



# XTT 353P AC/DC

OPERATOR MANUAL

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## **Welcome**

Thank you and congratulations on choosing Parweld. This Owner's Manual is designed to help you get the most out of your Parweld products. Please take time to read the Safety precautions. They will help you protect yourself against potential hazards in the workplace. With proper maintenance this equipment should provide years of reliable service. All our systems conform to ISO9001: 2000 and are independently audited by NQA.

The entire product range carries the CE mark, and is constructed in accordance with European directives and the product specific standards where they apply.

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# 1.0 Safety Precautions

## **ELECTRIC SHOCK can kill.**

Touching live electrical parts can cause fatal shocks or severe burns. The electrode and work circuit is electrically live whenever the output is on. The input power circuit and machine internal circuits are also live when power is on.

Do not touch live electrical parts.

Wear dry, sound insulating gloves and body protection.

Insulate yourself from work and ground using dry insulating mats or covers big enough to prevent any physical contact with the work ground.

Additional safety precautions are required when any of the following electrically hazardous conditions are present: in damp locations or while wearing wet clothing; on metal structures such as floors, gratings, or scaffolds; when in cramped positions such as sitting, kneeling, or lying; or when there is a high risk of unavoidable or accidental contact with the work piece or ground.

Disconnect input power before installing or servicing this equipment. Lockout/tag out input power according to Safety Standards.

Properly install and ground this equipment according to national and local standards.

Always verify the supply ground - check and ensure that input power cable ground wire is properly connected to ground terminal in the receptacle outlet.

When making input connections, attach proper grounding conductor first - double-check connections.

Frequently inspect input power cable for damage or bare wiring - replace cable immediately if damaged - bare wiring can kill.

Turn off all equipment when not in use.

Do not use worn, damaged, under sized, or poorly spliced cables.

Do not drape cables over your body.

If earth grounding of the work piece is required, ground it directly with a separate cable.

Do not touch electrode if you are in contact with the work, ground, or another electrode from a different machine.

Use only well-maintained equipment. Repair or replace damaged parts at once. Maintain unit according to manual.

Wear a safety harness if working above floor level.

Keep all panels and covers securely in place.

Clamp work cable with good metal-to-metal contact to work piece or worktable as near the weld as practical.

Insulate work clamp when not connected to work piece to prevent contact with any metal object.

Welding produces fumes and gases. Breathing these fumes and gases can be hazardous to your health.

## **FUMES AND GASES can be hazardous.**

Keep your head out of the fumes. Do not breathe the fumes. If inside, ventilate the area and/or use local forced ventilation at the arc to remove welding fumes and gases.

If ventilation is poor, wear an approved respirator.

Read and understand the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS's) and the manufacturer's instructions for metals, consumable, coatings, cleaners, and de-greasers.

Work in a confined space only if it is well ventilated, or while wearing an air-supplied respirator. Always have a trained watch person nearby. Welding fumes and gases can displace air and lower the oxygen level causing injury or death. Be sure the breathing air is safe.

Do not weld in locations near de-greasing, cleaning, or spraying operations. The heat and rays of the arc can react with vapours to form highly toxic and irritating gases.

Do not weld on coated metals, such as galvanized, lead, or cadmium plated steel, unless the coating is removed from the weld area, the area is well ventilated, and while wearing an air-supplied respirator. The coatings and any metals containing these elements can give off toxic fumes if welded.

## **ARC RAYS can burn eyes and skin.**

Arc rays from the welding process produce intense, visible and invisible (ultraviolet and infrared) rays that can burn eyes and skin. Sparks fly off from the weld.

Wear an approved welding helmet fitted with a proper shade of filter lens to protect your face and eyes when welding or watching

Wear approved safety glasses with side shields under your helmet.

Use protective screens or barriers to protect others from flash, glare and sparks; warn others not to watch the arc.

Wear protective clothing made from durable, flame resistant material (leather, heavy cotton, or wool) and foot protection. Welding on closed containers, such as tanks, drums, or pipes, can cause them to blow up. Sparks can fly off from the welding arc. The flying sparks, hot work piece, and hot equipment can cause fires and burns. Accidental contact of electrode to metal objects can cause sparks, explosion, overheating, or fire. Check and be sure the area is safe before doing any welding.

## **WELDING can cause fire or explosion.**

Remove all flammables within 10m of the welding arc. If this is not possible, tightly cover them with approved covers.

Do not weld where flying sparks can strike flammable material.

Protect yourself and others from flying sparks and hot metal.

Be alert that welding sparks and hot materials from welding can easily go through small cracks and openings to adjacent areas.

Watch for fire, and keep a fire extinguisher nearby. Be aware that welding on a ceiling, floor, bulkhead, or partition can cause fire on the hidden side.

Do not weld on closed containers such as tanks, drums, or pipes, unless they are properly prepared according to local regulations

Connect work cable to the work as close to the welding area as practical to prevent welding current from travelling along, possibly unknown paths and causing electric shock, sparks, and fire hazards.

Wear oil-free protective garments such as leather gloves, heavy shirt, cuffless trousers, high shoes, and a cap. Remove any combustibles, such as a butane lighter or matches, from your person before doing any welding.

**FLYING METAL can injure eyes.**

Welding, chipping, wire brushing, and grinding cause sparks and flying metal. As welds cool they can throw off slag. Wear approved safety glasses with side shields even under your welding helmet.

**BUILDUP OF GAS can injure or kill.**

Shut off shielding gas supply when not in use. Always ventilate confined spaces or use approved air-supplied respirator.

**HOT PARTS can cause severe burns.**

Do not touch hot parts with bare hands.

Allow cooling period before working on gun or torch.

To handle hot parts, use proper tools and/or wear heavy, insulated welding gloves and clothing to prevent burns.

**ELECTRICAL AND MAGNETIC FIELDS**

Can affect pacemakers Pacemaker wearers keep away. Wearers should consult their doctor before going near arc welding, gouging, or spot welding operations.

Welders should use the following procedures to minimize exposure to Electrical and Magnetic Fields

Route the electrode and work cables together. Secure them with tape when possible.

Never coil the torch or work cable around your body.

Do not place your body between the torch and work cables. Route cables together on the same side of your body.

Connect the work cable to the work piece as close as possible to the area being welded.

Keep the welding power source and cables as far away from your body as possible.

**NOISE can damage hearing.**

Noise from some processes or equipment can damage hearing.

Wear approved ear protection if noise level is high.

Shielding gas cylinders contain gas under high pressure.

**CYLINDERS can explode if damaged.**

Protect compressed gas cylinders from excessive heat, mechanical shocks, physical damage, slag, open flames, sparks, and arcs. Install cylinders in an upright position by securing to a stationary support or cylinder rack to prevent falling or tipping. Keep cylinders away from any welding or other electrical circuits. Never drape a welding torch over a gas cylinder. Never allow a welding electrode to touch any cylinder. Never weld on a pressurized cylinder - explosion will result. Use only correct shielding gas cylinders, regulators, hoses, and fittings designed for the specific application; maintain them and associated parts in good condition.

Turn face away from valve outlet when opening cylinder valve.

Use the right equipment, correct procedures, and sufficient number of persons to lift and move cylinders.

Read and follow instructions on compressed gas cylinders, associated equipment, and Compressed Gas Association (CGA) recommendations.

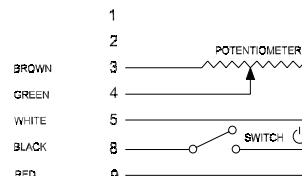
## 2.0 Product Description

This welding machine is manufactured using advanced inverter technology. The input voltage is rectified to DC and then inverted to high frequency AC voltage before being converted back to DC for the output. This allows the use of a much smaller transformer and so allowing weight saving and improved power efficiency.

## 3.0 Technical Specifications

|                       |   |                |                           |                           |                |                |                |
|-----------------------|---|----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 3~                    |   | 50/60Hz        |                           | 600974-1                  |                | CE             |                |
| WELDING OUTPUT        |   |                |                           |                           |                |                |                |
| AC                    | X | 50%            |                           | 60%                       |                | 100%           |                |
|                       |   | 350A           |                           | 320A                      |                | 260A           |                |
| DC                    | X | 50%            |                           | 60%                       |                | 100%           |                |
|                       |   | 350A           |                           | 320A                      |                | 280A           |                |
| U <sub>i</sub> = 76V  |   | I <sub>e</sub> | I <sub>r</sub>            | I <sub>e</sub>            | I <sub>r</sub> | I <sub>e</sub> | I <sub>r</sub> |
| U <sub>2</sub>        |   | 24V            | 22.8V                     | 20.4V                     | 24V            | 22.8V          | 1.2V           |
| ENERGY INPUT          |   |                |                           |                           |                |                |                |
| U <sub>i</sub> = 380V |   | TIG            | I <sub>1max</sub> = 24.2A | I <sub>1eff</sub> = 17.1A |                |                |                |
| 3-50/60HZ             |   | MMA            | I <sub>1max</sub> = 35A   | I <sub>1eff</sub> = 24.8A |                |                |                |
| IP23S                 |   | F              |                           |                           |                |                |                |

**Control Plug wiring**

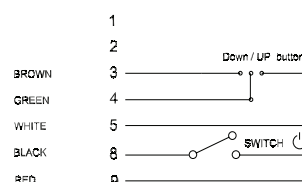


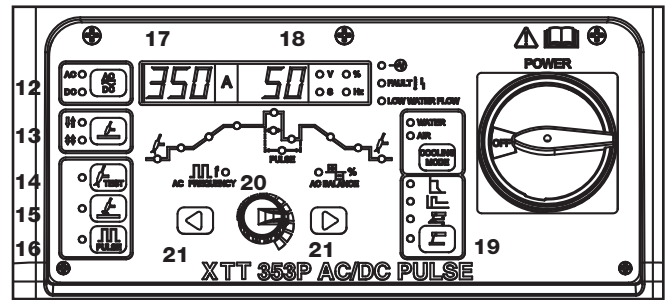
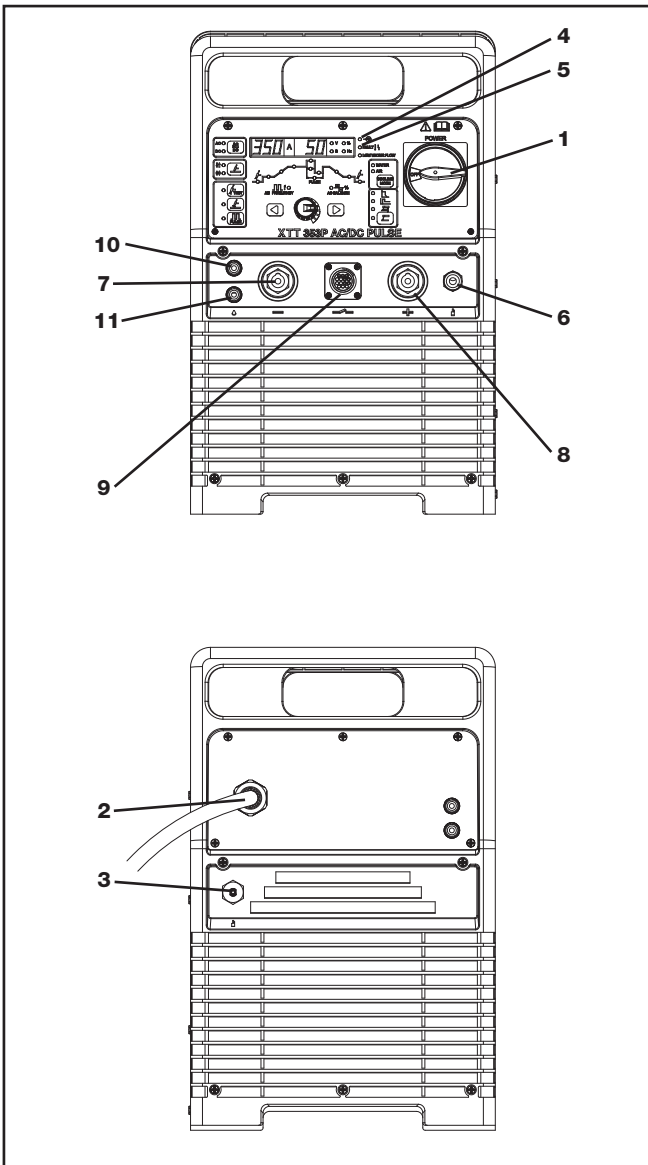
**Foot Control**

For use with foot control

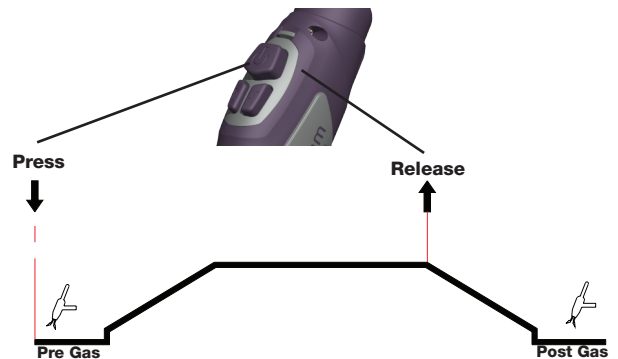
**3 Button Trigger Control**

For use with 3 button trigger control



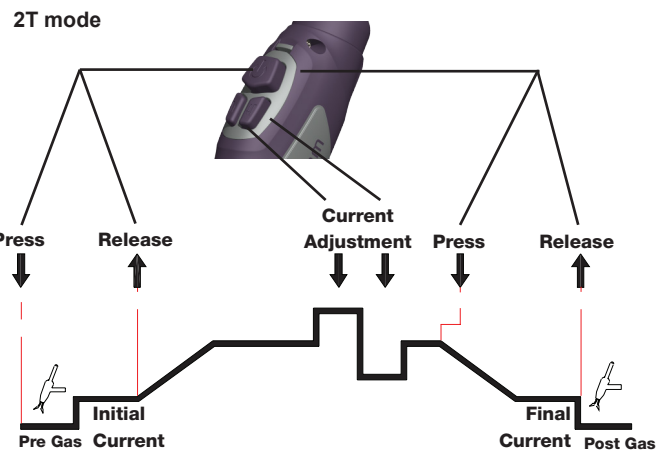


- 8) **Positive connection** This is used to connect the electrode holder in MMA or the earth lead in TIG welding.
- 9) **control socket** This is used to control the machine remotely using a trigger or amperage control
- 10) **Water in connection** for a water cooled TIG torch
- 11) **Water out connection** for a water cooled TIG torch
- 12) **Output power button.** This button has 2 positions the top position selects AC output in TIG or MMA mode and the bottom position selects DC output in TIG or MMA mode as indicated by the illuminated LED. Pressing the button toggles between the 2 positions.
- 13) **Switch mode (TIG),** this toggles between 2 step and 4 step operation of the torch trigger. In 2 step mode the trigger should be pressed and held down until the end of the weld. In 4 step mode (lower led) the trigger is pressed and released to start and pressed and released to finish the weld. In order to TIG weld one of these functions must be illuminated. Not all functions are available in 2T mode.

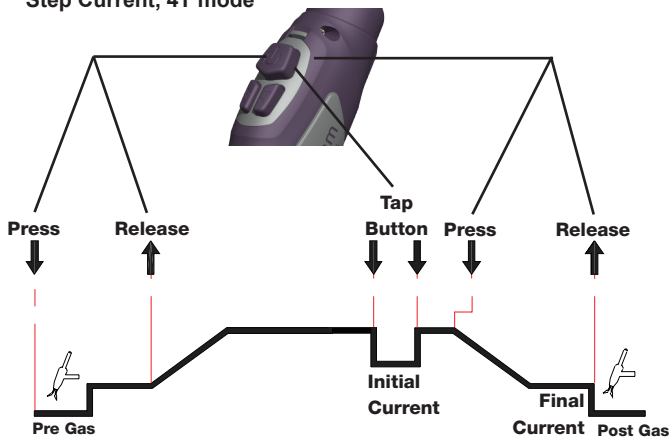


## 4.0 Description of Controls

- 1) **ON OFF Switch** for switching on or off the mains supply to the machine. Note the output of the machine is permanently on in MMA mode unless the on/off switch is in the off position.
- 2) **Mains input Cable**
- 3) **Shielding Gas** input connection
- 4) **Power light** This indicates mains power is applied to the machine and that the machine is currently switched on when the light is illuminated
- 5) **Fault light** This indicates a fault or over temperature condition with the machine refer to the fault finding section for further information
- 6) **Gas Output connection**  
This is a 3/8 BSP connection for the gas output connection to the welding torch (TIG welding)
- 7) **Negative connection** This is used to connect the TIG torch or the earth lead in MMA welding.



### Step Current, 4T mode



### 4T mode

- 14) **Gas test (TIG)**, Pressing this button switches on the shielding gas for 15s to allow purging of the torch and checking of the gas flow. Pressing the button before 15s has expired will stop the gas flow.
- 15) **HF ignition**. When illuminated the TIG torch will start with High frequency ignition not requiring contact of the Tungsten electrode with the work (TIG Mode).
- 16) **Power Pulsing**. When illuminated the output power will be pulsed in accordance with the variables selected on the main control
- 17) **Amperage Display**. Displays the preselected or actual welding amperage.
- 18) **Multifunction Display**. Displays other parameter as indicated by the illuminated LED at the side of the display V=Voltage, S= Seconds, Hz= Hertz (frequency), %=Percentage value.
- 19) **MMA selector**. This button selects MMA welding and will latch on the power output when the LED is illuminated.
- 20) **Parameter adjustment Dial**. This knob is used to adjust multiple parameters dependant upon the parameter selected on the pictogram above the knob.
- 21) **Parameter toggle buttons**. These buttons toggle the selected parameter and can be used to select the require parameter as indicated by the LED on the Pictogram.

## 5.0 Installation

Read entire installation section before starting installation.

### SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- **ELECTRIC SHOCK can kill.**
- **Only qualified personnel should perform this installation.**
- **Only personnel that have read and understood the Operating Manual should install and operate this equipment.**
- **Machine must be grounded per any national, local or other applicable electrical regulations.**
- **The power switch is to be in the OFF position when installing work cable and electrode cable and when connecting other equipment.**

### 5.1 Unpacking the Machine

Carefully remove the machine from the packaging, we recommend you retain the packaging until the machine has been fully installed and tested incase it has been damaged in transit and has to be returned to the re-seller.

### 5.2 Location

Be sure to locate the welder according to the following guidelines:  
In areas, free from moisture and dust.

Ambient temperature between 0-40°C.

In areas, free from oil, steam and corrosive gases.

In areas, not subjected to abnormal vibration or shock.

In areas not exposed to direct sunlight or rain.

Place at a distance of 12" (300 mm) or more from walls or similar that could restrict natural airflow for cooling.

### 5.3 Input and grounding connection

#### WARNING

**Before starting the installation, check that your power supply is adequate for the voltage, amperage, phase, and frequency specified on the Machine nameplate.**

Operate the welding power source from a three-phase 50/60 Hz, AC power supply. The input voltage must match one of the electrical input voltages shown on the input data label on the unit nameplate. The XTT-353P ACDC machine should only be used on 400V supply. Refer to the specifications table for voltage tolerances.

Have a qualified electrician connect the input plug. For long runs over 30m, larger copper wires should be used. The green/yellow wire in the input cable connects to the frame of the machine. This ensures proper grounding of the machine when the machine plug is inserted into the receptacle.

### 5.4 Output Polarity Connections

Electrode polarity

MMA electrodes are generally connected to the '+' terminal and the work return lead to the '-' terminal

But if in doubt consult the electrode manufacturer's literature.

IF TIG welding the torch should always be connected to the '-' terminal.

### 5.5 Torch installation

MMA cable connections

Connect electrode lead to positive terminal

TIG welding cable connection

Connect the TIG torch to the - terminal

### 5.6 Work return lead connection

MMA cable connections

Connect work return lead to negative terminal

TIG welding

Connect the work return lead to the + terminal

### 5.7 Liquid Cooling

The Liquid Cooled system on your Welding Machine

It is critical to correctly maintain the Cooling unit if fitted to your system. If your machine does not have a liquid cooling system for the torch this can be retro fitted to most models should you wish to enhance your package in the future.

The correct coolant (Parweld Ultracool, Stock Code XTSUC) must be used in the unit to the required level indicated on the unit. In addition to cooling the torch, the Coolant lubricates the workings of the pump, contains antibacterial agents and Anti-Freeze to stop the liquid freezing in low temperatures.

It is also important to regularly inspect all connecting hoses between the cooling unit & the machine & the machine to the welding torch. This will identify any potential leaks that will affect the coolant level & potentially damaging the cooling unit, welding machine and torch.

Should damage be caused by a failure to maintain the correct level of the correct Coolant within the system it will void any warranty claims.

## 6.0 Operation

### WARNING

When using an open arc process, it is necessary to use correct eye, head, and body protection.

### 6.1 MMA Welding Guide

Effects of MMA welding various materials

#### High tensile and alloy steels

The two most prominent effects of welding these steels are the formation of a hardened zone in the weld area, and, if suitable precautions are not taken, the occurrence in this zone of under-bead cracks. Hardened zone and under-bead cracks in the weld area may be reduced by using the correct electrodes, preheating, using higher current settings, using larger electrode sizes, short runs for larger electrode deposits or tempering in a furnace.

#### Manganese steels

The effect on manganese steel of slow cooling from high temperatures is embrittlement. For this reason it is absolutely essential to keep manganese steel cool during welding by quenching after each weld or skip welding to distribute the heat.

#### Cast iron

Most types of cast iron, except white iron, are weldable. White iron, because of its extreme brittleness, generally cracks when attempts are made to weld it. Trouble may also be experienced when welding white-heart malleable, due to the porosity caused by gas held in this type of iron.

#### Copper and alloys

The most important factor is the high rate of heat conductivity of copper, making preheating of heavy sections necessary to give proper fusion of weld and base metal.

#### Types of electrodes

Arc welding electrodes are classified into a number of groups depending on their applications. There are a great number of electrodes used for specialized industrial purposes which are not of particular interest for everyday general work. These include some low hydrogen types for high tensile steel, cellulose types for welding large diameter pipes, etc. The range of electrodes dealt with in this publication will cover the vast majority of applications likely to be encountered; are all easy to use and all will work on even the most basic of welding machines.

#### Metals being joined & electrode comments

##### Mild steel

6013 ideal electrodes for all general purpose work. Features include outstanding operator appeal, easy arc starting and low spatter.

##### Cast iron

99% nickel suitable for joining all cast irons except white cast iron

##### Stainless steel

318L-16 high corrosion resistance. Ideal for dairy work, etc. On stainless steels.

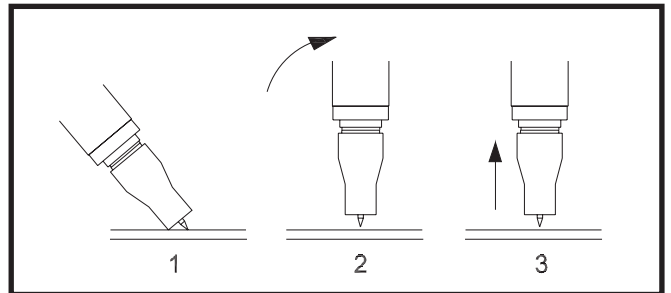
## 6.2 Basic TIG Welding guide

### TIG welding cable connection

Connect the TIG torch to the - terminal and the work return lead to the + terminal for direct current straight polarity. Direct current straight polarity is the most widely used polarity for DC TIG welding. It allows limited wear of the electrode since 70% of the heat is concentrated at the work piece. Connect the gas hose on the TIG torch to the gas outlet on the machine. Move the selector switch on the front panel of the machine to the LIFT-TIG position.

### Torch starting in Lift TIG mode

Ensure the gas supply is switched on to the machine. Briefly contact the tip of the tungsten electrode down onto the work piece with the torch at around 70° from vertical. Depress the trigger to start the gas flow and switch on the power, lift the torch up from the work piece to draw out an arc. To prevent melting of the end of the tungsten the machine will increase the output current when it detects the rise in arc voltage as the tungsten is lifted from the work piece. At the end of the weld release the torch trigger and the power will slope down and switch off.



### Torch starting in HF mode

Ensure the gas supply is switched on to the machine. Hold the torch with the tip of the tungsten approx 2-3 mm from the job. Depress the trigger to start the gas flow and switch on the power. At the end of the weld release the torch trigger and the power will slope down and switch off.

### TIG welding guide ranges

| Electrode diameter | AC current (amps) | DC current (amps) |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 0.040" (1.0mm)     | 15-30             | 20-60             |
| 1/16" (1.6mm)      | 60-120            | 75-150            |
| 3/32" (2.4mm)      | 100-180           | 150-250           |
| 1/8" (3.2mm)       | 160-250           | 250-400           |

### Tungsten electrode types

| Type         | Application  | Colour |
|--------------|--|--------|
| Thoriated 2% | DC welding of mild steel, Stainless steel and Copper | Red    |



| Type        | Application  | Colour |
|-------------|--|--------|
| Ceriated 2% | DC welding of mild steel, Stainless steel, Copper<br>AC welding of aluminium, magnesium and their alloys | Grey   |
| Zirconiated | AC welding of aluminium, magnesium and their alloys  | White  |

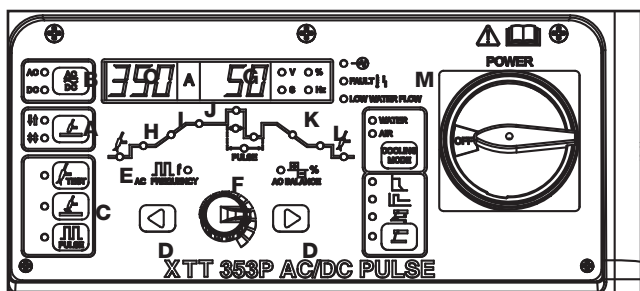
Guide for selecting filler wire diameter

| Filler wire diameter | Current range |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 1/16" (1.6 mm)       | 20 - 90       |
| 3/32" (2.4 mm)       | 65 - 115      |
| 1/8" (3.2 mm)        | 100 - 165     |
| 3/16" (4.8 mm)       | 200-350       |

The filler wire diameter specified is a guide only, other diameter wires may be used according to the welding application.

Shielding gas selection

| Alloy              | Shielding gas |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Aluminium & alloys | Pure Argon    |
| Carbon steel       | Pure Argon    |
| Stainless steel    | Pure Argon    |
| Nickel alloy       | Pure Argon    |
| Copper             | Pure Argon    |
| Titanium           | Pure Argon    |



### 6.3 Machine setup for TIG welding

#### 6.3.1 DC TIG welding (No Pulse)

**Note:-** shorting or dipping the electrode into the weld pool for more than 1 second will cause the machine to reduce the welding power to zero in order to protect the tungsten and minimise contamination

1) Connect the torch to the - connection and the gas hose to the gas outlet.

2) Connect the trigger control plug on the torch to the trigger socket.

3) Connect the Earth lead to the + connection.

4) Set the process mode to 2T or 4T if you prefer a latching trigger action. (Note in 4T position you must press and release to start the process and press and release again to stop the process) (A)

5) Select DC output (B)

6) Select HF start (C)

7) Using the toggle buttons (D) move the illuminated LED to the gas pre-flow position (E)

8) Adjust the parameter value by rotating the knob (F) This can be adjusted from 0.0 to 1.0 seconds. The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G)

9) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the initial current (H). **Note this function only operates in 4T switch mode**

10) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the slope up time (I) This can be adjusted from 0 to 10s. The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G). 2s is a good initial setting.

11) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the main welding current (J) This can be adjusted from 5 to 350A. The value is displayed on the amperage display (O). Refer to the TIG welding guide for a recommended welding current.

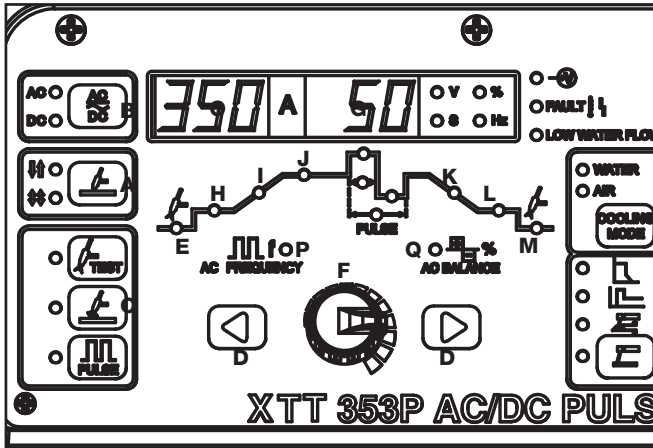
12) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the slope down time (K) This can be adjusted from 0 to 10s. The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G). 2s is a good initial setting.

13) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the final current (L). The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G). **Note this function only operates in 4T switch mode**

14) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the Post Gas time (M) This can be adjusted from 0.1 to 10s. The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G). 3s is a good initial setting.

You are now ready to weld. The above settings are a guide and you should adjust to suit the job you are welding if you are unfamiliar with the machine try to adjust only one parameter at a time so you become familiar with its effect.

### 6.3.2 AC TIG welding (No Pulse)



- 1) Connect the torch to the - connection and the gas hose to the gas outlet.
- 2) Connect the trigger control plug on the torch to the trigger socket.
- 3) Connect the Earth lead to the + connection.
- 4) Set the process mode to 2T or 4T if you prefer a latching trigger action. (Note in 4T position you must press and release to start the process and press and release again to stop the process) (A)
- 5) Select AC output (B)
- 6) Select HF start (C)
- 7) Using the toggle buttons (D) move the illuminated LED to the gas pre-flow position (E)
- 8) Adjust the parameter value by rotating the knob (F) This can be adjusted from 0.1 to 1.0 seconds. The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G)
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- 12) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the slope down time (K) This can be adjusted from 0 to 10s. The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G). 2s is a good initial setting.

13) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the final current (L). The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G).

14) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the Post Gas time (M) This can be adjusted from 0.1 to 10s. The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G). 3s is a good initial setting.

15) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the AC frequency (P) This can be adjusted from 50 to 250Hz dependent on the welding amperage. The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G). 60Hz is a good initial setting. Increasing the frequency has the effect of stiffening and focussing the arc making it good for welding close to threads or for crater filling

Note the maximum frequency available depends upon the welding amperage selected

<100A 50 to 250Hz

100-200A Max 200Hz

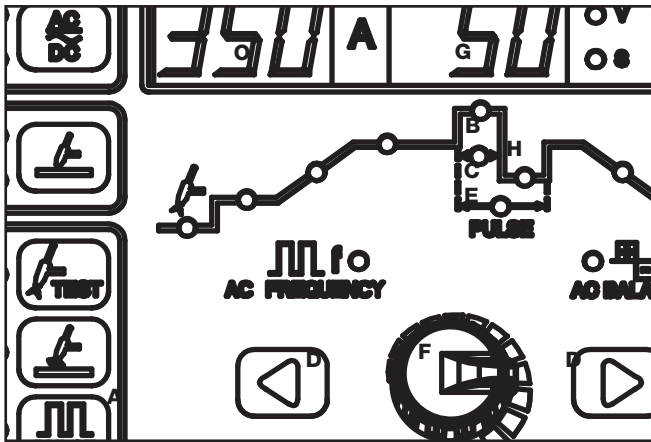
200-250A Max 100Hz

250-350A Max 70Hz

16) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the AC balance (Q) This can be adjusted from 15 to 50% . The value is displayed on the Multifunction display (G). 15% is a good initial setting. Increasing the percentage has the effect of increasing the time the arc spends in the electrode positive state which gives a greater cleaning effect on the material but will reduce weld speed. For good clean material you should be able to keep the cleaning percentage set at 15 to 20%

You are now ready to weld. The above settings are a guide and you should adjust to suit the job you are welding if you are unfamiliar with the machine try to adjust only one parameter at a time so you become familiar with its effect.

### 6.3.3 TIG welding with Pulse function



It is possible to use the pulse function with both AC and DC TIG welding Power Pulsing can give significant advantages on thinner material to control heat and penetration.

- 1) Follow the setup as previously described for AC or DC TIG welding.
- 2) Press button A to switch on the pulsing functions
- 3) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the Peak current (B) This can be adjusted from 5 to 350A (10-350A for AC welding) dependant on the welding amperage. The value is displayed on the amperage display (O). Peak current is the maximum amperage that will be output.
- 4) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the Peak duration(C) This can be adjusted from 5 to 100% Peak duration is the percentage of time the peak current is on relative to the background current. 30% is a good starting point.
- 5) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the Background current (H) This can be adjusted from 5 to 350A (10-350A for AC welding). The value is displayed on the amperage display (O). Background current is the minimum amperage that will be output. It cannot be higher than the peak current and generally will be set withing 50 to 70%Amps of the peak current.
- 6) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the Pulse Frequency (E) This can be adjusted from 0.5 to 200Hz. The value is displayed on the multifunction display (G). Pulse Frequency is the number of pulses per second generally a range of 50 to 150 Hz will be used with 100Hz being a good base setting.

30-40Hz will help agitate the weld puddle and allow you to weld at a lower amperage than without pulse.

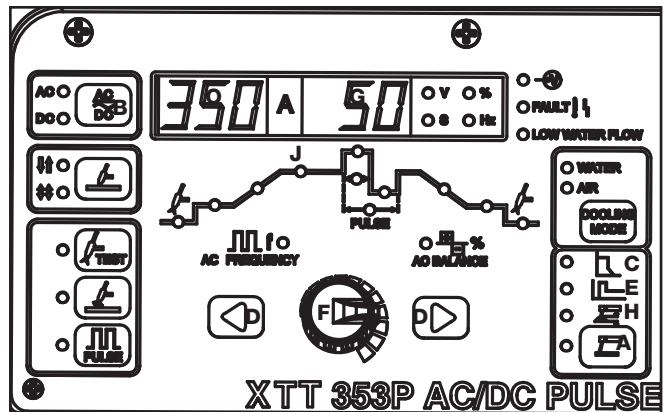
50-150Hz really stiffen the arc and let you pinpoint the arc more than without pulse.

0.5-10Hz reduce heat input the most.

The selected amperage and the consistency of travel speed can negate some of the effects of Power pulsing

### 6.4 MMA welding setup

Note:- shorting or dipping the electrode into the weld pool for more than 2 seconds will cause the machine to reduce the welding power to zero in order to protect the electrode.



- 1) Press button A to select MMA welding
- 2) Press button B to select AC or DC output as required.
- 3) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the Output current (J) This can be adjusted from 5 to 350A DC (10-350A AC welding) . The value is displayed on the amperage display (O).
- 4) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the Arc force (C) This can be adjusted from 0 to 10 Arc force prevents the electrode from sticking during welding. The value is displayed on the multifunction display (G). Arc force is a temporary increase of the output current during welding when the arc is too short. To have a smooth arc with less spatter, set the knob to minimum (Rutile,Basic). For a more crisp arc, with more penetration, set it to maximum.
- 5) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the Hot start (E) The value is displayed on the multifunction display (G) and can be adjusted from 0 to 10. This is the temporary increase of the output current during the start of a weld, this helps ignite the arc quickly and reliably. Hot Start provides excellent arc ignition without the electrode sticking and avoiding any metallurgical default in the weld.
- 6) Press the toggle button (D) to move the LED to the Arc Length (H) The value is displayed on the multifunction display (G) and can be adjusted from 0 to 10. This control works to maintain a constant arc length by increasing or decreasing the current as the electrode is moved in and out helping prevent a short circuit during welding.

## 7.0 Fault Finding

### MMA welding problem

| Description   | Possible cause  | Remedy   |
|---|---|--|
| Gas pockets or voids in weld metal (porosity)                           | (a) Electrodes are damp<br>(b) Welding current is too high.<br>(c) Surface impurities such as oil, grease, paint, etc   | (a) Dry electrodes before use<br>(b) Reduce welding current<br>(c) Clean joint before welding  |
| Crack occurring in weld metal soon after solidification.                | (a) Rigidity of joint.<br>(b) Insufficient throat thickness.<br>(c) Cooling rate is too high.                           | (a) Redesign to relieve weld joint of severe stresses or use crack resistance electrodes.<br>(b) Travel slightly slower to allow greater build up in throat.<br>(c) Preheat plate and cool slowly. |
| A gap is left by failure of the weld metal to fill the root of the weld | (a) Welding current is too low.<br>(b) Electrode too large for joint.<br>(c) Insufficient gap<br>(d) Incorrect sequence | (a) Increase welding current<br>(b) Use smaller diameter electrode.<br>(c) Allow wider gap<br>(d) Use correct build-up sequence  |

| Description  | Possible cause  | Remedy  |
|--|---|---|
| Portions of the weld run do not fuse to the surface of the metal or edge of the joint. | (a) Small electrodes used on heavy cold plate<br>(b) Welding current is too low<br>(c) Wrong electrode angle<br>(d) Travel speed of electrode is too high<br>(e) Scale or dirt on joint surface   | (a) Use larger electrodes and preheat the plate<br>(b) Increase welding current<br>(c) Adjust angle so the welding arc is directed more into the base metal<br>(d) Reduce travel speed of electrode<br>(e) Clean surface before welding.  |
| Non-metallic particles are trapped in the weld metal (slag inclusion).                 | a) Non-metallic particles may be trapped in undercut from previous run<br>(b) Joint preparation too restricted<br>(c) Irregular deposits allow slag to be trapped.<br>(d) Lack of penetration with slag trapped beneath weld bead.<br>(e) Rust or mill scale is preventing full fusion.<br>(f) Wrong electrode for position in which welding is done. | a) If bad undercut is present, clean slag out and cover with a run from a smaller diameter electrode.<br>(b) Allow for adequate penetration and room for cleaning out the slag<br>(c) If very bad, chip or grind out Irregularities<br>(d) Use smaller electrode with sufficient current to give adequate penetration.<br>adequate penetration. Use suitable tools to remove all slag from corners<br>(f) Use electrodes designed for position in which welding is done, otherwise proper control of slag is difficult. |

### TIG welding problems

Weld quality is dependent on the selection of the correct consumables, maintenance of equipment and proper welding technique.

| Description  | Possible Cause   | Remedy  |
|--|--|---|
| Excessive bead build up or poor penetration or poor fusion at edges of weld                | Welding current is too low   | Increase weld current and/or faulty joint preparation   |
| Weld bead too wide and flat or undercut at edges of weld or excessive burn through         | Welding current is too high  | Decrease weld current   |
| Weld bead too small or insufficient penetration or ripples in bead are widely spaced apart | Travel speed too fast  | Reduce travel speed   |
| Weld bead too wide or excessive bead build up or excessive penetration in butt joint       | Travel speed too slow  | Increase travel speed   |
| Uneven leg length in fillet joint  | Wrong placement of filler rod  | Re-position filler rod  |
| Electrode melts when arc is struck   | Electrode is connected to the '+' terminal   | Connect the electrode to the '-' terminal   |
| Dirty weld pool  | (a) Electrode contaminated through contact with work piece or filler rod material<br>(b) Gas contaminated with air   | (a) Clean the electrode by grinding off the contaminates<br>(b) Check gas lines for cuts and loose fitting or change gas cylinder   |
| Electrode melts or oxidizes when an arc is struck  | (a) No gas flowing to welding region<br>(b) Torch is clogged with dust<br>(c) Gas hose is cut<br>(d) Gas passage contains impurities<br>(e) Gas regulator is turned off<br>(f) Torch valve is turned off<br>(g) The electrode is too small for the welding current | (a) Check the gas lines for kinks or breaks and gas cylinder contents<br>(b) Clean torch<br>(c) Replace gas hose<br>(d) Disconnect gas hose from torch then raise gas pressure to blow out impurities.<br>(e) Turn on<br>(f) Turn on<br>(g) Increase electrode diameter or reduce the welding current |
| Poor weld finish   | Inadequate shielding gas   | Increase gas flow or check gas line for gas flow problems   |

| Description                       | Possible Cause  | Remedy  |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| Arc flutters during TIG welding   | (a) Tungsten electrode is too large for the welding current<br>(b) Absence of oxides in the Weld pool.  | (a) Select the right size electrode. Refer to basic TIG welding guide.<br>(b) Refer basic TIG welding guide for ways to reduce arc flutter  |
| Welding arc cannot be established | (a) Work clamp is not connected to the work piece or the work/torch leads are not connected to the machine<br>(b) Torch lead is disconnected<br>(c) Gas flow incorrectly set, cylinder empty or the torch valve is off                                      | (a) Connect the work clamp to the work piece or connect the work/torch leads to the right welding terminals.<br>(b) Connect it to the '-' terminal.<br>(c) Select the right flow rate, change cylinders or turn torch valve on.   |
| Arc start is not smooth           | (a) Tungsten electrode is too large for the welding current .<br>(b) The wrong electrode is being used for the welding job.<br>(c) Gas flow rate is too high.<br>(d) Incorrect shielding gas is being used.<br>(e) Poor work clamp connection to work piece | (a) Select the right size electrode<br>(b) Select the right electrode type. Refer to basic TIG welding guide<br>(c) Select the correct rate for the welding job. Refer to basic TIG welding guide<br>(d) Select the right shielding gas. Refer to basic TIG welding guide<br>(e) Improve connection to work piece |

### Power source problems

| Description   | Possible cause   | Remedy   |
|---|--|--|
| The welding arc cannot be established   | (a) The primary supply voltage has not been switched on<br>(b) The welding power source switch is switched off<br>(c) Loose connections internally | (a) Switch on the primary supply voltage<br>(b) Switch on the welding power source.<br>(c) Have a qualified service engineer repair the connection |
| Maximum output welding current cannot be achieved with nominal mains supply voltage | Defective control circuit  | Have a qualified service engineer inspect then repair the welder   |

| Description   | Possible cause   | Remedy   |
|---|--|--|
| Welding current reduces when welding  | Poor work lead connection to the work piece  | Ensure that the work lead has a reliable electrical connection to the work piece   |
| A total loss of power, pilot lamp is off, no output, the fan is not operating | (a) Failure of input voltage<br>(b) Possible over voltage<br>(c) Internal fault with the machine | (a) Re-establish mains supply<br>(b) Check voltage and if necessary move machine to alternative supply<br>(c) Have a qualified service engineer inspect then repair the welder |
| Fault lamp is on, no power output   | (a) Machine overheated<br>(b) Over current state<br>(c) Internal fault with machine              | (a) Allow to cool with fan running<br>(b) Switch off mains power to the machine and re start<br>(c) Have a qualified service engineer inspect then repair the welder           |

#### ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

The only routine maintenance required for the power supply is a thorough cleaning and inspection, with the frequency depending on the usage and the operating environment.

#### Warning

Disconnect primary power at the source before removing the cover. Wait at least two minutes before opening the cover to allow the primary capacitors to discharge.

To clean the unit, remove the screws securing the outer cover, lift off the outer cover and use a vacuum cleaner to remove any accumulated dirt and dust. The unit should also be wiped clean, if necessary; with solvents that are recommended for cleaning electrical apparatus.

## 8.0 Accessories

### 8.1 Torch Spares

| Stock Code   | Description                        |
|--------------|------------------------------------|
| CKE403       | Electrode Holder with 3m Lead      |
| CKC403       | Earth Lead 3m with Clamp           |
| IV8-12S3D218 | Pro TIG Torch with 3 button switch |
| WP26AK       | TIG Spares Kit in Plastic Case     |

### 8.2 Gas Equipment

#### Everyday Gas Regulators – 300 BAR Single Stage

##### Features

Flow rate up to 96m<sup>3</sup>/h (3389 ft<sup>3</sup>/h)

- Full 300 bar capability
- Outlet pressure indicated on the bonnet
- Bottom entry design suited for top outlet cylinder valves



##### Fittings

- Fitted with standard 3/8" BSP outlet
- Fitted with 5/8" BSP inlet connections

| Stock Code | Description               | Maximum Outlet Pressure |
|------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| E700140    | Argon Preset Regulator    | 3.0 Bar                 |
| E700141    | Argon Indicator Regulator | 3.0 Bar                 |
| E700113    | 1 Gauge Argon             | 30 lpm flow             |
| E700123    | 2 Gauge Argon             | 30 lpm flow             |

#### Flow Meters

##### Features

- Designed from brass bar whilst the tube and cover are moulded from high quality polycarbonate to ensure high impact resistance and clarity
- Calibrated to operate at an inlet pressure of 30PSI
- Sensitive needle valve provides easy adjustment and the downward facing outlet connection eliminates hose kinking.



##### Fittings

- Fitted with standard 3/8" BSP inlet and outlet connections

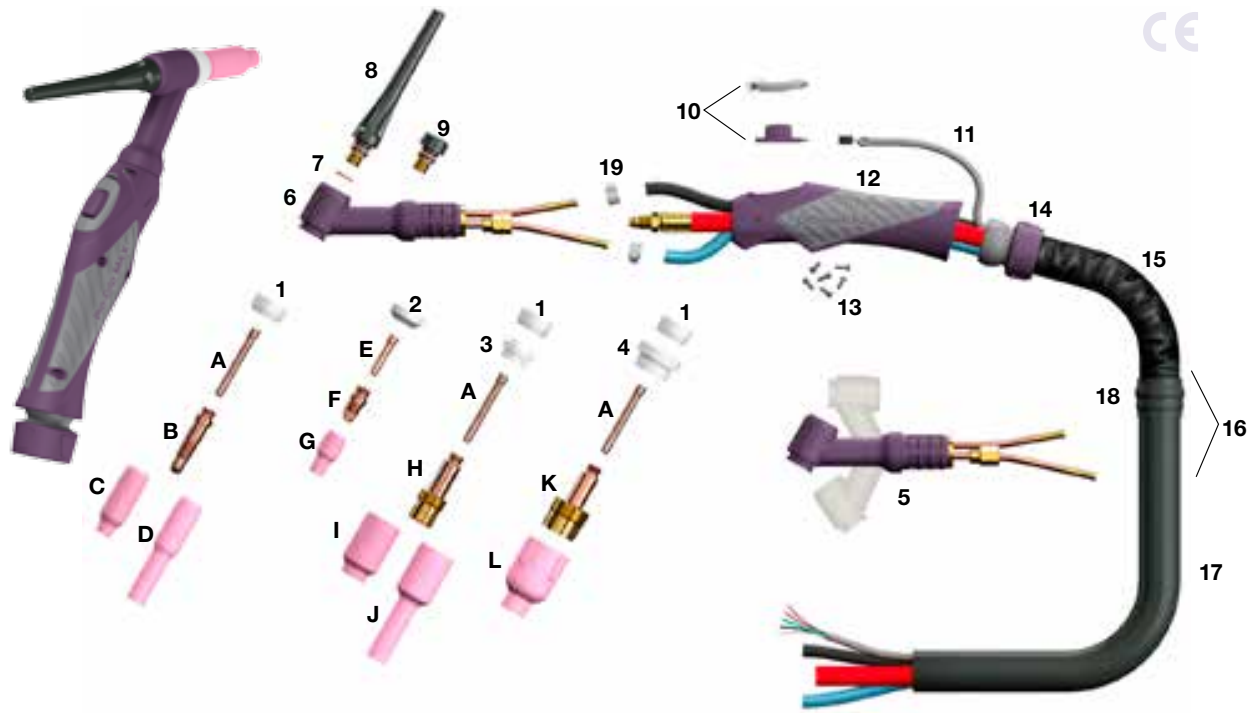
| Stock Code | Description                 |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| 706100     | Flow Meter Mixed Gas 15 lpm |

**8.3 Torch Exploded View**

# PRO18 and PRO18FX

## Water Cooled Pro-Grip® TIG Welding Torch

Rating: 350A DC, 260A AC @ 100% Duty Cycle, EN60974-7 .020" to 5/32"2/0.5mm-4.0mm Electrodes





| Standard Collet |                                  |  |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Stock Code      | Description                      |  |
| A 10N21         | Standard Collet .020"/0.5mm Bore |  |
| 10N22           | Standard Collet .040"/1.0mm Bore |  |
| 10N23           | Standard Collet 1/16"/1.6mm Bore |  |
| 10N23M          | Standard Collet 5/64"/2.0mm Bore |  |
| 10N24           | Standard Collet 3/32"/2.4mm Bore |  |
| 10N25           | Standard Collet 1/8"/3.2mm Bore  |  |
| 54N20           | Standard Collet 5/32"/4.0mm Bore |  |

| Standard Collet Body |                                       |  |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Stock Code           | Description                           |  |
| B 10N29              | Standard Collet Body .020"/0.5mm Bore |  |
| 10N30                | Standard Collet Body .040"/1.0mm Bore |  |
| 10N31                | Standard Collet Body 1/16"/1.6mm Bore |  |
| 10N31M               | Standard Collet Body 5/64"/2.0mm Bore |  |
| 10N32                | Standard Collet Body 3/32"/2.4mm Bore |  |
| 10N28                | Standard Collet Body 1/8"/3.2mm Bore  |  |
| 406488               | Standard Collet Body 5/32"/4.0mm Bore |  |

| Standard Ceramic Cup |                                      |  |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Stock Code           | Description                          |  |
| C 10N50              | Standard Ceramic Cup 1/4"/6mm Bore   |  |
| 10N49                | Standard Ceramic Cup 5/16"/8mm Bore  |  |
| 10N48                | Standard Ceramic Cup 3/8"/10mm Bore  |  |
| 10N47                | Standard Ceramic Cup 7/16"/11mm Bore |  |
| 10N46                | Standard Ceramic Cup 1/2"/13mm Bore  |  |
| 10N45                | Standard Ceramic Cup 5/8"/16mm Bore  |  |
| 10N44                | Standard Ceramic Cup 3/4"/19mm Bore  |  |

| Standard Long Ceramic Cup |                                  |  |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Stock Code                | Description                      |  |
| D 10N49L                  | Long Ceramic Cup 5/16"/8mm Bore  |  |
| 10N48L                    | Long Ceramic Cup 3/8"/10mm Bore  |  |
| 10N47L                    | Long Ceramic Cup 7/16"/11mm Bore |  |

| Stubby Series Collet |                                |  |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Stock Code           | Description                    |  |
| E 10N21S             | Stubby Collet .020"/0.5mm Bore |  |
| 10N22S               | Stubby Collet .040"/1.0mm Bore |  |
| 10N23S               | Stubby Collet 1/16"/1.6mm Bore |  |
| 10N24S               | Stubby Collet 3/32"/2.4mm Bore |  |
| 10N25S               | Stubby Collet 1/8"/3.2mm Bore  |  |

| Stubby Collet Body |  |  |
|--------------------|--|--|
| Stock Code         | Description                                    |  |
| F 17CB20           | Stubby Collet Body .020"-1/8"/0.5mm-3.2mm Bore |  |

| Stubby Standard Ceramic Cup |                                      |  |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Stock Code                  | Description                          |  |
| G 13N08                     | Standard Ceramic Cup 1/4"/6mm Bore   |  |
| 13N09                       | Standard Ceramic Cup 5/16"/8mm Bore  |  |
| 13N10                       | Standard Ceramic Cup 3/8"/10mm Bore  |  |
| 13N11                       | Standard Ceramic Cup 7/16"/11mm Bore |  |
| 13N12                       | Standard Ceramic Cup 1/2"/13mm Bore  |  |
| 13N13                       | Standard Ceramic Cup 5/8"/16mm Bore  |  |

| Gas Lens Body |                                |  |
|---------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Stock Code    | Description                    |  |
| H 45V24       | Gas Lens Body .040"/1.0mm Bore |  |
| 45V25         | Gas Lens Body 1/16"/1.6mm Bore |  |

| Gas Lens Body - continued |                                |  |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Stock Code                | Description                    |  |
| 45V26                     | Gas Lens Body 3/32"/2.4mm Bore |  |
| 45V27                     | Gas Lens Body 1/8"/3.2mm Bore  |  |
| 45V28                     | Gas Lens Body 5/32"/4.0mm Bore |  |

| Standard Gas Lens Cup |  |  |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Stock Code            | Description                            |  |
| I 54N18               | Standard Gas Lens Cup 1/4"/6mm Bore    |  |
| 54N17                 | Standard Gas Lens Cup 5/16"/8mm Bore   |  |
| 54N16                 | Standard Gas Lens Cup 3/8"/10mm Bore   |  |
| 54N15                 | Standard Gas Lens Cup 7/16"/11mm Bore  |  |
| 54N14                 | Standard Gas Lens Cup 1/2"/13mm Bore   |  |
| 54N19                 | Standard Gas Lens Cup 11/16"/17mm Bore |  |

| Long Gas Lens Cup |                                   |  |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Stock Code        | Description                       |  |
| J 54N17L          | Long Gas Lens Cup 5/16"/8mm Bore  |  |
| 54N16L            | Long Gas Lens Cup 3/8"/10mm Bore  |  |
| 54N15L            | Long Gas Lens Cup 7/16"/11mm Bore |  |

| Large Diameter Gas Lens Body |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| Stock Code                   | Description                              |  |
| K 45V116                     | Large Dia Gas Lens Body 1/16"/1.6mm Bore |  |
| 45V64                        | Large Dia Gas Lens Body 3/32"/2.4mm Bore |  |
| 995795                       | Large Dia Gas Lens Body 1/8"/3.2mm Bore  |  |

| Large Diameter Gas Lens Cup |  |  |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Stock Code                  | Description                                |  |
| L 57N75                     | Large Diameter Gas Lens Cup 3/8"/10mm Bore |  |
| 57N74                       | Large Diameter Gas Lens Cup 1/2"/15mm Bore |  |
| 53N88                       | Large Diameter Gas Lens Cup 5/8"/16mm Bore |  |
| 53N87                       | Large Diameter Gas Lens Cup 3/4"/19mm Bore |  |

| Components |             |   |
|------------|-------------|---|
| Stock Code | Description |   |
| 1          | 18CG        | Cup Gasket  |
| 2          | 18CG20      | Cup Gasket for Stubby Collet Body                 |
| 3          | 54N01       | Gas Lens Insulator (use with 18CG)                |
| 4          | 54N63       | Insulator Large Diameter Gas Lens (use with 18CG) |
| 5          | PRO18FX     | Torch Head Flexible                               |
| 6          | PRO18       | Torch Head including Cup Gasket                   |
| 7          | 98W18       | Back Cap O Ring                                   |
| 8          | PRO57Y02    | Back Cap Long                                     |
| 9          | PRO57Y04    | Back Cap Short                                    |
| 10         | PRO3MS Kit  | 3 Button Momentary Switch                         |
| 11         | PROSWL4     | Connector + Leads x 4mt/13.2ft                    |
|            | PROSWL8     | Connector + Leads x 8mt/26.2ft                    |
| 12         | PROH200     | Pro-Grip® Tig Handle Large                        |
| 13         | PROSP       | Screw Pack  |
| 14         | PROKJ200    | Knuckle Joint c/w Lock Nut                        |
| 15         | PROLC200-08 | Leather Cover x 0.8mt/2.6ft                       |
| 16         | PROCO200-40 | Complete Cover Assembly x 4mt/13.2ft              |
|            | PROCO200-80 | Complete Cover Assembly x 8mt/26.2ft              |
| 17         | PRONCL-32   | Neoprene Cover x 3.2mt/10.5ft                     |
|            | PRONCL-72   | Neoprene Cover x 7.2mt/23.6ft                     |
| 18         | PROJK200    | Sheath Jointing Repair Kit                        |
| 19         | B5024       | Hose Clamp 9.5mm                                  |

## 9.0 EC declaration of conformity

Hereby we declare that the machines as stated below

Type: XTT 353P AC/DC

Conform to the EC Directives:  
Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EEC  
EMC Directive 2014/35/EEC

Harmonised European standard: EN/IEC 60974-1

This is to certify that the tested sample is in conformity with all provisions of the above detailed EU directives and product standards.



### 9.1 Rohs Compliance Declaration

Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament  
Amended 2015/863 and 2017/2102

Restriction of use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment

Type: XTT 353P AC/DC

The above listed products are certified to be compliant with the rohs directive with all homogeneous component parts being controlled to ensure material contents as per the list below.

Cadmium 0.01% by weight  
Lead 0.1% by weight  
Mercury 0.1% by weight  
Hexavalent chromium 0.1% by weight  
Polybrominated biphenyl's (pbbs) 0.1% by weight  
Polybrominated diphenyl ethers (pbdes) 0.1% by weight

It should be noted that under specific exempted applications, where lead is used as an alloying element the following limits are applied in accordance with the regulations.

Copper and copper alloy parts use less than 4% by weight of each homogeneous component.

Steel and steel alloy parts use less than 4% by weight of each homogeneous component.

Aluminium and aluminium alloy parts use less than 4% by weight of each homogeneous component.

Only dispose off in authorised sites for electrical and electronic waste do not dispose of with general refuse or landfill waste.



## 9.2 WEEE Statement

WEEE (Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment) 2012/19/EU

In relation to implementing the legislation, Parweld has established relevant recycling and recovery methods. We have been fully compliant against the marking requirements since August 2005. Parweld is registered in the UK with the Environment agency as detailed below. For WEE compliance outside the UK please contact your supplier/Importer

Parweld is registered with a compliance scheme Official registration number is WEE/FD0255QV

When your equipment reaches the end of its service life you should return it to Parweld where it will be reconditioned or processed for recycling.

## 9.3 Statement of Warranty

Limited Warranty:

Parweld Ltd, hereafter, "Parweld" warrants its customers that its products will be free of defects in workmanship or material. Should any failure to conform to this warranty appear within the time period applicable to the Parweld products as stated below, Parweld shall, upon notification thereof and substantiation that the product has been stored, installed, operated, and maintained in accordance with Parweld's specifications, instructions, recommendations and recognized standard industry practice, and not subject to misuse, repair, neglect, alteration, or accident, correct such defects by suitable repair or replacement, at Parweld's sole option, of any components or parts of the product determined by Parweld to be defective.

Parweld makes no other warranty, express or implied. This warranty is exclusive and in lieu of all others, including, but not limited to any warranty of merchantability or fitness for any particular purpose.

Limitation of Liability:

Parweld shall not under any circumstances be liable for special, indirect or consequential damages, such as, but not limited to, lost profits and business interruption. The remedies of the purchaser set forth herein are exclusive and the liability of Parweld with respect to any contract, or anything done in connection therewith such as the performance or breach thereof, or from the manufacture, sale, delivery, resale, or use of any goods covered by or furnished by Parweld whether arising out of contract, negligence, strict tort, or under any warranty, or otherwise, shall not, except as expressly provided herein, exceed the price of the goods upon which such liability is based. No employee, agent, or representative of Parweld is authorized to change this warranty in any way or grant any other warranty.

Purchaser's rights under this warranty are void if replacement parts or accessories are used which in Parweld's sole judgement may impair the safety or performance of any Parweld product.

Purchaser's rights under this warranty are void if the product is sold to purchaser by non-authorized persons.

The warranty is effective for the time stated below beginning on the date that the authorized Distributor delivers the products to the purchaser. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall the warranty period extend more than the time stated plus one year from the date Parweld delivered the product to the authorized distributor.

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