system will **restart** automatically



CAUTION: DO NOT turn OFF or UNPLUG the laser marker while Windows® is restarting!

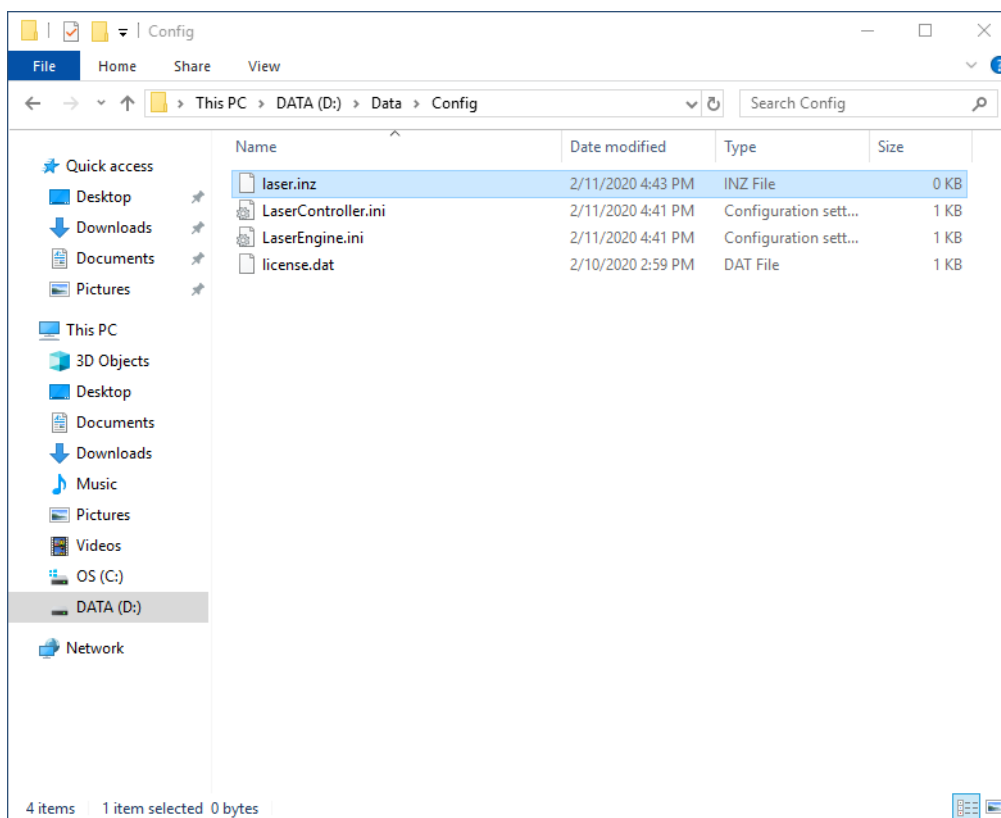
23. After the restart, an error message will advise you that Lighter™ initialization file is not present. Press **OK** to continue:



NOTE: In order to work, the marking software must be customized with the factory configuration file. The custom Laser.inz file is present in the Partner Area of the Datalogic website (see “Preliminary Operations” on page 147).

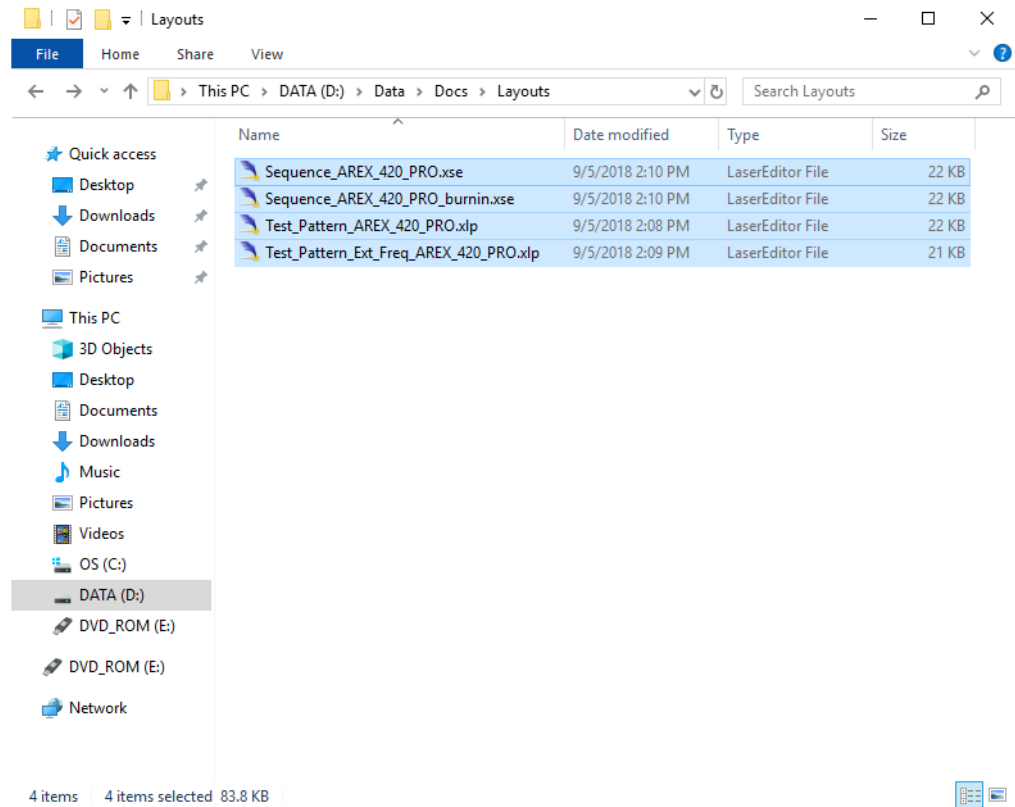
24. Insert the USB drive with the laser marker’s configuration files in a USB port of the control rack.

25. Navigate to the folder **Config-Corrections & Report**

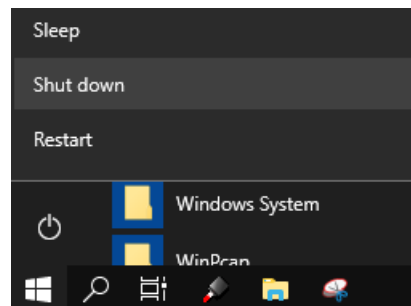


26. Navigate to the folder **Config** of the USB drive and copy (overwrite) all files into **D:\Data\Config** of the laser marker.
27. Navigate to the folder **Corrections** of the USB drive and copy (overwrite) all files into **D:\Data\Corrections** of the laser marker.

28. Navigate to the folder Test Layouts, select the right test layout files depending on the laser marker model and copy them to D:\DATA\DOCS\LAYOUTS



29. **Shut down** the operating system:



CAUTION: DO NOT turn OFF or UNPLUG the laser marker while Windows® is shutting down!

30. **Wait** until the operating system is shutting down
31. Turn **OFF** the laser marker

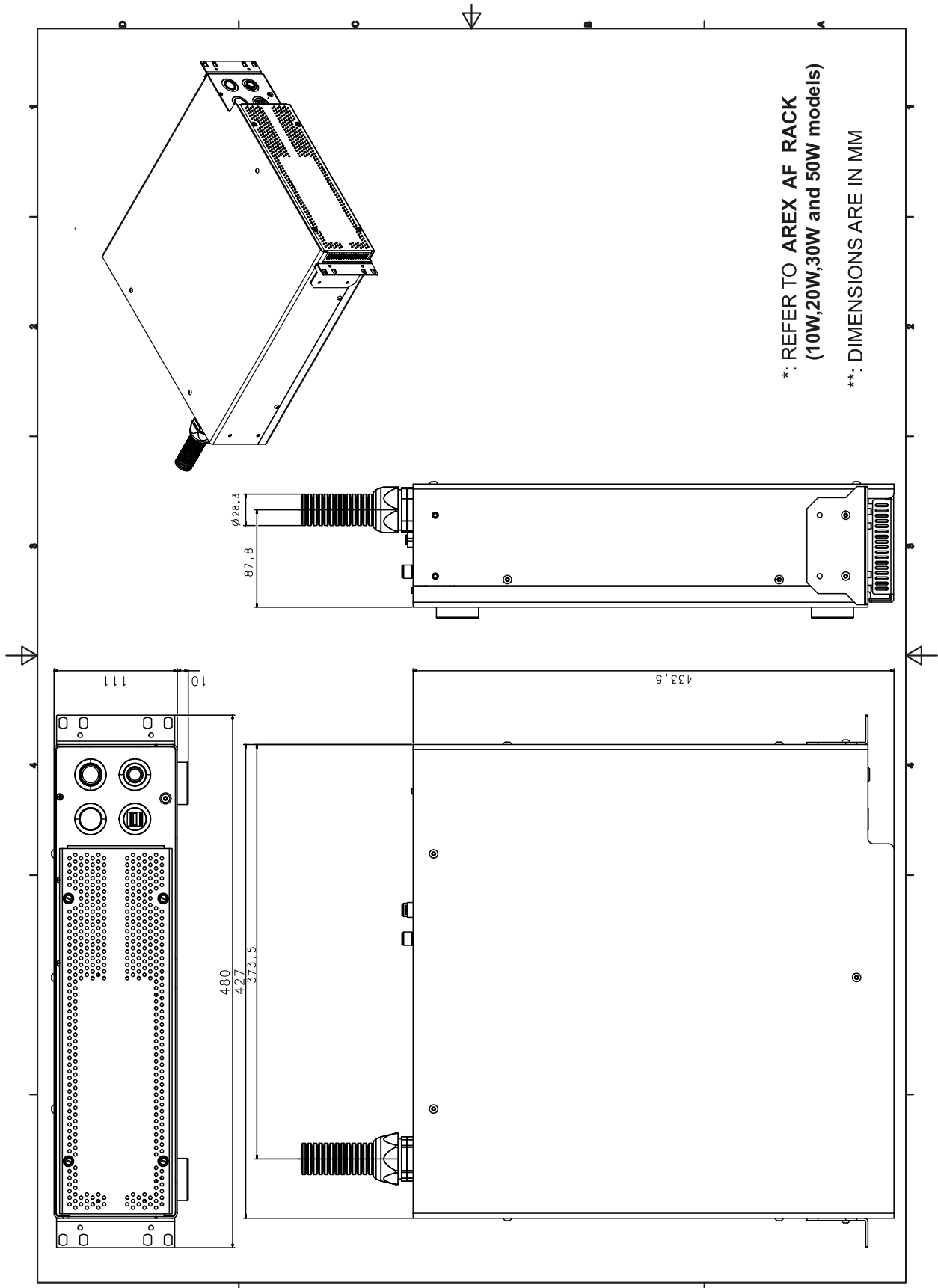
APPENDIX H

MECHANICAL DRAWINGS

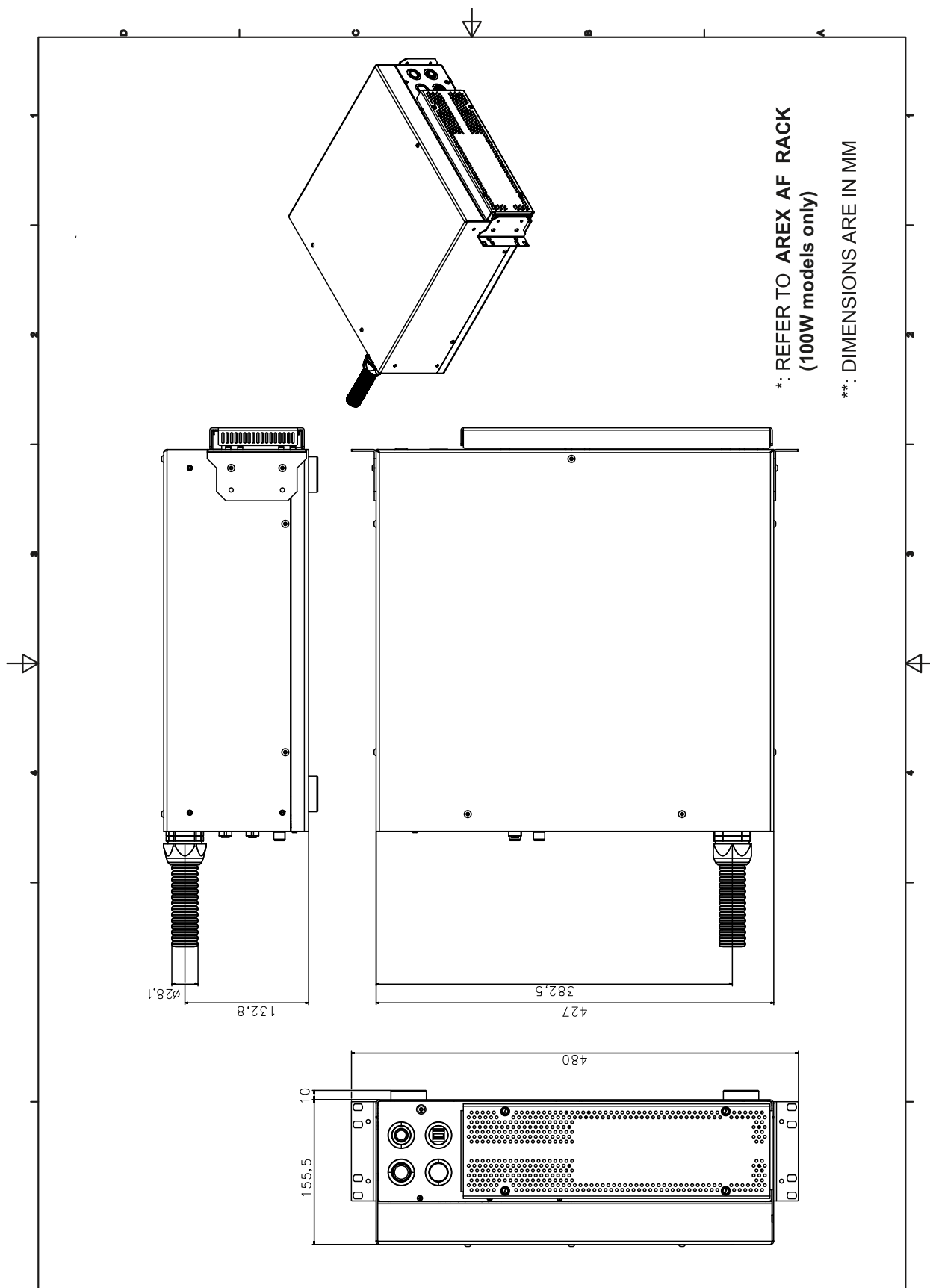
Below are the following mechanical drawing:

- "Control Rack" on page 157
- "Scan Head" on page 159

CONTROL RACK



NOTE: Please refer to Datalogic website for detailed drawings.



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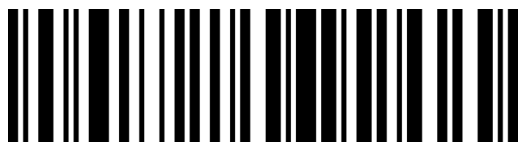


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