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Overview of this manual

About this manual

This manual contains instructions for:

- mechanical and electrical installation of the IRB 4600
- maintenance of the IRB 4600
- mechanical and electrical repair of the IRB 4600

The robot described in this manual has the following protection types:

- *Standard*
- *Foundry Plus*
- *Clean Room*

This manual describes the manipulator using either the IRC5 or the OmniCore controller.

Product manual scope

The manual covers all variants and designs of the IRB 4600. Some variants and designs may have been removed from the business offer and are no longer available for purchase.

Usage

This manual shall be used during:

- installation and commissioning, from lifting the product to its work site and securing it to the foundation, to making it ready for operation
- maintenance work
- repair work
- decommissioning work



Note

It is the responsibility of the integrator to conduct a risk assessment of the final application.

It is the responsibility of the integrator to provide safety and user guides for the robot system.

Who should read this manual?

This manual is intended for:

- installation personnel
- maintenance personnel
- repair personnel.

Prerequisites

A maintenance/repair/installation craftsman working with an ABB robot shall:

- be trained by ABB and have the required knowledge of mechanical and electrical installation/repair/maintenance work.

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- be trained to respond to emergencies or abnormal situations.

References

General

Reference	Document ID
<i>Product manual, spare parts - IRB 4600</i>	<i>3HAC049108-001</i>
<i>Product manual - IRB 4600 Foundry Prime</i>	<i>3HAC040585-001</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 4600</i>	<i>3HAC029038-003</i>
<i>Technical reference manual - Lubrication in gearboxes</i>	<i>3HAC042927-001</i>
<i>Safety manual for robot - Manipulator and IRC5 or OmniCore controllerⁱ</i>	<i>3HAC031045-001</i>
<i>Operating manual - Emergency safety information</i>	<i>3HAC027098-001</i>

ⁱ This manual contains all safety instructions from the product manuals for the manipulators and the controllers.

OmniCore robots

Reference	Document ID
<i>Product specification - IRB 4600</i>	<i>3HAC080366-001</i>
<i>Product manual - OmniCore V400XT</i>	<i>3HAC081697-001</i>
<i>Product manual - OmniCore V250XT Type B</i>	<i>3HAC087112-001</i>
<i>Operating manual - OmniCore (RobotWare 7)</i>	<i>3HAC065036-001</i>
<i>Operating manual - OmniCore (RobotWare 8)</i>	<i>3HAC098383-001</i>
<i>Application manual - Additional axes (RobotWare 7)</i>	<i>3HAC082287-001</i>
<i>Application manual - Additional axes (RobotWare 8)</i>	<i>3HAC098394-001</i>
<i>Application manual - Functional safety and SafeMove (RobotWare 7)</i>	<i>3HAC066559-001</i>
<i>Application manual - Functional safety and SafeMove (RobotWare 8)</i>	<i>3HAC098577-001</i>
<i>Technical reference manual - System parameters (RobotWare 7)</i>	<i>3HAC065041-001</i>
<i>Technical reference manual - System parameters (RobotWare 8)</i>	<i>3HAC098390-001</i>

IRC5 robots

Reference	Document ID
<i>Product specification - IRB 4600</i>	<i>3HAC032885-001</i>
<i>Product manual - IRC5</i>	<i>3HAC021313-001</i>
<i>Product manual - IRC5</i>	<i>3HAC047136-001</i>
<i>Operating manual - IRC5 with FlexPendant</i>	<i>3HAC050941-001</i>
<i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i>	<i>3HAC16578-1</i>
<i>Operating manual - Service Information System</i>	<i>3HAC050944-001</i>
<i>Technical reference manual - System parameters</i>	<i>3HAC050948-001</i>
<i>Application manual - Additional axes and standalone controller</i>	<i>3HAC051016-001</i>

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Reference	Document ID
<i>Application manual - Electronic Position Switches</i>	3HAC050996-001
<i>Application manual - CalibWare Field</i>	3HAC030421-001

Revisions

Revision	Description
-	First edition
A	The following updates have been made in this revision: • Added more information about working in the safeguarded space. • Added more information about hazards with oil. • Information about the quality and used threadlength for attachment screws on mounting flange, added in <i>Installation chapter</i> section Fitting equipment on wrist and mounting flange on page 81. • The text in the introduction to chapters <i>Installation</i>, <i>Maintenance</i> and <i>Repair</i> has been updated concerning the robot being connected to earth when power connected. • Levelmeter calibration added in sections Brief description of calibration methods on page 391 and Calibration equipment, Levelmeter (alternative method) on page 444. • Section <i>Upper arm (2.05/2.50/2.55)</i> in <i>Spare parts</i> updated with Type A spare parts. • Section Lifting and turning a suspended mounted robot on page 64 added in <i>Installation chapter</i>. • Section Installation of Foundry Plus Cable guard (option) on page 100 added in <i>Installation chapter</i>. • New DANGER! added in section Manually releasing the brakes on page 65. • Restricting working range with software added in section Mechanically restricting the working range of axis 1 on page 90. • The sections describing <i>Replacing motors</i> axes 1 through 6 has been updated. Two new sections Removing motors on page 335 and Refitting motors on page 344 replaces the older ones.
B	The following updates have been made in this revision: • Missing text "type A" for armhousing 3HAC034549-005 added in chapter <i>Spare parts</i> section <i>Upper arm (2.05/2.50/2.55)</i>. • Wrist Foundry added in chapter <i>Spare parts</i>, section <i>Wrist unit (20 kg and 45/60kg)</i>. • Motors in wrist as rebuilding parts added in section <i>Rebuilding parts</i> in <i>Spare parts IRB 4600</i>. • How to adjust the play on motors axes 4-6 and on wrist added in sections <i>Replacing motors, axes 4, 5 and 6</i> and Replacing wrist unit on page 307. • Correction of required oil level, see Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox on page 123. In chapter <i>Safety</i> : • Updated safety signal graphics for levels <i>Danger</i> and <i>Warning</i>, see Safety signals in the manual on page 25. • New safety labels on the manipulators, see Safety symbols on manipulator labels on page 27. • Revised terminology: <i>robot</i> replaced with <i>manipulator</i>.

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Revision	Description
C	The following updates have been made in this revision: • Added Installing an expansion container on page 101. • A figure showing IRB 2600 removed in section Orienting and securing the robot on page 68. • Section Installation of Foundry Plus Cable guard (option) on page 100 added. • Updated the section Start of robot in cold environments on page 106. • Interval for inspection of signal lamp added in section Maintenance schedule on page 120. • New design of frame added in sections Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox on page 123 and Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots on page 166. • Figure showing required oil level added in section Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox on page 123. • Inspection of oil level on suspended robot updated in section Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox on page 123.
D	The following updates have been made in this revision: • Added information about the bracket on the mechanical stop pin axis 1 has been updated in section Mechanically restricting the working range of axis 1 on page 90, Inspecting the mechanical stop pin, axis 1 on page 152 and Replacing stop pin axis 1 on page 332 • All information about Foundry Prime is removed from the manual. This manual now only contains information for a Standard IRB 4600. The instructions for a IRB 4600 Foundry prime can be found in a separate manual. For art. No. See References on page 10.

Revision	Description
E	The following updates have been made in this revision: • A new block, about general illustrations, added in section How to read the product manual on page 21. • Figure and describing text edited for the stress forces. Also, the actual values of the stress forces are updated. See Loads on foundation, robot on page 48. • The difference in weight between the different robot variants is minor, therefor the weight specification for the robot is simplified. See Weight, robot on page 47. • Removed Foundry from table with protection classes. See Protection classes, robot on page 50. • Additional information about software adjustments when suspending robot, new section Setting the system parameters for a suspended or tilted robot on page 72. • Note about fan cabling added in the cable list. See Robot cabling and connection points on page 107. • Note about ambient temperature deleted from the maintenance schedule. See Maintenance schedule on page 120. • Changed information about the robot position when removing motor. See Removing motors on page 335. • Additional instructions for how to adjust the play of axes 4, 5 and 6 motors. See Adjusting the play of axis 4, 5 and 6 motors on page 354. • Added step about removing/refitting axis 1 motor when replacing the axis 1 gearbox. Also added information about guide pins. See Replacing gearbox axis 1 on page 355. Also minor additions concerning the mating of gearbox and motor, in all such instructions. • New section about calibration movement directions for axes is added, see Calibration movement directions for all axes on page 397. • New section about how to perform a rough calibration of each robot axis is added, see Updating revolution counters on IRC5 robots on page 398. • New section about how to check the calibration position is added, see Checking the synchronization position on page 423. • Spare part number for tubular shaft unit is corrected, see Spare parts - Upper arm. • Additional information about lifting accessories and how to attach them to the upper arm of the robot, see Attaching the lifting accessories to the upper arm on page 294. • Additional information in the procedure for replacing the base with improved lifting instruction etc., see Replacing the base on page 275. • Changed type of oil in axes 1, 3 and 4 gearboxes. See Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164.

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F	The following updates have been made in this revision: - Corrected measurement that belong to figure xx0300000187, when fitting tools for measuring the play of axis 5, see Measuring the play, axis 5 on page 315. - Deleted the spare part number for harnesses in <i>Spare parts - lower arm</i> and instead inserted a reference to the <i>Electrical connections</i>. - Corrected the spare part numbers for cable harnesses, see <i>Electrical connections</i>. - Added information about releasing the motor brakes in order to set the weight of different axes onto lifting accessories, see Replacing the complete upper arm on page 287, Replacing gearbox axis 3 on page 378 and Replacing gearbox axis 2 on page 367. - Changed the instruction for how to replace the axes 2 and 3 gearboxes without having to remove the cable harness, see Replacing gearbox axis 3 on page 378 and Replacing gearbox axis 2 on page 367. - Added safety information about preventing roundslings from sliding when lifting the upper arm tube, see Replacing complete tubular shaft unit on page 300. - Added information about removing painting, if any, from assembly surfaces when replacing gearboxes and motors. - Added tip to speed up the draining of axis 4 gearbox, see Changing the oil, axis-4 gearbox on page 188. - Added information about o-ring and made other minor improvements to the instruction for replacing wrist unit, see Replacing wrist unit on page 307. - Added information about disconnecting the battery cable when removing the cable harness, see Removing the complete cable harness on page 229. - Added a funnel to equipment list, see Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox on page 181. - Added Profibus to the section about connections to extra equipment, see Customer connection on robot on page 111. - Some general tightening torques have been changed/added, see updated values in Screw joints on page 438. - The method of changing the axis-1 gearbox oil in suspended robots is improved, see the new section Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on suspended robots on page 171. - Added spare part number for type B gearbox (axis 3), see <i>Spare parts, upper arm</i>. - Added information about batteries.
G	The following updates have been made in this revision: - Cable harness for Profibus is added to the spare part list, see <i>Electrical connections</i>. - Article number for guide sleeves is added. - Information about the type and amount of oil has been removed from the manual and can now be found in the <i>Technical reference manual - Lubrication in gearboxes</i>, see References on page 10. - Type C is added throughout the manual. - Valid for other designs than type C: Information about oil plug sealing washer on the axis-1 and axis-2 gearbox is changed. The spare part number is added. - A new SMB unit and battery is introduced, with longer battery lifetime.

Revision	Description
H	The following updates have been made in this revision: - Spare part numbers are corrected for the lower arm, see <i>Lower arm type C</i> and <i>Rebuilding parts</i>, and for motors, see <i>Motors type C</i> in <i>Product manual, spare parts - IRB 4600</i>. - Several more spare part numbers are corrected throughout the spare part chapter. - Section describing inspection of oil level in axis-1 gearbox for suspended robots is clarified, see Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox on page 123.
J	The following updates have been made in this revision: - New article number for working range limit, axis 1 (Type C), is added in spare parts. - New article number for turning tool (Type C) is added in spare parts. - Spare parts for electrical connections, cable harness, is updated. - Instructions on how to fill oil in suspended robot is corrected, and article number for oil change equipment is added to special tools. - Amount of oil in axis-3 gearbox (Type C) is changed. - Added information about risks when scrapping a decommissioned robot, see Scrapping of robot on page 430. <i>Spare parts and exploded views</i> are not included in this document but delivered as a separate document. See <i>Product manual, spare parts - IRB 4600</i>.
K	The following updates have been made in this revision: - Illustration changes in Dimension, mounting surface and guide bushing on page 69. - Term "Guide sleeves" changed to "Guide bushings", see Dimension, mounting surface and guide bushing on page 69. - A new WARNING! is added in the section about motor replacement, informing not to mix different motor types. - Minor corrections.
L	The following updates have been made in this revision: - Added values for restricted working range if the robot is equipped with a gearbox Type C, see Mechanically restricting the working range of axis 1 on page 90. - Information about removing the mech stop bracket added in section Axes with restricted working range on page 86.
M	The following updates have been made in this revision: - Turning disk fixture is removed from special tools for Levelmeter calibration. - Oil levels adjusted. - Information about grounding and bonding point added, see Robot cabling and connection points on page 107.
N	Published in release R16.2. The following updates are done in this revision: - Corrections due to updates in terminology. - New dimensional drawing of the turning disk added to Fitting equipment on wrist and mounting flange on page 81. - New standard calibration method is introduced (Axis Calibration). See Calibration on page 389. - Information about grounding point added. See Robot cabling and connection points on page 107.
P	Published in release R17.1. The following updates are done in this revision: Changed the tightening torque of the oil plug located on axis-1 gearbox.

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Q	Published in release R17.2. The following updates are done in this revision: - Information about coupled axes in Updating revolution counters on IRC5 robots on page 398. - Caution about removing metal residues added in sections about SMB boards. - Information added into calibration procedure regarding installation of calibration tool on turning disc, see Overview of the calibration procedure on the FlexPendant on page 412. - Information about minimum resonance frequency added. - Bending radius for static floor cables added. - Updated list of applicable standards. - Article number for the Calibration tool box, Axis Calibration is changed. - Updated the section Start of robot in cold environments on page 106. - Updated information regarding replacement of brake release board. - Updated information regarding disconnecting and reconnecting battery cable to serial measurement board. - Definition of reference calibration clarified.
R	Published in release R18.1. The following updates are done in this revision: - Information added about fatigue to Axis Calibration tool, see Calibration tools for Axis Calibration on page 407. - Added sections in General procedures on page 219. - Updated figure of axis-6 synchronization mark. - Safety restructured. - Added information about harness customer ethernet connection. - New spare part numbers for Brake release board. - Note added to calibration chapter to emphasize the requirement of equally dressed robot when using previously created reference calibration values. - Information about myABB Business Portal added. - Information about measuring the play in axis 5 and 6 updated. - Added Nickel in Environmental information.
S	Published in release R18.2. The following updates are done in this revision: - Updates related to mechanical stop pin. - Changed the method for replacing the axis-1 gearbox and the base.
T	Published in release R18.2. The following updates are done in this revision: Updated references.
U	Published in release 19B. The following updates are made in this revision: - New touch up color Graphite White available. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226. - New article numbers for manipulator cables in section Robot cabling and connection points on page 107. - Levelmeter 2000 kit (6369901-347) no longer available. - Added spare parts for wrist and sealing for IRB 4600 -20/2.50. See Replacing wrist unit on page 307. - Added a note regarding usage of an angled ethernet connection, see Customer connection on robot on page 111.
V	Published in release 19D. The following updates are made in this revision: Note added about the need to calibrate if the robot is other than floor mounted. See When to calibrate on page 393.

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W	Published in release 20B. The following updates are made in this revision: • Clarified and added information in mounting instructions for rotating sealings, see Mounting instructions for sealings on page 222. • Clarified text about position of robot and added table with dependencies between axes during Axis Calibration. • Article number of Calibration tool box, Axis Calibration is changed from 3HAC062326-001 to 3HAC074119-001. • Replaced article number and name of grease, previously 3HAB3537-1. • Added information about Wrist Optimization in calibration chapter.
X	Published in release 20C. The following updates are made in this revision: • Added note about differences in type of oil pre-filled in axis-4 gear compared to recommended oil for field maintenance. • Updated section about customer connections in regard to Ethernet etc. See Customer connection on robot on page 111.
Y	Published in release 21A. The following updates are made in this revision: • Note regarding maximum leakage current for attached equipment. See Customer connection on robot on page 111. • Description for new Type D with alternative motor added to Type D of IRB 4600 on page 433. • "Type C" is now "Type C and Type D" through out the complete manual. • Changed grease to Loctite 574 on o-ring when refitting motor axes 1 and 2.
Z	Published in release 21B. The following updates are made in this revision: • New cable bracket. See Location of axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors on page 336. • Information regarding documentation of Installation of Foundry Plus Cable guard (option no. 908-1) is changed since DVDs are removed. See Installation of Foundry Plus Cable guard (option) on page 100. • Text regarding fastener quality is updated, see Fastener quality on page 83.
AA	Published in release 21D. The following updates are made in this revision: • Added information for the OmniCore robot controller.
AB	Published in release 22B. The following updates are done in this revision: • Updated information about Gleitmo treated screws, see Screw joints on page 438. • Updated manipulator weight. • Corrected manipulator variant designations in section Installing an expansion container on page 101.
AC	Published in release 23C. The following updates are done in this revision: • Added protection type Clean Room for variant IRB 4600 - 60/2.05 and IRB 4600 - 40/2.55. • Added axis positions for most stable transport position and removed information about shipping position.
AD	Published in release 23D. The following updates are done in this revision: • Added illustrations to the section Cleaning. • Added support for OmniCore V400XT.
AE	Published in release 24B. The following updates are done in this revision: • Updated the section Replacing the axis 1 gearbox.

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Revision	Description
AF	Published in release 24D. The following updates are done in this revision: • Changed locking liquid Loctite 243 to Loctite 2400. • Updated wording "foundation" to "steel structure foundation" in section Orienting and securing the robot.
AG	Published in release 25A. The following updates are done in this revision: • Updated section for installation of cooling fans, due to the option now also is available for OmniCore. • Added information about expected component life working in L/H/P applications. • Updated cleaning instructions for Clean Room robots.
AH	Published in release R25.2. The following updates are done in this revision: • Added the section Safe supervision of working range limitations (space limiting) on page 87. • Updated the information about loads on the frame. • Updated cleaning instructions with more details for Clean Room robots.
AJ	Published in release 25.3. The following updates are made in this revision: • Added information that the washer (o-ring) should be replaced if damaged, when refitting an oil plug. • Corrected measurements of bushing at mounting surface. • Company name updated to reflect current legal entities. • Updated portal name from myABB to ABB Robotics One.
AK	Published in release 26.1. The following updates are made in this revision: • Added touch up kit for rust preventive, for robot attachment screw holes. • Added recommended corrosion inhibitor for cleaning manipulators with protection type Foundry Plus and clarified sensitive locations on manipulator when cleaning. • Several additions made in repair procedures: - Added guide pins, removal tools, rotation tool and bit extender to motor replacement procedures. - Clarified lubrication of o-ring when refitting motors. Loctite applied to o-rings of axes 1-2 motors, grease applied to axes 3-6. - Added article number for gear guide when fitting the axis-1 gearbox. - Updated tightening torque for the axis-3 gearbox. • Company name updated to reflect current legal entities. • Added support for RobotWare 8.
AL	Published in release 26B. The following updates are done in this revision: • Added information about guide bushings being an additional option. • Minor corrections.

Product documentation

Categories for user documentation from ABB Robotics

The user documentation from ABB Robotics is divided into a number of categories. This listing is based on the type of information in the documents, regardless of whether the products are standard or optional.



Tip

All documents can be found via ABB Robotics One, <https://one.robots.abb.com/en/knowledge-hub>.

Product manuals

Manipulators, controllers, DressPack, and most other hardware is delivered with a **Product manual** that generally contains:

- Safety information.
- Installation and commissioning (descriptions of mechanical installation or electrical connections).
- Maintenance (descriptions of all required preventive maintenance procedures including intervals and expected life time of parts).
- Repair (descriptions of all recommended repair procedures including spare parts).
- Calibration.
- Troubleshooting.
- Decommissioning.
- Reference information (safety standards, unit conversions, screw joints, lists of tools).
- Spare parts list with corresponding figures (or references to separate spare parts lists).
- References to circuit diagrams.

Technical reference manuals

The technical reference manuals describe reference information for robotics products, for example lubrication, the RAPID language, and system parameters.

Application manuals

Specific applications (for example software or hardware options) are described in **Application manuals**. An application manual can describe one or several applications.

An application manual generally contains information about:

- The purpose of the application (what it does and when it is useful).
- What is included (for example cables, I/O boards, RAPID instructions, system parameters, software).
- How to install included or required hardware.

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- How to use the application.
- Examples of how to use the application.

Operating manuals

The operating manuals describe hands-on handling of the products. The manuals are aimed at those having first-hand operational contact with the product, that is production cell operators, programmers, and troubleshooters.

How to read the product manual

Reading the procedures

The procedures contain references to figures, tools, material, and so on. The references are read as described below.

References to figures

The procedures often include references to components or attachment points located on the manipulator/controller. The components or attachment points are marked with *italic text* in the procedures and completed with a reference to the figure where the current component or attachment point is shown.

The denomination in the procedure for the component or attachment point corresponds to the denomination in the referenced figure.

The table below shows an example of a reference to a figure from a step in a procedure.

	Action	Note/Illustration
8.	Remove the <i>rear attachment screws, gearbox</i> .	Shown in the figure Location of gearbox on page xx .

References to required equipment

The procedures often include references to equipment (spare parts, tools, etc.) required for the different actions in the procedure. The equipment is marked with *italic text* in the procedures and completed with a reference to the section where the equipment is listed with further information, that is article number and dimensions.

The designation in the procedure for the component or attachment point corresponds to the designation in the referenced list.

The table below shows an example of a reference to a list of required equipment from a step in a procedure.

	Action	Note/Illustration
3.	Fit a new <i>sealing, axis 2</i> to the gearbox.	Art. no. is specified in Required equipment on page xx .

Safety information

The manual includes a separate safety chapter that must be read through before proceeding with any service or installation procedures. All procedures also include specific safety information when dangerous steps are to be performed.

Read more in the chapter [Safety on page 23](#).

Illustrations

The robot is illustrated with general figures that does not take painting or protection type in consideration.

Likewise, certain work methods or general information that is valid for several robot models, can be illustrated with illustrations that show a different robot model than the one that is described in the current manual.

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1.1 Safety information

1.1.1 Limitation of liability

Limitation of liability

Any information given in this manual regarding safety must not be construed as a warranty by ABB that the industrial robot will not cause injury or damage even if all safety instructions are complied with.

The information does not cover how to design, install and operate a robot system, nor does it cover all peripheral equipment that can influence the safety of the robot system.

In particular, liability cannot be accepted if injury or damage has been caused for any of the following reasons:

- Use of the robot in other ways than intended.
- Incorrect operation or maintenance.
- Operation of the robot when the safety devices are defective, not in their intended location or in any other way not working.
- When instructions for operation and maintenance are not followed as intended.
- Non-authorized design modifications of the robot.
- Repairs on the robot and its spare parts carried out by in-experienced or non-qualified personnel.
- Foreign objects.
- Force majeure.

Spare parts and equipment

ABB supplies original spare parts and equipment which have been tested and approved for their intended use. The installation and/or use of non-original spare parts and equipment can negatively affect the safety, function, performance, and structural properties of the robot. ABB is not liable for damages caused by the use of non-original spare parts and equipment.

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1.1.2 Requirements on personnel

1.1.2 Requirements on personnel

General

Only personnel with appropriate training are allowed to install, maintain, service, repair, and use the robot. This includes electrical, mechanical, hydraulics, pneumatics, and other hazards identified in the risk assessment.

Persons who are under the influence of alcohol, drugs or any other intoxicating substances are not allowed to install, maintain, service, repair, or use the robot.

The plant liable must make sure that the personnel is trained on the robot, and on responding to emergency or abnormal situations.

Personal protective equipment

Use personal protective equipment, as stated in the instructions.

1.2 Safety signals and symbols

1.2.1 Safety signals in the manual

Introduction to safety signals

This section specifies all safety signals used in the user manuals. Each signal consists of:

- A caption specifying the hazard level (DANGER, WARNING, or CAUTION) and the type of hazard.
- Instruction about how to reduce the hazard to an acceptable level.
- A brief description of remaining hazards, if not adequately reduced.

Hazard levels

The table below defines the captions specifying the hazard levels used throughout this manual.

Symbol	Designation	Significance
	DANGER	Signal word used to indicate an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in serious injury.
	WARNING	Signal word used to indicate a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in serious injury.
	ELECTRICAL SHOCK	Signal word used to indicate a potentially hazardous situation related to electrical hazards which, if not avoided, could result in serious injury.
	CAUTION	Signal word used to indicate a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in slight injury.
	ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE (ESD)	Signal word used to indicate a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in severe damage to the product.
	NOTE	Signal word used to indicate important facts and conditions.

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1.2.1 Safety signals in the manual

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Symbol	Designation	Significance
	TIP	Signal word used to indicate where to find additional information or how to do an operation in an easier way.

1.2.2 Safety symbols on manipulator labels

Introduction to symbols

This section describes safety symbols used on labels (stickers) on the manipulator. Symbols are used in combinations on the labels, describing each specific warning. The descriptions in this section are generic, the labels can contain additional information such as values.



Note

The symbols on the labels on the product must be observed. Additional symbols added by the integrator must also be observed.

Types of symbols

Both the manipulator and the controller are marked with symbols, containing important information about the product. This is important for all personnel handling the robot, for example during installation, service, or operation.

The safety labels are language independent, they only use graphics. See [Symbols on safety labels on page 27](#).

The information labels can contain information in text.

Symbols on safety labels

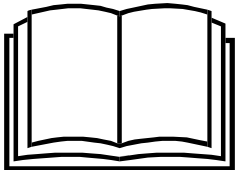
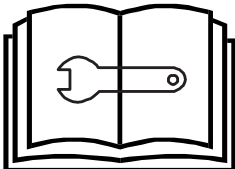
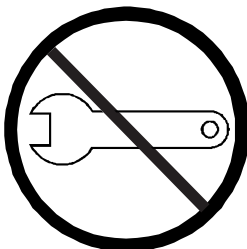
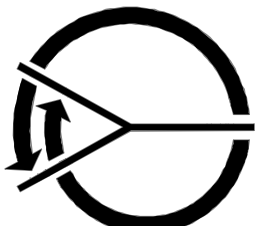
Symbol	Description
 xx0900000812	Warning! Warns that an accident <i>may</i> occur if the instructions are not followed that can lead to serious injury, possibly fatal, and/or great damage to the product. It applies to warnings that apply to danger with, for example, contact with high voltage electrical units, explosion or fire risk, risk of poisonous gases, risk of crushing, impact, fall from height, etc.
 xx0900000811	Caution! Warns that an accident may occur if the instructions are not followed that can result in injury and/or damage to the product. It also applies to warnings of risks that include burns, eye injury, skin injury, hearing damage, crushing or slipping, tripping, impact, fall from height, etc. Furthermore, it applies to warnings that include function requirements when fitting and removing equipment where there is a risk of damaging the product or causing a breakdown.
 xx0900000839	Prohibition Used in combinations with other symbols.

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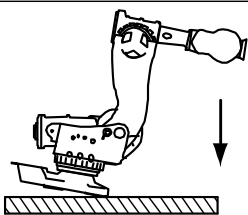
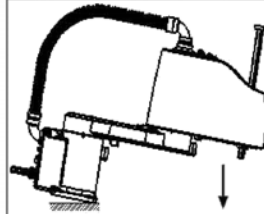
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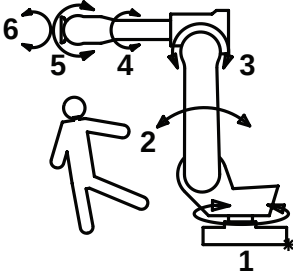
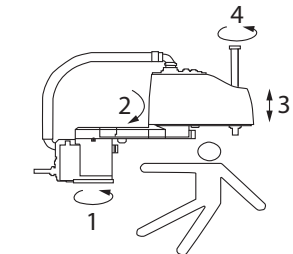
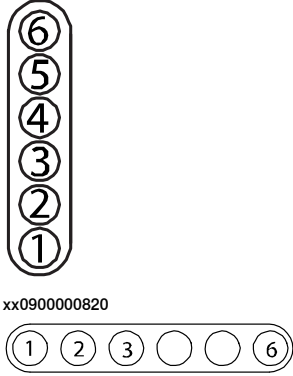
Symbol	Description
 xx1400001152	Read the user manual before use.
 xx0900000813	See user documentation Read user documentation for details. Which manual to read is defined by the symbol: • No text: <i>Product manual</i>. • EPS: <i>Application manual - Electronic Position Switches</i>.
 xx0900000816	Before disassembly, see product manual
 xx0900000815	Do not disassemble Disassembling this part can cause injury.
 xx0900000814	Extended rotation This axis has extended rotation (working area) compared to standard.
 xx0900000808	Brake release Pressing this button will release the brakes. This means that the robot arm can fall down.

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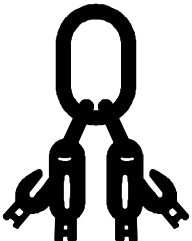
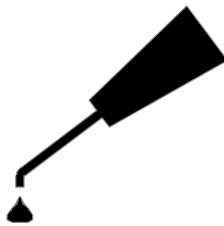
Symbol	Description
 xx0900000810   3HAC 057068-001 xx1500002402	Tip risk when loosening bolts The robot can tip over if the bolts are not securely fastened.
  xx0900000817	Crush Risk of crush injuries.
 xx1400001151	Electrical shock

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1.2.2 Safety symbols on manipulator labels
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Symbol	Description
 xx0900000818  xx1300001087	Heat Risk of heat that can cause burns. (Both signs are used)
 xx2400000736  xx1500002616	Moving robot The robot can move unexpectedly.
 xx0900000820 xx1000001140	Brake release buttons

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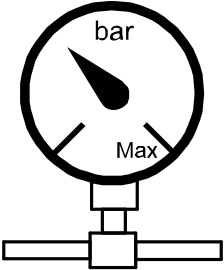
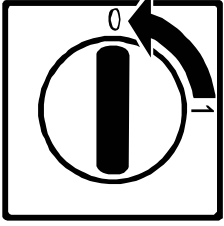
Symbol	Description
 xx0900000821	Lifting bolt
 xx1000001242	Adjustable chain sling with shortener
 xx0900000822	Lifting of robot
 xx0900000823	Oil Can be used in combination with prohibition if oil is not allowed.
 xx0900000824	Mechanical stop
 xx1000001144	No mechanical stop
 xx0900000825	Stored energy Warns that this part contains stored energy. Used in combination with <i>Do not disassemble</i> symbol.

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1.2.2 Safety symbols on manipulator labels

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Symbol	Description
 xx0900000826	Pressure Warns that this part is pressurized. Usually contains additional text with the pressure level.
 xx0900000827	Shut off with handle Use the power switch on the controller.
 xx1400002648	Do not step Warns that stepping on these parts can cause damage to the parts.

1.3 Robot stopping functions

Protective stop and emergency stop

The protective stops and emergency stops are described in the product manual for the controller.

For more information see:

- *Product manual - OmniCore V250XT Type A*
- *Product manual - OmniCore V250XT Type B*
- *Product manual - OmniCore V400XT*
- *Product manual - IRC5*
- *Product manual - IRC5 Panel Mounted Controller*

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1.4 Safety during installation and commissioning

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National or regional regulations

The integrator of the robot system is responsible for the safety of the robot system.

The integrator is responsible that the robot system is designed and installed in accordance with the safety requirements set forth in the applicable national and regional standards and regulations.

The integrator of the robot system is required to perform a risk assessment.

Layout

The robot integrated to a robot system shall be designed to allow safe access to all spaces during installation, operation, maintenance, and repair.

If robot movement can be initiated from an external control panel then an emergency stop must also be available.

If the manipulator is delivered with mechanical stops (limiting devices), these can be used for reducing the working space. For OmniCore robots, safe supervision can be configured for the working space through software-based limiting.

A perimeter safeguarding, for example a fence, shall be dimensioned to withstand the following:

- The force of the manipulator.
- The force of the load handled by the robot if dropped or released at maximum speed.
- The maximum possible impact caused by a breaking or malfunctioning rotating tool or other device fitted to the robot.

The maximum TCP speed and the maximum velocity of the robot axes are detailed in the section *Robot motion* in the product specification for the respective manipulator.

Consider exposure to hazards, such as slipping, tripping, and falling.

Hazards due to the working position and posture for a person working with or near the robot shall be considered.

Hazards due to noise emission from the robot needs to be considered.

Consider hazards from other equipment in the robot system, for example, that guards remain active until identified hazards are reduced to an acceptable level.

Allergenic material

See [Environmental information on page 428](#) for specification of allergenic materials in the product, if any.

Securing the robot to the foundation

The robot must be properly fixed to its foundation/support, as described in the respective product manual.

When the robot is installed at a height, hanging, or other than mounted directly on the floor, there will be additional hazards.

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Using lifting accessories and other external equipment

Ensure that all equipment used during installation, service and all handling of the robot are in correct condition for the intended use.

Electrical safety

Incoming mains must be installed to fulfil national regulations.

The power supply wiring to the robot must be sufficiently fused and if necessary, it must be possible to disconnect it manually from the mains power.

The power to the robot must be turned off with the main switch and the mains power disconnected when performing work inside the controller cabinet. Lock and tag shall be considered.

Harnesses between controller and manipulator shall be fixed and protected to avoid tripping and wear.

Wherever possible, power on/off or rebooting the robot controller shall be performed with all persons outside the safeguarded space.

**Note**

Use a CARBON DIOXIDE (CO₂) extinguisher in the event of a fire in the robot.

**ELECTRICAL SHOCK**

The controller mains power switch shall be disabled before connecting or disconnecting the controller power cable from the mains supply.

**ELECTRICAL SHOCK**

This equipment exhibits high earth leakage current. Consequently, a reliable protective bonding connection is mandatory. Installation must be performed in strict accordance with IEC 60204-1.

**Note**

The system integrator is responsible for the acceptance of the ON/OFF operating means color coding. The integrator shall ensure that the final machine complies with the identification and color coding requirements specified in IEC 60204-1.

Safety devices

The integrator is responsible for that the safety devices necessary to protect people working with the robot system are designed and installed correctly.

When integrating the robot with external devices to a robot system:

- The integrator of the robot system must ensure that emergency stop functions are interlocked in accordance with applicable standards.
- The integrator of the robot system must ensure that safety functions are interlocked in accordance with applicable standards.

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Other hazards

A robot may perform unexpected limited movement.



WARNING

Manipulator movements can cause serious injuries on users and may damage equipment.

The risk assessment should also consider other hazards arising from the application, such as, but not limited to:

- Water
- Compressed air
- Hydraulics

End-effector hazards require particular attention for applications which involve close human collaboration with the robot.

Pressure relief valves

The pressure relief valve prevents too much air pressure being built up inside the robot. The air pressure must not exceed the rated limit for the manipulator, or there is a risk of personal injury and mechanical damage.

Pressure relief valves must be kept clean.

Pneumatic or hydraulic related hazards



Note

The pressure in the complete pneumatic or hydraulic systems must be released before service and maintenance.

All components in the robot system that remain pressurized after switching off the power to the robot must be marked with clearly visible drain facilities and a warning sign that indicates the hazard of stored energy.

Loss of pressure in the robot system may cause parts or objects to drop.

Dump valves should be used in case of emergency.

Shot bolts should be used to prevent tools, etc., from falling due to gravity.

All pipes, hoses, and connections have to be inspected regularly for leaks and damage. Damage must be repaired immediately.

Verify the safety functions

Before the robot system is put into operation, verify that the safety functions are working as intended and that any remaining hazards identified in the risk assessment are mitigated to an acceptable level.

1.5 Safety during operation

Automatic operation

Verify the application in the operating mode manual reduced speed, before changing mode to automatic and initiating automatic operation.

Unexpected movement of robot arm



WARNING

Hazards due to the use of brake release devices and/or gravity beneath the manipulator shall be considered.

A robot may perform unexpected limited movement.



WARNING

Manipulator movements can cause serious injuries on users and may damage equipment.

1 Safety

1.6.1 Safety during maintenance and repair

1.6 Safety during maintenance and repair

1.6.1 Safety during maintenance and repair

General



ELECTRICAL SHOCK

The controller mains power switch shall be disabled before connecting or disconnecting the controller power cable from the mains supply.

Corrective maintenance must only be carried out by personnel trained on the robot. Maintenance or repair must be done with all electrical, pneumatic, and hydraulic power switched off, that is, no remaining hazards.

Hazards due to stored mechanical energy in the manipulator for the purpose of counterbalancing axes must be considered before maintenance or repair.

Never use the robot as a ladder, which means, do not climb on the controller, manipulator, including motors, or other parts. There are hazards of slipping and falling. The robot might be damaged.

Make sure that there are no tools, loose screws, turnings, or other unexpected parts remaining after maintenance or repair work.

When the work is completed, verify that the safety functions are working as intended.

Hot surfaces

Surfaces can be hot after running the robot, and touching these may result in burns. Allow the surfaces to cool down before maintenance or repair.

Allergic reaction

Warning	Description	Elimination/Action
 Allergic reaction	When working with lubricants there is a risk of an allergic reaction.	Make sure that protective gear like goggles and gloves are always worn.

Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease)

When handling oil, grease, or other chemical substances the safety information of the respective manufacturer must be observed.



Note

Take special care when handling hot lubricants.

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Warning	Description	Elimination/Action
 Hot oil or grease	Changing and draining gearbox oil or grease may require handling hot lubricant heated up to 90 °C.	Make sure that protective gear like goggles and gloves are always worn during this activity.
 Allergic reaction	When working with lubricants there is a risk of an allergic reaction.	Make sure that protective gear like goggles and gloves are always worn.
 Possible pressure build-up in gearbox	When opening the oil or grease plug, there may be pressure present in the gearbox, causing hot lubricant to spray from the opening.	Open the plug carefully and keep away from the opening. Do not overfill the gearbox when filling. Put oil absorbent cloth, bags or paper at appropriate locations to catch any oil residues. Use appropriate protective gear such as heat-resistant gloves, goggles/protective visor, or a body suit if necessary.
 Do not overfill	Overfilling of gearbox lubricant can lead to internal over-pressure inside the gearbox which in turn may: • damage seals and gaskets • completely press out seals and gaskets • prevent the robot from moving freely.	Make sure not to overfill the gearbox when filling it with oil or grease. After filling, verify that the level is correct.
 Do not mix types of oil	Mixing types of oil may cause severe damage to the gearbox.	When filling gearbox oil, do not mix different types of oil unless specified in the instructions. Always use the type of oil specified for the product.
 Oil residues	Oil residues might be present in a drained gearbox and spilled when separating a motor and gearbox during repair.	Make sure that protective gear like goggles/protective visor, gloves and arm protection are always worn during this activity. Put oil absorbent cloth, bags or paper at appropriate locations to catch any oil residues.
 Heat up the oil	Warm oil drains quicker than cold oil.	Run the robot before changing the gearbox oil, if possible.
 Specified amount depends on drained volume	The specified amount of oil or grease is based on the total volume of the gearbox. When changing the lubricant, the amount refilled may differ from the specified amount, depending on how much has previously been drained from the gearbox.	After filling, verify that the level is correct.

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1.6.1 Safety during maintenance and repair

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Warning	Description	Elimination/Action
 Contaminated oil in gearboxes	For lifetime reasons always drain as much oil as possible from the gearbox. The magnetic oil plugs will gather residual metal chips.	

Hazards related to batteries

Under rated conditions, the electrode materials and liquid electrolyte in the batteries are sealed and not exposed to the outside.

There is a hazard in case of abuse (mechanical, thermal, electrical) which leads to the activation of safety valves and/or the rupture of the battery container. As a result under certain circumstances, electrolyte leakage, electrode materials reaction with moisture/water or battery vent/explosion/fire may follow.

Do not short circuit, recharge, puncture, incinerate, crush, immerse, force discharge or expose to temperatures above the declared operating temperature range of the product. Risk of fire or explosion.

Operating temperatures are listed in [Operating conditions, robot on page 50](#).

See safety instructions for the batteries in *Material/product safety data sheet - Battery pack (3HAC043118-001)*.

Unexpected movement of robot arm



WARNING

Hazards due to the use of brake release devices and/or gravity beneath the manipulator shall be considered.

A robot may perform unexpected limited movement.



WARNING

Manipulator movements can cause serious injuries on users and may damage equipment.

Related information

See also the safety information related to installation and operation.

1.6.2 Emergency release of the robot axes

Description

In an emergency situation, the brakes on a robot axis can be released manually by pushing a brake release button.

How to release the brakes is described in the section:

- [Manually releasing the brakes on page 65.](#)

The robot may be moved manually on smaller robot models, but larger models may require using an overhead crane or similar equipment.

Increased injury

Before releasing the brakes, make sure that the weight of the manipulator does not result in additional hazards, for example, even more severe injuries on a trapped person.

**DANGER**

When releasing the holding brakes, the robot axes may move very quickly and sometimes in unexpected ways.

Make sure no personnel is near or beneath the robot.

Prerequisites for access to brake release buttons

Make sure that the brake release buttons on the manipulator are within reach and quickly accessible in case of emergency situations, even when the manipulator is installed on a height, on a wall, or suspended.

1.6.3 Brake testing

When to test

During operation, the holding brake of each axis normally wears down. A test can be performed to determine whether the brake can still perform its function.

How to test

The function of the holding brake of each axis motor may be verified as described below:

- 1 Run each axis to a position where the combined weight of the manipulator and any load is maximized (maximum static load).
- 2 Switch the motor to the MOTORS OFF.
- 3 Inspect and verify that the axis maintains its position.

If the manipulator does not change position as the motors are switched off, then the brake function is adequate.



Note

It is recommended to run the service routine *BrakeCheck* as part of the regular maintenance, see the operating manual for the robot controller.

For robots with the option SafeMove, the *Cyclic Brake Check* routine is recommended. See the operating manual for the robot controller.

1.7 Safety during troubleshooting

General

When troubleshooting requires work with power switched on, special considerations must be taken:

- Safety circuits might be muted or disconnected.
- Electrical parts must be considered as *live*.
- The manipulator can move unexpectedly at any time.



DANGER

Troubleshooting on the controller while powered on must be performed by personnel trained by ABB or by ABB field engineers.



ELECTRICAL SHOCK

The controller mains power switch shall be disabled before connecting or disconnecting the controller power cable from the mains supply.



CAUTION

Risk of hot surfaces that can cause burns.

A risk assessment must be done to address both robot and robot system specific hazards.



WARNING

Hazards due to the use of brake release devices and/or gravity beneath the manipulator shall be considered.

A robot may perform unexpected limited movement.



WARNING

Manipulator movements can cause serious injuries on users and may damage equipment.

Related information

See also the safety information related to installation, operation, maintenance, and repair.

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1.8 Safety during decommissioning

1.8 Safety during decommissioning

General

See section [Decommissioning on page 427](#).

If the robot is decommissioned for storage, take extra precaution to reset safety devices to delivery status.

Unexpected movement of robot arm



WARNING

Hazards due to the use of brake release devices and/or gravity beneath the manipulator shall be considered.

A robot may perform unexpected limited movement.



WARNING

Manipulator movements can cause serious injuries on users and may damage equipment.

2 Installation and commissioning

2.1 Introduction to installation and commissioning

General

This chapter contains assembly instructions and information for installing the IRB 4600 at the working site.

See also the product manual for the robot controller.

The installation must be done by qualified installation personnel in accordance with the safety requirements set forth in the applicable national and regional standards and regulations.

The technical data is detailed in section [Technical data on page 47](#).

Safety information

Before any installation work is commenced, all safety information must be observed. There are general safety aspects that must be read through, as well as more specific safety information that describes the danger and safety risks when performing the procedures. Read the chapter [Safety on page 23](#) before performing any installation work.



WARNING

Always connect the controller and the IRB 4600 to protective earth and residual current device (RCD) before connecting to power and starting any installation work.

For more information see:

- *Product manual - OmniCore V250XT Type A*
- *Product manual - OmniCore V250XT Type B*
- *Product manual - OmniCore V400XT*
- *Product manual - IRC5*
- *Product manual - IRC5 Panel Mounted Controller*

2 Installation and commissioning

2.2.1 Pre-installation procedure

2.2 Unpacking

2.2.1 Pre-installation procedure

Introduction

This section is intended for use when unpacking and installing the robot for the first time. It also contains information useful during later re-installation of the robot.

Prerequisites for installation personnel

Installation personnel working with an ABB product must:

- be trained by ABB and have the required knowledge of mechanical and electrical installation/maintenance/repair work
- conform to all national and local codes.

Checking the pre-requisites for installation

	Action
1	If the robot is to be work in Clean Room environments, make sure that sufficient space is reserved for moving the robot in and out of the Clean Room working spaces.
2	Make a visual inspection of the packaging and make sure that nothing is damaged.
3	Remove the packaging.
4	Check for any visible transport damage.  Note Stop unpacking and contact ABB if transport damages are found.
5	Clean the unit with a lint-free cloth, if necessary.
6	Make sure that the lifting accessory used (if required) is suitable to handle the weight of the robot as specified in: Weight, robot on page 47
7	If the robot is not installed directly, it must be stored as described in: Storage conditions, robot on page 49
8	Make sure that the expected operating environment of the robot conforms to the specifications as described in: Operating conditions, robot on page 50
9	Before taking the robot to its installation site, make sure that the site conforms to: • Loads on foundation, robot on page 48 • Protection classes, robot on page 50 • Requirements, foundation on page 49
10	Before moving the robot, please observe the stability of the robot: Risk of tipping/stability on page 56
11	When these prerequisites are met, the robot can be taken to its installation site as described in section: On-site installation on page 59
12	Install required equipment, if any. • Installation of signal lamp (option) on page 85

2.2.2 Technical data

Weight, robot

The table shows the weight of the robot.

Robot model	Weight
IRB 4600	465 kg



Note

The weight does not include tools and other equipment fitted on the robot.

Mounting positions

The table shows valid mounting options for the manipulator.

Mounting option	Installation angle	Note
Floor mounted	0°	
Suspended	180°	
Tilted	0-15°	Contact ABB for further information about acceptable loads.



Note

The actual mounting angle must always be configured in the system parameters, otherwise the performance and lifetime is affected. See [Setting the system parameters for a suspended or tilted robot on page 72](#).

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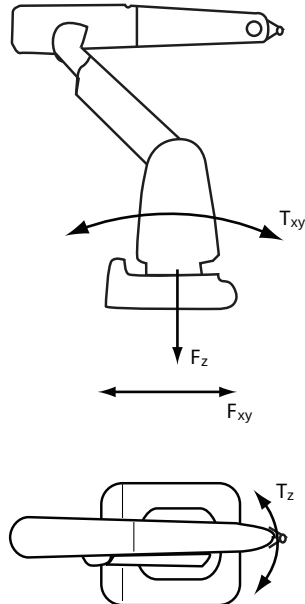
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Loads on foundation, robot

The illustration shows the directions of the robots stress forces.

The directions are valid for all floor mounted, suspended and inverted robots.



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F_{xy}	Force in any direction in the XY plane
F_z	Force in the Z plane
T_{xy}	Bending torque in any direction in the XY plane
T_z	Bending torque in the Z plane

The table shows the various forces and torques working on the robot during different kinds of operation.



Note

These forces and torques are extreme values that are rarely encountered during operation. The values also never reach their maximum at the same time!



WARNING

The robot installation is restricted to the mounting options given in following load table(s).

Floor mounted

Force	Endurance load (in operation)	Max. load (emergency stop)
Force xy	± 3940 N	± 7790 N
Force z	4350 ± 2460 N	4350 ± 6360 N
Torque xy	± 6850 Nm	± 14090 Nm
Torque z	± 1610 Nm	± 2960 Nm

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Suspended

Force	Endurance load (in operation)	Max. load (emergency stop)
Force xy	±3940N	±7790 N
Force z	-4350 ±2460N	-4350 ±6360 N
Torque xy	±6850 Nm	±14090 Nm
Torque z	±1610 Nm	±2960 Nm

Requirements, foundation

The table shows the requirements for the foundation where the weight of the installed robot is included:

Requirement	Value	Note
Flatness of foundation surface	0.5 mm	Flat foundations give better repeatability of the resolver calibration compared to original settings on delivery from ABB. The value for levelness aims at the circumstance of the anchoring points in the robot base. In order to compensate for an uneven surface, the robot can be recalibrated during installation. If resolver/encoder calibration is changed this will influence the absolute accuracy.
Minimum resonance frequency	22 Hz  Note It may affect the manipulator life-time to have a lower resonance frequency than recommended.	The value is recommended for optimal performance. Due to foundation stiffness, consider robot mass including equipment. ⁱ For information about compensating for foundation flexibility, see the application manual of the controller software, section <i>Motion Process Mode</i> .

ⁱ The minimum resonance frequency given should be interpreted as the frequency of the robot mass/inertia, robot assumed stiff, when a foundation translational/torsional elasticity is added, i.e., the stiffness of the pedestal where the robot is mounted. The minimum resonance frequency should not be interpreted as the resonance frequency of the building, floor etc. For example, if the equivalent mass of the floor is very high, it will not affect robot movement, even if the frequency is well below the stated frequency. The robot should be mounted as rigid as possible to the floor.

Disturbances from other machinery will affect the robot and the tool accuracy. The robot has resonance frequencies in the region 10 – 20 Hz and disturbances in this region will be amplified, although somewhat damped by the servo control. This might be a problem, depending on the requirements from the applications. If this is a problem, the robot needs to be isolated from the environment.

Storage conditions, robot

The table shows the allowed storage conditions for the robot:

Parameter	Value
Minimum ambient temperature	-25° C
Maximum ambient temperature	+55° C
Maximum ambient temperature (less than 24 hrs)	+70° C
Maximum ambient humidity	95% at constant temperature (gaseous only)

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Operating conditions, robot

The table shows the allowed operating conditions for the robot:

Parameter	Value
Minimum ambient temperature	+5 °C
Maximum ambient temperature	+45 °C
Maximum ambient humidity	95% at constant temperature (gaseous only)

Protection classes, robot

The table shows the available protection types of the robot, with the corresponding protection class.

Protection type	Protection class ⁱ / Suitability class ⁱⁱ
Manipulator, protection type Standard	IP 67
Manipulator, protection type Foundry Plus	IP 67
Manipulator, protection type Clean Room	ISO5 ⁱⁱⁱ

ⁱ According to IEC 60529.

ⁱⁱ Air Cleanliness Class for Clean Room robots was accessed in compliance with DIN EN ISO 14644-1, -14.

ⁱⁱⁱ Protection type Clean Room is only valid for variant IRB 4600 - 60/2.05 and IRB 4600 - 40/2.55.



CAUTION

It is recommended to take the maintenance and repair work out of the clean room environment for Clean Room variants.

The maintenance and repair work may bring up particles and cause pollution during the work. Please contact with ABB service team in advance.



Note

Always remember to reinstall the protection plugs back to the robot after any maintenance or repair work for the Clean Room variants.

2.2.3 Working range and type of motion

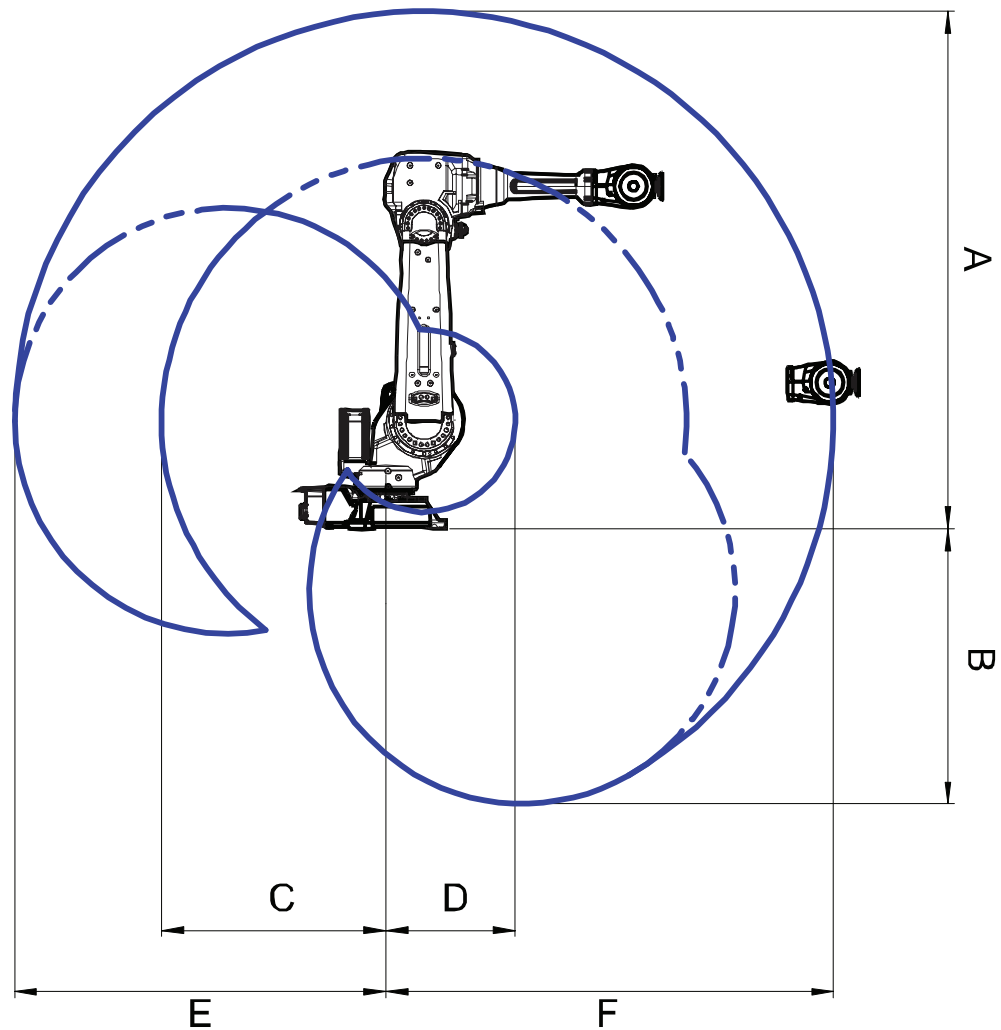
Working range

The figures show the working ranges of the robot variants mounted in different ways.

The extreme positions of the robot arm are specified at the wrist center (dimensions in mm).

Working range, floor mounted

The illustration shows the unrestricted working range for a floor mounted robot.



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Variant	Pos. A	Pos. B	Pos. C	Pos. D	Pos. E	Pos. F
IRB 4600 - 60/2.05	2371 mm	1260 mm	1028 mm	593 mm	1701 mm	2051 mm
IRB 4600 - 45/2.05	2371 mm	1260 mm	1028 mm	593 mm	1701 mm	2051 mm
IRB 4600 - 40/2.55	2872 mm	1735 mm	1393 mm	680 mm	2202 mm	2552 mm
IRB 4600 - 20/2.50	2833 mm	1696 mm	1361 mm	665 mm	2163 mm	2513 mm

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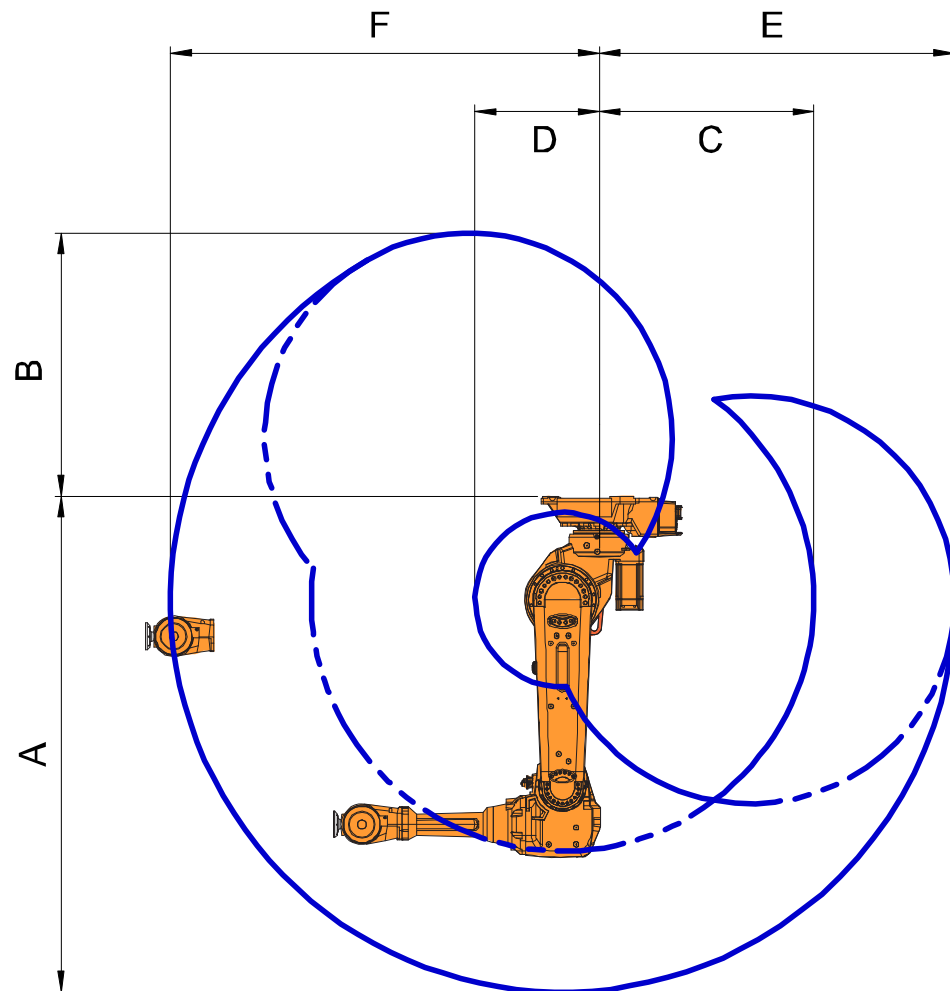
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2.2.3 Working range and type of motion

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Working range, suspended mounted

The illustration shows the unrestricted working range for a suspended mounted robot.



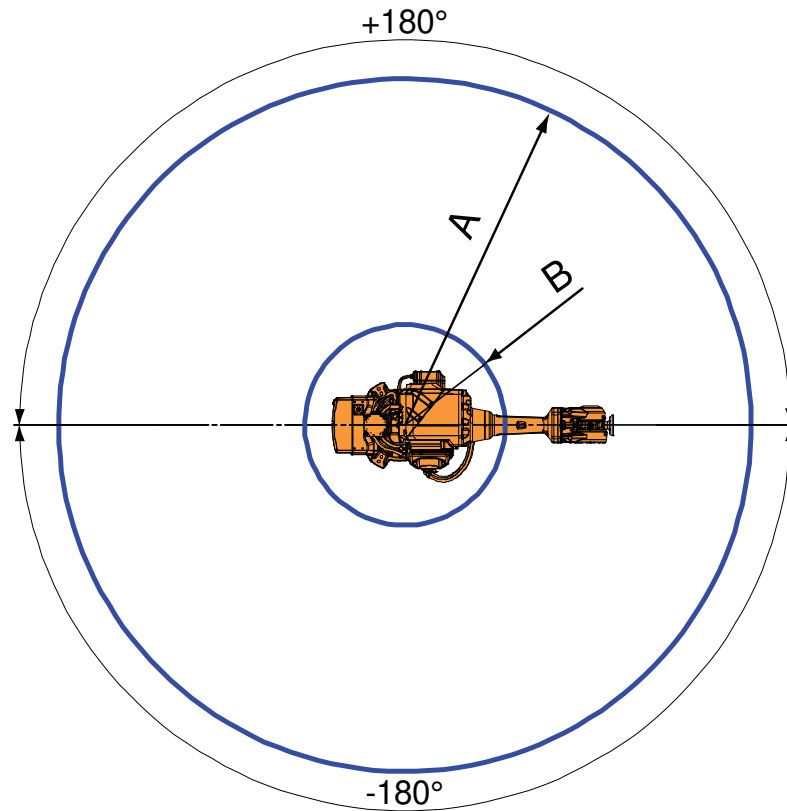
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Variant	Pos. A	Pos. B	Pos. C	Pos. D	Pos. E	Pos. F
IRB 4600 - 60/2.05	2371 mm	1260 mm	1028 mm	593 mm	1701 mm	2051 mm
IRB 4600 - 45/2.05	2371 mm	1260 mm	1028 mm	593 mm	1701 mm	2051 mm
IRB 4600 - 40/2.55	2872 mm	1735 mm	1393 mm	680 mm	2202 mm	2552 mm
IRB 4600 - 20/2.50	2833 mm	1696 mm	1361 mm	665 mm	2163 mm	2513 mm

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Turning radius

The turning radius of the robot that is floor or suspended mounted is shown in the figure.



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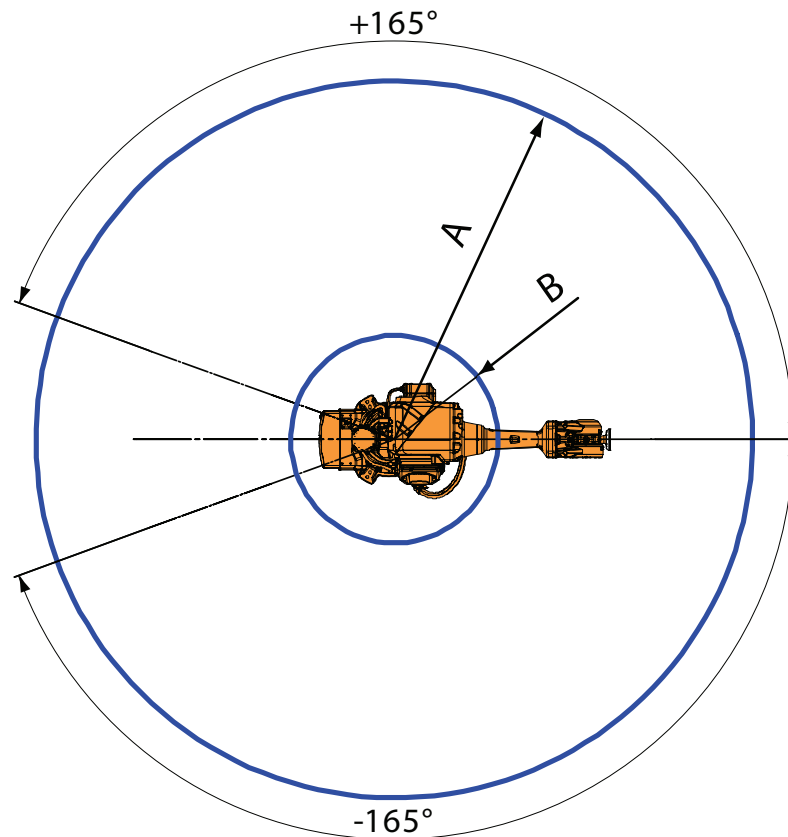
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2.2.3 Working range and type of motion

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Protection type, Clean Room



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Variant	Pos. A	Pos. B
IRB 4600 - 60/2.05	R2051	R593
IRB 4600 - 45/2.05	R2051	R593
IRB 4600 - 40/2.55	R2552	R680
IRB 4600 - 20/2.50	R2513	R665

Robot motion, IRB 4600-60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55

The table specifies the types and ranges of motion in every axes.

Location of motion	Type of motion	Range of movement
Axis 1	Rotation motion	$\pm 180^\circ$ $\pm 165^\circ$ (Clean Room)
Axis 2	Arm motion	$+150^\circ / -90^\circ$
Axis 3	Arm motion	$+75^\circ / -180^\circ$
Axis 4	Wrist motion	$\pm 400^\circ$
Axis 5	Bend motion	$+120^\circ / -125^\circ$
Axis 6	Turn motion	$\pm 400^\circ$

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Robot motion, IRB 4600-20/2.50

The table specifies the type and range of motion in every axis.

Location of motion	Type of motion	Range of movement
Axis 1	Rotation motion	$\pm 180^\circ$
Axis 2	Arm motion	$+150^\circ / -90^\circ$
Axis 3	Arm motion	$+75^\circ / -180^\circ$
Axis 4	Wrist motion	$\pm 400^\circ$
Axis 5	Bend motion	$\pm 120^\circ$
Axis 6	Turn motion	$\pm 400^\circ$

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2.2.4 Risk of tipping/stability

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Risk of tipping

If the robot is not fastened to the foundation while moving the arm, the robot is not stable in the whole working area. Moving the arm will displace the center of gravity, which may cause the robot to tip over.

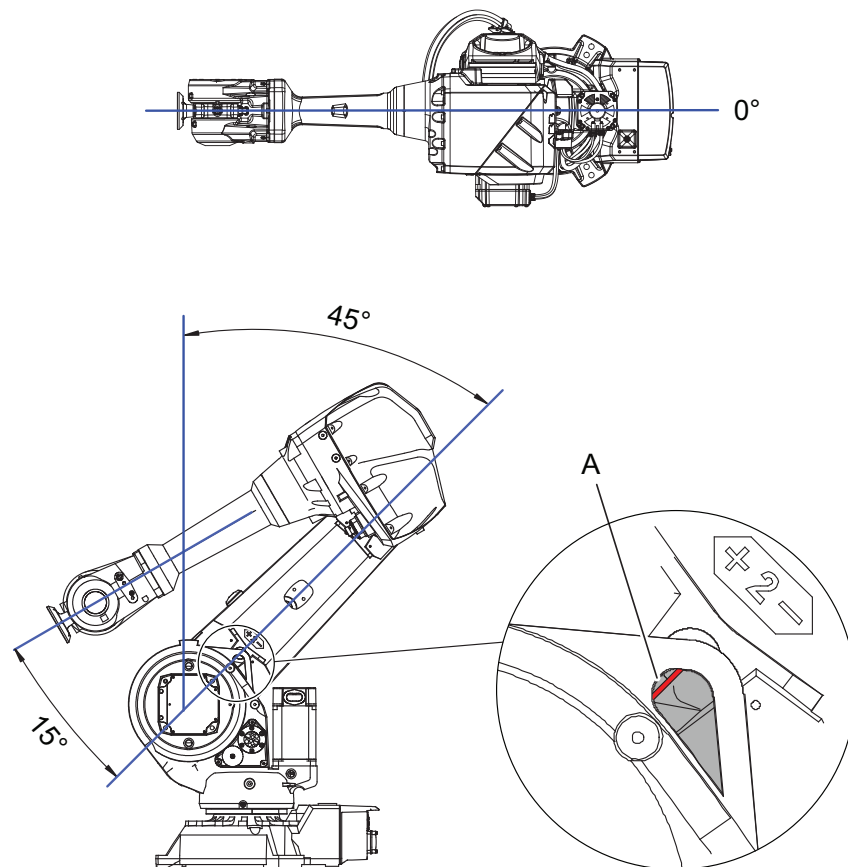
The transportation position is the most stable position.

Do not change the robot position before securing it to the foundation!

Transportation position

This figure shows the robot in its transportation position.

The position of the calibration mark (A) in the figure is approximate and is used as aiming aid.



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Axis number	Angle of axis
Axis 1	0°
Axis 2	-45°
Axis 3	+75°
Axis 4	0°
Axis 5	0°

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Axis number	Angle of axis
Axis 6	0°



Note

The robot might be positioned in a different position at delivery, due to actual configurations and options (for example DressPack).



WARNING

The robot will be mechanically unstable if not properly secured to the foundation.

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2.2.5 The unit is sensitive to ESD

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Description

ESD (electrostatic discharge) is the transfer of electrical static charge between two bodies at different potentials, either through direct contact or through an induced electrical field. When handling parts or their containers, personnel not grounded may potentially transfer high static charges. This discharge may destroy sensitive electronics.

Safe handling

Use one of the following alternatives:

- Use a wrist strap.

Wrist straps must be tested frequently to ensure that they are not damaged and are operating correctly.

- Use an ESD protective floor mat.

The mat must be grounded through a current-limiting resistor.

- Use a dissipative table mat.

The mat should provide a controlled discharge of static voltages and must be grounded.

2.3 On-site installation

2.3.1 Minimum required free space above the robot

Service activities require free space above the robot

Consider the need of sufficient free space above the robot during the maintenance and repair work for Clean Room variants.

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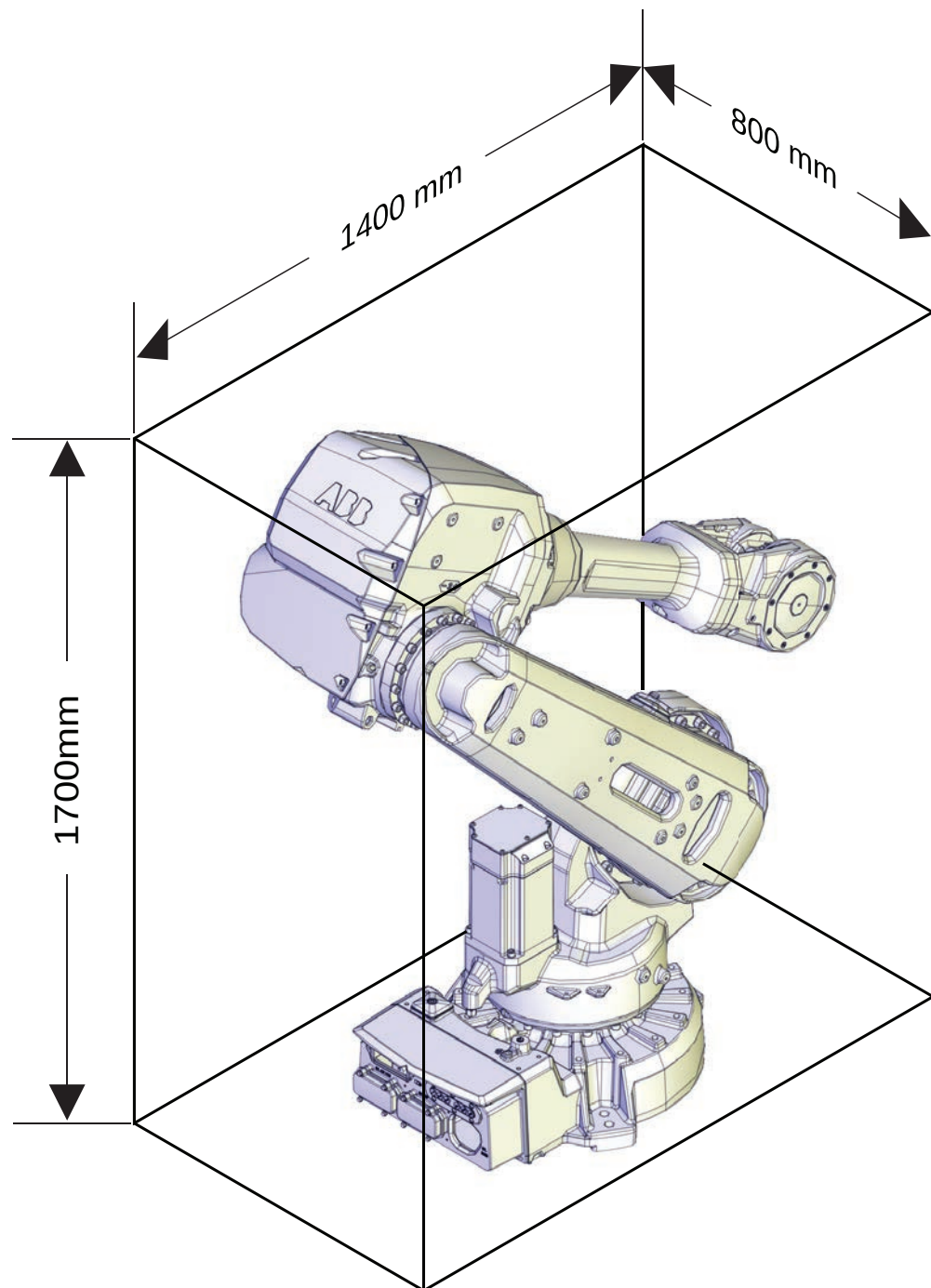
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2.3.1 Minimum required free space above the robot

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Minimum dimension of free space

A minimum dimension of free space for lifting or moving the robot is recommended.



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Note

If any equipment or device are used when moving or lifting the robot, this may increase the minimum dimension of free space. Please take their size into consideration when prepare the free space for moving or lifting the robot.

2.3.2 Lifting robot with roundslings

Introduction

When lifting the robot use roundslings and an overhead crane.

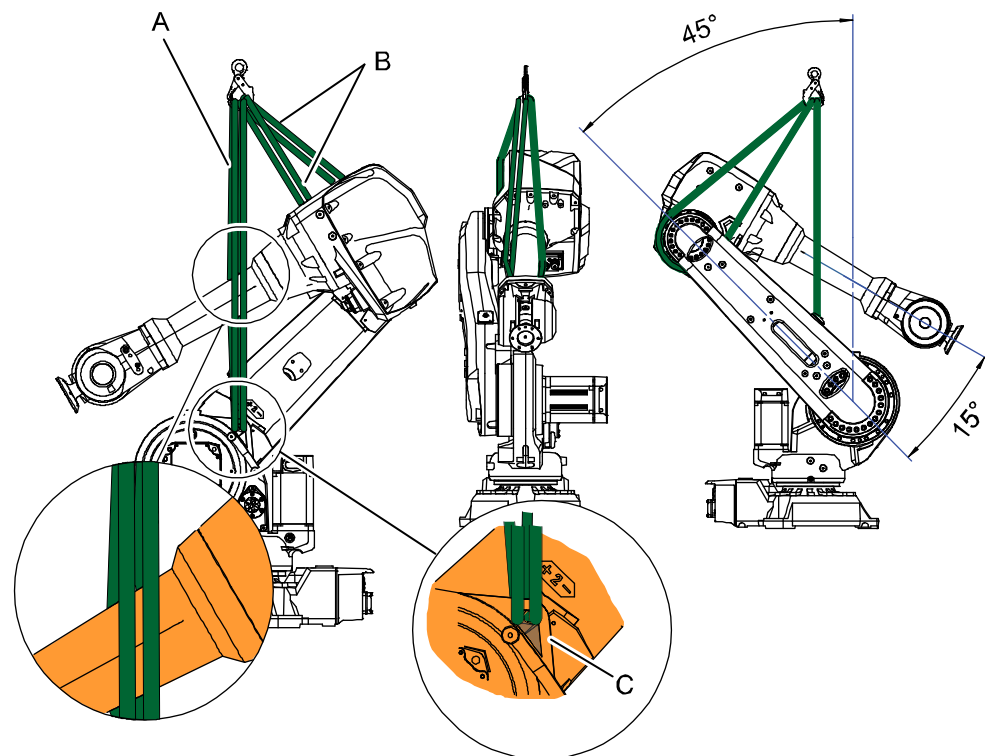
How to lift *suspended mounted robot* is described in the lifting instruction delivered with the turning tool art. no. 3HAC034766-001. See [Lifting and turning a suspended mounted robot on page 64](#).

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Overhead crane	Lifting capacity 1 000 kg (Max load at 90°)
Roundslings (2 pcs)	- Lifting capacity/roundsling: 1 000 kg - Length: 2 m

Lifting

Attach the roundslings as shown in the figure.



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A	Roundsling put folded in U-shape through the lifting lug
B	Roundsling put folded in U-shape around gearbox axis 3
C	Lifting lug

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2.3.2 Lifting robot with roundslings

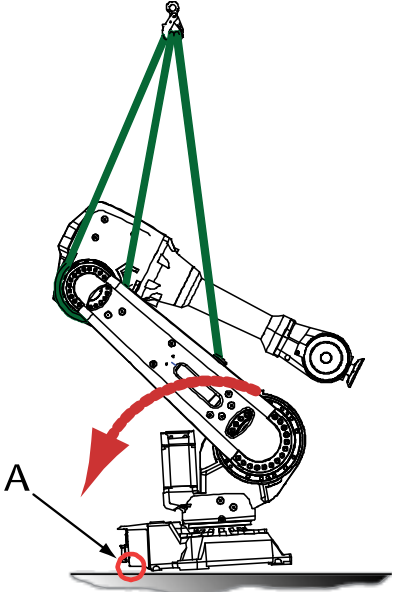
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Lifting instructions

Use this procedure to lift the robot in a safe way.

	Action	Note
1	 CAUTION The IRB 4600 robot weighs 465 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
2	 CAUTION Attempting to lift the robot in any other position than that recommended may result in the robot tipping over and causing severe damage or injury!	
3	 WARNING Personnel must not, under any circumstances, be present under the suspended load!	
4	Move the robot to its most stable position.	Detailed in section: • Risk of tipping/stability on page 56
5	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
6	Attach <i>roundsling A</i> to the lifting lug on the frame, and put folded in a U-shape on either side of the upper arm.	See the figure in: • Lifting on page 61
7	Attach <i>roundsling B</i> at axis 3 gearbox by running it folded in a U-shape around the gearbox.	See the figure in: • Lifting on page 61
8	Make sure the roundslings do not rub against any sharp edges.	

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	Action	Note
9	When the robot is lifted the roundslings will adjust themselves.  CAUTION When lifting, the robot will tilt slightly backwards! Be careful not to damage the <i>connection box</i> at the base of the robot!	 xx0800000291 • A: Area where the connection box can be damaged while lifting.
10	Lift the robot with an overhead crane.	Lifting capacity: • See Required equipment on page 61

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2.3.3 Lifting and turning a suspended mounted robot

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Introduction

How to lift and turn the robot to a suspended position using the turning accessory is described in the lifting instruction delivered with the turning accessory. Article numbers for the accessory and the instruction is specified in [Special tools on page 443](#). Any additional equipment required is specified in the instruction for the lifting accessory. Contact ABB for more information.

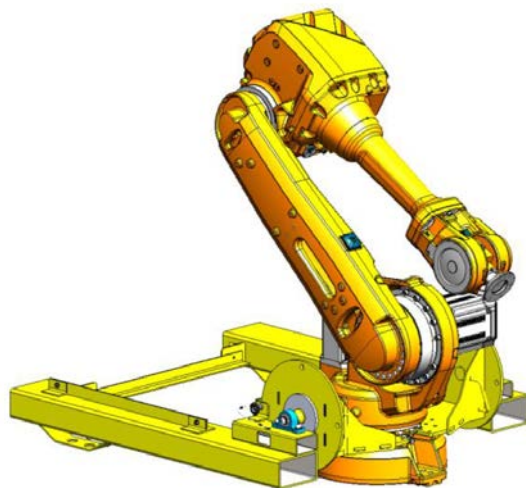


Note

Suspended mounting way is not available for the variants with protection type Clean Room.

How to lift and turn the robot into position for **tilted** position: Contact ABB for more information.

Illustration



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2.3.4 Manually releasing the brakes

General

The section below describes how to release the holding brakes of each axis' motor.

This can be done in one of three ways:

- using the push-button when the robot is connected to the controller.
- using the push-button on the robot with an external power supply.
- using an external voltage supply directly on the respective brake.



DANGER

When releasing the holding brakes with push-buttons, the robot must be properly attached!



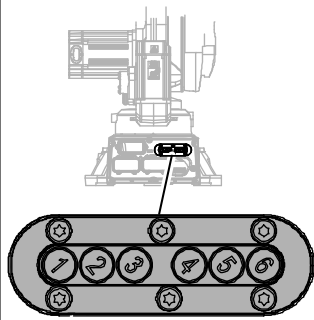
DANGER

When releasing the holding brakes, the robot axes may move very quickly and sometimes in unexpected ways!

Make sure no personnel is near or beneath the robot arm!

Using the push-button when the robot is connected to the controller

This procedure details how to release the holding brakes with push-buttons, when the robot is connected to the controller.

	Action	Note
1	The internal brake release unit is located at the base of the robot.	 xx0800000272
2	The brake release unit is equipped with six buttons for controlling the axes brakes. The buttons are numbered according to the numbers of the axes.	
3	Release the holding brake on a particular axis by pressing the corresponding button on the push-button unit and keeping it depressed.	
4	The brake will function again as soon as the button is released.	

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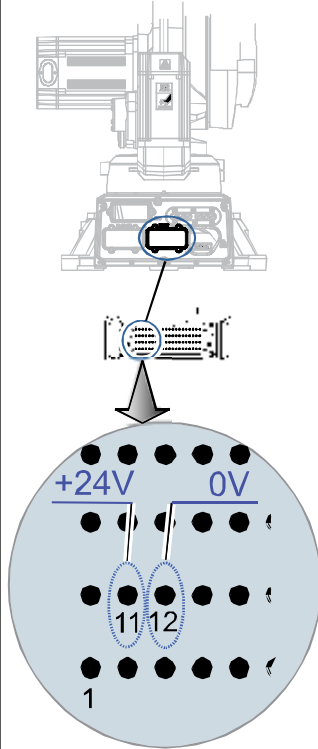
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2.3.4 Manually releasing the brakes

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Using the push-button on the robot with an external power supply

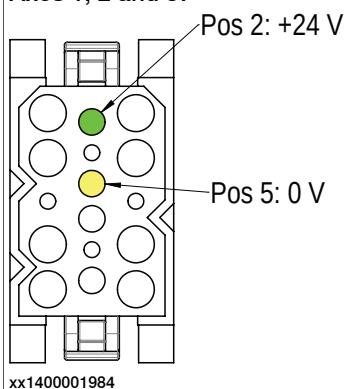
This procedure details how to release the holding brakes with the push-buttons, when the robot is **not** connected to the controller.

Action	Note
1 Connect an external 24VDC power supply to the connector R1.MP on the robot base.  Note Be careful not to interchange the 24V and 0V pins! If they are mixed up, damage can be caused to the brake release unit and the system board!  WARNING Incorrect connections can cause all brakes to be released simultaneously!	 xx0800000269 Connect to connector R1.MP: • 0V to pin 12 • +24V to pin 11
2 Release the holding brake on a particular axis by pressing the corresponding button on the push-button unit and keeping it depressed.	The brake release unit is equipped with six buttons for controlling the axes brakes. The buttons are numbered according to the numbers of the axes. See the previous figure.
3 The brake will function again as soon as the button is released.	

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Using an external voltage supply directly on the respective brake

This procedure details how to release the holding brake of a specific axis by supplying external voltage directly on the brake.

Action	Note
1 Every axis has a holding brake built into the axis motor. This holding brake may be released by connecting 24VDC power supply directly to one of the connectors in the motor.  DANGER When power is connected directly to the brake cable, the brake will be released immediately when the power is switched on. This may cause some unexpected robot movements!	Make the connection to the current motor according to the Circuit Diagram. See chapter Circuit diagram on page 449.
2 Connect an external 24 VDC power supply to the motor, according to the figures.  Note Be careful not to interchange the 24V and 0V pins! If they are mixed up, damage can be caused to the intergrated quenching circuits.  WARNING Incorrect connections can cause all brakes to be released simultaneously!	Axes 1, 2 and 3:  xx1400001984

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2.3.5 Orienting and securing the robot

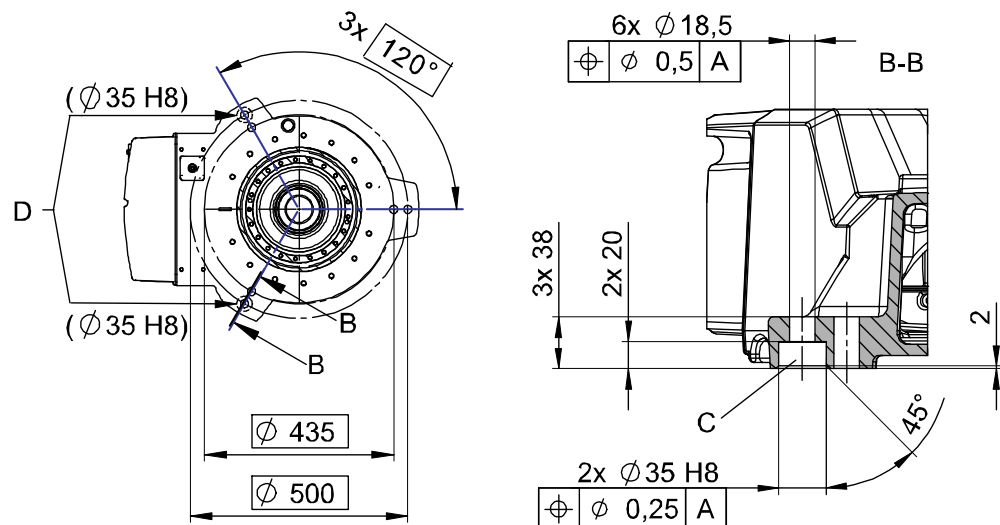
2.3.5 Orienting and securing the robot

Introduction

This section describes how to orient and secure the robot to the steel structure foundation or base plate in order to run the robot safely. The requirements made on the foundation are shown in sections [Loads on foundation, robot on page 48](#) and [Requirements, foundation on page 49](#).

Hole configuration, base

The illustration shows the hole configuration used when securing the robot.



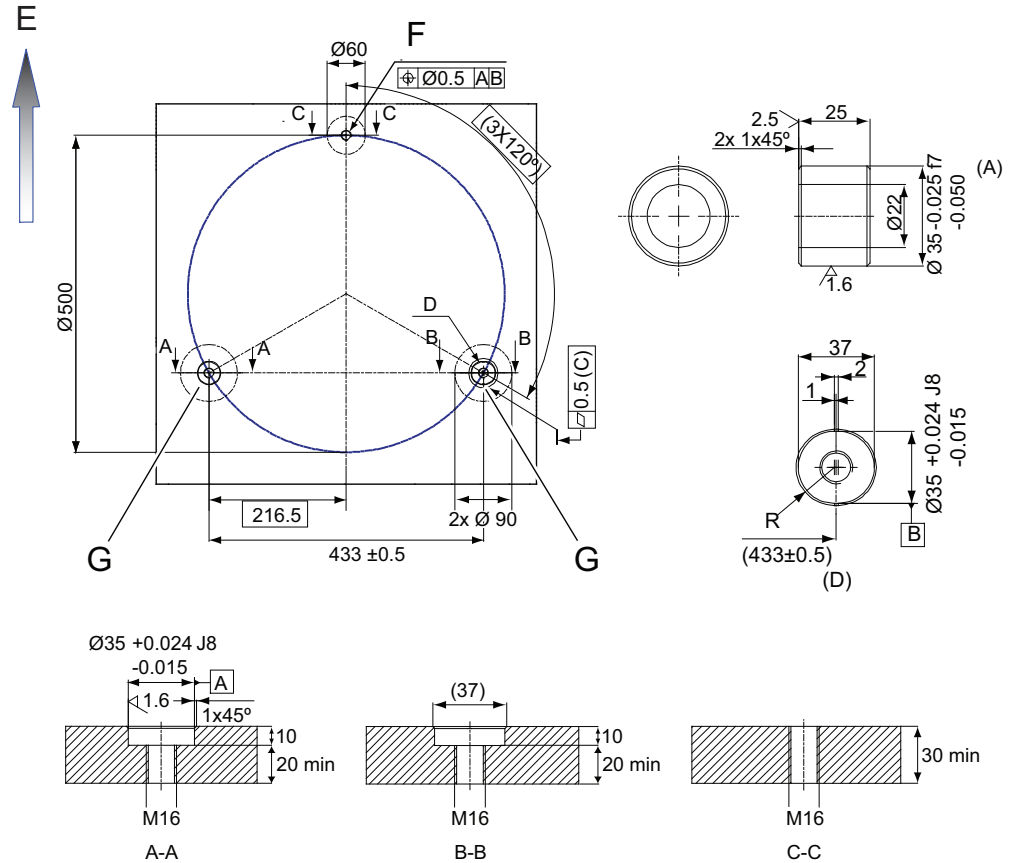
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C	Hole for guide bushing (guide bushings are an additional option)
D	Rear bolt holes

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Dimension, mounting surface and guide bushing

The figure shows the dimension of the mounting surface and guide bushings (additional option).



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Specification, attachment screws

The table specifies the type of securing screws and washers to be used to secure the robot to the steel structure foundation or base plate.

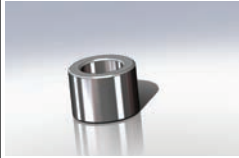
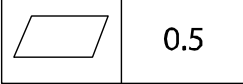
Securing parts/Facts	Dimension	Note
Securing screws, oiled	M16 x 60 (installation directly on steel structure foundation) M16 x 70/80 (installation on steel structure foundation or base plate, using guide bushings) Quality 8.8	6 pcs 200 Nm
Washers	17 x 30 x 3	6 pcs

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Securing parts/Facts	Dimension	Note
Guide bushings (additional option)		Article number: 21510024-169, 2 pcs. Added to the rear bolt holes, to allow the same robot to be re-mounted without program adjustments.  xx1200000885
Level surface requirements	 xx0300000251	

Required rust preventive

Consumable	Article number	Note
Touch up kit for rust prevention	3HAC088576-001	

Orienting and securing the robot

Use this procedure to orient and secure the robot.

	Action	Note
1	Make sure the installation site for the robot conforms to the specifications in section Pre-installation procedure on page 46 .	
2	Prepare the installation site with attachment holes.	Hole configuration of the base is shown in the figure in: Hole configuration, base on page 68
3	 CAUTION The IRB 4600 robot weighs 465 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
4	 CAUTION When the robot is put down after being lifted or transported, there is a risk of it tipping, if not properly secured.	
5	Lift the robot to its installation site.	How to lift the robot is described in section: Lifting robot with roundslings on page 61
6	Fit two <i>guide bushings</i> to the <i>rear bolts</i> in the base.	(additional option)

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	Action	Note
7	Guide the robot gently, using the attachment screws while lowering it into its mounting position.	
8	Apply rust preventive liquid to the robot base screw holes according to the information included in the touch up kit.	Touch up kit for rust prevention: 3HAC088576-001
9	Fit the <i>securing screws</i> and <i>washers</i> in the attachment holes of the base.	
10	Tighten the bolts in a criss-cross pattern to ensure that the base is not distorted.	

Securing robot on a mounting plate

When bolting a mounting plate or frame to a concrete floor, follow the general instructions for expansion-shell bolts.

Screw joints must be able to withstand the stress loads defined in section [Loads on foundation, robot on page 48](#).

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2.3.6 Setting the system parameters for a suspended or tilted robot

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General

The robot is configured for mounting parallel to the floor, without tilting, on delivery. If the robot is mounted in any other angle than 0° , then the system parameters that describe the mounting angle (how the robot is oriented relative to the gravity) must be re-defined.



Note

With inverted installation, make sure that the gantry or corresponding structure is rigid enough to prevent unacceptable vibrations and deflections, so that optimum performance can be achieved.



Note

The mounting positions are described in [Mounting positions on page 47](#), and the requirements on the foundation are described in [Requirements, foundation on page 49](#).

System parameters



Note

The mounting angle must be configured correctly in the system parameters so that the robot system can control the movements in the best possible way. An incorrect definition of the mounting angle will result in:

- Overloading the mechanical structure.
- Lower path performance and path accuracy.
- Some functions will not work properly, for example *Load Identification* and *Collision detection*.

Gravity Beta

If the robot is mounted upside down or tilted (rotated around the y-axis), then the robot base frame and the system parameter *Gravity Beta* must be redefined. *Gravity Beta* should then be π (+3.141593) if the robot is mounted upside down (suspended). The *Gravity Beta* is a positive rotation direction around the y-axis in the base coordinate system. The value is set in radians.

Gravity Alpha

The *Gravity Alpha* is a positive rotation direction around the x-axis in the base coordinate system. The value is set in radians.

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Note

The system parameter *Gravity Alpha* is not supported for all robot types. It is not supported for IRB 140, IRB 1410, IRB 1600ID, IRB 2400, IRB 4400, IRB 6400R, IRB 6400 (except for IRB 6400 200/2.5 and IRB 6400 200/2.8), IRB 6600, IRB 6650, IRB 6650S and IRB 7600 (except for IRB 7600 325/3.1).

If the robot does not support *Gravity Alpha*, then use *Gravity Beta* along with the recalibration of axis 1 to define the rotation of the robot around the x-axis.



Note

The parameter is supported for all robots on track when the system parameter *7 axes high performance motion* is set, see *Technical reference manual - System parameters*.

Gamma Rotation

Gamma Rotation defines the orientation of the robot foot on the travel carriage (track motion).

Mounting angles and values

The parameter *Gravity Beta* (or *Gravity Alpha*) specifies the mounting angle of the robot in radians. It is calculated in the following way.

$\text{Gravity Beta} = A^\circ \times 3.141593/180 = B \text{ radians}$, where A is the mounting angle in degrees and B is the mounting angle in radians.

Example of position	Mounting angle (A °)	Gravity Beta
Floor mounted	0°	0.000000 (Default)
Tilted mounting	15°	0.261799
Suspended mounting	180°	3.141593

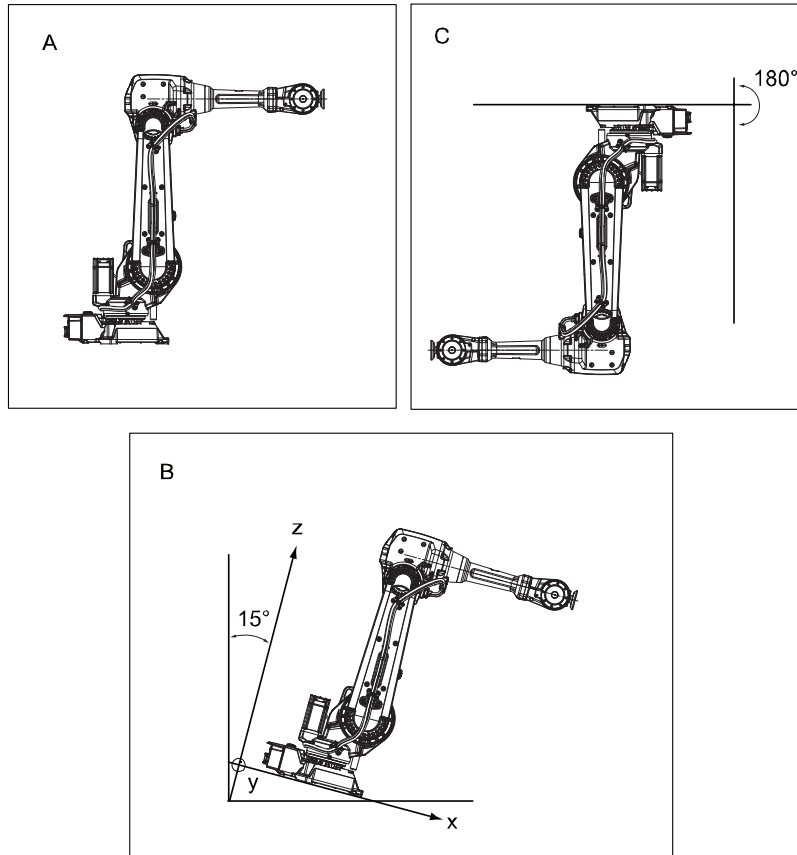
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Examples of mounting angles tilted around the Y axis (*Gravity Beta*)

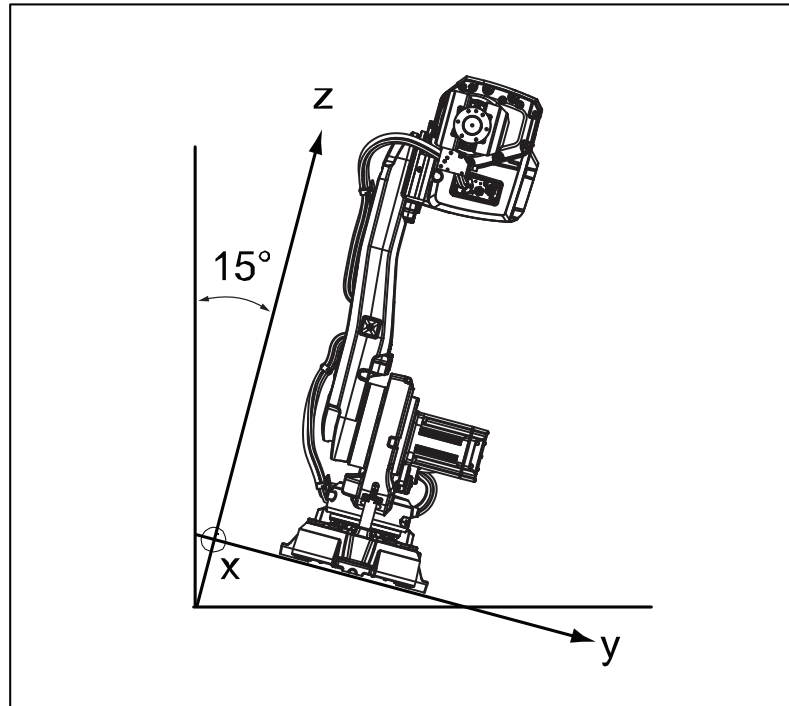


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A	Floor mounted
B	Tilted mounting, mounting angle 15°.
C	Suspended mounting, mounting angle 180°.

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Examples of mounting angles tilted around the X axis (*Gravity Alpha*)



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-	Tilted mounting, mounting angle 15°.
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Note

For suspended robots (180°), it is recommended to use *Gravity Beta* instead of *Gravity Alpha*.

Defining the parameter in RobotWare

The value of the system parameters that define the mounting angle must be redefined when changing the mounting angle of the robot. The parameters belong to the type *Robot*, in the topic *Motion*.

How to calculate a new value is detailed in [Mounting angles and values on page 73](#).

The system parameters are described in *Technical reference manual - System parameters*.

The system parameters are configured in RobotStudio or on the FlexPendant.

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2.3.7 Fitting equipment on robot

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Introduction

The robot features mounting holes for additional equipment.

Access to any of the following mounting holes may be obstructed by any additional cabling, equipment, etc., fitted by the robot user. Make sure the required mounting holes are accessible when planning the robot cell.



Note

All equipment and cables used on the robot, must be designed and fitted not to damage the robot and/or its parts.

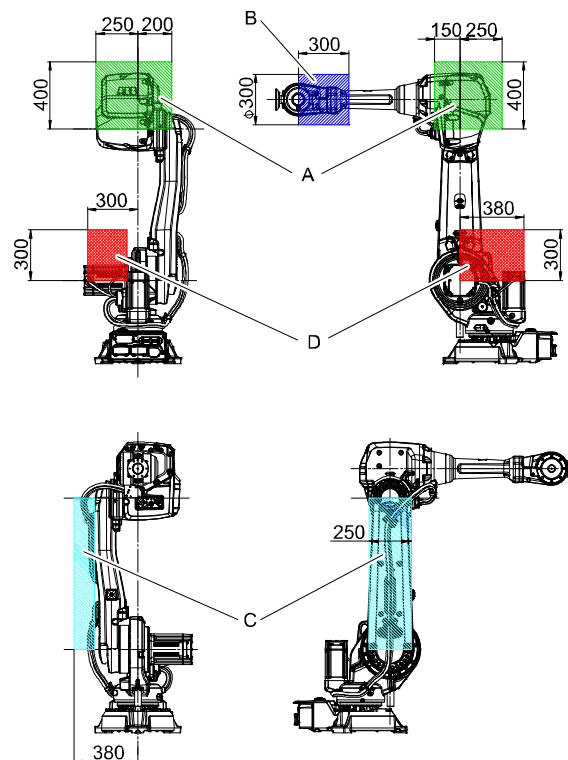


Note

Never drill a hole in the robot without first consulting ABB!

Fitting equipment on robot - Load areas

The shaded area indicates the permitted positions (center of gravity) for any extra equipment fitted in the holes intended for this purpose.



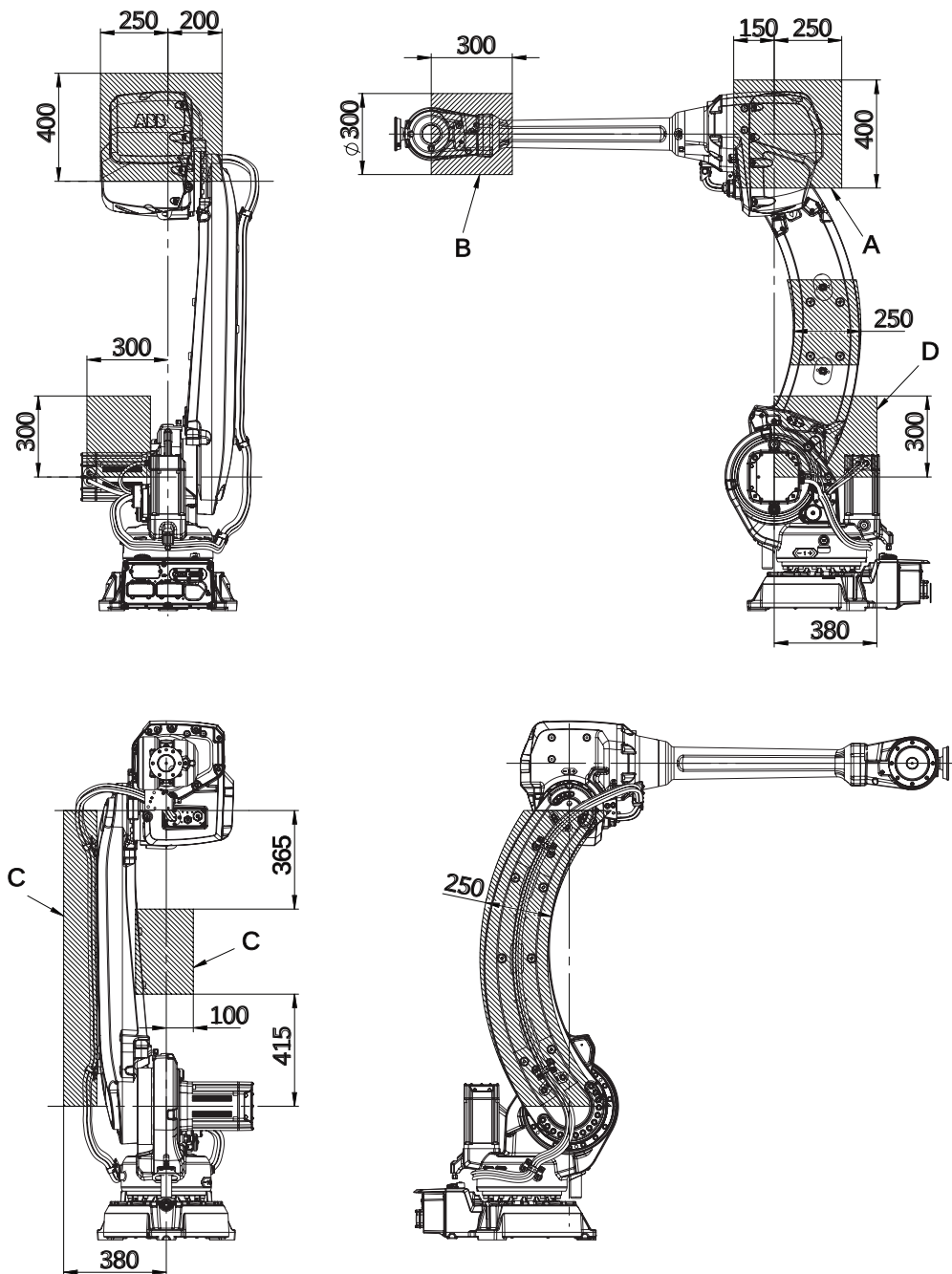
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Variant	Max load A	Max load B	Max load C	Max load A+C	Max load D
IRB 4600-60/2.05	15 kg	5 kg ⁱ	15 kg	15 kg	35 kg
IRB 4600-45/2.05	15 kg	5 kg ⁱⁱ	15 kg	15 kg	35 kg
IRB 4600-40/2.55	15 kg	5 kg ⁱⁱⁱ	15 kg	15 kg	35 kg
IRB 4600-20/2.50	10 kg	1 kg	10 kg	10 kg	35 kg

ⁱ Payload + B = Max 60 kg

ⁱⁱ Payload + B = Max 45 kg

ⁱⁱⁱ Payload + B = Max 40 kg

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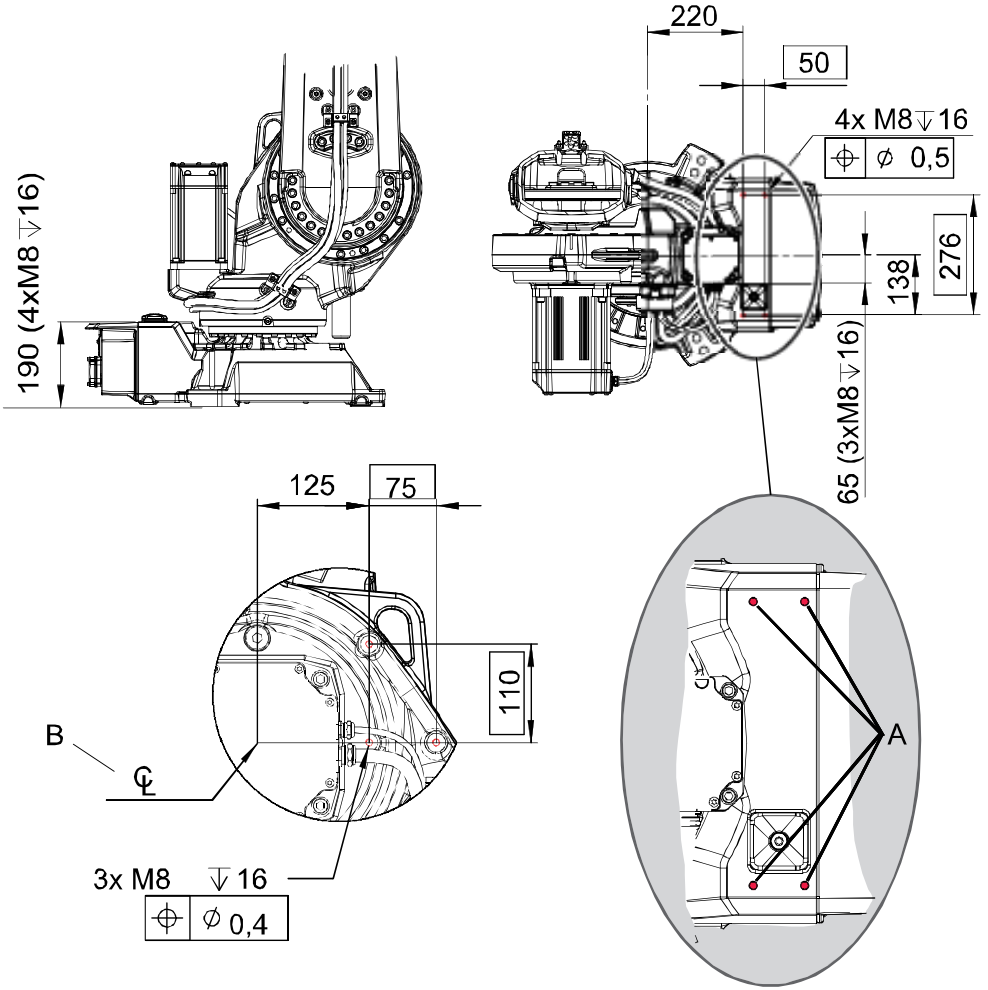
The maximum allowed arm load depends on the center of gravity of the arm load and robot payload. Use RobotLoad in RobotStudio to verify individual load cases.

 **Note**

Maximum load on the frame (area D) must not be exceeded.

Fitting equipment on base and frame

The illustrations show the fitting holes available for fitting extra equipment on the base and frame of the robot.



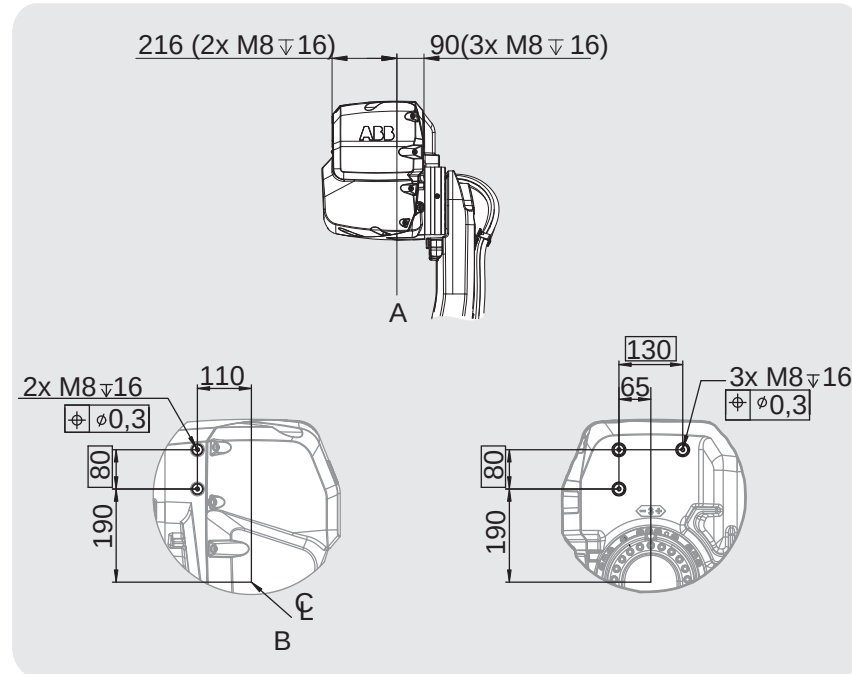
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A	Attachment holes on base
B	Center axis 2

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Fitting equipment on lower and upper arm

The illustrations show the fitting holes available for fitting extra equipment on the lower and upper arm of the robot.



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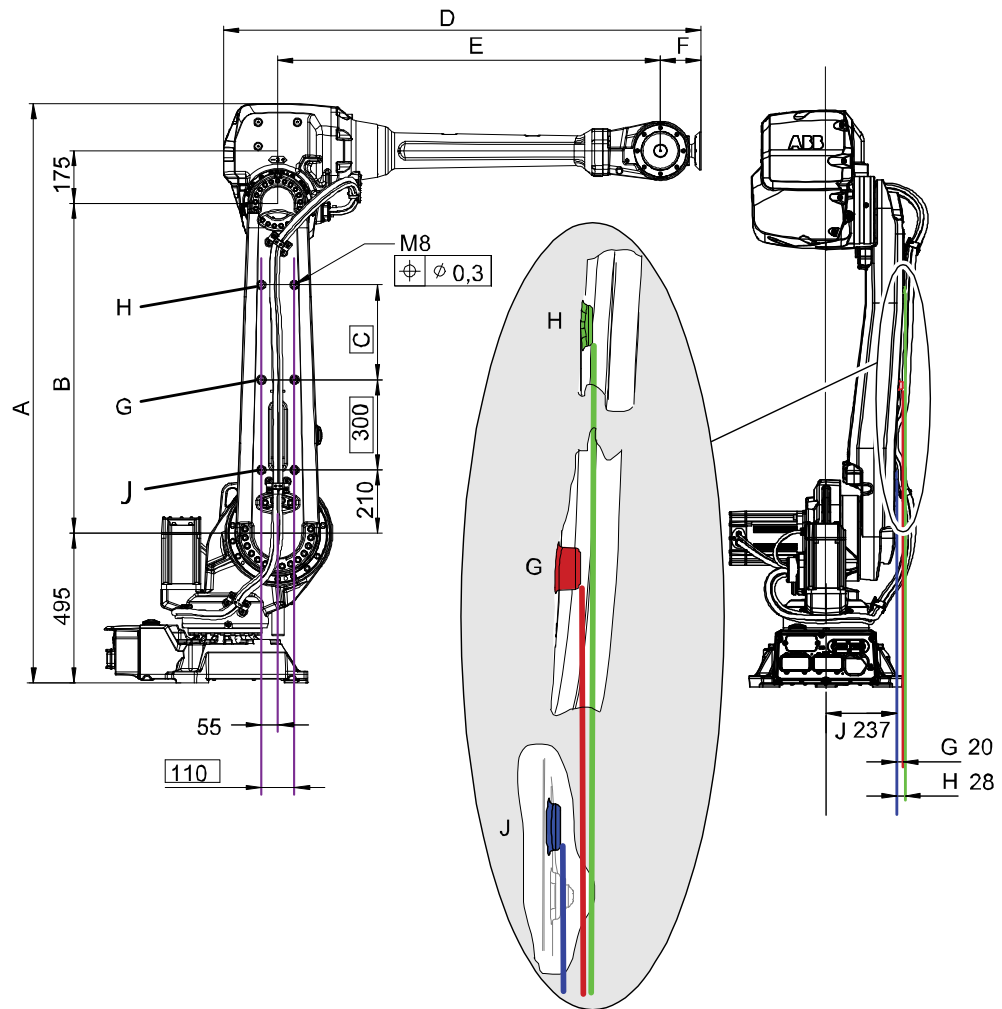
A	Center axis 4
B	Center axis 3

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Variant	A (mm)	B (mm)	C (mm)	D (mm)	E (mm)	F (mm)	G (mm)	H (mm)	J (mm)
60/2.05	1727	900	See note ⁱ	1276	960	135	20	See note ⁱ	237
45/2.05	1727	900	See note ⁱ	1276	960	135	20	See note ⁱ	237
40/2.55	1922	1095	315	1586	1270	135	20	28	237
20/2.50	1922	1095	315	1496.5	1230.5	85	20	28	237

ⁱ Position H and measurement C is only applicable to IRB 4600 - 40/2.55 and IRB 4600 - 20/2.50.
Position H and measurement C is only applicable to IRB 4600 - 40/2.55 and IRB 4600 - 20/2.50.

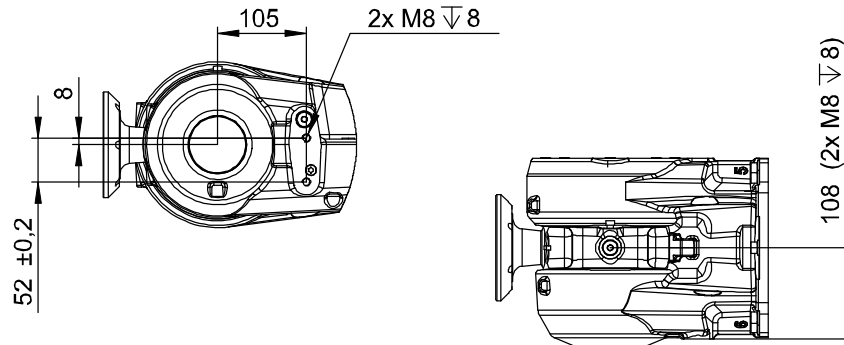
Variant	Attachment screws
60/2.05	4x M8, through
45/2.05	4x M8, through
40/2.55	6x M8, through
20/2.50	6x M8, through

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Fitting equipment on wrist and mounting flange

Extra equipment on wrist, robot versions IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05 and -40/2.55

The illustration shows the fitting holes available for fitting extra equipment on the wrist of the robot.

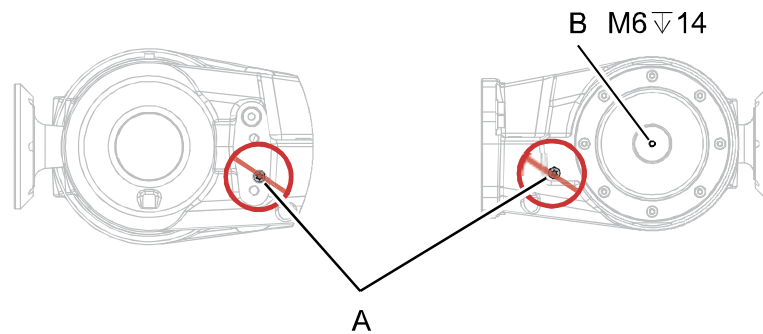


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Note

Do not remove screws indicated in the illustration below!



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A	Screws not to be removed! Do not use these holes for fitting equipment on the wrist!
B	Screw hole intended for swivel fitting.

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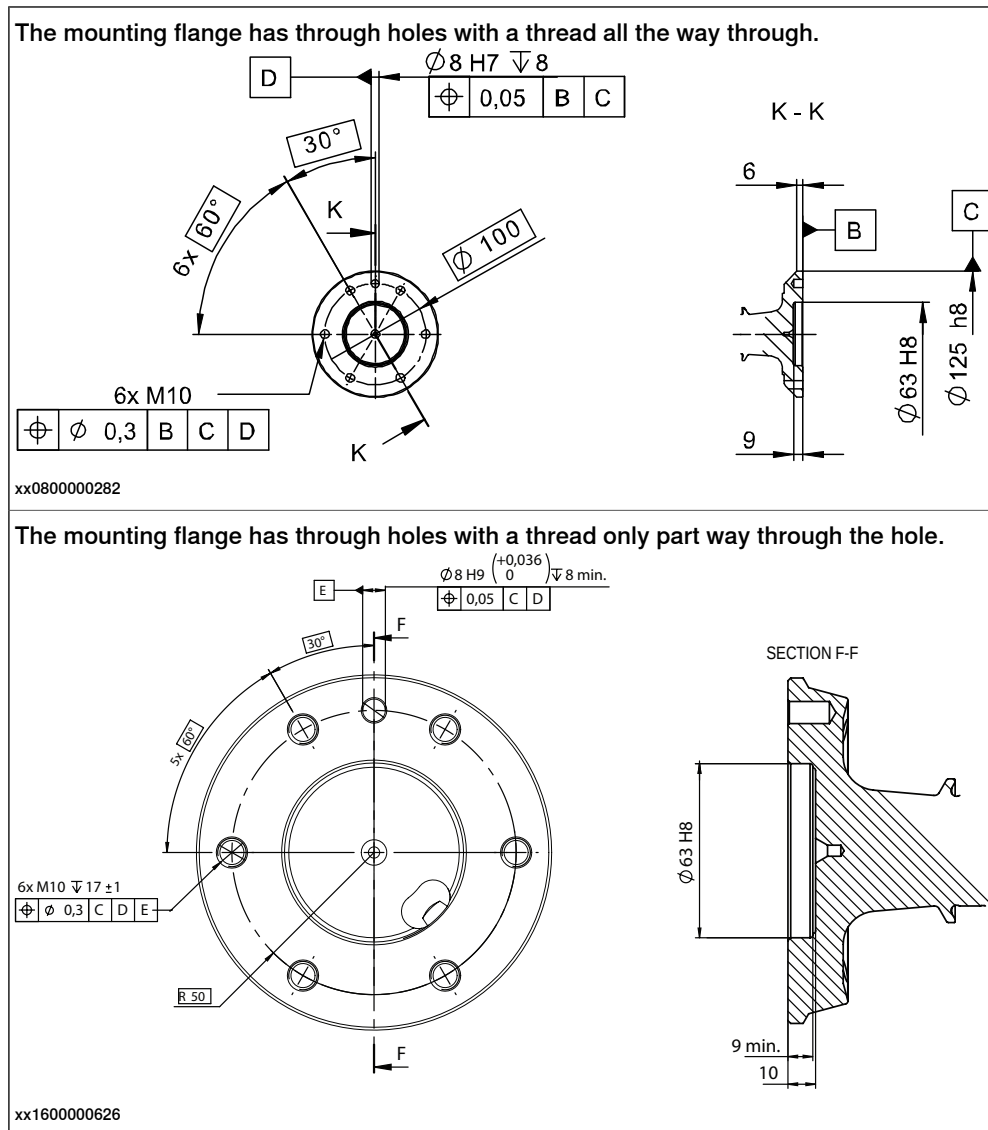
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Extra equipment on mounting flange, robot versions IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05 and -40/2.55

The illustration shows the mechanical interface for the mounting flange.

There are two versions of the mounting flange, differences are shown in the figures.



Note

Use attachment screws M10, quality 12.9 and 15 mm *used* thread length.

Extra equipment on wrist and mounting flange, robot version IRB 4600 -20/2.50

The illustration shows the fitting holes available for fitting extra equipment on the wrist of the robot version IRB 4600 -20/2.50.

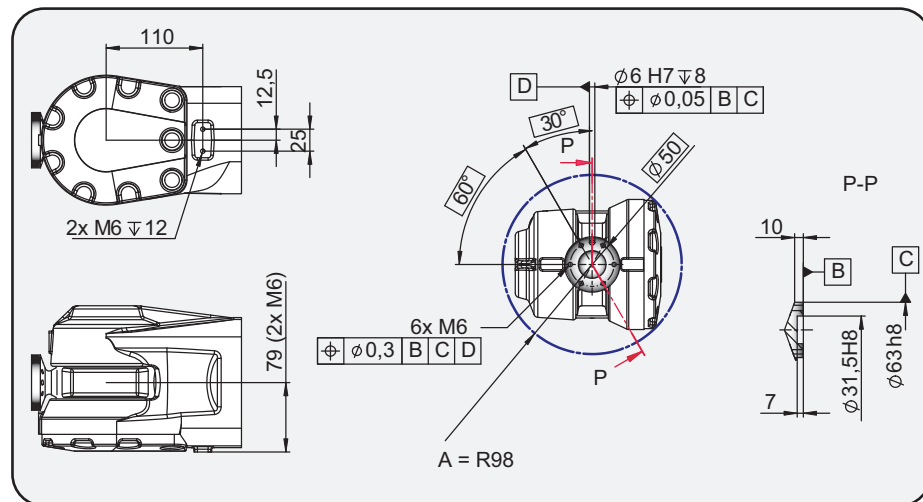
The illustration also shows the mechanical interface for the mounting flange of the robot version IRB 4600 -20/2.50.

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2.3.7 Fitting equipment on robot

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A	Smallest circumscribed radius axis 4
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Note

Use attachment screws M6, quality 12.9 and 10 mm *used* thread length.

Fastener quality

When fitting tools on the tool flange, only use screws with quality 12.9. For other equipment use suitable screws and tightening torque for your application.

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2.3.8 Loads fitted to the robot, stopping time and braking distances

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General

Any loads mounted on the robot must be defined correctly and carefully (with regard to the position of center of gravity and mass moments of inertia) in order to avoid jolting movements and overloading motors, gears and structure.



CAUTION

Incorrectly defined loads may result in operational stops or major damage to the robot.

References

Load diagrams, permitted extra loads (equipment) and their positions are specified in the product specification. The loads must be defined in the software.

- *Operating manual - IRC5 with FlexPendant*
- *Operating manual - OmniCore*

Stopping time and braking distances

The performance of the motor brake depends on if there are any loads attached to the robot. For more information, see product specification listed in [References on page 10](#).

2.3.9 Installation of signal lamp (option)

Signal lamp

See the assembly instruction delivered with the signal lamp.

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2.4.1 Axes with restricted working range

2.4 Restricting the working range

2.4.1 Axes with restricted working range

General

When installing the robot, make sure that it can move freely within its entire working space. If there is a risk that it may collide with other objects, its working space should be limited.

For OmniCore robots, the working range can be also be configured with safe supervision of the working range, see [Safe supervision of working range limitations \(space limiting\) on page 87](#).

The working range of the following axes may be restricted:

- Axis 1, hardware (mechanical stop) and software
- Axis 2, software
- Axis 3, software.

This section describes how to install hardware that restricts the working range.



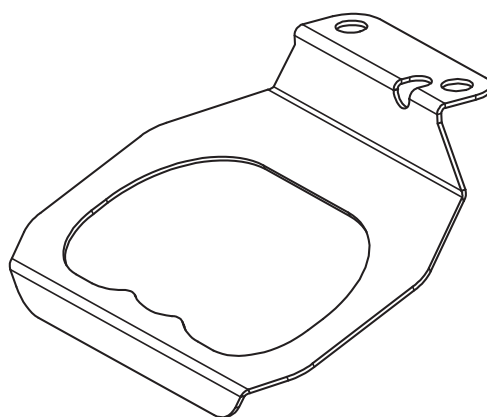
Note

Adjustments must also be made in the robot configuration software (system parameters). References to relevant manuals are included in the installation procedures.



WARNING

Remove the mechanical stop bracket if the robots full working range is from one mechanical stop to another mechanical stop. Otherwise the mechanical stop pin will be worn out.



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2.4.2 Safe supervision of working range limitations (space limiting)

About safe supervision of working range limitations

OmniCore robots with RobotWare 7.19 or later can use safe supervision (space limiting) of the working range limitations instead of mechanical stops. This requires the option *SafeMove Standard+*. The safe supervision can be set on axes 1-3. For robots with either of the MultiMove or additional axis options, all axes can be supervised.

The supervision is configured in Visual SafeMove. More details about Visual SafeMove are available in *Application manual - Functional safety and SafeMove*.



Note

If the robot has SafeMove Premium, then there are more configuration possibilities for the safe ranges and the safe axis positions, see *Application manual - Functional safety and SafeMove*.

Configure the safe axis range

With the option SafeMove Standard+, only one safe range can be configured.

With the option SafeMove Premium or SafeMove Collaborative, set up safe zones instead. See *Application manual - Functional safety and SafeMove*.



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When setting range limits, brake distances must be taken into consideration, so that the SafeMove functions are configured with enough margin. If an axis hits the range limit, the robot starts to brake and needs the brake distance to stop. This occurs outside the allowed range.

Note that if the robot starts accelerating strongly just before reaching a configured range limit, there will occur a speed overshoot before decelerating. This may result in a somewhat increased speed and extended braking distance compared to a smoother speed situation.

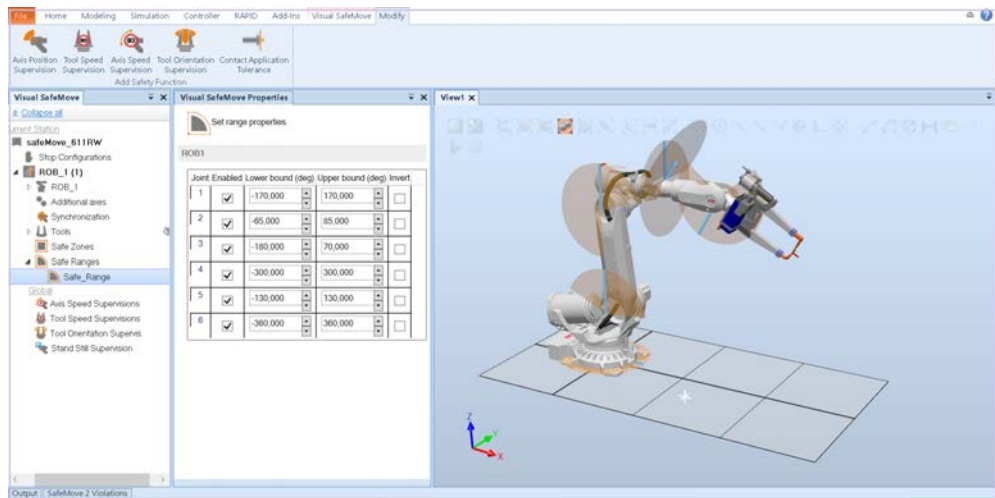
	Action	Note/illustration
1	In the Visual SafeMove ribbon, click on Safe Range .	A range of default size is shown for each axis in the graphics window.
2	Specify Upper bound and Lower bound for each axis.	Brake distances must be taken into consideration.
3	If an axis should be excluded from the safe range, clear the checkbox Enabled for that axis.	
4	To supervise the inverted range for an axis (below Lower bound and above Upper bound) select the checkbox Inverted for that axis.	

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2.4.2 Safe supervision of working range limitations (space limiting)

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Tip

To change the name of a range, right-click on the range in the **Visual SafeMove** browser, select **Rename** and type the desired name.

Configure the safe axis position

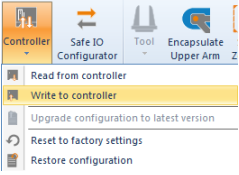
	Action	Note/illustration
1	To configure the safe axis position, right-click the safe range and select Axis Position Supervision.  Note If the robot has either of the MultiMove or additional axis options, then more configuration options are available.	 Set safe axis range properties. Activation Permanently active Function active status No signal Violation action Stop category: Category1Stop Signal: No signal
2	For SafeMove Standard+, the supervision function is permanently active.	
3	In the Violation action part, configure the stop category. Select if violation of the function should stop the robot with stop category 0, stop category 1, or not stop the robot.	For SCARA robot axes without brakes, stop category 1 shall be used. ⁱ

ⁱ See the product specification for the respective manipulator.

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Concluding procedure

The concluding procedure requires that the logged in user has the grant **Safety Services**.

	Action	Note/illustration
1	In the Visual SafeMove ribbon, click on Controller and then select Write to controller .	 xx1500000801
2	A report of the safety configuration is shown. The report can be printed by clicking on Print (it is recommended to print the report since it should be used when validating the configuration). Click OK to close the report.	
3	Answer Yes when asked if you want to restart the controller.	After the restart, the downloaded configuration is active. Before running in auto mode, the configuration should be validated and locked.
4	Deactivate any supervision functions that are signal activated.	
5	Move the robot beyond the working range limit, for example with a move instruction.	The robot will stop when it reaches the limit.
6	Validate the checksum to verify that the right configuration is used. Lock the configuration.	

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2.4.3 Mechanically restricting the working range of axis 1

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Mechanically restricting the working range

The information in this section is valid both for the floor and the suspended mounted robot.

The working range of axis 1 is limited by fixed mechanical stops. The working range can be reduced further by adding movable mechanical stops.

The mechanical turning range can be limited in steps of 22.5° from the synchronization position, between values defined in the table. The values differ depending on which design of the gearbox (and base) the robot is equipped with.

Design of gearbox	Limitation in mechanical turning range, calculated from synchronization position
Type C and Type D	±126° to ±13.5° in steps of 22.5°
other design than Type C and Type D	±129° to ±16.5° in steps of 22.5°



Note

The software working range limitations must be adjusted to correspond to the changes in the mechanical limitations of the working range. The system parameters that must be changed (*Upper joint bound* and *Lower joint bound*) are described in *Technical reference manual - System parameters*.

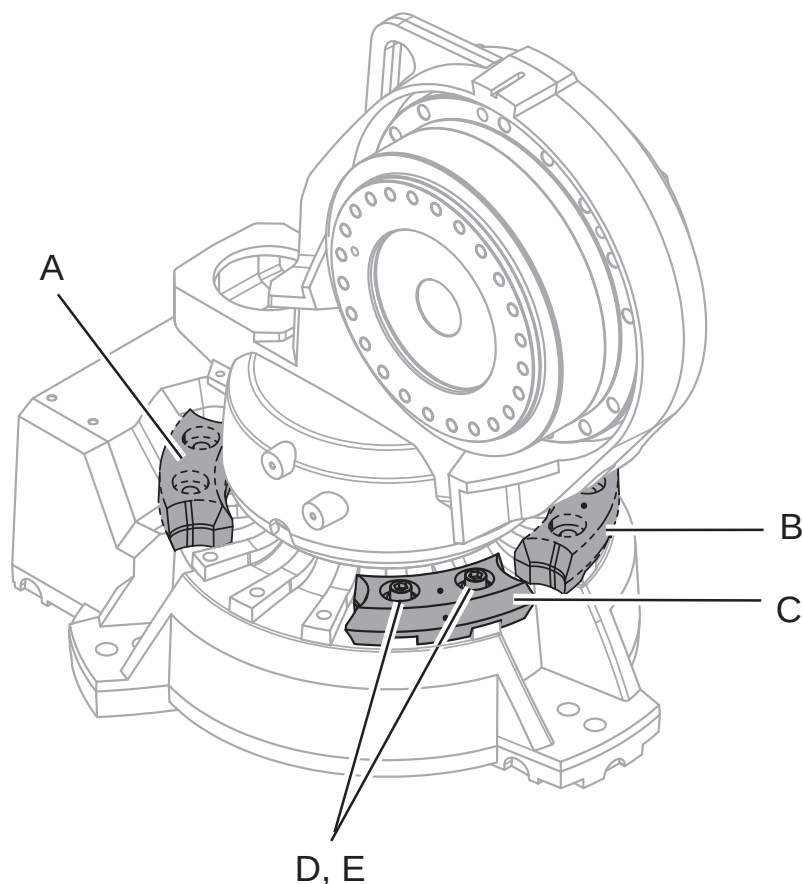
Required equipment

Equipment, etc.	Art. no.	Note
Mechanical stop, axis 1	See Spare part lists on page 447 .	Includes two additional stop lugs, attachment screws, washers and instruction
Attachment screw	See Spare part lists on page 447 .	2 pcs/stop lug Hex socket head cap screw M12x40, quality 8.8-A3F
Washer	See Spare part lists on page 447 .	2 pcs/lug 13x24x2.5
Standard toolkit		Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.

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Additional stops

The additional stops are fitted as shown in the figure.



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A	Movable mechanical stop. Limited to: -126° (Type C and Type D) -129° (other design than Type C and Type D)
B	Movable mechanical stop. Limited to: +13.5° (Type C and Type D) +16.5° (other design than Type C and Type D)
C	Movable mechanical stop. Limited to: -13.5° (Type C and Type D) -16.5° (other design than Type C and Type D)
D	Attachment screws
E	Washers

Fitting, mechanical stop axis 1

How to fit the additional mechanical stop to the base is described in the procedure. Mounting instructions are also supplied with the kit.

	Action	Note
1	Determine the position of the stop lugs.	See the figure Additional stops on page 91 for guidance.

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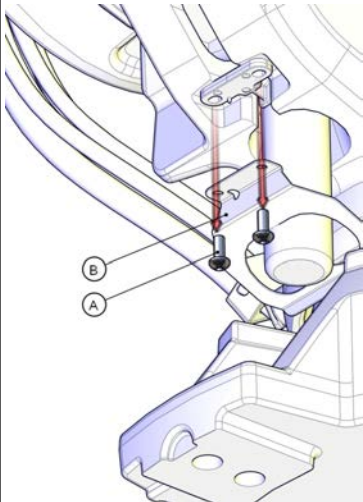
2.4.3 Mechanically restricting the working range of axis 1

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	Action	Note
2	Fit the stop lugs firmly with <i>attachment screws and washers</i> according to the figure <i>Additional stops on page 91</i> .	Specified in <i>Required equipment on page 90</i> . Tightening torque: 82 Nm

Preparing the robot for working range $\pm 180^\circ$

This procedure describes how to prepare the robot for working range $\pm 180^\circ$.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Remove the two screws holding the mechanical stop and the bracket.	 xx1100000091 A Attachment screw B Bracket, stop axis 1
3	Remove the bracket.	
4	Refit the attachment screws.	
5	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See <i>Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226</i> .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

2.5 Installing options

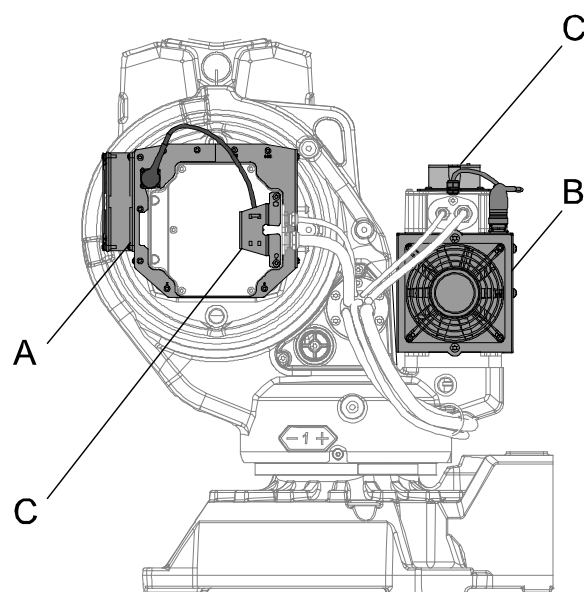
2.5.1 Installation of cooling fan for motors (option)

General

A cooling fan can be installed on motor axis 1 and/or axis 2.

Location of cooling fans

The fans are installed on the motors, axes 1 or 2, as shown in the figure below.



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A	Fan, motor axis 2
B	Fan, motor axis 1
C	Protection cover

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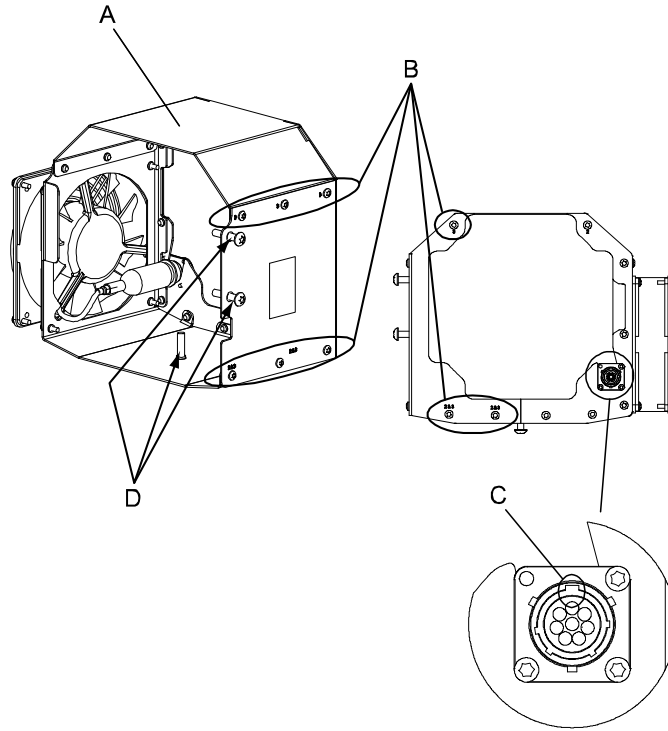
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2.5.1 Installation of cooling fan for motors (option)

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Cooling fan

The details of the cooling fan are shown in the figure below.



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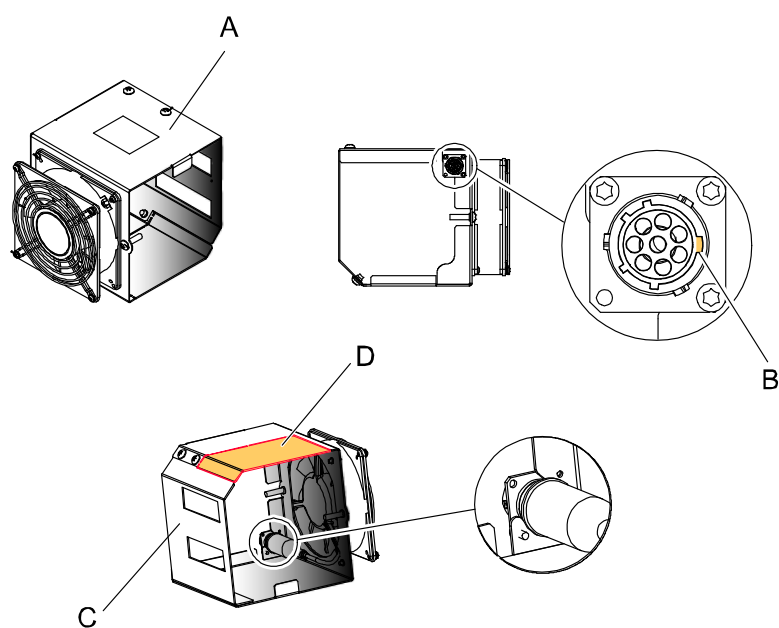
A	Fanbox (motor axis 2)
B	Attachment screws, fanbox plates (9 pcs)
C	Groove in the connector
D	Tightening screws, fanbox (3 pcs)

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2.5.1 Installation of cooling fan for motors (option)

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A	Fanbox (motor axis 1)
B	Groove in the connector
C	Back plate
D	Part of the fanbox that can be removed, if needed.

Required equipment

Equipment	Article number	Note
Cooling fan axis 1, set	-	For Spare part no. see chapter <i>Spare parts</i> , section: Spare part lists on page 447
Cooling fan axis 2, set	-	For Spare part no. see chapter <i>Spare parts</i> , section: Spare part lists on page 447
Additional cabling to the controller	-	Specified in section <i>Fan cables (option)</i> on page 109 .
Locking liquid	-	Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243) Used for the three tightening screws.
Standard toolkit	-	Content is defined in section <i>Standard tools</i> on page 442 .
Circuit diagram	-	See chapter <i>Circuit diagram</i> on page 449 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.

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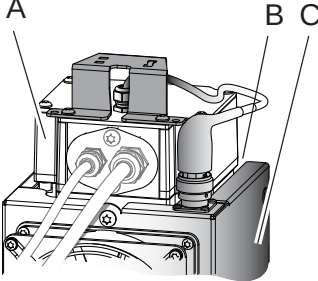
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2.5.1 Installation of cooling fan for motors (option)

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Installation, fan on motor axis 1

Use this procedure to install the cooling fan on motor axis 1.

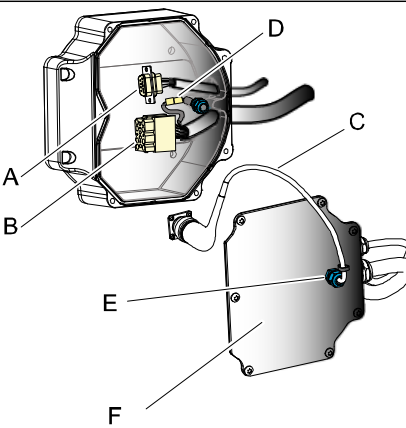
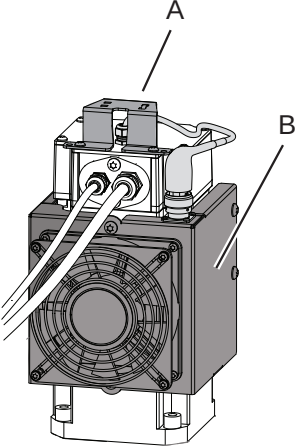
	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply to the robot • hydraulic pressure supply to the robot • air pressure supply to the robot Before entering the robot working area.	
2	Remove the back plate of the fanbox.	See the figure in: • Cooling fan on page 94
3	Place the fanbox around motor axis 1.	See the figure in: • Cooling fan on page 94
4	Refit the back plate of the fanbox.	
5	 Tip If there is a lack of space between motor and robot, it is possible to remove part of the fanbox.	See the figure in: • Cooling fan on page 94
6	Push the fanbox in line with the connection box.	Align the upper part of the fan with the lower part of the connection box.  xx1000000124 Parts: • A: Connection box • B: Position where the fan shall be aligned with connection box • C: Fan
7	Fit the fanbox with two attachment screws M6x25.	

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2.5.1 Installation of cooling fan for motors (option)

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	Action	Note
8	Connect the fan connector to motor and fan.	 xx0900000405 Parts: • A: Connector, signal • B: Connector, power • C: Fan cable • D: Connector, fan • E: Cable gland • F: Motor cover, with fan cable
9	After fitting the motor cover, fit the protection cover using two attachment screws for the motor cover.	 xx0900000406 Parts: • A: Protection cover • B: Fan
10	Secure the fan cable to the protection cover with a cable strap.	

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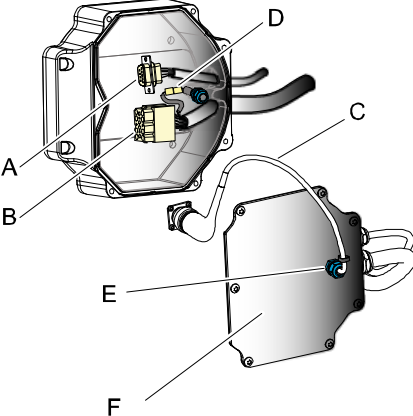
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Installation, fan on motor axis 2

Use this procedure to install the cooling fan on motor axis 2.

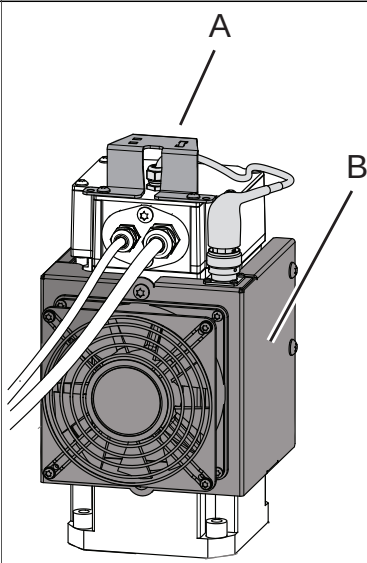
	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply to the robot • hydraulic pressure supply to the robot • air pressure supply to the robot Before entering the robot working area.	
2	Remove the back plate of the fanbox.	See the figure in: • Cooling fan on page 94
3	Place the fanbox around motor axis 1.	
4	Refit the back plate of the fanbox.	See the figure in: • Cooling fan on page 94
5	Fit the fanbox with two attachment screws M6x30.	
6	Connect the fan connector to motor and fan.	 xx0900000405 Parts: • A: Connector, signal • B: Connector, power • C: Fan cable • D: Connector, fan • E: Cable gland • F: Motor cover, with fan cable

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2.5.1 Installation of cooling fan for motors (option)

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	Action	Note
7	After fitting the motor cover, fit the <i>protection cover</i> using two attachment screws for the motor cover.	 xx0900000406 Parts: • A: Protection cover • B: Fan

Adjustments in RobotWare

	Action	Note
1	Modify the settings in RobotWare to include the cooling fans.	RobotWare 5: modify the option information in System Builder (RobotStudio). Read more about modifying the system in <i>Operating manual - RobotStudio</i>. RobotWare 6: modify the option information using the Installation Manager function (RobotStudio). Read more about modifying the system in <i>Operating manual - RobotStudio</i>.

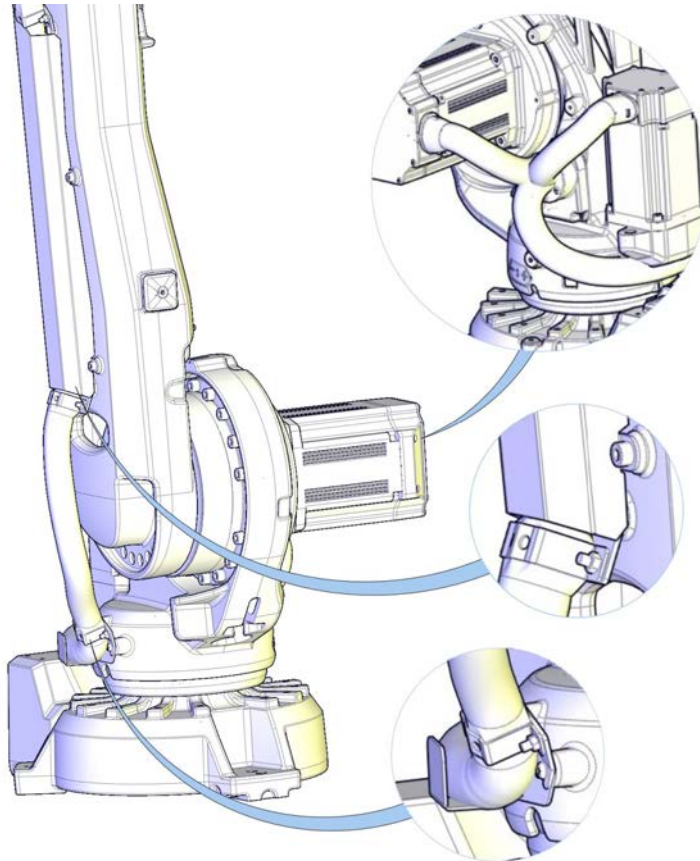
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2.5.2 Installation of Foundry Plus Cable guard (option)

2.5.2 Installation of Foundry Plus Cable guard (option)

Introduction

Separate instructions for IRB 2600, 4600, 6620, 6640, 6650S, 6660 and 7600 are available in English, German, French, Spanish, and Italian and can be found for registered users on ABB Robotics One (<https://one.robotics.abb.com/en/knowledge-hub>) and delivered with the Cable guard, article number 3HAC035933-001.



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2.5.3 Installing an expansion container

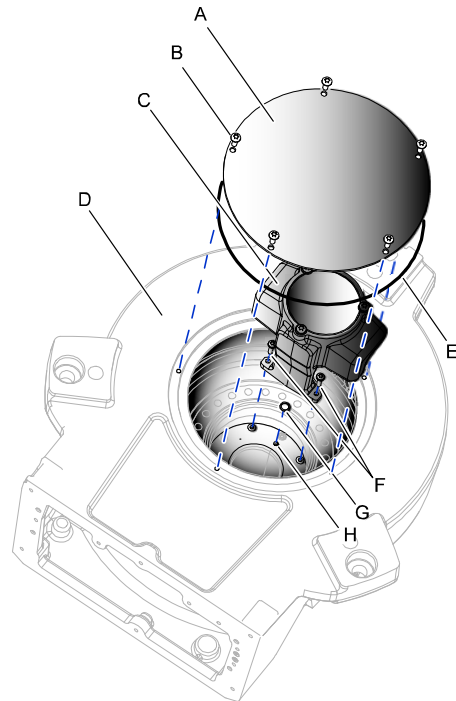
Validity of this section

This section is only valid for other design than Type C and Type D.

Introduction to the expansion container

The expansion container is needed on suspended robots (other design than Type C and Type D) to make sure that the amount of oil in gearbox axis 1 covers all important parts. Robots ordered as suspended robots have the expansion container installed on delivery. If a manipulator delivered for floor mounting is planned to be mounted in suspended position, an expansion container must be installed.

Expansion container



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A	Cover
B	Attachment screw M6x16, quality 8.8-A2F (5 pcs)
C	Oil expansion container with cover
D	Base
E	O-ring D220x5
F	Attachment screw M5x20, quality 8.8-A2F and washer (2+2 pcs)
G	O-ring D1=9.5 D2=1.6
H	Oil plug (to be removed)

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2.5.3 Installing an expansion container

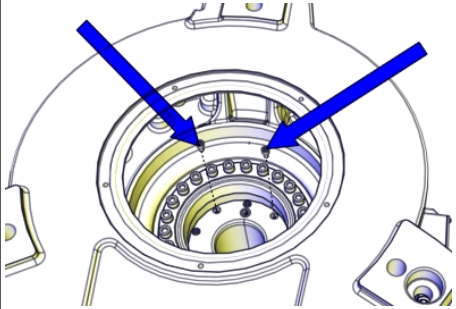
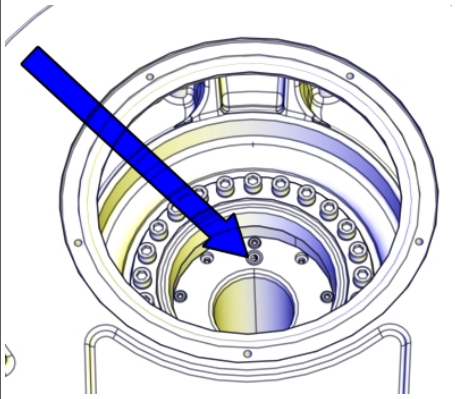
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Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Expansion container	Kit including oil. See spare part manual for spare part number.
Lifting accessory	3HAC034766-001
Lifting instruction	Included with the lifting accessory.
Grease	-
Locking liquid	- Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243)
O-ring for base cover	Replace if damaged.

Installing an expansion container

Use this procedure to install the expansion container.

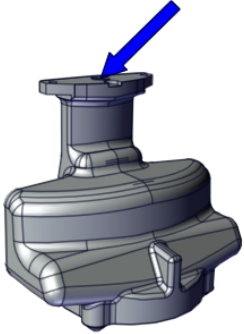
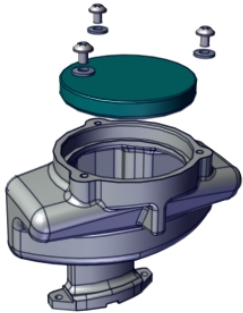
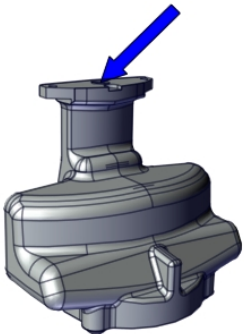
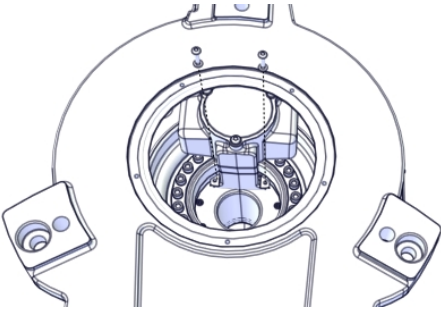
	Action	Info
1	Lift the robot using the lifting accessory and place it in suspended position with the base free for installation work.	See Lifting and turning a suspended mounted robot on page 64 .
2	Remove the <i>cover</i> and the <i>o-ring</i> from the <i>base</i> .	
3	Remove two existing <i>attachment screws</i> as shown in the figure.	 xx1500001958 The screws must be replaced with longer screws.
4	Remove the <i>oil plug</i> from the base.	 xx1900001818

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2.5.3 Installing an expansion container

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Action	Info
5 Fit a <i>plastic plug</i> in the expansion container drain hole.	 xx1500001956
6 Fill the expansion container with oil.	Oil volume: 0.4 l
7 Apply locking liquid to the three screw holes in the expansion container. Knock in the <i>VK-cover</i> with a rubber mallet. Secure with three screws and washers.	Locking liquid: Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243) Screws: M6x8 (3 pcs).  xx1500001957
8 Remove the <i>plastic plug</i>.	 xx1500001956
9 Apply some grease on the small <i>o-ring</i> and place it in the recess on the expansion container.	
10 Place the <i>expansion container</i> in the base and place it so the drain holes match.  Tip Turn and install the container quickly to avoid oil spill.	 xx1500001959
11 Secure the expansion container with the <i>attachment screws</i> and <i>washers</i>. Wipe off any oil residuals before continuing.	

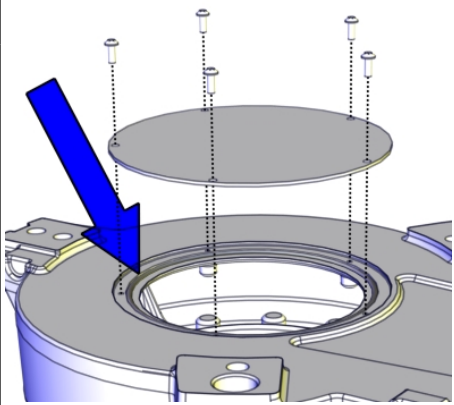
Tightening torque 6 Nm.

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2.5.3 Installing an expansion container

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Action	Info
12 Check the <i>o-ring</i> used on the cover. Replace it if damaged.	 xx1900001819
13 Refit the <i>cover</i> on the base with its <i>attachment screws</i> .	
14 Turn the robot so it is not suspended.	
15 Turn the robot to suspended position.	
16 Inspect the oil level.	See procedure for suspended robot, Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox on page 123 .

2.6 Robot in hot environments

2.6.1 Start of robot in hot environments

Introduction

This procedure describes how to start the robot in a hot environment. This procedure must be performed the first time the robot is started in a hot environment or if it has not been used for some time in a hot environment.

There is a possibility that some overpressure has been built up in the system. This overpressure must be released before starting up the robot.

Releasing overpressure in gearboxes

Use this procedure before the start of the robot in a hot environment to release potential overpressure being built up in gearboxes.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 CAUTION Components may be hot.	
3	 Note Before opening the oil plug, make certain that the oil plug is above the oil level. Place the robot accordingly.	
4	Open oil plug filling <i>very carefully!</i>  Note Open the oil plug just enough for the overpressure to be released.	 Tip Hold a cloth or some paper over the oil plug while opening it to prevent surplus oil causing burns or other injuries.
5	Let the overpressure leave the gearbox.	
6	Refit the oil plug.	
7	Continue releasing the overpressure on all gearboxes.	

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2.7.1 Start of robot in cold environments

2.7 Robot in cold environments

2.7.1 Start of robot in cold environments

Introduction

This section describes how to start the robot in a cold environment if it is not starting the normal way.

Problems with starting the robot

Event message from Motion Supervision

Use this procedure if an event message indicates a problem with Motion supervision at start-up. More information about Motion Supervision is found in *Technical reference manual - System parameters*.

	Action	Note
1	Turn off Motion Supervision.	
2	Start the robot.	
3	When the robot has reached normal working temperature, the Motion Supervision can be turned on again.	

Robot stopping with other event message

Use this procedure if the robot is not starting.

	Action	Note
1	Start the robot with its normal program but with reduced speed.	The speed can be regulated with the RAPID instruction VelSet.

Adjusting the speed and acceleration during warm-up

Depending on how cold the environment is and what program is being used, the speed might need to be ramped up until reached maximum. The table shows examples of how to adjust the speed:

Work cycles	AccSet	Speed/velocity
3 Work cycles	20, 20	v100 (100 mm/s)
5 Work cycles	40, 40	v400 (400 mm/s)
5 Work cycles	60, 60	v600 (600 mm/s)
5 Work cycles	100, 100	v1000 (1000 mm/s)
More than 5 Work cycles	100, 100	Max.

If the program consists of large wrist movements, it is possible that the reorientation velocity, which is always high in predefined velocities, needs to be included in the ramping up.

2.8 Electrical connections

2.8.1 Robot cabling and connection points

Introduction

Connect the robot and controller to each other after securing them to the foundation. The lists below specify which cables to use for each respective application.



DANGER

Turn off the main power before connecting any cables.



CAUTION

Connect the male and female connectors perfectly aligned horizontally to avoid any kind of tilt or skew.



CAUTION

Verify that the serial number is according to the number(s) in the *Declaration of Incorporation (DoI)*.

Main cable categories

All cables between the robot and controller are divided into the following categories:

Cable category	Description
Robot cables	Handles power supply to and control of the robot's motors as well as feedback from the serial measurement board. Specified in the table Robot cables on page 108 .
Fan cables (option)	Handles supply to and feedback from any cooling fan on the robot. Specified in the table Fan cables (option) on page 109 .
Customer cables (option)	Handles communication with equipment fitted on the robot by the customer, low voltage signals and high voltage power supply + protective ground. The customer cables also handle databus communication. See the product manual for the controller, see document number in References on page 10 .
External axes cables (option)	Handles power supply to and control of the external axes' motors as well as feedback from the servo system. See <i>Application manual - Additional axes and standalone controller (IRC5)</i> or <i>Application manual - Additional axes (OmniCore)</i> , document number in References on page 10 .

Protective conductor (PE) is included in the power cable, see circuit diagrams.

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2.8.1 Robot cabling and connection points

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Robot cables

These cables are included in the standard delivery. They are completely pre-manufactured and ready to plug in.

Cable sub-category	Description	Connection point, cabinet	Connection point, robot
Robot cable, power	Transfers drive power from the drive units in the control cabinet to the robot motors.	XS1 (IRC5 controllers) X1 (OmniCore controllers)	R1.MP
Robot cable, signals	Transfers resolver data from and power supply to the serial measurement board.	XS2 (IRC5 controllers) X2 (OmniCore controllers)	R1.SMB

Robot cable, power

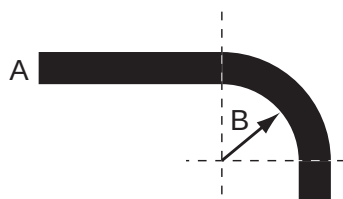
Cable	Art. no.
Robot cable, power: 7 m	3HAC026787-001
Robot cable, power: 15 m	3HAC026787-002
Robot cable, power: 22 m	3HAC026787-003
Robot cable, power: 30 m	3HAC026787-004

Robot cable, signals

Cable	Art. no.
Robot cable signal, shielded: 7 m	3HAC068917-001
Robot cable signal, shielded: 15 m	3HAC068918-001
Robot cable signal, shielded: 22 m	3HAC068919-001
Robot cable signal, shielded: 30 m	3HAC068920-001

Bending radius for static floor cables

The minimum bending radius is 10 times the cable diameter for static floor cables.



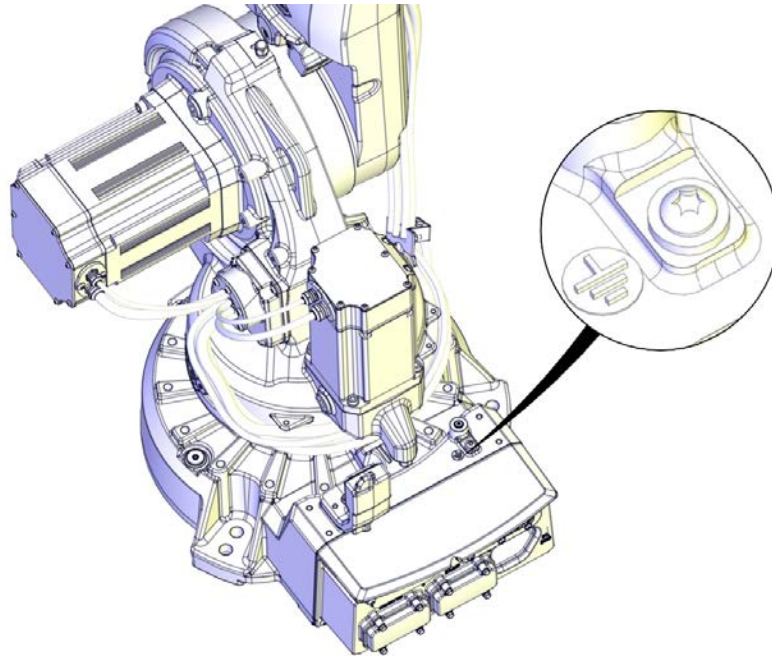
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A	Diameter
B	Diameter x10

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Grounding and bonding point on manipulator

There is a grounding/bonding point on the manipulator base. The grounding/bonding point is used for potential equalizing between control cabinet, manipulator and any peripheral devices.



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Fan cables (option)

These cables are only included in the delivery if the fan option is ordered. The cables are completely pre-manufactured and ready to plug in.

Cabling to be installed on the robot is specified in section [Installation of cooling fan for motors \(option\) on page 93](#).

Cabling between robot base and control cabinet, cooling fans

The following cables are used when the robot is equipped with cooling fans. The cabling for the cooling fans run from the robot base to the controller cabinet, and connecting inside with a distribution cable. For instructions on how to connect the distribution cable inside the controller, see the product manual for the robot controller.

Fans can also be ordered without cables.

If cooling fans are added to an existing installation, use the cabling specified below.

Cable	Art. no.	Connection point
Harness - cooling, 7 m	3HAC022723-001	Distributing cable: R1.FAN.SW2/3 Inside cabinet: A43.X10 and A43.X11 (IRC5) Inside cabinet: A43.X10/A43.X11 - A2.X23 (OmniCore)

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2.8.1 Robot cabling and connection points

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Cable	Art. no.	Connection point
Harness - cooling, 15 m	3HAC022723-004	Distributing cable: R1.FAN.SW2/3 Inside cabinet: A43.X10 and A43.X11 (IRC5) Inside cabinet: A43.X10/A43.X11 - A2.X23 (OmniCore)
Harness - cooling, 22 m	3HAC022723-005	Distributing cable: R1.FAN.SW2/3 Inside cabinet: A43.X10 and A43.X11 (IRC5) Inside cabinet: A43.X10/A43.X11 - A2.X23 (OmniCore)
Harness - cooling, 30 m	3HAC022723-006	Distributing cable: R1.FAN.SW2/3 Inside cabinet: A43.X10 and A43.X11 (IRC5) Inside cabinet: A43.X10/A43.X11 - A2.X23 (OmniCore)

2.8.2 Customer connection on robot

Location of customer connection

For the connection of extra equipment to the robot, cables and air hose are integrated into the robot's cabling, and there can be two UTOW71210SH06 and one UTOW71626SH06 connector on the front part of the upper arm.



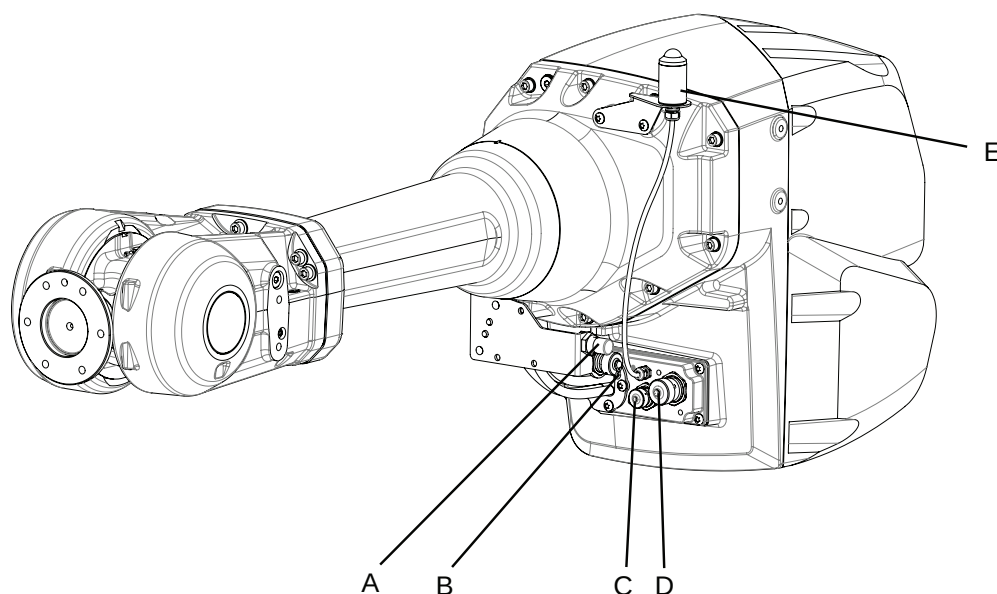
Note

The maximum leakage current for attached equipment must not exceed 10mA.

The customer connections are located on the robot as shown in the figure.

Customer connections on upper arm with signal lamp

The figure shows the customer connections on the upper arm, including the optional signal lamp that can be fitted to the arm house.



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A	R2.PROC1 Air M16x1.5 (24° cone sealing)
B	R2.ETHERNET ⁱ
C	R2.CP or R2.CBUS
D	R2.CS or R2.CP/CS
E	Signal lamp
-	R3.H1 +, R3.H2 - (inside the arm house, not shown in figure)

ⁱ Use a straight ethernet connector. Using an angled connector causes a collision risk with R2.CP, R2.CBUS, R2.CS or R2.CP/CS.

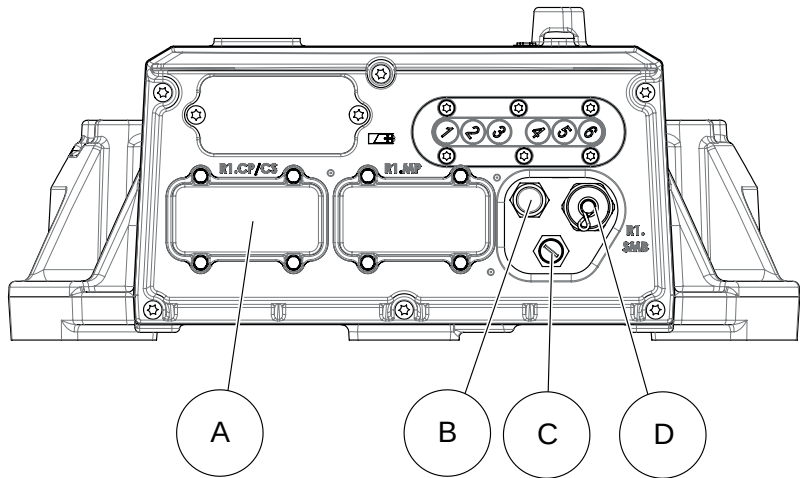
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2.8.2 Customer connection on robot

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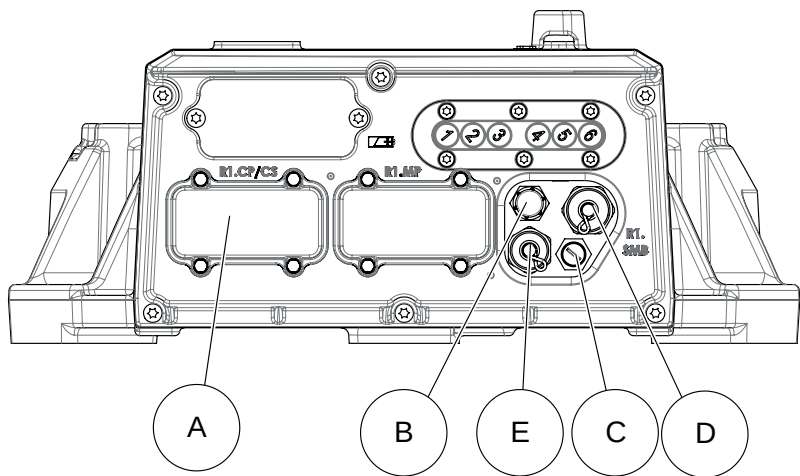
Customer connections base



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A	R1.CP/CS
B	R1.PROC1 (Air M16x1.5)
C	R1.ETHERNET
D	R1.SMB

Customer connections base with 7th axis



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A	R1.CP/CS
B	R1.PROC1 (Air M16x1.5)
C	R1.ETHERNET
D	R1.SMB
E	R2.FB7

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Extra equipment connections

Connections to the:

- air hose (3/8") is located on the front part of the upper arm and at the base.
Max. 8 bar. Inner diameter of the air hose: 9.5 mm.

Number of signals, customer connections option Parallel&Air:

- 23 (50V, 0.5A)
- 9 (300V, 2A). 8 are double crimped in R1.CP/CS and 1 is only accessible in the robot base.
- 1 protective ground

Number of signals, customer connections option Ethernet, Parallel&Air and DeviceNet, Parallel&Air :

- 8 (50V, 0.5A)
- 3 (300V, 2A)
- 2 DeviceNet
- 4 EtherNet
- 1 protective ground

Number of signals, customer connections option Profibus, Parallel&Air (IRC5):

- 8 (50V, 0.5A)
- 2 (300V, 2A)
- 2 Profibus
- 1 protective ground

Connection sets

To connect power and signal conductors to the robot base/upper arm connectors, the following parts are recommended.

Connection set	Connector	Art. no.	Content
PROC1 on base	R1.CP/CS	3HAC16667-1	• Sockets for cable area of 0.14-2.5 mm² • Hood foundry • Hinged frame, hood • Multicontact-module, female
Connector set on base	R1.ETHER-NET	3HAC033181-001	• Hose coupling • M12 connector, male
R2.CP/R2.CS	R2.CP/R2.CS	3HAC025396-001	• Pins for cable area 0.21 - 0.93 mm² • Bottle shaped shrinking hose • Angle shaped shrinking hose • Hose coupling
Connector set upper arm	R2.ETHER-NET	3HAC070439-001	• Pins for cable area 0.21 - 0.93 mm² • Bottle shaped shrinking hose • Angle shaped shrinking hose

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2.8.2 Customer connection on robot

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Power supply connections on the robot

Signal name	Customer Terminal Controller	Customer Contact on Upper arm, R2	Customer Contact on robot base (cable between robot and controller not supplied)
CPA	XP6.1	R2.CP.A	R1.CP/CS.d1
CPB	XP6.2	R2.CP.B	R1.CP/CS.d6
CPC	XP6.3	R2.CP.C	R1.CP/CS.d3
CPD	XP6.4	R2.CP.D	R1.CP/CS.d4
CPE	XP6.1	R2.CP.E	R1.CP/CS.d1
CPF	XP6.2	R2.CP.F	R1.CP/CS.d6
CPG	-	R2.CP.G (Earth)	-
CPH	-	R2.CP.H	R1.CP/CS.d7
CPJ	XP6.3	R2.CP.J	R1.CP/CS.d3
CPK	XP6.4	R2.CP.K	R1.CP/CS.d4

Signal connection on the robot

Signal name	Customer Terminal Controller	Customer Contact on Upper arm, R2	Customer Contact on robot base (cable between robot and controller not supplied)
CSA	XP5.1.1	R2.CS.A	R1.CP/CS.b1
CSB	XP5.1.2	R2.CS.B	R1.CP/CS.b2
CSC	XP5.2.1	R2.CS.C	R1.CP/CS.b3
CSD	XP5.2.2	R2.CS.D	R1.CP/CS.b4
CSE	XP5.2.3	R2.CS.E	R1.CP/CS.b5
CSF	XP5.2.4	R2.CS.F	R1.CP/CS.b6
CSG	XP5.1.9	R2.CS.G	R1.CP/CS.b7
CSH	XP5.1.10	R2.CS.H	R1.CP/CS.b8
CSJ	XP5.1.11	R2.CS.J	R1.CP/CS.b9
CSK	XP5.1.12	R2.CS.K	R1.CP/CS.b10
CSL	XP5.1.3	R2.CS.L	R1.CP/CS.b11
CSM	XP5.1.4	R2.CS.M	R1.CP/CS.b12
CSN	XP5.1.5	R2.CS.N	R1.CP/CS.b13
CSP	XP5.1.6	R2.CS.P	R1.CP/CS.b14
CSR	XP5.3.1	R2.CS.R	R1.CP/CS.b15
CSS	XP5.3.2	R2.CS.S	R1.CP/CS.b16
CST	XP5.3.3	R2.CS.T	R1.CP/CS.b18
CSU	XP5.3.4	R2.CS.U	R1.CP/CS.b19
CSV	XP5.3.5	R2.CS.V	R1.CP/CS.b20
CSW	XP5.3.6	R2.CS.W	R1.CP/CS.b21
CSX	XP5.2.9	R2.CS.X	R1.CP/CS.b22

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2.8.2 Customer connection on robot

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Signal name	Customer Terminal Controller	Customer Contact on Upper arm, R2	Customer Contact on robot base (cable between robot and controller not supplied)
CSY	XP5.2.10	R2.CS.Y	R1.CP/CS.b23
CSZ	XP5.2.11	R2.CS.Z	R1.CP/CS.b24

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2.9 Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair

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Safe handling

Use the following procedure after installation, maintenance, or repair, before initiating motion.



DANGER

Initiating motion without fulfilling the following aspects, may increase the risk for injury or cause damage to the robot.

	Action
1	Remove all tools and foreign objects from the robot and its working area.
2	Verify that the robot is properly secured to its position by all screws, before it is powered up.
3	Verify that any safety equipment installed to secure the position or restrict the robot motion during service activity is removed.
4	Verify that the fixture and work piece are well secured, if applicable.
5	Verify that all safety equipment is installed, as designed for the application.
6	Verify that no personnel are inside the safeguarded space.
7	If maintenance or repair has been done, verify the function of the part that was maintained.
8	Verify the application in the operating mode manual reduced speed.
9	Clearly label the manipulator and its matching controller. Verify that the manipulator is properly connected to its controller, then perform a jog test to confirm it is the intended manipulator to be moved.

Collision risks



CAUTION

When programming the movements of the robot, always identify potential collision risks before initiating motion.

Mechanical stops will not always stop the movements of the robot completely.



CAUTION

Special care must be taken when restarting a robot that is stopped due to a collision. The robot might make a limited movement when restarted.

The revolution counters might need to be updated after a collision to ensure path accuracy.

3 Maintenance

3.1 Introduction

Structure of this chapter

This chapter describes all the maintenance activities recommended for the IRB 4600.

It is based on the maintenance schedule found at the beginning of the chapter. The schedule contains information about required maintenance activities including intervals, and refers to procedures for the activities.

Each procedure contains all the information required to perform the activity, including required tools and materials.

The procedures are gathered in different sections and divided according to the maintenance activity.

Safety information

Observe all safety information before conducting any maintenance work.

There are general safety aspects that must be read through, as well as more specific safety information that describes the danger and safety risks when performing the procedures. Read the chapter [Safety on page 23](#) before performing any maintenance work.

The maintenance must be done by qualified personnel in accordance with the safety requirements set forth in the applicable national and regional standards and regulations.



WARNING

If the IRB 4600 is connected to power, always make sure that the controller and IRB 4600 are connected to protective earth and a residual current device (RCD) before starting any maintenance work.

For more information see:

- *Product manual - OmniCore V250XT Type A*
- *Product manual - OmniCore V250XT Type B*
- *Product manual - OmniCore V400XT*
- *Product manual - IRC5*
- *Product manual - IRC5 Panel Mounted Controller*
- [Robot cabling and connection points on page 107](#).

Moving the robot out of Clean Room working spaces before service activities

The robots must be moved out of the Clean Room working spaces before proceeding with the maintenance and repair works.

During the working space layout planning, reserve sufficient space to ensure that the robot can be moved in and out of the Clean Room working spaces smoothly.

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3.1 Introduction

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The minimum space required for the equipment or device that are used to move or lift the robot should also be considered.

3.2 Maintenance schedule

3.2.1 Specification of maintenance intervals

Introduction

The intervals are specified in different ways depending on the type of maintenance activity to be carried out and the working conditions of the IRB 4600:

- Calendar time: specified in months regardless of whether the system is running or not.
- Operating time: specified in operating hours. More frequent running means more frequent maintenance activities.
- SIS: specified by the robot's SIS (Service Information System). A typical value is given for a typical work cycle, but the value will differ depending on how hard each part is run.

The SIS used in M2004 is further described in the *Operating manual - Service Information System (IRC5)* or *Operating manual - OmniCore*.

The SIS used in OmniCore is further described in the *Operating manual - OmniCore*.

Robots with the functionality *Service Information System* activated can show active counters in the device browser in RobotStudio, or on the FlexPendant.

Overhaul

Depending on application and operational environment a complete overhaul may be necessary in average around 40000 hours.

ABB Connected Services and its Assessment tools can help you to identify the real stress level of your robot, and define the optimal ABB support to maintain your robot working.

Contact your local ABB Customer Service to get more information.

3 Maintenance

3.2.2 Maintenance schedule

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General

The robot must be maintained regularly to ensure proper function. The maintenance activities and intervals are specified in the following table.

Non-predictable situations also give rise to inspections of the robot. Any damage must be attended to immediately.

The inspection intervals *do not* specify the life of each component. Values for these are specified in the section [Expected component life on page 122](#)

Instructions for how to perform the different maintenance activities are found in sections:

- [Inspection activities on page 123](#)
- [Replacement activities on page 164](#)
- [Cleaning activities on page 206](#)

Activities and intervals, standard equipment

The following table specifies the required maintenance activities and intervals.

Maintenance activity	Equipment	Interval
Cleaning	Robot	Cleaning the IRB 4600 on page 206
Inspection	Oil level in axis-1 gearbox	Every 12 months.
Inspection	Oil level in axis-2 gearbox	Every 12 months.
Inspection	Oil level in axis-3 gearbox	Every 12 months.
Inspection	Oil level in axis-4 gearbox	Every 12 months.
Inspection	Oil level in axis-5-6 gearbox	Every 12 months.
Inspection	Robot paint	Regularly. Inspection of robot paint on page 163
Inspection	Robot harness	Every 12 months ⁱ . Regularly ⁱⁱ
Inspection	Information labels	Every 12 months.
Inspection	Dampers	Every 12 months.
Inspection	Pressure relief valve	Every 12 months ⁱⁱⁱ .
Inspection	Mechanical stop	Every 12 months.
Change	Oil in axis-1 gearbox	First change when DTC ^{iv} reads: • 6,000 hours Second change when DTC ^{iv} reads: • 24,000 hours Following changes: • Every 24,000 hours.
Change	Oil in axis-2 gearbox	First change when DTC ^{iv} reads: • 6,000 hours Second change when DTC ^{iv} reads: • 24,000 hours Following changes: • Every 24,000 hours.

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Maintenance activity	Equipment	Interval
Change		First change when DTC ^{iv} reads: • 6,000 hours Second change when DTC ^{iv} reads: • 24,000 hours Following changes: • Every 24,000 hours.
Change	Oil in axis-4 gearbox	No change needed.
Change	Oil in axis-5-6 gearbox	First change when DTC ^{iv} reads: • 6,000 hours Second change when DTC ^{iv} reads: • 24,000 hours Following changes: • Every 24,000 hours.
Overhaul	Robot	Every: • 40,000 hours .
Replacement	Battery pack, measurement system of type RMU101 or RMU102 (3-pole battery contact)	36 months or battery low alert ^v
Replacement	Battery pack, measurement system with 2-pole battery contact, e.g. DSQC633A	Battery low alert ^{vi}

- i Replace when damage or cracks is detected or life limit is approaching that specified in section [Expected component life on page 122](#).
- ii For protection type Clean Room variants, need to do regular check on the .
- iii Check more often if the environment is very contaminated.
- iv DTC = Duty Time Counter. Shows the operational time of the robot.
- v The battery low alert (38213 **Battery charge low**) is displayed when the battery needs to be replaced. The recommendation to avoid an unsynchronized robot is to keep the power to the controller turned on until the battery is to be replaced.
See the replacement instruction for more details.
- vi The battery low alert (38213 **Battery charge low**) is displayed when remaining backup capacity (robot powered off) is less than 2 months. The typical lifetime of a new battery is 36 months if the robot is powered off 2 days/week or 18 months if the robot is powered off 16 h/day. The lifetime can be extended with a battery shutdown service routine. See the operating manual for the robot controller for instructions.

Activities and intervals, optional equipment

The following table specifies the required maintenance activities and intervals for common optional equipment. The maintenance of other external equipment for the robot is detailed in separate documents.

Maintenance activity	Equipment	Interval	Note
Inspection	Signal lamp	Every: 12 months	
Inspection	Additional mechanical stop, axis 1	Every: 12 months	
Inspection	Motor fan	Every 12 months	Inspect the fan for contamination that could hinder the air supply. Clean if necessary.

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3.2.3 Expected component life

3.2.3 Expected component life

General

The expected life of a specific component of the robot can vary greatly depending on how hard it is run.

Expected component life - protection type Standard

Component	Expected life	Note
Cable harness Normal usage ⁱ	40,000 hours ⁱⁱ	Not including: • Possible SpotPack harnesses • Optional upper arm harnesses
Cable harness Extreme usage ⁱⁱⁱ	20,000 hours ⁱⁱ	Not including: • Possible SpotPack harnesses • Optional upper arm harnesses
Gearboxes ^{iv}	40,000 hours	

ⁱ Examples of "normal usage" in regard to movement: most material handling applications.

ⁱⁱ Severe chemical or thermal environments, or similar environments, can result in shortened life expectancy.

ⁱⁱⁱ Examples of "extreme usage" in regard to movement: press tending, very severe palletizing applications, major use of axis 1 movement.

^{iv} Depending on application, the lifetime can vary. The Service Information System (SIS), integrated in the robot software, can be used as a guidance for planning service of gearbox for the individual robot. This applies to gearboxes on axes 1, 2 and 3. The lifetime of gearbox axes 4, 5 and 6 is not calculated by SIS (See the *Operating manual - Service Information System*) In applications such as Foundry or Washing the robot can be exposed to chemicals, high temperature or humidity which can have an effect on the lifetime of gearboxes. Contact the local *ABB Robotics Service team* for more information.

The SIS for an IRC5 system is described in the *Operating manual - Service Information System*.

Expected component life - for L/H/P applications

The demanding nature of using IRB 4600 with protection type Clean Room in a Lifescience, Healthcare, and Pharmaceutical (L/H/P) application where extensive cleaning are applied can shorten the life of the robot's components compared to that of standard robots in a typical robotic application. See [Expected component life - protection type Standard on page 122](#) for standard robots. Depending on the actual cleaning in the L/H/P application, the compromise of lifetime of IRB 4600 with protection type Clean Room in L/H/P applications will depend on a number of factors. The most important factors are:

- The cleaning detergent and cleaning protocol/regime applied.
- The ambient environment including temperature, humidity, water quality, etc.
Using elevated temperature for cleaning bath is not recommended.
- Installation, maintenance, and repair procedures.
- The operation cycle of the robot.

3.3 Inspection activities

3.3.1 Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox

Mounting position of the robot

If the robot is floor mounted, follow the procedures in [Inspecting the gearbox oil level in a floor mounted robot on page 123](#).

If the robot is suspended, follow the procedures in [Inspecting the gearbox oil level in a suspended robot \(Other design than Type C and Type D\) on page 127](#).



Note

If the suspended robot is design **Type C** and **Type D**, the oil level can not be inspected while the robot is hanging upside down. To make sure that the correct amount of oil is refilled after some repair work, make a note of how much oil was drained and make sure to refill with the same amount. If in doubt, the suspended robot must be dismantled from its suspended position, secured in a floor mounted position, and then the oil level can be inspected according to [Inspecting the gearbox oil level in a floor mounted robot on page 123](#).

The method described in this section of inspecting the oil level in a suspended robot is only valid for **Other design than Type C and Type D**.

Read more about design **Type C** and **Type D** in section [Type C of IRB 4600 on page 432](#) and [Type D of IRB 4600 on page 433](#).

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Oil plug sealing washer, gearbox	3HAC029646-001
Lubrication oil	See section Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164 .
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

Inspecting the gearbox oil level in a floor mounted robot

Location of oil plugs (floor mounted)

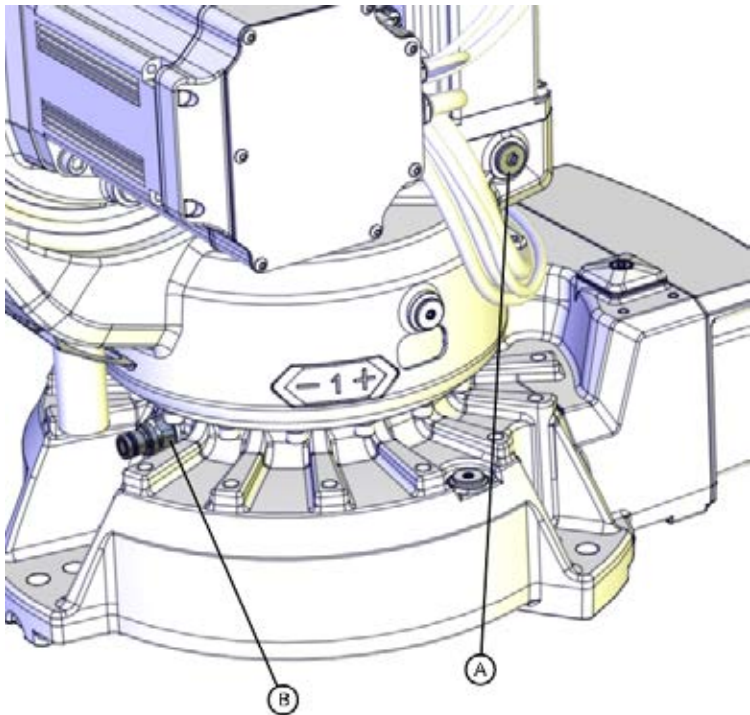
The axis 1 gearbox is located between the frame and base of the robot. The oil plug for inspection is shown in the figure.

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3.3.1 Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox
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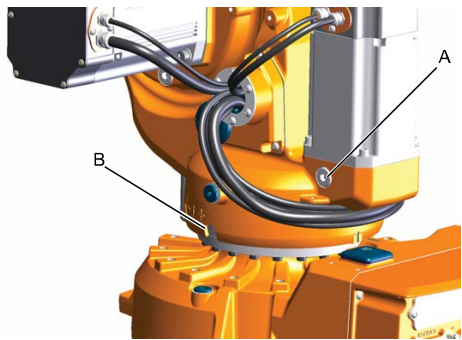
Type C and Type D



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A	Oil plug, filling and inspection
B	Oil plug, draining

Other design (1) than Type C and Type D

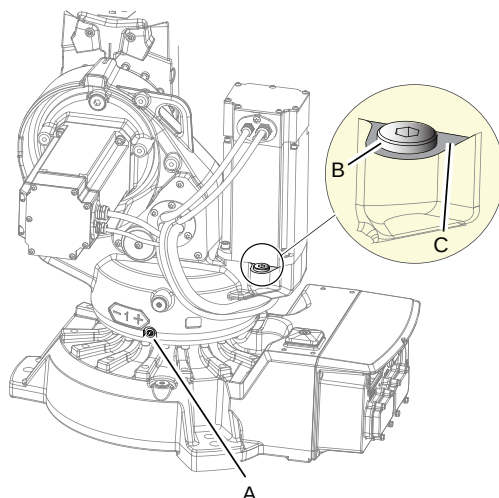


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A	Oil plug, inspection
B	Oil plug, gearbox

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Other design (2) than Type C and Type D



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A	Oil plug draining, on gearbox
B	Oil plug filling, on surface for motor flange
C	Surface for motor flange

Inspecting oil level, axis-1 gearbox (floor mounted)

Use this procedure to inspect the oil level in the axis-1 gearbox, when the robot is floor mounted.

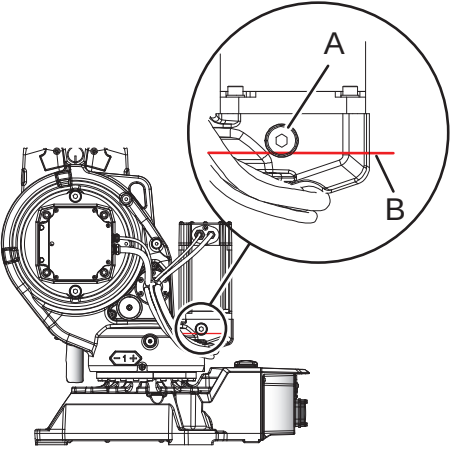
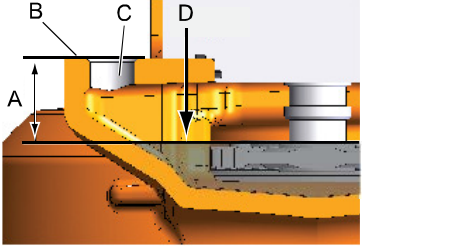
	Action	Note
1	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
4	Open the <i>oil plug</i> , inspection.	See Location of oil plugs (floor mounted) on page 123 .

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3.3.1 Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox

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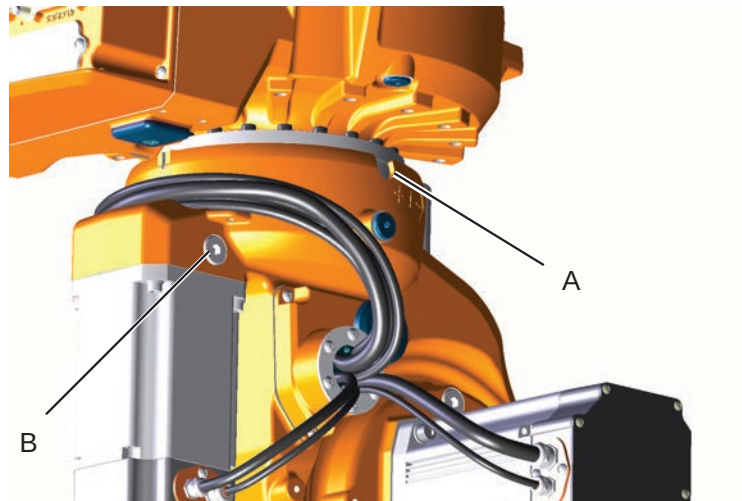
	Action	Note
5	 Note Valid for Type C and Type D and Other design (1) than Type C and Type D Measure the oil level by looking into the hole of the oil plug inspection. Required oil level: 0 -5 mm, up to the lower edge of the oil plug hole of the oil plug inspection.	 xx1200000859 Parts: - A Oil plug inspection - B Approximate oil level
6	 Note Valid for Other design (2) than Type C and Type D: Measure the oil level at the oil plug hole. Required oil level: 35 ± 3 mm below the surface for the motor flange. The oil level shall only just start to be observed when looking through the oil filling hole. See figure!	 xx1000000824 Parts: - A: 35 ± 3 mm - B: Surface for motor flange - C: Filling hole - D: Oil level
7	Add oil if required.	How to fill oil is described in section: Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots on page 166
8	Refit the oil plug, inspection.	Tightening torque: 24 Nm
9	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

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Inspecting the gearbox oil level in a suspended robot (Other design than Type C and Type D)

Location of oil plugs (suspended)

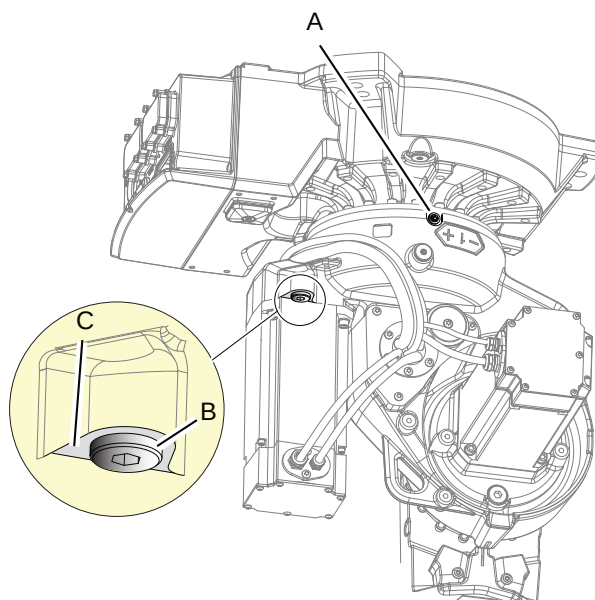
Other design (1) than Type C and Type D



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A	Oil plug, filling
B	Oil plug, draining

Other design (2) than Type C and Type D



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A	Filling oil plug, on gearbox
B	Draining oil plug, on surface for motor flange
C	Surface for motor flange

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3.3.1 Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox

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Inspecting oil level, axis-1 gearbox (suspended robot)

Use this procedure to inspect the oil level in the axis-1 gearbox, when the robot is suspended.

This procedure is only valid for **Other design than Type C and Type D**.



Note

If the suspended robot is design **Type C and Type D**, the oil level can not be inspected while the robot is hanging upside down. To make sure that the correct amount of oil is refilled after some repair work, make a note of how much oil was drained and make sure to refill with the same amount. If in doubt, the suspended robot must be dismantled from its suspended position, secured in a floor mounted position, and then the oil level can be inspected according to [Inspecting the gearbox oil level in a floor mounted robot on page 123](#).

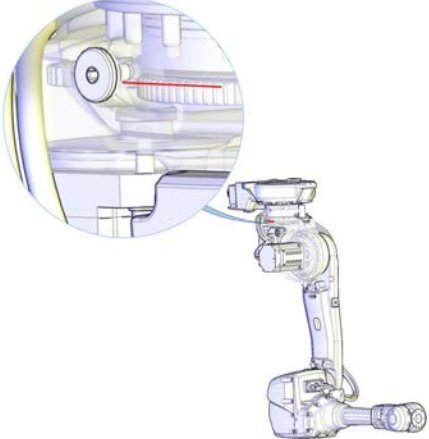


Note

If the suspended robot is **Other design than Type C and Type D**, and the axis-1 gearbox is filled with an amount of oil suited for an inverted position, the oil level can only be inspected in the inverted position! If the robot was taken down to stand on the floor, the oil level would be above the oil plug hole, which would result in oil leakage if the plug would be opened while robot stands on the floor!

	Action	Note
1	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
4	Open the <i>oil plug inspection</i> on the axis 1 gearbox.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs (floor mounted) on page 123

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	Action	Note
5	Required oil level: up to the lower edge of the oil plug hole.  Note The oil plugs on gearbox axis 1 are now on top.	 xx1100000008
6	Add oil if required.	How to fill oil is described in section: Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots on page 166
7	Refit the oil plug.  Note Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Before refitting the oil plug in the gearbox, always replace the oil plug sealing washer with a new one. If not there is a risk of leakage.	Tightening torque: 3-8 Nm
8	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

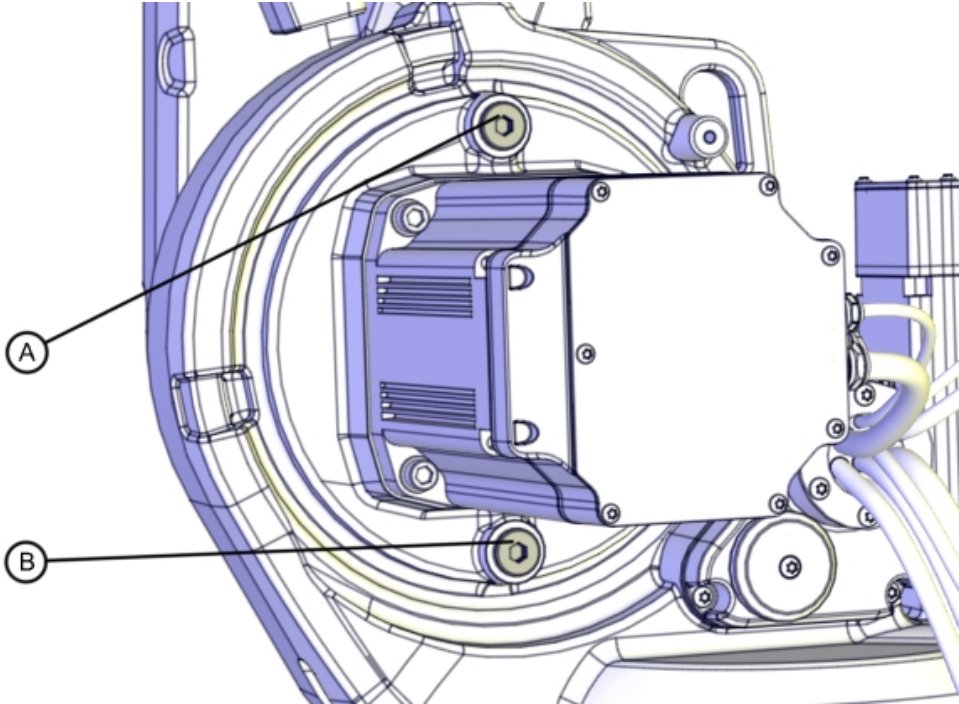
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3.3.2 Inspecting the oil level, axis 2 gearbox

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Location of axis 2 gearbox

The axis 2 gearbox is located in the lower arm rotational center, underneath the motor attachment. The oil plugs are shown in the figure.



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A	Oil plug, filling
B	Oil plug, draining (Quick connect fitting)

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Oil plug sealing washer, gearbox	3HAC029646-001
Lubrication oil	See section Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164 .
Oil plug (Quick connect fitting)	For article number see Spare part lists on page 447 .
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

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Inspecting oil level, axis 2 gearbox

Use this procedure to inspect the oil level in the axis 2 gearbox.

	Action	Note
1	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
4	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
5	Open the <i>oil plug, inspection</i> (location depends on how the robot is mounted).  Note Always open the oil plug on top, depending how the robot is mounted.	See the figure in: • Location of axis 2 gearbox on page 130
6	Measure the oil level at the oil plug hole. Required oil level: • 42 mm ± 5 mm below the lower edge of the oil plug hole.	
7	Add oil if required.	How to fill oil is described in section • Changing the oil, axis-2 gearbox on page 177

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3.3.2 Inspecting the oil level, axis 2 gearbox

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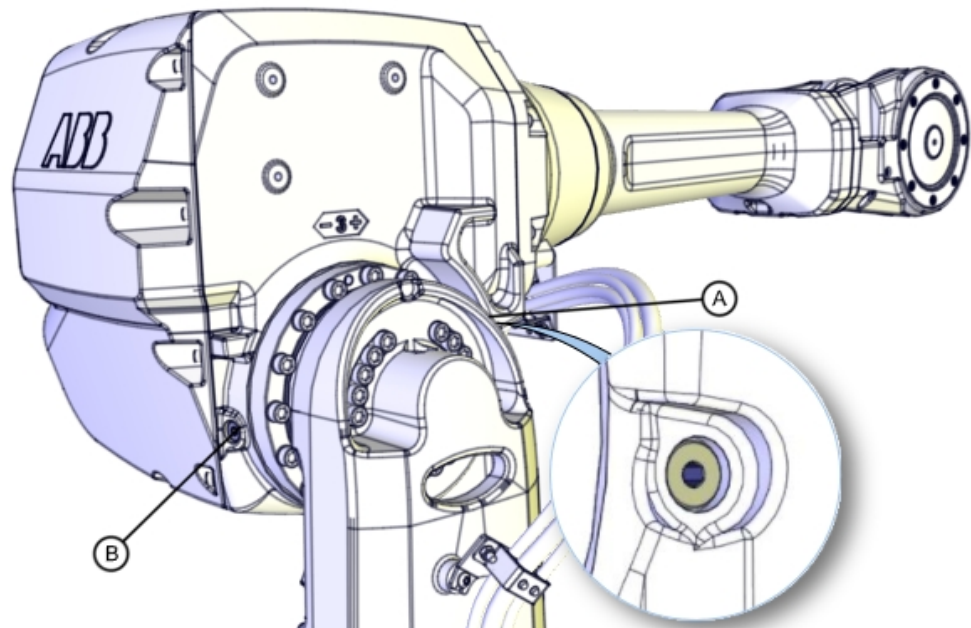
	Action	Note
8	Refit the oil plug.  Note Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Before refitting the oil plug in the gearbox, always replace the oil plug sealing washer with a new one. If not there is a risk of leakage.	Tightening torque: • 24 Nm
9	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

3.3.3 Inspecting the oil level, axis 3 gearbox

Location of axis 3 gearbox

The axis 3 gearbox is located in the upper arm rotational center, underneath the motor attachment. The oil plug for inspection is shown in the figure.

Type C and Type D



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A	Oil plug, armhouse (Not visible in this figure. See enlarged figure!)
B	Oil plug, armhouse

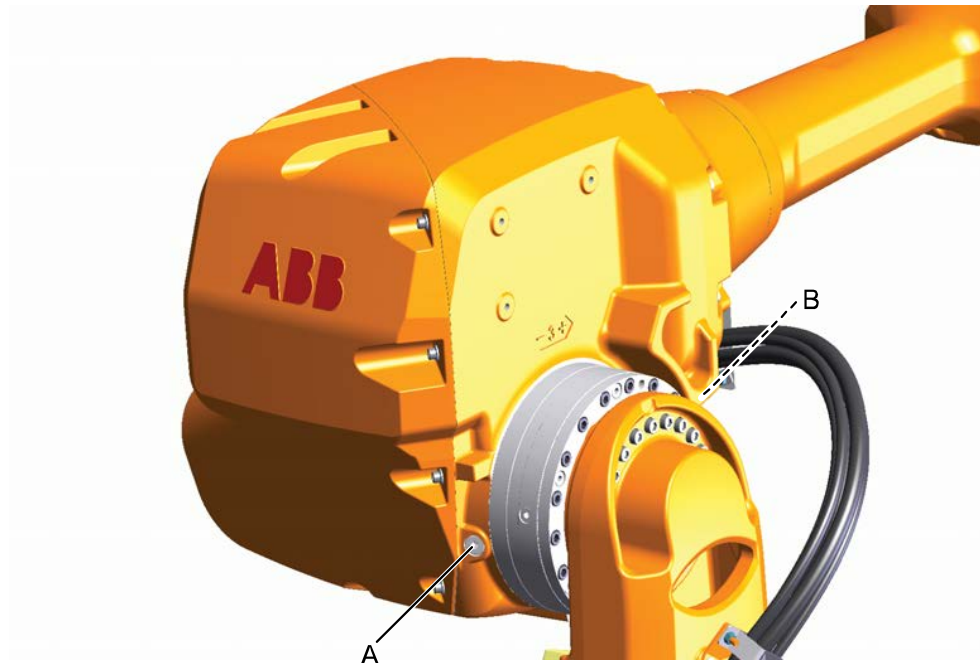
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3.3.3 Inspecting the oil level, axis 3 gearbox

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Other design than Type C and Type D



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A	Oil plug, armhouse
B	Oil plug, gearbox (not visible in this figure)

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Lubrication oil	See section Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164 .
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

Inspecting the oil level, axis 3 gearbox

Use this procedure to inspect the oil level in the axis 3 gearbox.

	Action	Note
1	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
2	Move the robot to where the upper arm is placed in a +30° position.	

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	Action	Note
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
5	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
6	Type C and Type D: Open the <i>oil plug, armhouse</i> (pos. B). Other design than Type C and Type D: Open the <i>oil plug, armhouse</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of axis 3 gearbox on page 133
7	Measure the oil level at the oil plug hole. Required oil level: • oil in the gearbox shall be just below the edge of the oil plug hole.	
8	Add oil if required.	How to fill oil is described in section: • Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox on page 181
9	Refit the oil plug.	Tightening torque: • Other design than Type C and Type D, in armhouse: 10 Nm • Other design than Type C and Type D, in gearbox: 3 Nm • Type C and Type D, both plugs: 10 Nm
10	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

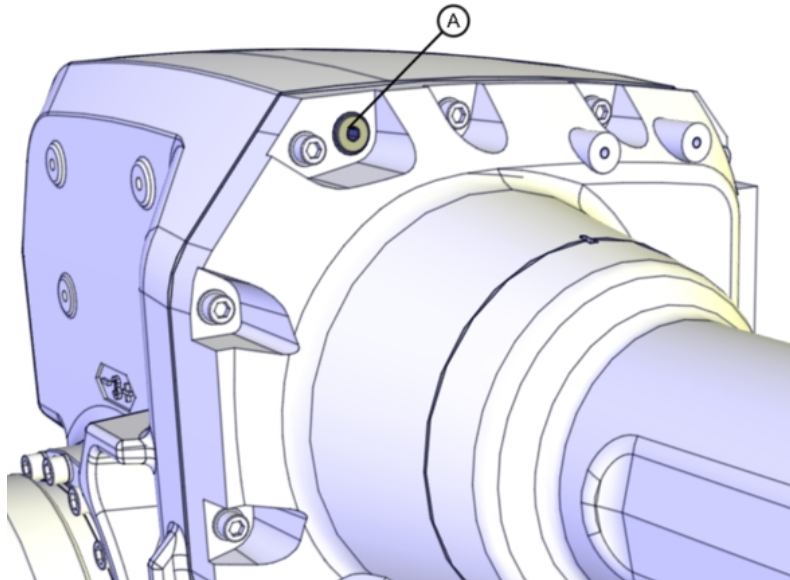
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3.3.4 Inspecting the oil level, axis 4 gearbox

3.3.4 Inspecting the oil level, axis 4 gearbox

Location of axis 4 gearbox

The axis 4 gearbox is located in the upper armhouse. The oil plug is shown in the figure.



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A	Oil plug, for filling and draining
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Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Lubrication oil	See section Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164 .
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

Inspecting the oil level, axis 4 gearbox

Use this procedure to inspect the oil level in the axis 4 gearbox.

	Action	Note
1	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
2	Move the robot to where the upper arm points straight up and the oil plug hole is on top of the axis 4 gearbox.	

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	Action	Note
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
5	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
6	Open the <i>oil plug</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of axis 4 gearbox on page 136
7	Measure the oil level at the oil plug hole. Required oil level: • 35 ± 5 mm below the oil plug flange.	
8	Add oil if required.	How to fill oil is described in section: • Changing the oil, axis-4 gearbox on page 188
9	Refit the oil plug, filling.	Tightening torque: • 10 Nm
10	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

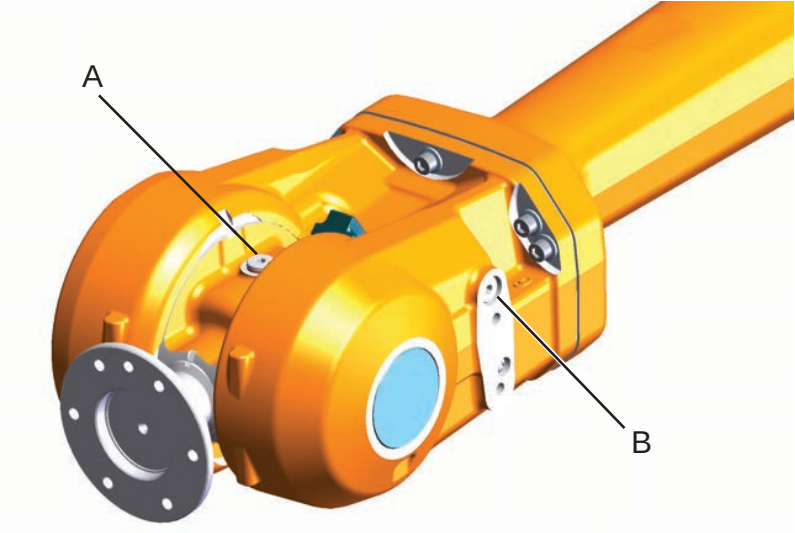
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3.3.5 Inspecting oil level, gearbox axes 5 - 6

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Location of gearbox, axes 5-6

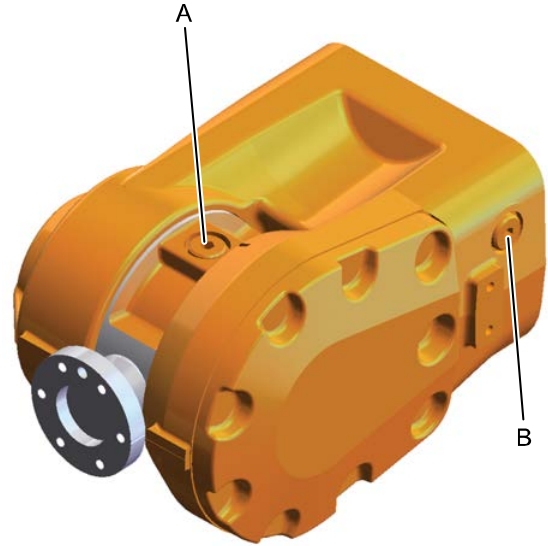
The gearbox axes 5-6 is located in the wrist unit. The oil plug is shown in the figure. The figure shows IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55 with wrist 60 kg



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A	Oil plug, tilthouse
B	Oil plug, wrist (also used as air inlet when draining from oil plug A)

The figure shows IRB 4600 -20/2.50 with wrist 12/20 kg



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A	Oil plug, tilthouse
B	Oil plug, wrist (also used as air inlet when draining from oil plug A)

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Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Lubrication oil	See section Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164 .
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

Inspecting oil level, gearbox axes 5-6 - wrist 60 kg

Use this procedure to inspect the oil level in gearbox axes 5-6.

	Action	Note
1	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
2	Move the robot to where the upper arm is placed in its calibration position.	
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
5	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
6	Open the <i>oil plug, wrist</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of gearbox, axes 5-6 on page 138

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3.3.5 Inspecting oil level, gearbox axes 5 - 6

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	Action	Note
7	Required oil level: • 3 ±3 mm below the edge of the oil plug hole.	 Note Open the <i>oil plug, tilthouse</i> when inspecting. This will level up oil in axes 5 and 6. See the figure in: • Inspecting oil level, gearbox axes 5 - 6 on page 138
8	Add <i>oil</i> if required.	How to fill oil is described in section: • Changing oil, axes-5 and -6 gear-boxes on page 192
9	Refit the oil plugs.	Tightening torque: • 10 Nm
10	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

Inspecting oil level, gearbox axes 5-6 alternative method - wrist 60 kg

Use this procedure to inspect the oil level in gearbox axes 5-6 as an alternative method.

	Action	Note
1	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
2	Move the robot to where the upper arm is placed in its calibration position.	
3	Move the upper arm (axis 3) to a horizontal position, then rotate (axis 4) +90°.	This will put the <i>oil plug, wrist</i> on top. See the figure in: • Location of gearbox, axes 5-6 on page 138  Note In this position it is not possible to open the <i>oil plug, tilthouse</i> , in order to level up oil in axes 5 and 6!

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	Action	Note
4	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
5	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
6	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
7	Open the <i>oil plug, wrist</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of gearbox, axes 5-6 on page 138
8	Required oil level: • 63 ±3 mm below the edge of the oil plug hole.	
9	Add oil if required.	How to fill oil is described in section: • Changing oil, axes-5 and -6 gearboxes on page 192
10	Refit <i>oil plug, wrist</i> .	Tightening torque: • 10 Nm
11	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

Inspecting oil level, gearbox axes 5-6 - wrist 12/20 kg

Use this procedure to fill oil in the gearbox.

	Action	Note
1	Move the robot to a position where the upper arm is close to horizontal and axis 4 in the calibration position.	

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3.3.5 Inspecting oil level, gearbox axes 5 - 6

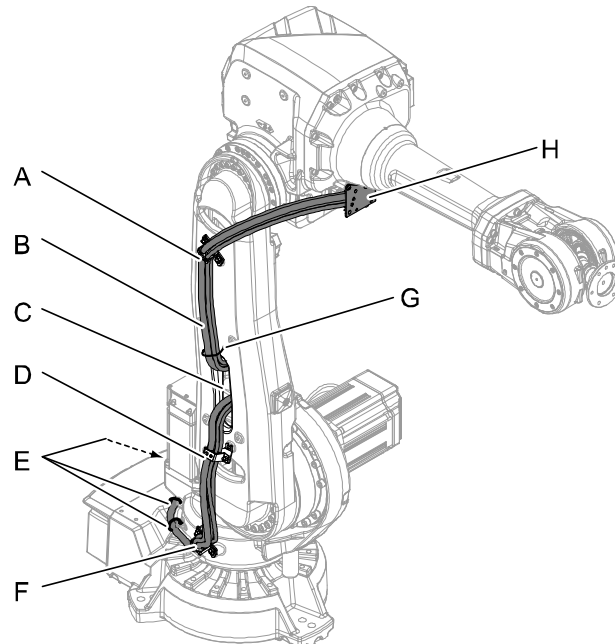
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	Action	Note
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
4	Remove the <i>oil plug, wrist</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of gearbox, axes 5-6 on page 138
5	Required oil level: • 3 ± 3 mm from the lower edge of the oil plug in the wrist house. Open the oil plug in the tilthouse to allow the oil level between axis 5 and 6 to level.	
6	If necessary, refill oil.	How to fill oil is described in section: • Changing oil, axes-5 and -6 gear-boxes on page 192
7	Refit the oil plug.	Tightening torque: • 10 Nm

3.3.6 Inspecting the cable harness

Location of cable harness

The figure shows the location of the cable harness.



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A	Bracket, lower arm
B	Cable harness
C	Hole in lower arm
D	Bracket, lower arm
E	Cable straps steel (One not visible here)
F	Bracket, frame
G	Cable strap plastic, lower arm
H	Bracket, armhouse

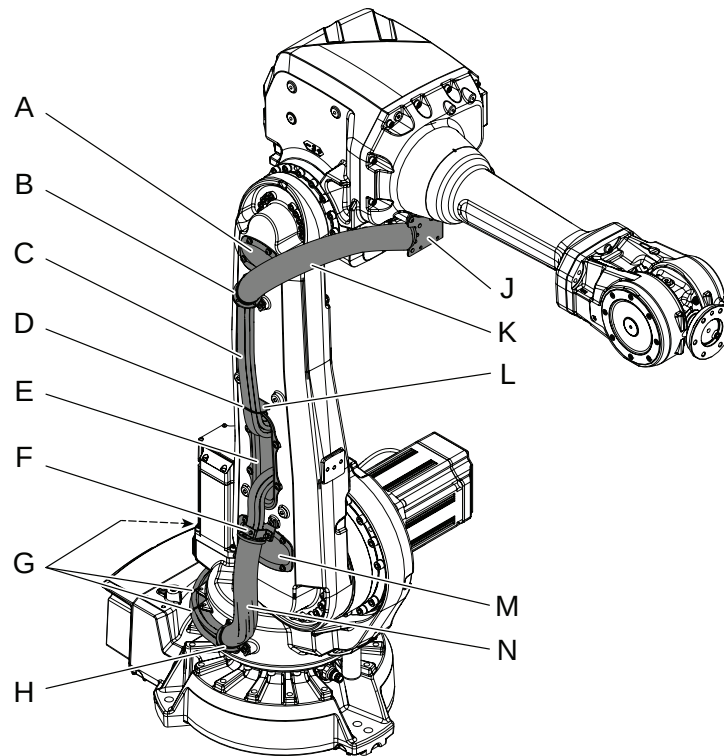
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3.3.6 Inspecting the cable harness

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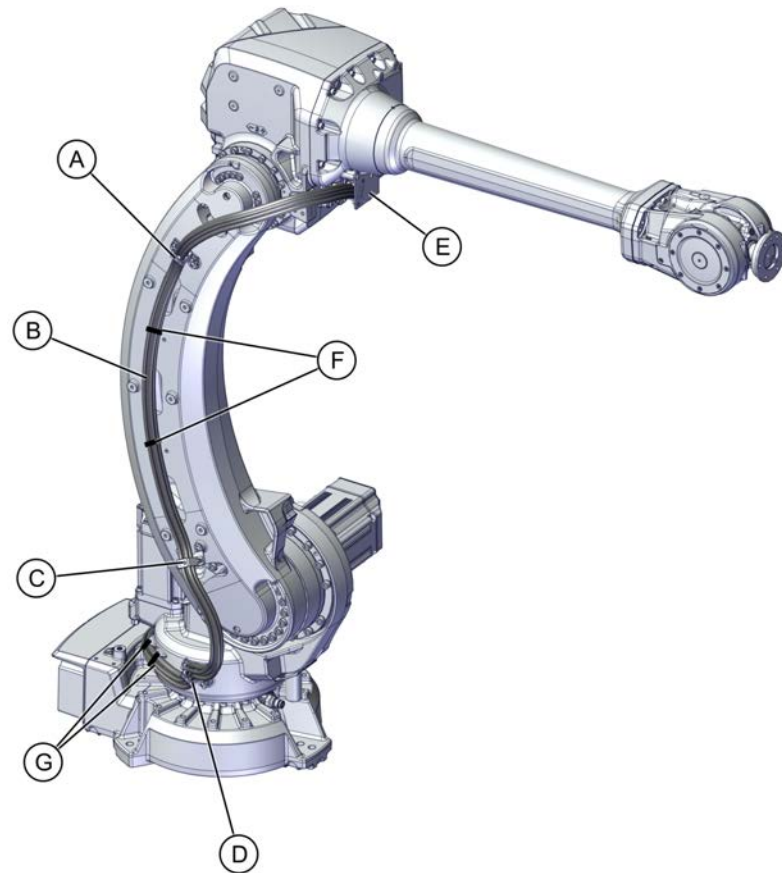
Cable harness, lower arm, Clean Room.



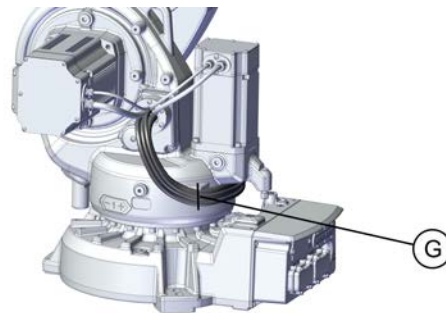
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A	Plug, upper
B	Bracket, lower arm
C	Cable harness
D	Cable strap, lower arm (plastic)
E	Sink cover
F	Bracket, lower arm
G	Cable straps, one not visible here (steel)
H	Bracket, frame
J	Bracket, armhouse
K	Protection tube
L	Middle bracket
M	Plug, lower
N	Protection tube

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A	Bracket, lower arm
B	Cable harness
C	Bracket, lower arm
D	Bracket, frame
E	Bracket, arm house
F	Cable strap plastic, lower arm 2 pcs
G	Cable straps steel 3 pcs

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3.3.6 Inspecting the cable harness

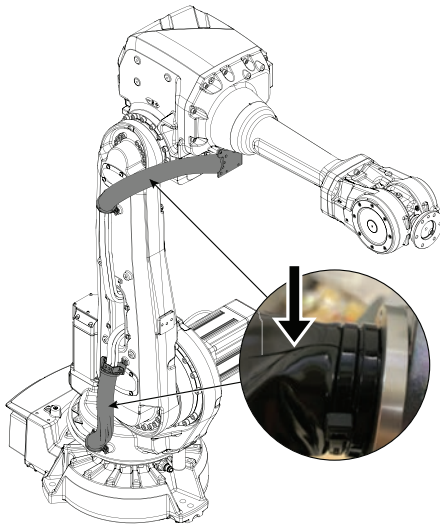
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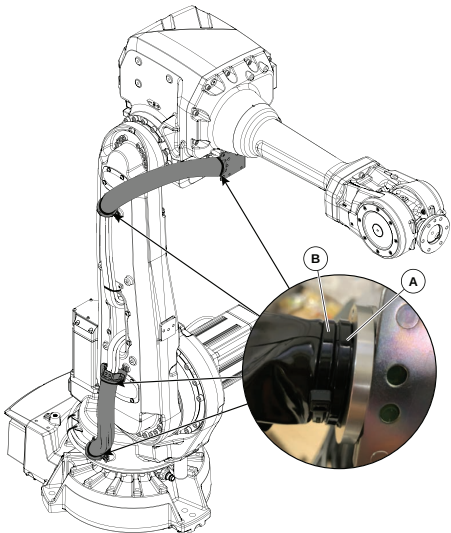
Equipment	Note
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.
Circuit diagram	See chapter Circuit diagram on page 449 .

Inspecting the cable harness

Use this procedure to inspect the cable harness. The inspection points are shown in the figure [Location of cable harness on page 143](#)

Action	Note
1  DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2 Make an overall visual inspection of the cable harness in order to detect wear or damage.	
3 Check the <i>connectors at the base</i> .	
4 Check the <i>connectors at the armhouse</i> .	
5 Check that the welding seam on the <i>protection tubes</i> is well sealed. • If any part of the <i>protection tubes</i> welding seam is cracking, replace the complete cable harness. See Removing the complete cable harness on page 229 and Refitting the complete cable harness on page 244.	 xx2300001355

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	Action	Note
6	Pull on each end of the <i>protection tubes</i> to check that the <i>protection tubes</i> are tightly attached to the brackets. If any end of the <i>protection tubes</i> has any movement, replace the complete cable harness. See Removing the complete cable harness on page 229 and Refitting the complete cable harness on page 244.	
7	Check that the two <i>cable straps</i> are still on each end of <i>protection tubes</i>: - If <i>cable strap(A)</i> is loosen or falling off from one end, replace the cable strap. See Replacing cable strap on the protection tubes on page 203. - If <i>cable strap(B)</i> or two <i>cable straps</i> on one end are loosen or falling off, replace the complete cable harness. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.	 xx2300001189 - A: The cable strap closed to the bracket - B: The cable strap installed in the slot
8	Check that all <i>brackets</i> and <i>straps</i> are properly attached to the robot.	
9	Replace the cable harness if wear, cracks or damage is detected.	How to replace the cable harness is described in Repair on page 217.
10	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

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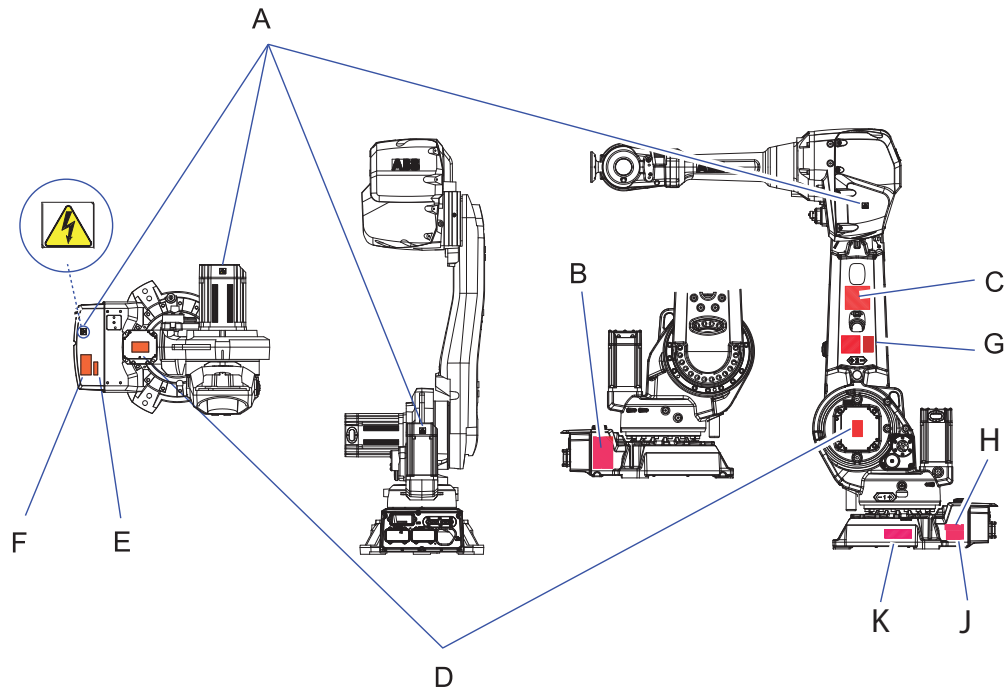
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Location of information labels

The figure shows the location of the information labels to be inspected.

Type C and Type D

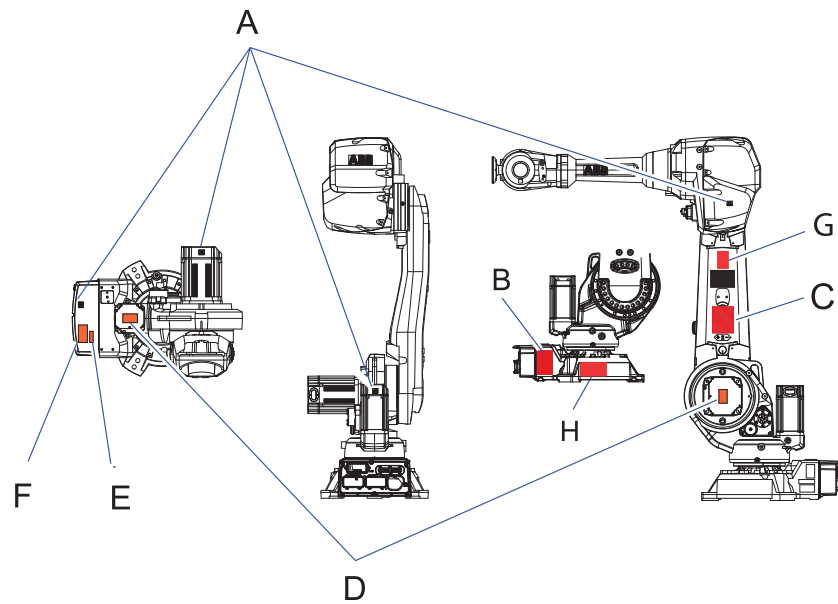


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A	Warning - Symbol of flash
B	Warning - Risk of tipping
C	Label - Lifting instruction
D	Warning - High temperature
E	Label - Max. air pressure
F	Warning - Brake release unit
G	Label - Calibration
H	AbsAcc Information Sign
J	UL-Label
K	Oil quality

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Other design than Type C and Type D



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A	Warning - Symbol of flash (4 pcs)
B	Warning - Risk of tipping
C	Label - Lifting instruction
D	Warning - "High temperature" (2 pcs)
E	Label - Max. air pressure
F	Warning - Brake release unit
G	Label - Calibration
H	Label - Suspended robot

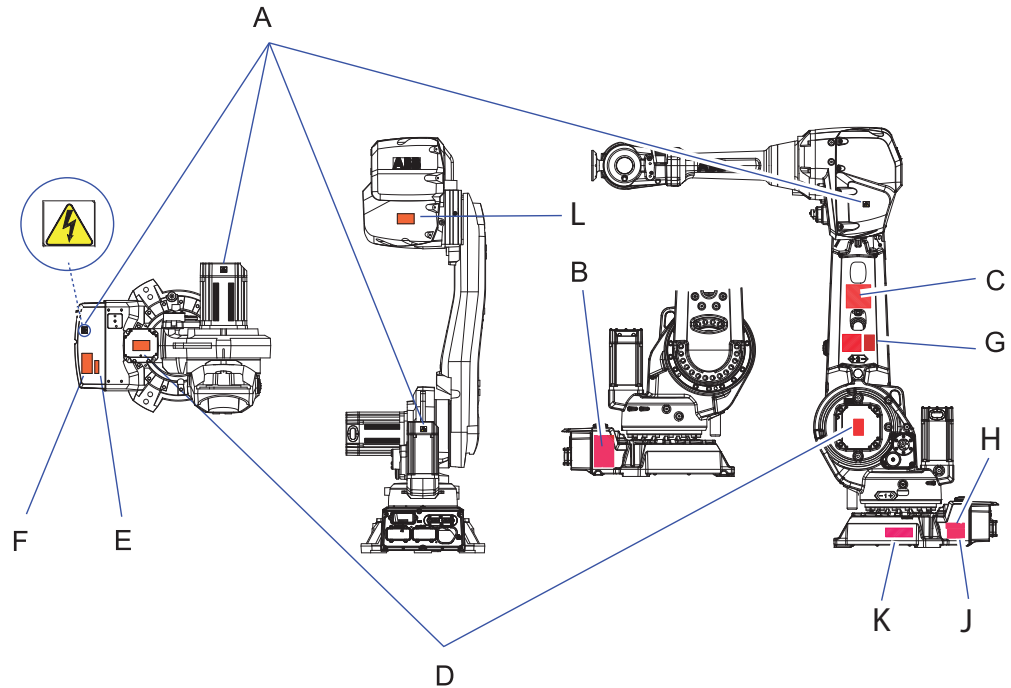
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3.3.7 Inspecting information labels

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IRB 4600-60/2.05 and IRB 4600-40/2.55 Type C, Clean Room



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A	Warning - Symbol of flash
B	Warning - Risk of tipping
C	Label - Lifting instruction
D	Warning - High temperature
E	Label - Max. air pressure
F	Warning - Brake release unit
G	Label - Calibration
H	AbsAcc Information Sign
J	UL-Label
K	Oil quality
L	Label - Clean Room

Required equipment

Equipment	Spare part number	Note
Labels	See Spare part lists on page 447 .	

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Inspecting labels

Use this procedure to inspect the labels on the robot.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Check all labels.	See the figure in Location of information labels on page 148 .
3	Replace any missing or damaged labels.	

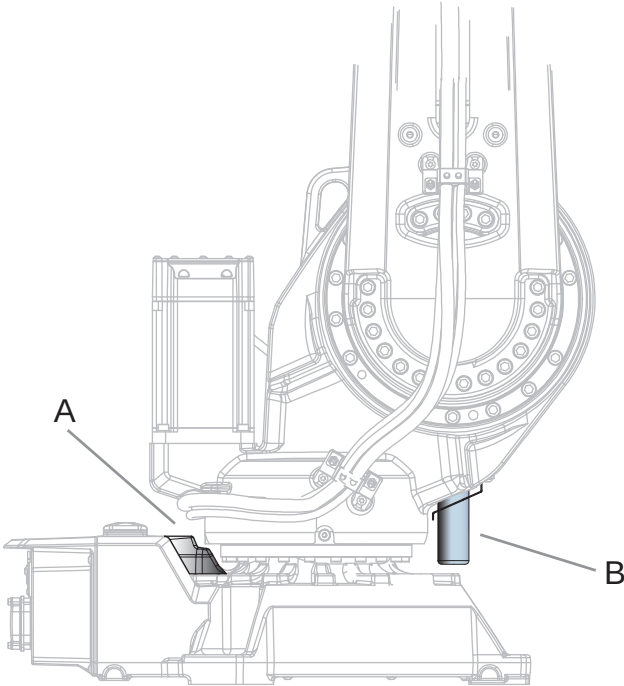
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3.3.8 Inspecting the mechanical stop pin, axis 1

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Location of mechanical stop pin, axis 1

The mechanical stop pin is located on the frame as shown in the figure.



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A	Fixed stop
B	Mechanical stop pin, axis 1

Required equipment

Equipment	Article number	Note
Mechanical stop pin axis 1	See Spare part lists on page 447 .	
Standard toolkit		Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.

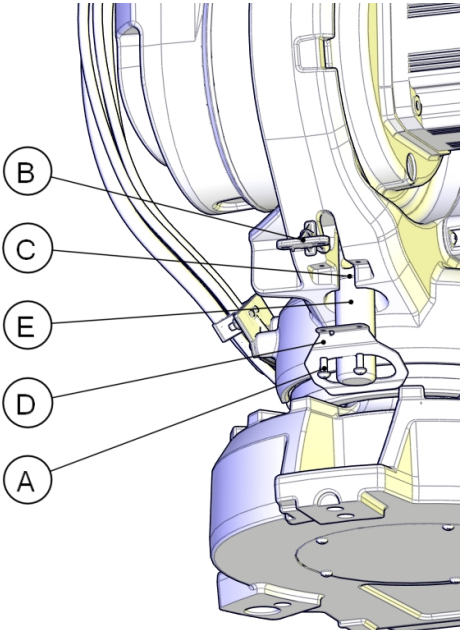
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Inspection of mechanical stop pin, axis 1

Use this procedure to inspect the mechanical stop pin, axis 1.

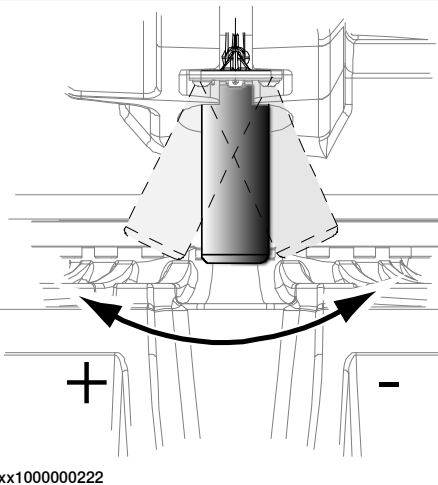
	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Regularly check that the <i>mechanical stop pin</i> is not bent or damaged in any other way.	See the figure in: • Location of mechanical stop pin, axis 1 on page 152
3	 Note If the mechanical stop pin has been deformed or damaged, all of its mounting parts have to be replaced.  xx0800000045 Parts: - A Attachment screws - B Bracket - C O-ring (2 pcs) - Not used if bracket (D) is installed. - D Bracket - E Stop pin	How to replace the stop pin is described in section Replacing stop pin axis 1 on page 332 .
4	Check that the mechanical stop pin is properly attached.	

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3.3.8 Inspecting the mechanical stop pin, axis 1

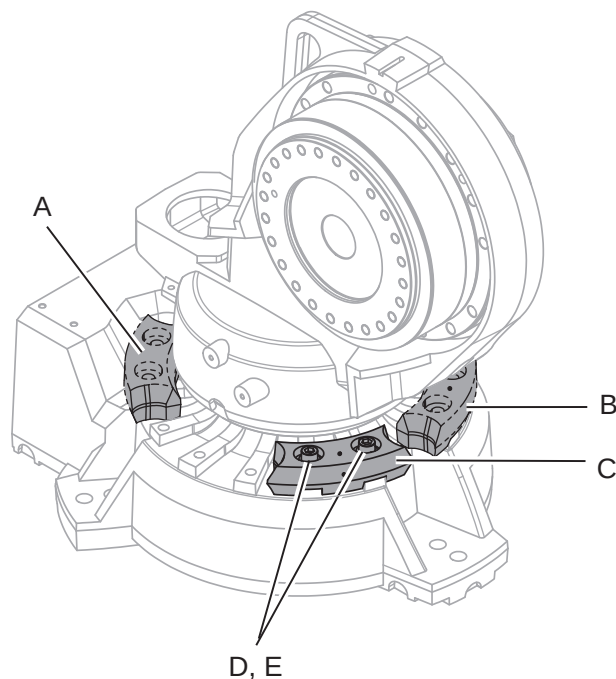
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	Action	Note
5	Check that the <i>mechanical stop pin</i> can move freely in both directions and the <i>bracket</i> works as it is supposed to.	 xx1000000222
6	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

3.3.9 Inspecting additional mechanical stops

Location of additional mechanical stops

The figure shows the location of the additional stops.



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A	Movable mechanical stop. Limited to: -126° (Type C and Type D) -129° (other design than Type C and Type D)
B	Movable mechanical stop. Limited to: +13.5° (Type C and Type D) +16.5° (other design than Type C and Type D)
C	Movable mechanical stop. Limited to: -13.5° (Type C and Type D) -16.5° (other design than Type C and Type D)
D	Attachment screws
E	Washers

Required equipment

Equipment etc.	Note
Mechanical stop set, axis 1	Includes: - Stop - Attachment screws plus washers - Document for movable mechanical stop For spare part number see Spare part lists on page 447 .
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

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3.3.9 Inspecting additional mechanical stops

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Equipment etc.	Note
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

Inspecting additional mechanical stops

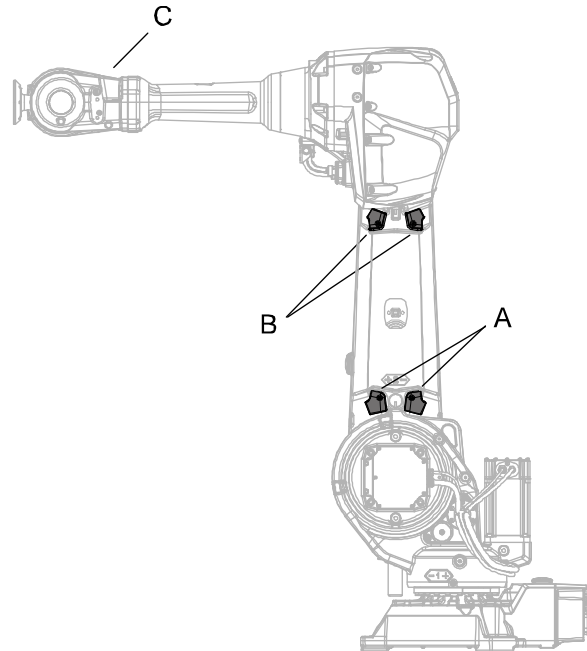
Use this procedure to inspect the additional mechanical stops on axis 1.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Check the <i>additional mechanical stops</i> on axis 1 for damage.	See the figure in: • Location of additional mechanical stops on page 155
3	Make sure the stops are properly attached.	Tightening torque: • 82 Nm
4	If any damage on stops or attachment screws etc. is detected, the <i>mechanical stops</i> must be replaced!	Attachment screws: • M12x40, quality 8.8-A3F • 2 pcs/stop lug
5	seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

3.3.10 Inspecting dampers

Location of dampers

The figure shows the location of all dampers to be inspected.



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A	Dampers axis 2
B	Dampers axis 3
C	Damper axis 5

Required equipment

Equipment	Spare part no.	Note
Damper	See Spare part lists on page 447 .	
Standard toolkit	-	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

Inspecting dampers

Use this procedure to inspect the dampers.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	

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3.3.10 Inspecting dampers

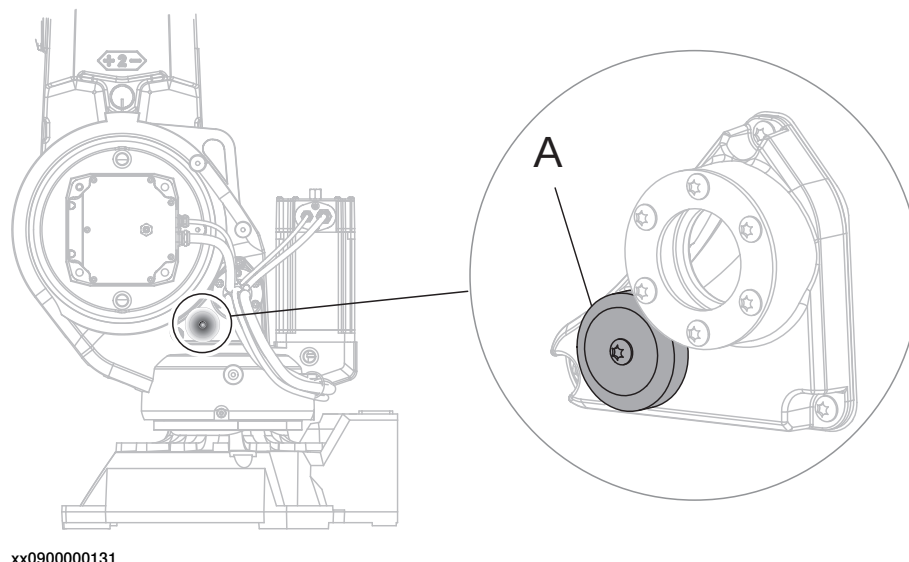
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	Action	Note
2	Check all <i>dampers</i> for damage or cracks.	See the figure in: • Location of dampers on page 157
3	Check all dampers for existing impressions larger than 2-3 mm.	
4	Check attachment screws for deformation.	
5	If any damage is detected the damper must be replaced.	
6	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

3.3.11 Inspecting the pressure relief valve

Location of the pressure relief valve

The figure shows the location of the pressure relief valve.



A	Pressure relief valve
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Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

Inspecting pressure relief valve

Use this procedure to inspect the pressure relief valve.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 DANGER It is important to keep the pressure relief valve open and clean. If the air pressure is stopped up, too much pressure can be built up which can be hazardous.	

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3.3.11 Inspecting the pressure relief valve

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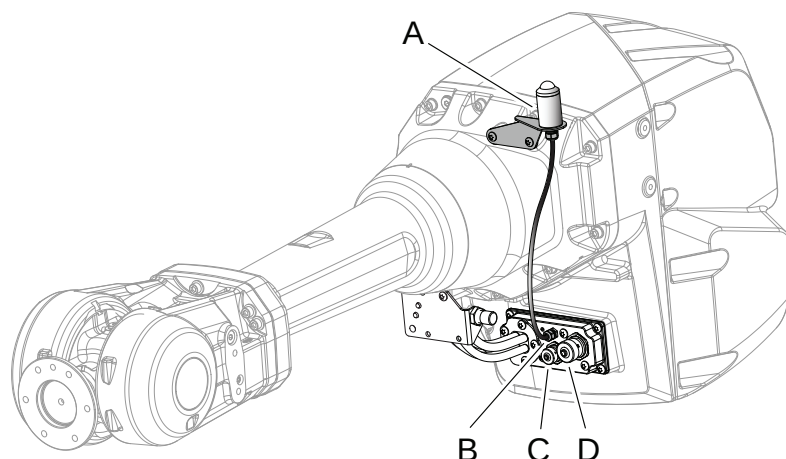
	Action	Note
3	Check if the pressure relief valve is contaminated or covered with litter.	
4	Clean if necessary.  Note Use a cloth or a brush.	
5	Clean Room and Foundry Prime robots: seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

3.3.12 Inspecting Signal lamp (option)

Location of signal lamp

Signal lamp is an option.

Located as shown in the figure.



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A	Signal lamp
B	R3.H1 +, R3.H2 -
C	R2.CP
D	R2.CS

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Signal lamp	For spare parts no. see Spare parts - <i>Spare parts options in Product manual, spare parts - IRB 2600.</i>
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.



CAUTION

Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

Inspecting signal lamp

Use this procedure to inspect the function of the signal lamp.



Note

If the signal lamp is damaged, it shall be replaced!

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3.3.12 Inspecting Signal lamp (option)

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	Action	Note
1	Check that the signal lamp is lit when motors are put in operation ("MOTORS ON").	
2	If the signal lamp is not lit, continue tracing the fault with the steps below.	
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	Check whether the signal lamp is broken. If so, replace.	
5	Check the cable connections.	
6	Measure the voltage in connectors, motor axis 3.	24V
7	Check the cabling. If a fault is detected, replace.	
8	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

3.3.13 Inspection of robot paint

General

For robots working in Clean Room environments, there is a risk of surface corrosion or paint peeling in case of mechanical damage to the coated surface. Therefore, it is important to regularly inspect robot surfaces for any paint breaking or damage.

Required tools and equipment

Equipment	Spare parts	Note
Lint free cloth		
Touch up paint Clean Room/Hygienic	3HAC036639-001	White

Inspection, robot paint

	Action	Description
1	Visually inspect the robot surface paint for any paint breaking.	
2	If there is paint breaking, clean the surface so that it is free from oil and grease.	Use a lint free cloth.
3	Use Touch up paint Clean Room/Hygienic, white to paint any damaged surfaces.  Note Always read the instruction in the product data sheet in the paint repair kit for Clean Room/Hygienic.	3HAC036639-001

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3.4.1 Type of lubrication in gearboxes

3.4 Replacement activities

3.4.1 Type of lubrication in gearboxes

Introduction

This section describes where to find information about the type of lubrication, article number and the amount of lubrication in the specific gearbox. It also describes the equipment needed when working with lubrication.

Type and amount of oil in gearboxes

Information about the type of lubrication, article number as well as the amount in the specific gearbox can be found in *Technical reference manual - Lubrication in gearboxes* available for registered users via ABB Robotics One, <https://one.robots.abb.com/en/knowledge-hub>.



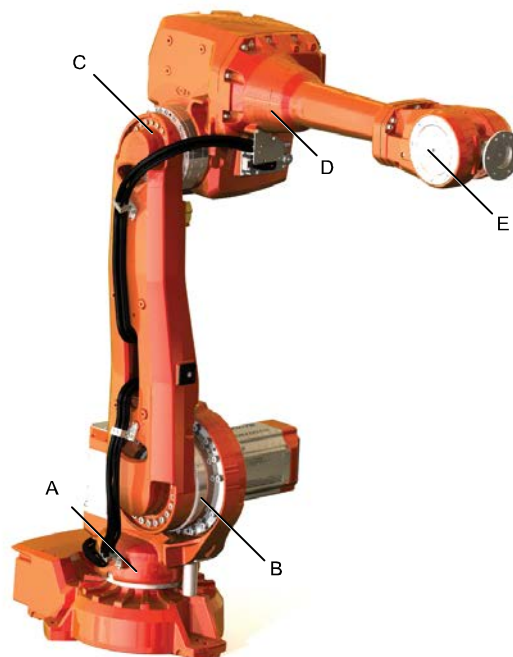
Note

The type of oil pre-filled in axis-4 gear differs from the type of oil recommended for field maintenance, due to differences in factory and customer sites prerequisites. The two types of oil are fully equal and compatible.

Use the type of oil specified in *Technical reference manual - Lubrication in gearboxes*, even though it differs from the oil specified in WebConfig.

Location of gearboxes

The figure shows the location of the gearboxes.



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3.4.1 Type of lubrication in gearboxes *Continued*

A	Axis-1 gearbox
B	Axis-2 gearbox
C	Axis-3 gearbox
D	Axis-4 gearbox
E	Axis-5 and -6 gearbox

Equipment

Equipment	Note
Oil dispenser	Includes pump with outlet pipe. Use the suggested dispenser or a similar one: Orion OriCan article number 22590 (pneumatic)
Nipple for quick connect fitting, with o-ring	Type C and Type D: Used on the axes-1 and -2 gearboxes. Other design than Type C and Type D: Used on the axis-2 gearbox.
Not valid for type C and Type D: Expansion container, gearbox axis 1	Used when the robot is fitted in a suspended position. (valid for other design than Type C and Type D)

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3.4.2 Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots

3.4.2 Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots

General

This section describes how to change the axis-1 gearbox oil in a floor mounted robot.



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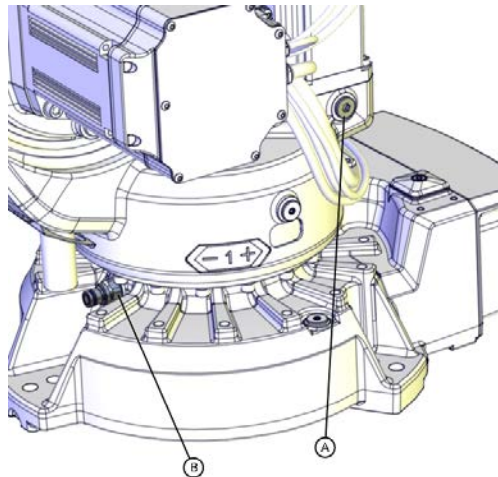
The method of changing oil on the axis-1 gearbox is different on **Type C and Type D** compared to **Other design than Type C and Type D**.

Both methods are described in this section.

Location of oil plugs

The oil plugs in axis 1 gearbox are located according to the following figures.

Type C and Type D



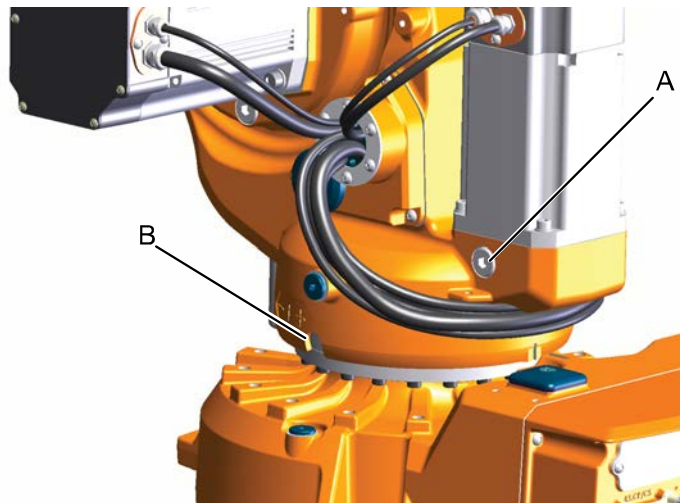
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A	Oil plug, filling and inspection
B	Oil plug, draining (Also used for filling if an oil dispenser is used.)

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Other design than Type C and Type D

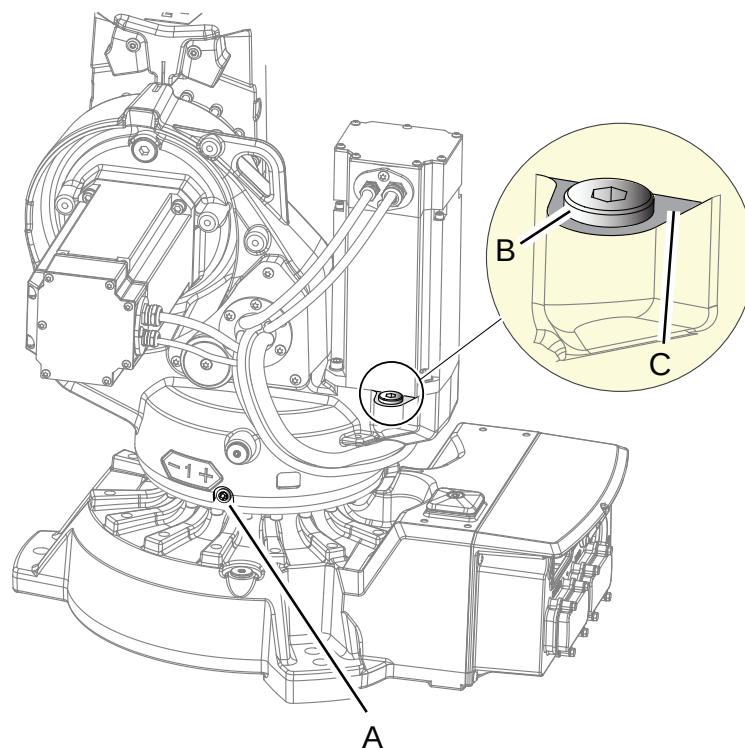
Type A



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A	Oil plug, filling
B	Oil plug, draining

Type B



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A	Oil plug, draining
B	Oil plug, filling
C	Surface for motor flange

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3.4.2 Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots

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Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Oil plug sealing washer (o-ring), gearbox	3HAC029646-001 Used on oil plug. Replace if damaged.
Lubricating oil	See section Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164
Oil collecting vessel	The capacity of the vessel must be sufficient to take the complete amount of oil.
Oil dispenser	One example of oil dispenser can be found in section: • Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

Draining, axis-1 gearbox

Use this procedure to drain the gearbox of oil.



Tip

In order to save time, a pneumatic oil dispenser can be used to suck out the oil from the gearbox. Follow the instructions below!

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	

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3.4.2 Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots

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	Action	Note
4	Put an <i>oil collecting vessel</i> as close as possible to the draining hole placed in: • Type C and Type D: the base. • Other design than Type C and Type D: the gearbox.	For the capacity of vessel, see section: • Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164
5	Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Replace <i>oil plug draining</i> quickly with a nipple (M10x1.5) where a draining hose is fitted.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 166  Note Draining is time-consuming. Elapsed time varies depending on the temperature of the oil.
6	Connect the <i>oil dispenser</i> .	One example can be found in section: • Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164
7	Open the <i>oil plug filling</i> .  WARNING If the oil plug filling is not open when the oil dispenser is working, there is a risk of damaging vital parts in the gearbox!	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 166
8	Using a low air pressure, start sucking the oil out from the gearbox with the oil ejector equipment.	
9	Only valid if an oil dispenser is not used: If an oil dispenser is not used, open the oil plug draining and drain oil into an oil collecting vessel.	 Note Time consuming activity!
10	 WARNING Used oil is hazardous material and must be disposed of in a safe way. See section Decommissioning on page 427 for more information.	
11	 Note There will be some oil left in the gearbox after draining.	
12	Refit the <i>oil plug draining</i> .  Note Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Before refitting the oil plug in the gearbox, always replace the oil plug sealing washer with a new one. If not there is a risk of leakage.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 166 Tightening torque: • Other design than Type C and Type D: 3-8 Nm • Type C and Type D: 24 Nm

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3.4.2 Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots

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Filling oil, axis-1 gearbox

Use this procedure to fill the gearbox with oil.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
4	Open the <i>oil plug, filling</i> .	See the figure in; • Location of oil plugs on page 166
5	Refill the gearbox with <i>lubrication oil</i> .  Note The exact amount of oil to be filled depends on the amount previously being drained.	The type and amount of oil in the gearbox is detailed in section: • Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164
6	Inspect the oil level.	How to inspect the oil level is described in section: • Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox on page 123
7	Refit the <i>oil plug</i> .  Note Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Before refitting the oil plug in the gearbox, always replace the oil plug sealing washer with a new one. If not there is a risk of leakage.	Tightening torque: • 24 Nm

3.4.3 Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on suspended robots

General

This section describes how to change the axis-1 gearbox oil in a suspended robot.



Note

The method of changing oil on the axis-1 gearbox is different on **Type C and Type D** compared to **Other design than Type C and Type D**.



Note

Only valid for Type C and Type D!

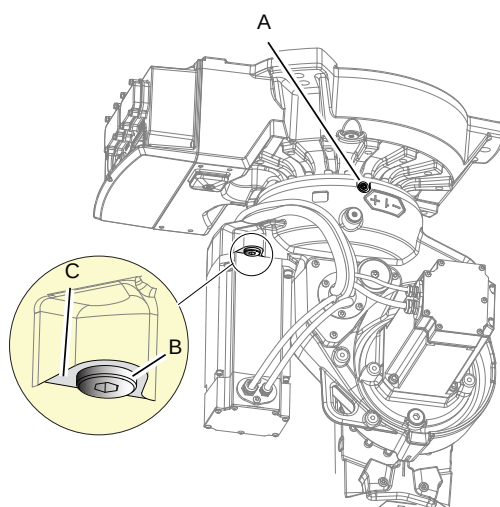
If the robot has design Type C or Type D, the basic method for changing oil in a suspended robot is to fill the same amount of oil that has been drained.

Measure the amount of oil drained and record the result. The same amount will be added later.

Location of oil plugs

The oil plugs in axis 1 gearbox are located according to the following figures

Type C and Type D



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A	Oil plug for filling and venting
B	Oil plug for draining
C	Motor flange

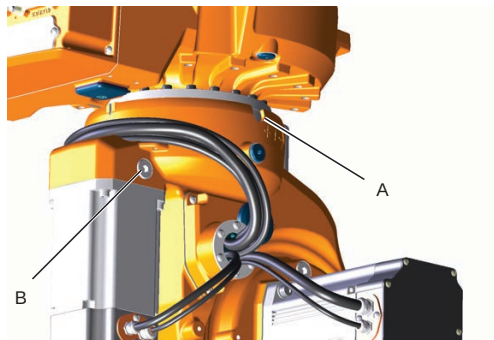
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Other design than Type C and Type D



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- A Oil plug, venting
- B Oil plug, draining and filling

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Oil plug sealing washer (o-ring), gearbox	3HAC029646-001 Used on oil plug. Replace if damaged.
Lubricating oil	See section Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164
Oil collecting vessel	The capacity of the vessel must be sufficient to take the complete amount of oil.
Oil dispenser	One example of oil dispenser can be found in section: Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164
Oil change equipment	
Hose	Used with the oil dispenser
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .



CAUTION

Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

Draining, axis-1 gearbox

Use this procedure to drain the gearbox of oil.



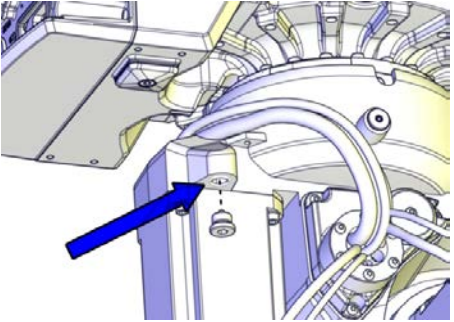
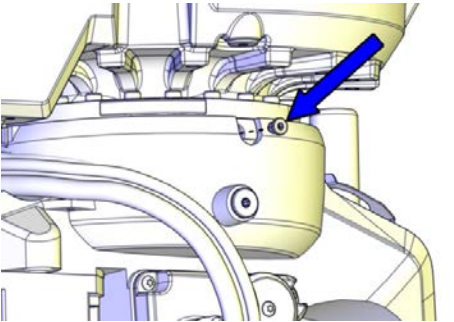
Tip

In order to save time, a pneumatic oil dispenser can be used to suck the oil out from the gearbox.

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3.4.3 Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on suspended robots

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	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
4	Connect the <i>oil dispenser</i> to the <i>oil plug</i> for draining.	See Required equipment on page 172 .  xx1800001271
5	Put the end of the hose in an <i>oil collecting vessel</i> .	The capacity of the vessel must be sufficient to take the complete amount of oil.
6	Open the end plug of the hose.	
7	Open the <i>oil plug, venting</i> .	See Location of oil plugs on page 171 .  xx1800001272

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3.4.3 Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on suspended robots

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	Action	Note
8	Using a low air pressure, start sucking the oil out from the gearbox with the oil change equipment.	
9	 WARNING Used oil is hazardous material and must be disposed of in a safe way. See section De-commissioning on page 427 for more information.	
10	Let the oil drain until the gearbox is empty.  Note There will be some oil left in the gearbox after draining. Measure the volume of the drained oil in the vessel.	 Tip Make a note how much oil was drained. The same amount shall later be refilled.
11	Remove the hose and clean it.	

Filling oil, axis-1 gearbox

Use this procedure to fill the gearbox with oil.



Note

Only valid for Type C and Type D!

The basic method to change oil in a suspended robot of this type, when still mounted in a suspended position, is to fill the same amount of oil that was drained.

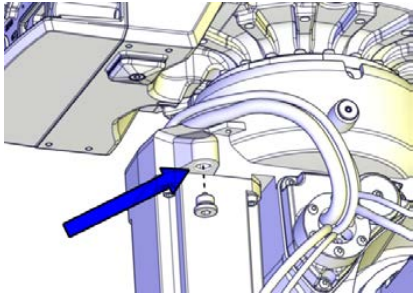
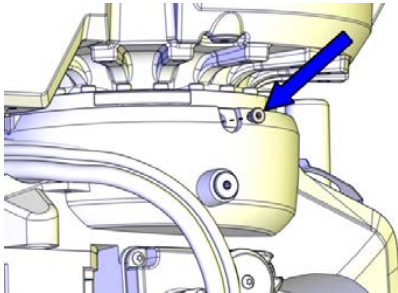
The only way to inspect the oil level after some repair work, is to make a note how much oil was drained and to refill with the same amount. If in doubt, the suspended robot must be dismantled from its inverted position and the oil being inspected with the robot in a floor mounted position.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	

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3.4.3 Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on suspended robots

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	Action	Note
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
4	Verify that the hose of the oil change equipment is clean and then fit the quick connection to the <i>oil plug for filling</i> .	 xx1800001271
5	Open the oil <i>plug for venting</i> .	 xx1800001272
6	Prepare oil change equipment with the same amount of <i>lubrication oil</i> that was drained.  Note The amount of oil to be filled depends on the amount previously being drained.	Where to find type of oil and total amount is detailed in Type and amount of oil in gearboxes on page 164 .
7	Inspect the oil level.	How to inspect the oil level is described in section: • Inspecting oil level, axis 1 gearbox on page 123
8	Disconnect the oil change equipment and put on the protective hood on the oil plug.	
9	Refit the <i>oil plug for venting</i> .  Note Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Before refitting the oil plug in the gearbox, always replace the oil plug sealing washer with a new one. If not there is a risk of leakage.	Tightening torque: • Other design than Type C and Type D: 3-8 Nm • Type C and Type D: 24 Nm

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3.4.3 Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on suspended robots

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	Action	Note
10	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

Expansion container axis-1 gearbox, suspended mounted robots

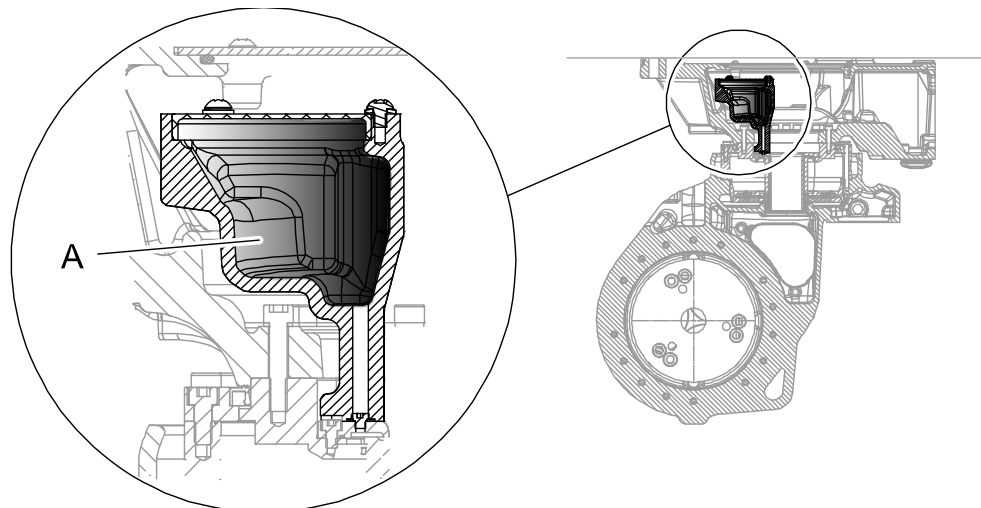


Note

Not valid for Type C and Type D!

Expansion container is not needed on **Type C and Type D**.

When the robot is fitted in a suspended mounted position, an expansion container for oil must be fitted on gearbox axis 1.



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A	Expansion container
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Note

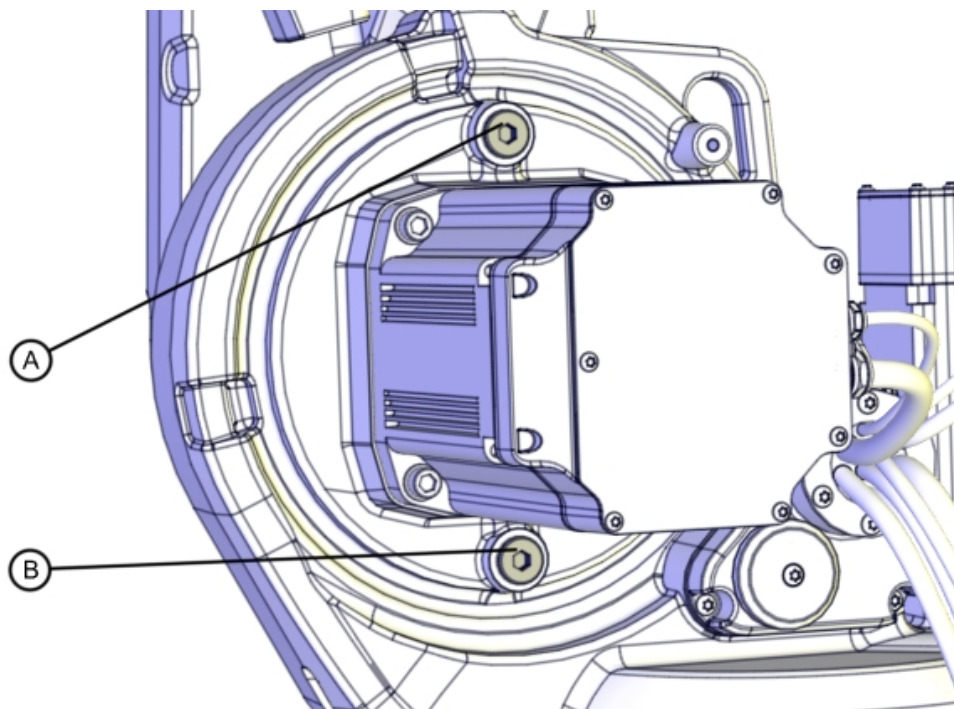
The expansion container is installed on delivery on the robot if ordered as option suspended/inverted mounted. If a floor mounted robot shall be fitted in a suspended mounted position, an expansion container must be installed. See [Installing an expansion container on page 101](#).

3.4.4 Changing the oil, axis-2 gearbox

Location of oil plugs

The axis-2 gearbox is located in the lower arm rotational center, underneath the motor attachment.

Oil plugs are shown in the figure.



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A	Oil plug, filling (draining when suspended mounted)
B	Oil plug, draining (filling when suspended mounted) (Quick connect fitting)

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Oil plug sealing washer (o-ring), gearbox	3HAC029646-001 Used on oil plug. Replace if damaged.
Lubricating oil	Information about the oil is found in <i>Technical reference manual - Lubrication in gearboxes</i> . See Type and amount of oil in gearboxes on page 164 .
Oil collecting vessel	The capacity of the vessel must be sufficient to take the complete amount of oil.
Nipple (TEMA IF 3820 S06)	To be fitted on a hose, and then used for draining connected to the <i>quick connect fitting</i> . See Location of oil plugs on page 177 .
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

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3.4.4 Changing the oil, axis-2 gearbox

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CAUTION

Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

Draining, axis-2 gearbox

Use this procedure to drain the gearbox of oil.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
4	Either • connect a nipple to the <i>quick connect fitting</i> in the hole for draining or • remove the <i>quick connect fitting</i>.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 177
5	Open the <i>oil plug, filling</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 177  Note Drainage will be quicker if the oil plug, filling is removed.
6	Drain the gearbox oil using an <i>oil collecting vessel</i> .	 Note Draining is time-consuming. Elapsed time varies depending on the temperature of the oil.

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	Action	Note
7	 WARNING Used oil is hazardous material and must be disposed of in a safe way. See section Decommissioning on page 427 for more information.	
8	 Note There will be some oil left in the gearbox after draining.	
9	Refit <i>oil plug</i> .  Note Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Before refitting the oil plug in the gearbox, always replace the oil plug sealing washer with a new one. If not there is a risk of leakage.	Tightening torque: • 24 Nm

Filling oil, axis-2 gearbox

Use this procedure to fill the gearbox with oil.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
4	Open <i>oil plug, filling</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 177

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3.4.4 Changing the oil, axis-2 gearbox

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	Action	Note
5	Refill the gearbox with <i>lubrication oil</i> .  Note The amount of oil to be filled depends on the amount previously being drained.	Where to find type of oil and total amount is detailed in Type and amount of oil in gearboxes on page 164 .
6	Inspect the oil level.	How to inspect the oil level is described in section: • Inspecting the oil level, axis 2 gearbox on page 130
7	Refit oil plug.  Note Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Before refitting the oil plug in the gearbox, always replace the oil plug sealing washer with a new one. If not there is a risk of leakage.	Tightening torque: • 24 Nm
8	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

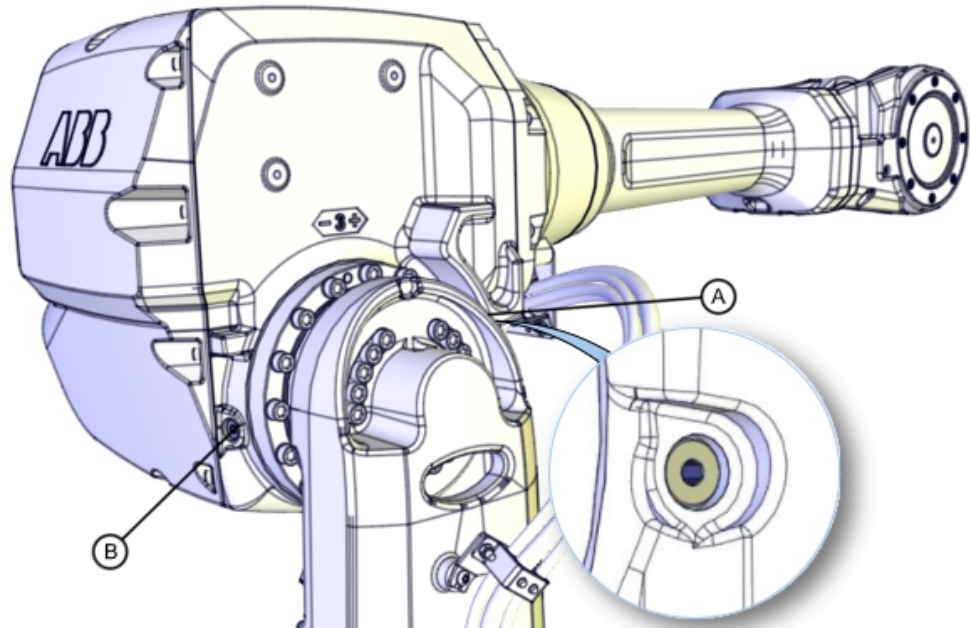
3.4.5 Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox

Location of oil plugs

The axis-3 gearbox is located in the upper arm rotational center.

Oil plugs are shown in the figure.

Type C and Type D



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A	Oil plug, armhouse (not visible in this figure)
B	Oil plug, armhouse

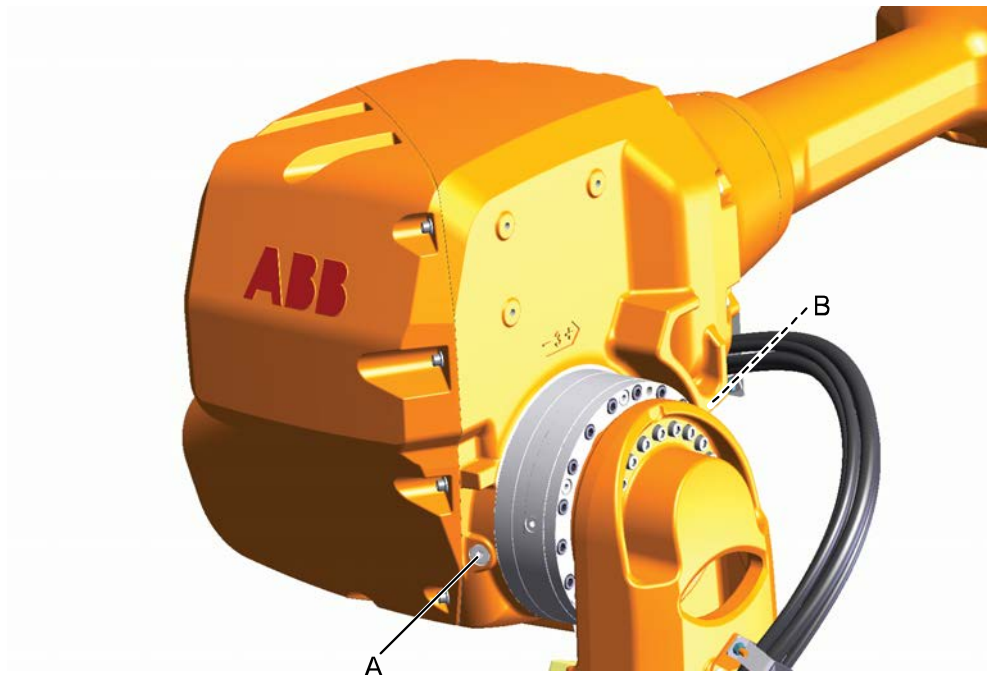
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3.4.5 Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox

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Other design than Type C and Type D



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A	Oil plug, armhouse
B	Oil plug, gearbox (not visible in this figure)

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Washer (o-ring)	3HAC061327-059 Used on oil plug. Replace if damaged.
Lubricating oil	Information about the oil is found in <i>Technical reference manual - Lubrication in gearboxes</i> . See Type and amount of oil in gearboxes on page 164 .
Oil collecting vessel	The capacity of the vessel must be sufficient to take the complete amount of oil.
Oil dispenser	One example of oil dispenser can be found in section: Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164
Funnel	 xx1200000862
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

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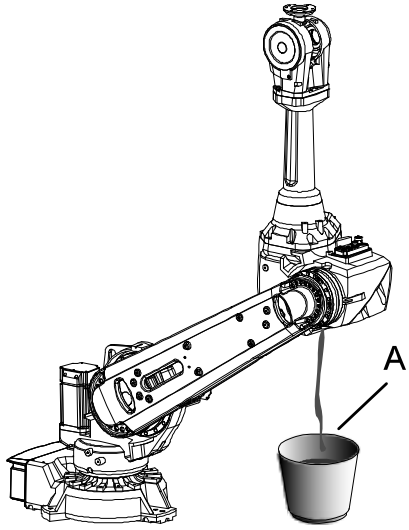
CAUTION

Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

Draining, axis-3 gearbox

Use this procedure to drain the gearbox of oil.

There is an alternative method to drain the gearbox. See [Draining - alternative method on page 184](#).

	Action	Note
1	Move the robot to an upright position as shown in the figure.	 xx0800000327 • A: Oil collecting vessel
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38.	
4	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	

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3.4.5 Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox

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	Action	Note
5	Open the <i>oil plug, armhouse</i>	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 181
6	Type C and Type D: Open the other oil plug in the <i>armhouse</i> and use it as a ventilation hole. Other design than Type C and Type D: Open the <i>oil plug, gearbox</i> and use it as a ventilation hole.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 181
7	Drain the gearbox oil using an <i>oil collecting vessel</i> .	 Note Draining is time-consuming. Elapsed time varies depending on the temperature of the oil.
8	 WARNING Used oil is hazardous material and must be disposed of in a proper way. See section <i>De-commissioning</i> for more information.	
9	Refit oil plugs.	Tightening torque: Other design than Type C and Type D, in armhouse: 10 Nm Other design than Type C and Type D, in gearbox: 3 Nm Type C and Type D, both plugs: 10 Nm

Draining - alternative method

Use this procedure to drain the oil from the gearbox, as an alternative method.

If this method is used, oil must be sucked out of the gearbox using an oil dispenser.

	Action	Note
1	Move the upper arm of the robot to a position where the <i>oil plug, gearbox</i> is pointing at the floor.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 181
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	

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	Action	Note
4	Use an <i>oil dispenser</i> fitted to the <i>oil plug, gearbox</i> to drain the oil.	An example of oil dispenser is detailed in section: • Type of lubrication in gear-boxes on page 164 See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 181
5	Replace the <i>oil plug, gearbox</i> with a nipple where a draining hose is fitted.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 181
6	Connect the <i>oil dispenser</i> .	One example can be found in section: • Type of lubrication in gear-boxes on page 164
7	Open the <i>oil plug, armhouse</i> now pointing upwards and use it as a ventilation hole.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 181  WARNING The oil plug, gearbox must be open when the oil dispenser equipment is used! Otherwise sealings and other parts will be damaged.
8	Start sucking the oil out from the gearbox with the oil ejector equipment.	For capacity of the vessel see section: • Type of lubrication in gear-boxes on page 164
9	 WARNING Used oil is hazardous material and must be disposed of in a proper way. See section <i>De-commissioning</i> for more information.	
10	 Note There will be some oil left in the gearbox after draining!	
11	Refit the <i>oilplugs</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 181 Tightening torque: Other design than Type C and Type D, in armhouse: 10 Nm Other design than Type C and Type D, in gearbox: 3 Nm Type C and Type D, both plugs: 10 Nm

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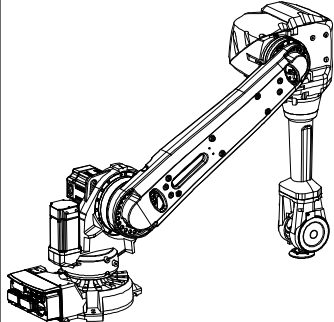
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3.4.5 Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox

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Filling oil, axis-3 gearbox

Use this procedure to fill the gearbox with oil.

	Action	Note
1	Move the upper arm to a position where the wrist is pointing towards the floor as shown in the figure.	 xx0800000329
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
4	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
5	Open the <i>oil plug, armhouse</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 181
6	Refill the gearbox with <i>lubricating oil</i> .  Tip Use a funnel.  Note The amount of oil to be filled depends on the amount previously being drained.	Where to find type of oil and total amount is detailed in Type and amount of oil in gearboxes on page 164 .
7	Inspect the <i>oil level</i> .	How to inspect oil is described in section: • Inspecting the oil level, axis 3 gearbox on page 133

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	Action	Note
8	Refit the <i>oil plug</i>. Always replace the washer when refitting the oil plug.	Tightening torque: Other design than Type C and Type D, in armhouse: 10 Nm Other design than Type C and Type D, in gearbox: 3 Nm Type C and Type D, both plugs: 10 Nm
9	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

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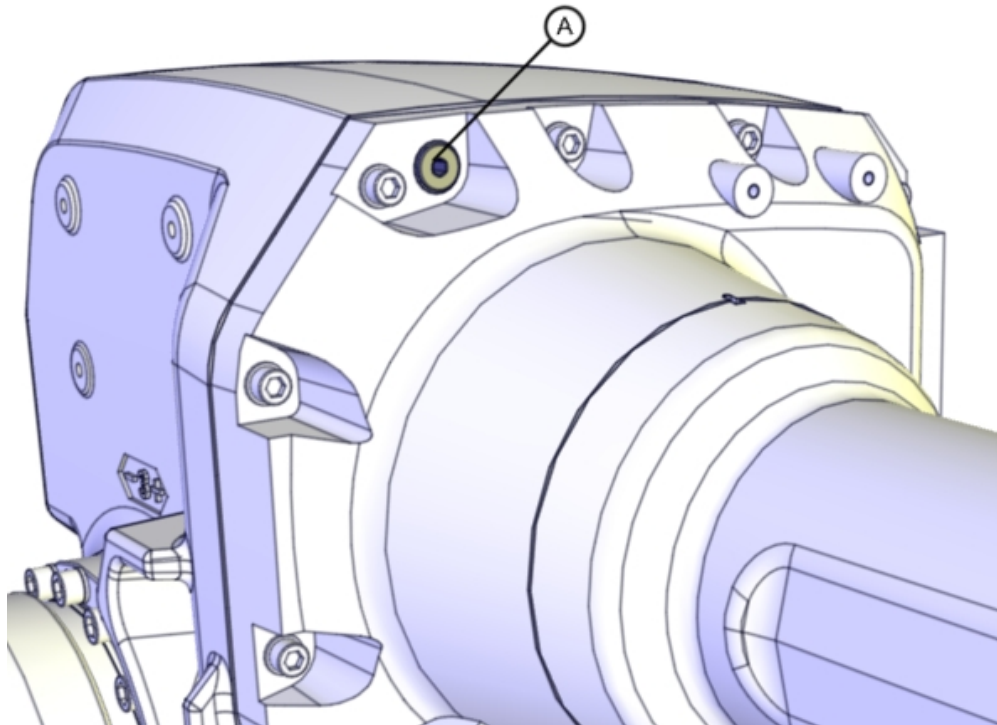
3.4.6 Changing the oil, axis-4 gearbox

3.4.6 Changing the oil, axis-4 gearbox

Location of oil plugs

The axis-4 gearbox is located in the front of the upper armhouse.

The oil plug is shown in the figure.



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A	Oil plug, for filling and draining
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Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Washer (o-ring)	3HAC061327-059 Used on oil plug. Replace if damaged.
Lubricating oil	Where to find information of the <i>type of oil</i> , <i>article number</i> and the <i>amount</i> in the gearbox, see section Type of lubrication in gear-boxes on page 164
Oil collecting vessel	The capacity of the vessel must be sufficient to take the complete amount of oil.
Plastic hose	Used for venting the gearbox during draining. A suitable hose would be a hose normally used for compressed air. Length: minimum 300 mm. Diameter: 5 mm.

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3.4.6 Changing the oil, axis-4 gearbox Continued

Equipment	Note
Funnel	 xx1200000862
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

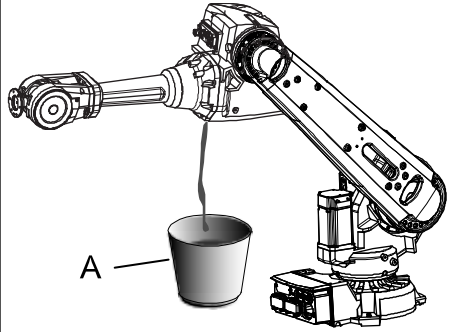


CAUTION

Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

Draining oil

Use this procedure to drain oil from the gearbox.

Action	Note
1 Move the robot to the position shown in the figure.	 xx0800000328 A: Oil collecting vessel
2  DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3  WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38.	

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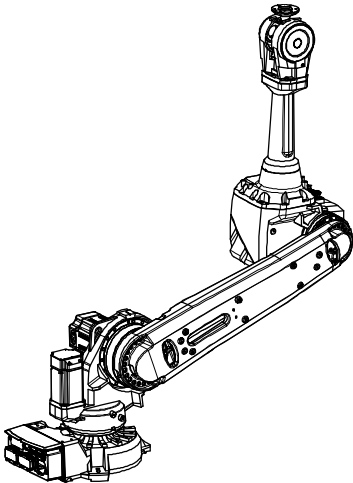
3.4.6 Changing the oil, axis-4 gearbox

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	Action	Note
4	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
5	Open <i>oil plug, draining</i> .	See the figure in: Location of oil plugs on page 188
6	Drain the gearbox oil using an <i>oil collecting vessel</i> .  Tip Insert a compressed air hose approximately 100 mm into the gearbox, to vent the gearbox. This speeds up the draining significantly.	 Note Draining is time-consuming. Elapsed time varies depending on the temperature of the oil.
7	 WARNING Used oil is hazardous material and must be disposed of in a safe way. See section Decommissioning on page 427 for more information.	
8	Refit the oil plug.	Tightening torque: 10 Nm.

Filling oil

Use this procedure to fill oil in the gearbox.

	Action	Note
1	Move the upper arm to the position shown in the figure.	 xx0800000330

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	Action	Note
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
4	 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.	
5	Open the <i>oil plug, filling</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 188
6	Refill the gearbox with <i>lubricating oil</i> .  Tip Use a funnel.  Note The amount of oil to be filled depends on the amount previously being drained.	Where to find type of oil and total amount is detailed in Type and amount of oil in gearboxes on page 164 .
7	Refit the <i>oil plug</i> . Always replace the washer when refitting the oil plug.	Tightening torque: 10 Nm.
8	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

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3.4.7 Changing oil, axes-5 and -6 gearboxes

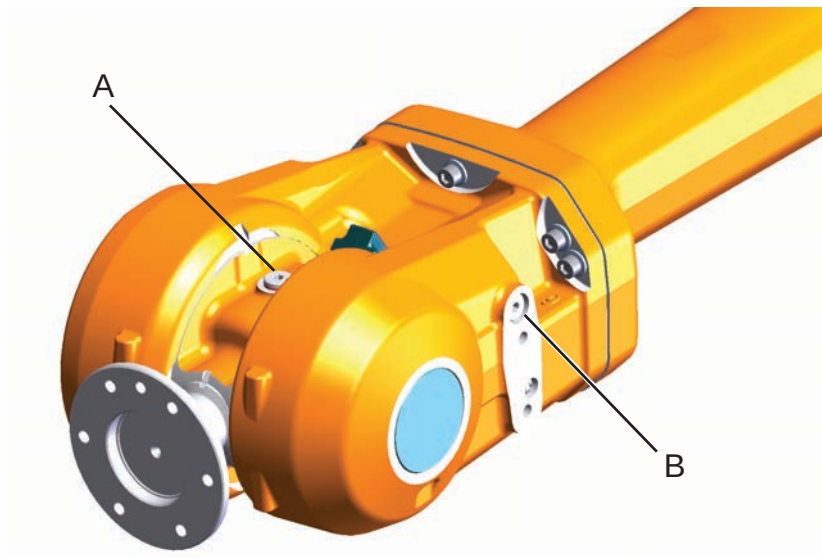
3.4.7 Changing oil, axes-5 and -6 gearboxes

Location of oil plugs

The axes-5 and -6 gearboxes are located in the wrist unit.

The oil plug is shown in the figure.

The figure shows wrist variant 60 kg



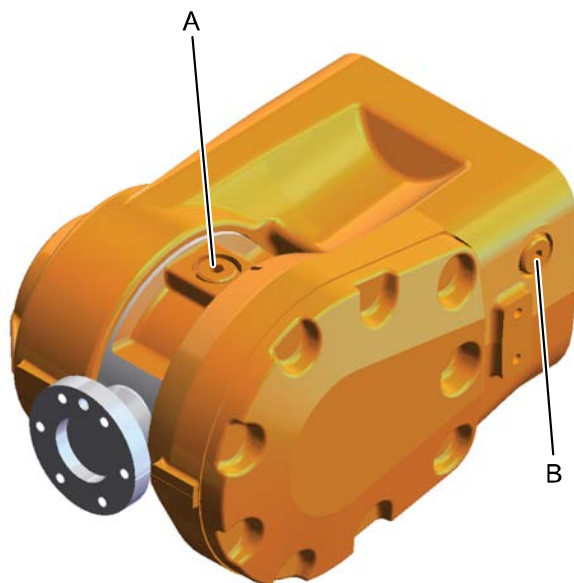
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A	Oil plug, tilthouse
B	Oil plug, wrist unit (also used as air inlet when draining from oil plug A)

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The figure shows wrist variant 12/20 kg



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A	Oil plug, tilthouse
B	Oil plug, wrist (also used as air inlet when draining from oil plug A)

**Note**

The gearboxes for axes-5 and -6 are the same.

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Washer (o-ring)	3HAC061327-059 Used on oil plug. Replace if damaged.
Lubrication oil	Where to find information of the <i>type of oil</i> , <i>article number</i> and the <i>amount</i> in the gearbox, see section: Type of lubrication in gearboxes on page 164
Oil collecting vessel	The capacity of the vessel must be sufficient to take the complete amount of oil.
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

**CAUTION**

Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

Draining axes-5 and -6 gearbox - wrist 60 kg

Use this procedure to drain oil from the gearbox.

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3.4.7 Changing oil, axes-5 and -6 gearboxes

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 CAUTION The gearbox can contain an <i>excess of pressure</i> that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.		
	Action	Note
1	Move the <i>upper arm</i> to a position where it points downwards.	
2	Move axis 5 to a position where the <i>oil plug, tilthouse</i> points downwards.	The turning disk shall be in a horizontal position.
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
5	Put an <i>oil collecting vessel</i> under the wrist in order to collect drained oil.	The capacity of the vessel must be sufficient to take the complete amount of oil.
6	Open the <i>oil plug, tilthouse</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 192
7	Open the oil plug, wrist (air inlet). This is done for the ventilation of the gearbox and to facilitate draining.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 192
8	Drain the gearbox.	 Note Draining is time-consuming. Elapsed time varies depending on the temperature of the oil.
9	 WARNING Used oil is hazardous material and must be disposed of in a safe way. See section Decommissioning on page 427 for more information.	

Draining axes-5 and -6 gearbox - wrist 12/20 kg

Use this procedure to drain oil from the gearbox.

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CAUTION

The gearbox can contain an *excess of pressure* that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.

	Action	Note
1	Move the upper arm to a horizontal position.	
2	Turn axis-4 to the calibration position.	See the figure in Location of oil plugs on page 192 .
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
5	Remove the <i>oil plugs</i> in the wrist.	See the figure in Location of oil plugs on page 192 .
6	Turn axis-4 through so that the oil plug on the side of the wrist points downwards.	
7	Then turn axis-4 another 90°.	
8	Let the remaining oil run out through the oil plug hole, tilthouse.	

Filling oil axes-5 and -6 gearbox - wrist 60 kg

Use this procedure to fill oil in the gearbox.



CAUTION

The gearbox can contain an *excess of pressure* that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.

	Action	Note
1	Move the upper arm to a position where the <i>oil plug, wrist</i> points upwards.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 192
2	Move axis-5 to a position where the <i>oil plug, tilthouse</i> points upwards.	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 192

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3.4.7 Changing oil, axes-5 and -6 gearboxes

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	Action	Note
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
5	Open <i>oil plug, wrist</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 192
6	Open <i>oil plug, tilthouse</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of oil plugs on page 192
7	Refill oil using <i>oil plug, wrist</i> .  Note There will be some oil left in the gearbox after draining.	There will be oil left in the gearbox after draining. Therefore the amount of oil filled will be less than the total amount. When filling oil in a wrist (60 kg) begin by only filling 1.500 ml. Check oil level. If needed add more oil.
8	Refill the gearbox with <i>lubrication oil</i> .  Note The amount of oil to be filled depends on the amount previously being drained.	Where to find type of oil and total amount is detailed in Type and amount of oil in gearboxes on page 164 .
9	Inspect the <i>oil level</i> .	How to inspect the oil level is described in section: • Inspecting oil level, gearbox axes 5 - 6 on page 138
10	Refit both oil plugs. Always replace the washer when refitting the oil plug.	Tightening torque: • 10 Nm
11	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

Filling oil axes-5 and -6 gearbox - wrist 12/20 kg

Use this procedure to fill oil in the gearbox.

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CAUTION

The gearbox can contain an *excess of pressure* that can be hazardous. Open the oil plug carefully in order to let out the excess pressure.

	Action	Note
1	Run the upper arm to a horizontal position.	
2	Turn axis-4 to the calibration position.	
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	 WARNING Handling gearbox oil involves several safety risks, see Gearbox lubricants (oil or grease) on page 38 .	
5	Open the <i>oil plug, tilthouse</i> .	See in figure: • Location of oil plugs on page 192
6	Refill the gearbox with <i>lubrication oil</i> .  Note The amount of oil to be filled depends on the amount previously being drained.	Where to find type of oil and total amount is detailed in Type and amount of oil in gearboxes on page 164 .
7	Inspect the oil level.	How to inspect the oil level is described in section: • Inspecting oil level, gearbox axes 5 - 6 on page 138
8	 Note If the robot is fitted in a suspended position, the wrist should be turned 180°.	
9	Refit the oil plugs. Always replace the washer when refitting the oil plug.	Tightening torque: • 10 Nm

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3.4.8 Replacing SMB battery

3.4.8 Replacing SMB battery



Note

The battery low alert (38213 **Battery charge low**) is displayed when the battery needs to be replaced. The recommendation to avoid an unsynchronized robot is to keep the power to the controller turned on until the battery is to be replaced. For an SMB board with 3-pole battery contact (RMU101 3HAC044168-001 or RMU102 3HAC043904-001), the lifetime of a new battery is typically 36 months. For an SMB board with 2-pole battery contact, the typical lifetime of a new battery is 36 months if the robot is powered off 2 days/week or 18 months if the robot is powered off 16 h/day. The lifetime can be extended for longer production breaks with a battery shutdown service routine. See *Operating manual - IRC5 with FlexPendant* or *Operating manual - OmniCore* for instructions.



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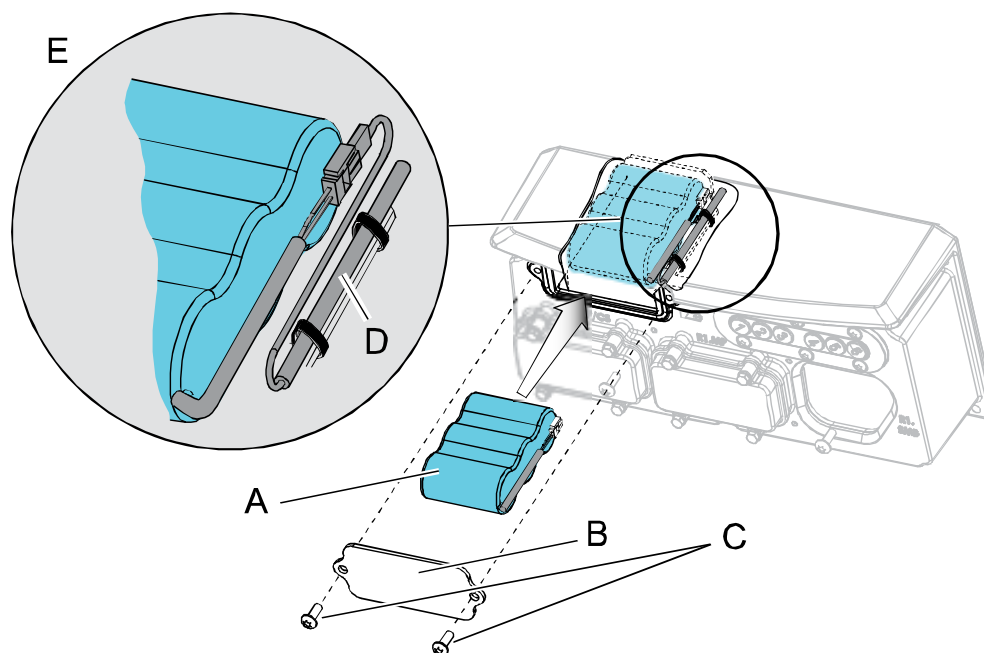
See [Hazards related to batteries on page 40](#).

Location of SMB battery

The SMB battery is located at the base of the robot, as shown in the figure.

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A	SMB battery (2-pole battery contact)
B	Battery cover
C	Attachment screws
D	SMB battery cable
E	How to arrange the battery cable

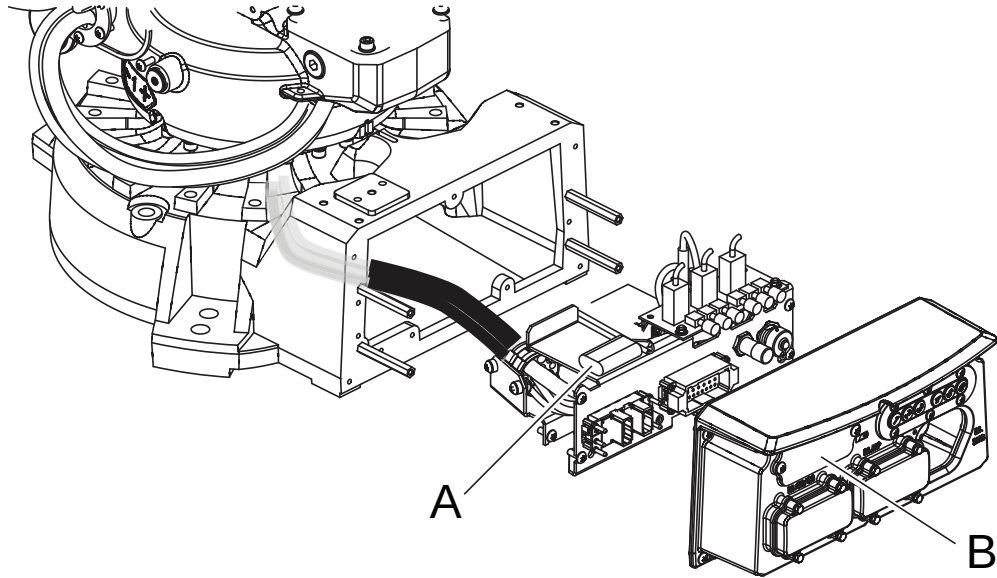
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3.4.8 Replacing SMB battery

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A	SMB battery (3-pole battery contact)
B	Battery cover

Required equipment



Note

There are two variants of SMB units and batteries. One with 2-pole battery contact and one with 3-pole battery contact. The variant with the 3-pole battery contact has longer lifetime for the battery.

It is important that the SMB unit uses the correct battery. Make sure to order the correct spare parts. Do not replace the battery contact!

Equipment	Note
SMB battery pack	Battery includes protection circuits. Replace it only with given spare part no. or an ABB approved equivalent. See Spare part lists on page 447 .
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Circuit diagram	See chapter Circuit diagram on page 449 .



CAUTION

Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

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Removing SMB battery

Use this procedure to remove the SMB battery.

	Action	Note
1	Move the robot to its calibration position.	This is done in order to facilitate the updating of the revolution counter.
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	 ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE (ESD) The unit is sensitive to ESD. Before handling the unit please read the safety information in the section The unit is sensitive to ESD on page 58	
4	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
5	Remove the <i>SMB battery cover</i> .  CAUTION Clean cover from metal residues before opening. Metal residues can cause shortage on the boards which can result in hazardous failures.	See the figure in Location of SMB battery on page 198 .
6	Pull out the <i>SMB battery</i> .	See the figure in Location of SMB battery on page 198 .
7	Disconnect the <i>battery cable</i> and remove the battery.	See the figure in Location of SMB battery on page 198 .
8	How to dispose of the used SMB battery, see chapter Decommissioning on page 427 .	

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Refitting SMB battery

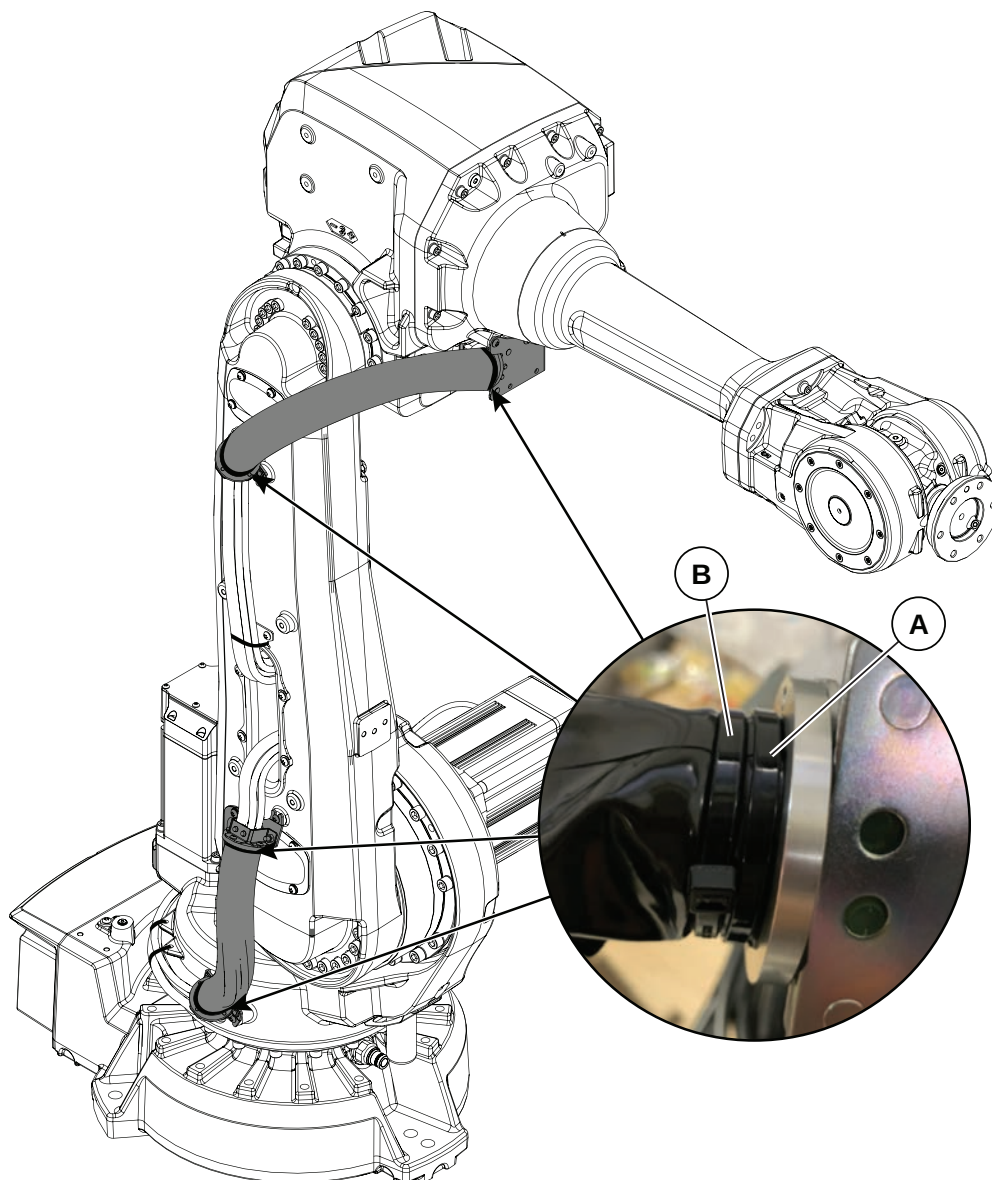
Use this procedure to refit the SMB battery.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE (ESD) The unit is sensitive to ESD. Before handling the unit please read the safety information in the section The unit is sensitive to ESD on page 58	
3	Reconnect the <i>battery cable</i> to the <i>SMB battery</i> .	See the figure in Location of SMB battery on page 198 .
4	Put the battery unit into its recess while arranging the SMB cables as shown in the figure.	See the figure in Location of SMB battery on page 198 .
5	Secure the <i>SMB cover</i> with its <i>attachment screws</i> .	See the figure in Location of SMB battery on page 198 .
6	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	
7	Update the revolution counter.	Detailed in Updating revolution counters on IRC5 robots on page 398 .
8	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116 .	

3.4.9 Replacing cable strap on the protection tubes

Location of cable straps

The cable straps are located at each end of the protection tubes, as shown in the figure.



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- A: The cable strap closed to the bracket
- B: The cable strap installed in the slot

A	The cable strap closed to the bracket
B	The cable strap installed in the slot

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3.4.9 Replacing cable strap on the protection tubes

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Required equipment



Note

There are two variants of SMB units and batteries. One with 2-pole battery contact and one with 3-pole battery contact. The variant with the 3-pole battery contact has longer lifetime for the battery.

It is important that the SMB unit uses the correct battery. Make sure to order the correct spare parts. Do not replace the battery contact!

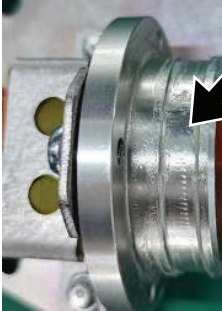
Equipment	Note
Cable strap	-
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

Replacing the cable straps

Use this procedure to replace the cable strap.

	Action	Note
1	Move the robot to its calibration position.	This is done in order to facilitate the updating of the revolution counter.
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	 ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE (ESD) The unit is sensitive to ESD. Before handling the unit please read the safety information in the section The unit is sensitive to ESD on page 58	
	Cut and remove the loosen <i>cable strap</i> .	
4	Clean the end of the protection tube and bracket with isopropyl alcohol.	

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	Action	Note
5	Refit a new cable strap at the old position.  Tip Make sure that the cable strap is installed in the cable strap slot.  xx2300001225  Tip The head of the cable strap should be aligned with the screw on the bracket.  xx2300001226	
6	Cut the redundant part of the cable strap.	
7	Pull on the protection tube to check that it's tightly locked to the bracket by the cable straps.	

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3.5.1 Cleaning the IRB 4600

3.5 Cleaning activities

3.5.1 Cleaning the IRB 4600



DANGER

Turn off all:

- electric power supply
- hydraulic pressure supply
- air pressure supply

to the robot, before entering the safeguarded space.

General

To secure high uptime it is important that the IRB 4600 is cleaned regularly. The frequency of cleaning depends on the environment in which the product works. Different cleaning methods are allowed depending on the type of protection of the IRB 4600.



Note

Always verify the protection type of the robot before cleaning.

Oil spills

Oil spills from gearboxes

Use the following procedure if any oil spills are detected that can be suspected to originate from a gearbox.

- 1 Inspect that the oil level in the suspected gearbox is according to the recommendations, see [Inspection activities on page 123](#).
- 2 Write down the oil level.
- 3 Inspect the oil level again after, for example, 6 months.
- 4 If the oil level is decreased then replace the gearbox.

Special cleaning considerations

This section specifies some special considerations when cleaning the robot.

- Always use cleaning equipment as specified. Any other cleaning equipment may shorten the life of the robot.
- Always check that all protective covers are fitted to the robot before cleaning.
- Never point the water jet at connectors, joints, sealings, or gaskets.
- Do not use compressed air to clean the robot.
- Never use solvents that are not approved by ABB to clean the robot.
- Do not spray from a distance closer than 0.4 m.
- Do not remove any covers or other protective devices before cleaning the robot.

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Cleaning methods

The following table defines what cleaning methods are allowed depending on the protection type.

Protection type	Cleaning method			
	Vacuum cleaner	Wipe with cloth	Rinse with water	High pressure water or steam
Standard	Yes	Yes. With mild cleaning detergent.	Yes. It is highly recommended that the water contains a rust-prevention solution and that the manipulator is dried afterwards.	No
Foundry Plus	Yes	Yes. With mild cleaning detergent or spirit.	Yes. The water must contain a corrosion inhibitor ⁱ .	Yes ⁱⁱ . It is highly recommended that the water and steam contains rust preventive, without cleaning detergents.
Clean room	Yes	Yes. With mild cleaning detergent. ⁱⁱⁱ See Cleaning and disinfection instructions for Clean Room robots on page 208 .	No	No

ⁱ Recommended corrosion inhibitor: King Industries NA-SUL 1019A.

ⁱⁱ Perform according to section [Cleaning with water and steam on page 212](#).

ⁱⁱⁱ Clean Room robots shall be cleaned with recommended cleaning detergent in recommended cleaning frequency, which are specified in [Cleaning and disinfection instructions for Clean Room robots](#).

Usable detergents

Wipe-down cleaning method is recommended for ABB robots with protection types *Clean Room*. Robot surfaces shall be wiped with clean and low particle emission cleanroom cloth which is soaked with following cleaning detergents.

Functional components	Concentration	Maximum cleaning frequency
Alcohol	70%	Daily
Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA)	70%	Daily
Peroxide (H ₂ O ₂)	3%	Weekly

Ready-to-use pre-wetted wipes are allowed to use in condition of that the main detergent component and its concentration in the wipes meet the detergent specification specified in the previous table.

Followings are some recommended examples of detergent brands and types:

- Ecolab Klerwipe™ Alcodes GF
- Ecolab Klerwipe™ DrySan Duo
- Diversey® Clearklens Wipes

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- Diversey® Suma Wipes
- Diversey® Oxivir Excel Wipes

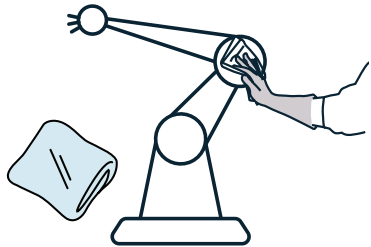
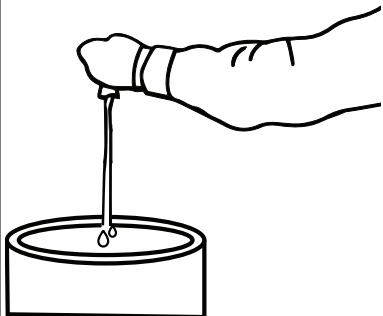
Wiping with cloth

Cleaning and disinfection instructions for Clean Room robots

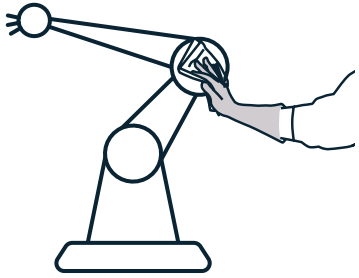
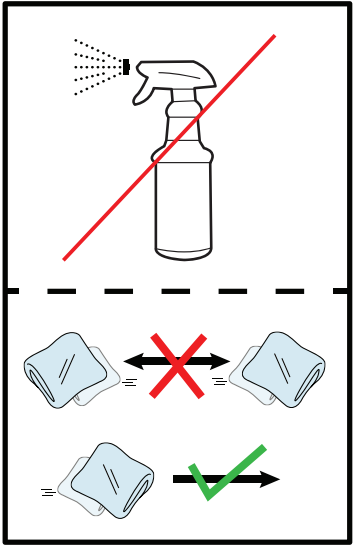
ABB robots with protection types *Clean Room* are designed to be cleaned at a low cleaning frequency, before entering the cleanroom environment, after robot commissioning or during cleanroom maintenance.

Wipe-down cleaning method is recommended. Robot surfaces shall be wiped with clean and low particle emission cleanroom cloth which is soaked with cleaning detergents specified in [Usable detergents on page 207](#).

Use the following procedure to clean the robots.

	Action	Illustration/Note
1	Before cleaning, use the lint free cloth to remove dirt, debris or any other contaminant from the to-be cleaned surfaces. • Make sure no visible residues left. • Never apply hard forces on or rub against the robot surfaces to remove dirt or debris; otherwise, protective paint layers may be damaged. • Always read the Material Safety Date Sheet (MSDS) of the selected wipe product for safe handling before cleaning.	 xx2500000705
2	Turn off all electric power supply, hydraulic pressure supply and air pressure supply to the robot before cleaning.	
3	Wet a clean cloth with the cleaning detergent.	Only use cleaning agents whose functional components or concentrations are listed in Usable detergents on page 207. Contact ABB if using other unlisted detergents before conducting cleaning activities.
4	Express excess liquid before wiping. The wipe should be wet, but not dripping liquid.	 xx2500000706

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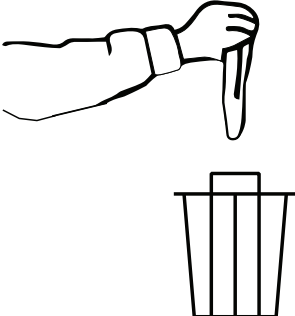
	Action	Illustration/Note
5	Wipe the painting surfaces on the robot. Apply the cleaning detergents to specific components only in recommended way. See Wiping recommendations for Clean Room robot components on page 210.	 xx2500000707
	Make sure, • no cleaning agents are sprayed onto robot surfaces or into the robot structure. • the wiped surfaces covered by two sequential wiping movements are covered by 20%-30%. • Wipe from the surface center to edge and always in the same direction, or from the least contaminated area to most contaminated area, until covering all the exposed surfaces.	 xx2500000708
	Never, • force the clean cloth or wipes into joints or cover gaps. • apply the cleaning agents to unpainted surfaces such as screw holes, mounting surfaces and tool flange. Do not wipe too close to unpainted edges to prevent the cleaning agents from accumulating or running onto these surfaces.	
6	Wait a few minutes for detergent volatilization. Make sure no residue of cleaning agents left on the robot surfaces after wipe down cleaning.	

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	Action	Illustration/Note
7	Dispose the wipe properly.	 xx2500000709



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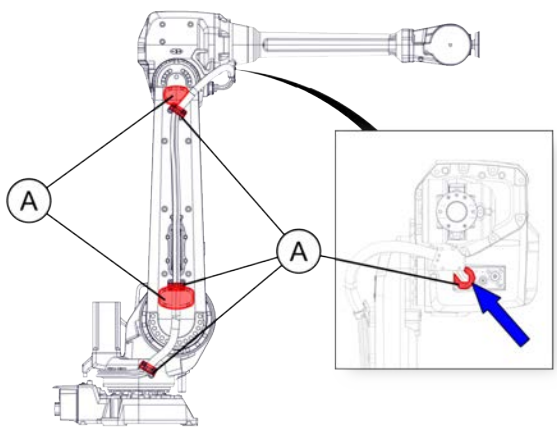
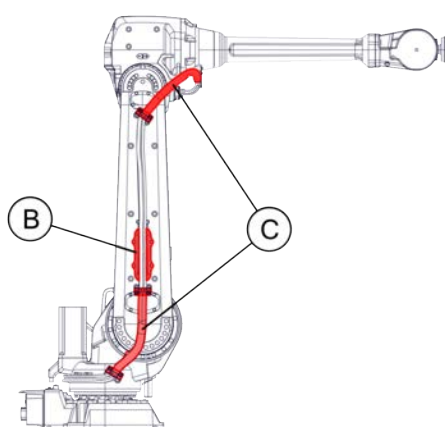
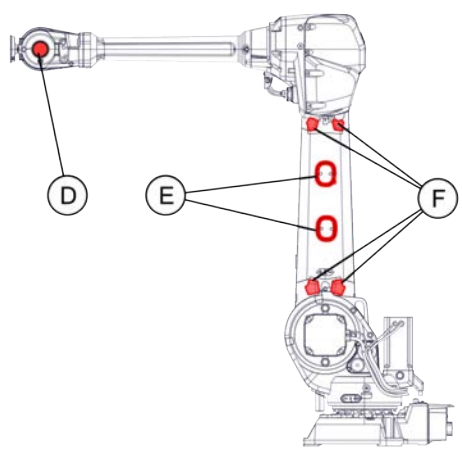
End users/system integrators shall take the responsibility of assessing whether the disinfection is sufficiently implemented and reaches the disinfection degree required for the intended application and environment.

Wiping recommendations for Clean Room robot components

Component ⁱ	70% Alcohol	70% IPA	3% Peroxide (H ₂ O ₂)
Humped sink cover	✓	✓	O
Brass	O	O	X
Cable protection	O	O	O
Rubber (rubber cover, rubber clamps)	O	O	O
Sikaflex 521	X	X	X
VK-cover	X	X	X
Mechanical stop	X	X	X
Calibration protection	X	X	X

- ⁱ ✓: Cleaned with recommended cleaning detergent in recommended frequency
O: Cleaned with recommended cleaning detergent in a reduced frequency
X: Cleaning not allowed

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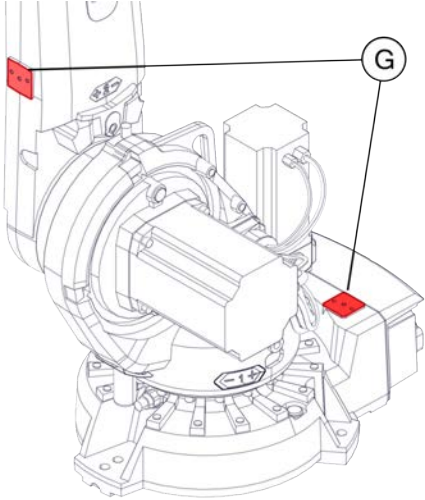
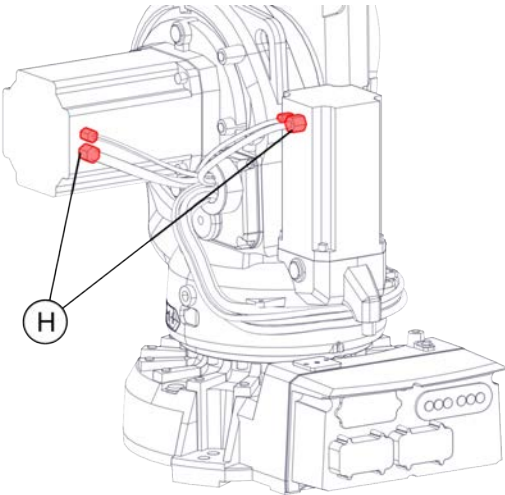
	Component	Illustration
A	Rubber (rubber cover, rubber clamps)	 xx2500000378
B	Humped sink cover	 xx2500000379
C	Cable protection	
D	VK-cover	 xx2500000380
E	Sikaflex 521	
F	Mechanical stop	

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	Component	Illustration
G	Calibration protection	 xx2500000381
H	Brass	 xx2500000382

Cleaning with water and steam

Instructions for rinsing with water

ABB robots with protection types *Standard*, *Foundry Plus*, *Wash*, or *Foundry Prime* can be cleaned by rinsing with water (water cleaner), provided that the robot is not equipped with the option of motor cooling fans.^{1 2}

The following list defines the prerequisites:

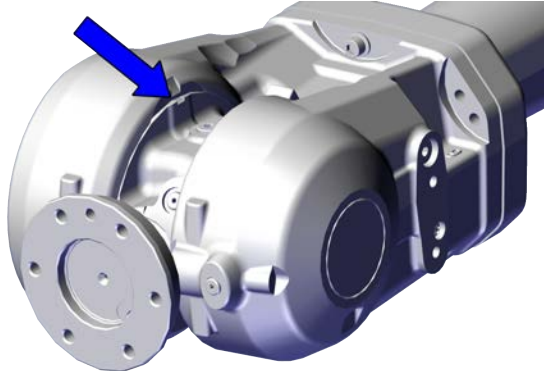
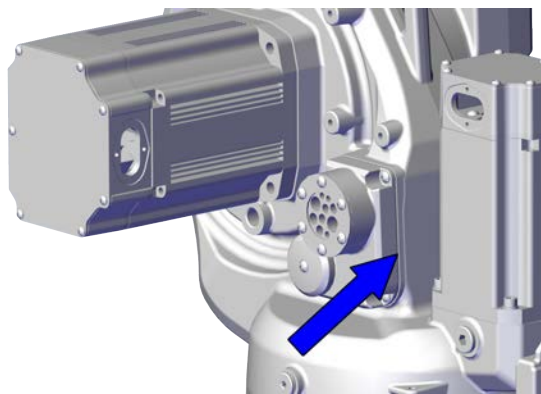
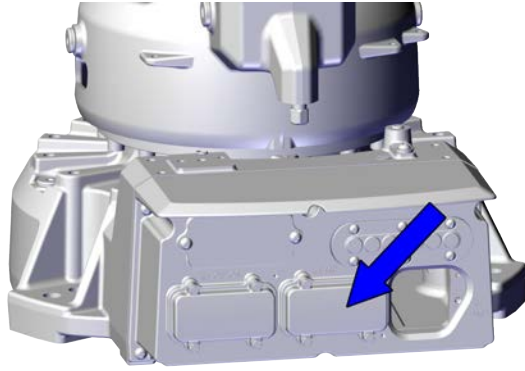
- Maximum water pressure at the nozzle: 700 kN/m² (7 bar)¹
- Fan jet nozzle should be used, min. 45° spread
- Minimum distance from nozzle to encapsulation: 0.4 meters
- Maximum flow: 20 liters/min¹

¹ See [Cleaning methods on page 207](#) for exceptions.

² If the robot is equipped with a sleeve, do not open Axis 2 and 3 before rinsing, as this will damage the sealing ring.

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- Never point the nozzle at the following components (example images):

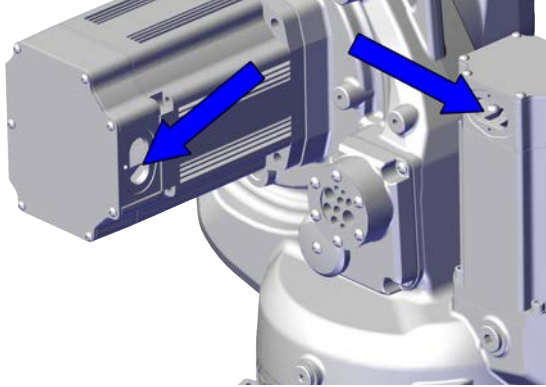
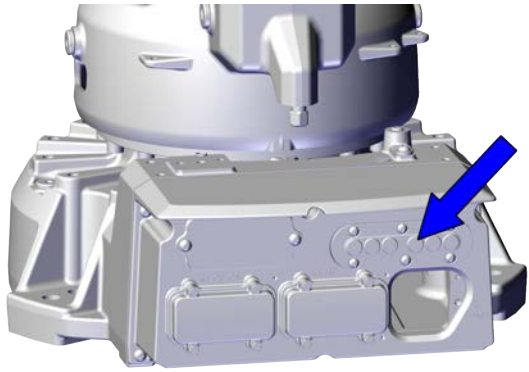
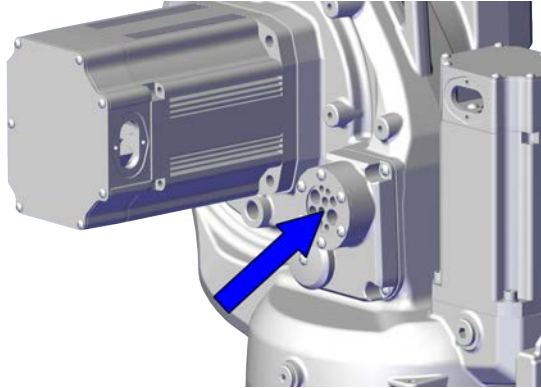
Component	Example of component location
Rotational sealings	The image shows an example of a rotational sealing on the manipulator. Sealing can also be located elsewhere.  xx2300001604
Gaskets	The image shows an example of a gasket on the manipulator. Gaskets can also be located elsewhere.  xx2300001605
Connectors	The image shows an example of connectors on the manipulator. Connectors can also be located elsewhere.  xx2300001606

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Component	Example of component location
Cable inlets	The image shows an example of a cable inlet on the manipulator. Inlets can also be located elsewhere.  xx2300001607
Brake release buttons	 xx2300001608
Press relief valve	 xx2300001609

I Typical tap water pressure and flow

Instructions for steam or high pressure water cleaning

ABB robots with protection types *Foundry Plus*, *Wash*, or *Foundry Prime* can be cleaned using a steam cleaner or high pressure water cleaner.³

The following list defines the prerequisites:

- Maximum water pressure at the nozzle: 2500 kN/m² (25 bar)

³ See [Cleaning methods on page 207](#) for exceptions.

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- Fan jet nozzle should be used, min. 45° spread
- Minimum distance from nozzle to encapsulation: 0.4 meters
- Maximum water temperature: 80° C
- Never point the nozzle at the components shown in [Instructions for rinsing with water on page 212](#).

Cables

Movable cables need to be able to move freely:

- Remove waste material, such as sand, dust and chips, if it prevents cable movement.
- Clean the cables if they have a crusty surface, for example from dry release agents.

Cooling fans

Inspect the air supply inlet of the the motor cooling fans. Clean to remove any contamination that could hinder the air supply.

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4 Repair

4.1 Introduction

Structure of this chapter

This chapter describes repair activities for the IRB 4600. Each procedure contains the information required to perform the activity, for example spare parts numbers, required special tools, and materials.



WARNING

Repair activities not described in this chapter must only be carried out by ABB.

Report replaced units



Note

When replacing a part on the IRB 4600, report to your local ABB the serial number, the article number, and the revision of both the replaced unit and the replacement unit.

This is particularly important for safety equipment to maintain the safety integrity of the installation.

Safety information

Make sure to read through the chapter [Safety on page 23](#) before commencing any service work.



CAUTION

Follow the instructions to avoid errors of fitting during maintenance or repair.

Moving the robot out of Clean Room working spaces before service activities

The robots must be moved out of the Clean Room working spaces before proceeding with the maintenance and repair works.

During the working space layout planning, reserve sufficient space to ensure that the robot can be moved in and out of the Clean Room working spaces smoothly. The minimum space required for the equipment or device that are used to move or lift the robot should also be considered.

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WARNING

If the IRB 4600 is connected to power, always make sure that the controller and IRB 4600 are connected to protective earth and a residual current device (RCD) before starting any maintenance work.

For more information see:

- *Product manual - OmniCore V250XT Type A*
- *Product manual - OmniCore V250XT Type B*
- *Product manual - OmniCore V400XT*
- *Product manual - IRC5*
- *Product manual - IRC5 Panel Mounted Controller*
- [*Robot cabling and connection points on page 107.*](#)

4.2 General procedures

4.2.1 Performing a leak-down test

When to perform a leak-down test

After refitting any motor and gearbox, the integrity of all seals enclosing the gearbox oil must be tested. This is done in a leak-down test.

The gearbox must be drained of oil before performing the leak-down test.

Required equipment

Equipment, etc.	Article number	Note
Leak-down tester	-	
Leak detection spray	-	

Performing a leak-down test

	Action	Note
1	Finish the refitting procedure of the motor or gear in question, but do not refill the gearbox with oil before performing the leak-down test.	
2	Remove the upper oil plug on the gear and replace it with the leak-down tester. Regulators, which are included in the leak-down test, may be required.	
3	Use caution, apply compressed air and raise the pressure with the knob until the correct value is shown on the manometer.  CAUTION The pressure must under no circumstance be higher than 0.25 bar (20-25 kPa). Also during the time when the pressure is raised.	Correct value: 0.2-0.25 bar (20-25 kPa)
4	Disconnect the compressed air supply.	
5	Wait for approximately 8-10 minutes and make sure that no pressure loss occurs.	If the compressed air is significantly colder or warmer than the gearbox to be tested, a slight pressure increase or decrease may occur. This is quite normal.
6	If any pressure drop occurred, then localize the leak as described in step 7. If no pressure drop occurred, then remove the leak-down tester and refit the oil plug. The test is complete.	
7	Spray any suspected leak areas with the leak detection spray. Bubbles indicate a leak.	
8	When the leak has been localized, take the necessary measures to correct the leak.	

4 Repair

4.2.2 Mounting instructions for bearings

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General

This section describes how to mount and grease different types of bearings on the robot.

Equipment

Equipment, etc.	Article number	Note
Grease	3HAC042536-001	Shell Gadus S2 Used to grease the bearings, if not specified otherwise.

Assembly of all bearings

Attend to the following instructions while mounting a bearing on the robot.

	Action	Note
1	To avoid contamination, let a new bearing remain in its wrapping until it is time for fitting.	
2	Ensure that the parts included in the bearing fitting are free from burrs, grinding waste, and other contamination. Cast components must be free of foundry sand.	
3	Bearing rings, inner rings, and roller elements must not be subjected to direct impact. The roller elements must not be exposed to any stresses during the assembly work.	

Assembly of tapered bearings

Follow the preceding instructions for the assembly of the bearings when mounting a tapered bearing on the robot.

In addition to those instructions, the following procedure must be carried out to enable the roller elements to adjust to the correct position against the race flange.

	Action	Note
1	Tension the bearing gradually until the recommended pre-tension is achieved.  Note The roller elements must be rotated a specified number of turns before pre-tensioning is carried out and also rotated during the pre-tensioning sequence.	
2	Make sure the bearing is properly aligned as this will directly affect the durability of the bearing.	

Greasing of bearings



Note

This instruction is not valid for solid oil bearings.

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The bearings must be greased after assembly according to the following instructions:

- The bearings must not be completely filled with grease. However, if space is available beside the bearing fitting, the bearing may be totally filled with grease when mounted, as excessive grease will be pressed out from the bearing when the robot is started.
- During operation, the bearing should be filled to 70-80% of the available volume.
- Ensure that grease is handled and stored properly to avoid contamination.

Grease the different types of bearings as following description:

- *Grooved ball bearings* must be filled with grease from both sides.
- *Tapered roller bearings* and axial needle bearings must be greased in the split condition.

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4.2.3 Mounting instructions for sealings

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General

This section describes how to mount different types of sealings.

Equipment

Consumable	Article number	Note
Grease	3HAC042536-001	Shell Gadus S2

Rotating sealings

The following procedures describe how to fit rotating sealings.



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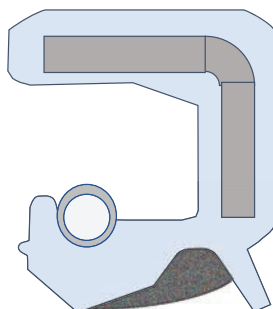
Please observe the following before commencing any assembly of sealings:

- Protect the sealing during transport and mounting, especially the main lip on radial sealings.
- Keep the sealing in its original wrappings or protect it well before actual mounting.
- The fitting of sealings and gears must be carried out on clean workbenches.
- Use a protective sleeve for the main lip during mounting, when sliding over threads, keyways or other sharp edges.
- Do not lubricate a static side of a sealing with grease, since this may result in movement of the sealing during operation.

The only exception for lubrication of static sides of a sealing, is to use P-80 rubber lubrication gel against certain aluminium surfaces. If usage of P-80 is relevant, it is stated in the repair procedures.

Radial sealings

A radial sealing consists of a flexible rubber lip bonded to a rigid metal case. Only one side of the sealing is static with a metal insert.

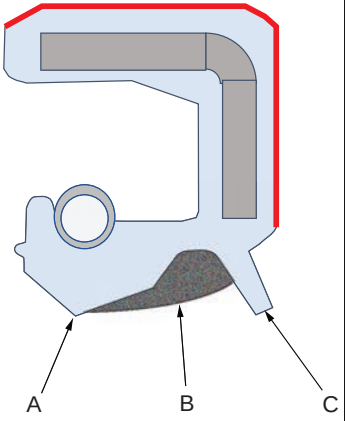


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4.2.3 Mounting instructions for sealings

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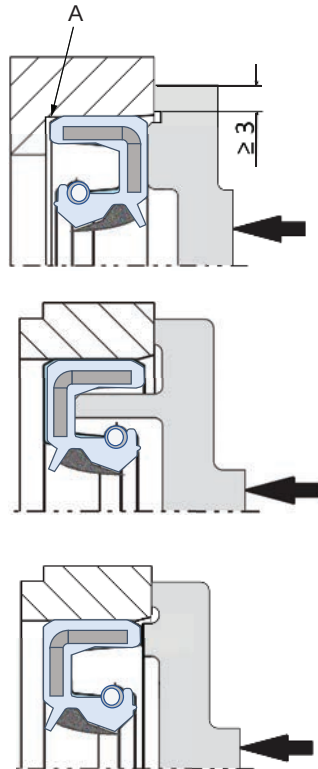
	Action	Note
1	Check the sealing to ensure that: • The sealing is of the correct type. • There is no damage on the main lip.	
2	Inspect the shaft surface before mounting. If scratches or damage are found, the shaft must be replaced since it may result in future leakage. Do not try to grind or polish the shaft surface to get rid of the defect.	
3	Lubricate the sealing with grease just before fitting. (Not too early - there is a risk of dirt and foreign particles adhering to the sealing.) Fill 2/3 of the space between the dust lip and the main lip with grease. If the sealing is without dust lip, just lubricate the main lip with a thin layer of grease.	Article number is specified in Equipment on page 222.  xx2000000071 A Main lip B Grease C Dust lip  Note Ensure that no grease is applied to the red marked surface.

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4.2.3 Mounting instructions for sealings

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	Action	Note
4	Mount the sealing correctly with a mounting tool. Never hammer directly on the sealing as this may result in leakage.	 xx2000000072 A Gap
5	Make sure that no grease is left on the robot surface.	

Flange sealings and static sealings

The following procedure describes how to fit flange sealings and static sealings.

	Action
1	Check the flange surfaces. They must be even and free from pores. It is easy to check flatness using a gauge on the fastened joint (without sealing compound). If the flange surfaces are defective, the parts may not be used because leakage could occur.
2	Clean the surfaces properly in accordance with the recommendations of ABB.
3	Distribute the sealing compound evenly over the surface.
4	Tighten the screws evenly when fastening the flange joint.

O-rings

The following procedure describes how to fit o-rings.

	Action	Note
1	Ensure that the correct o-ring size is used.	
2	Check the o-ring for surface defects, burrs, shape accuracy, or deformation.	Defective o-rings, including damaged or deformed o-rings, may not be used.

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4.2.3 Mounting instructions for sealings
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	Action	Note
3	Check the o-ring grooves and mating surfaces. They should be free of pores, contamination and obvious scratches/damage.	
4	Lubricate the o-ring with grease.	
5	Tighten the screws evenly while assembling.	
6	Check that the o-ring is not squashed outside the o-ring groove.	
7	Make sure that no grease is left on the robot surface.	

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4.2.4 Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts

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General

Follow the procedures in this section whenever breaking the paint of the robot during replacement of parts.

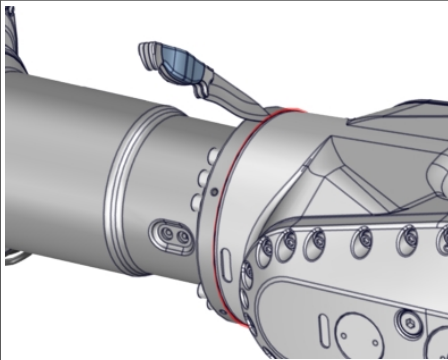
For robots with protection type Clean Room

When replacing parts on the robot, it is important to make sure that after the replacement, no particles will be emitted from the joint between the structure and the new part, and that the easy cleaned surface is retained.

Required equipment

Equipment	Spare parts	Note
Sealing compound	3HAC026759-001	Sikaflex 521 FC. Color white.
Tooling pin		Width 6-9 mm, made of wood.
Cleaning agent		Ethanol
Knife		
Lint free cloth		
Touch up paint Clean Room/Hygienic	3HAC036639-001	Used to repair coating damages on the manipulator. White
Touch up paint Standard/Foundry Plus	3HAC067974-001	Used to repair coating damages on the manipulator. Graphite White
Touch up paint Standard/Foundry Plus	3HAC037052-001	Used to repair coating damages on the manipulator. ABB Orange

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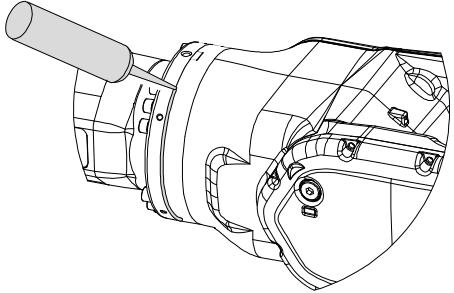
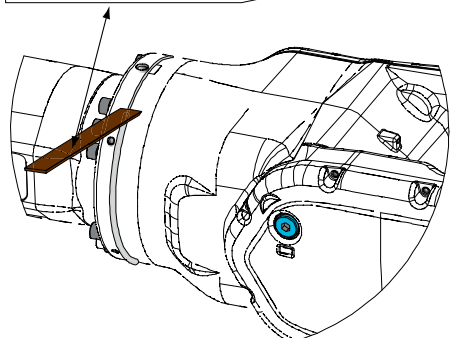
	Action	Description
1	Cut the paint with a knife in the joint between the part that will be removed and the structure, to avoid that the paint cracks.	 xx2300000950
2	Carefully grind the paint edge that is left on the structure to a smooth surface.	

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4.2.4 Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts

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Refitting

	Action	Description
1	Before the parts are refitted, clean the joint so that it is free from oil and grease.	Use ethanol on a lint free cloth.
2	Place the tooling pin in hot water.	
3	Seal all refitted joints with sealing compound.	 xx0900000122
4	Use the tooling pin to even out the surface of the sealing compound.	 xx0900000125
5	For robots with protection type Clean Room Wait 10 minutes.	For robots with protection type Clean Room Sikaflex 521FC skin dry time (10 minutes).
6	Use Touch up paint Clean Room/Hygienic, white to paint any damaged surfaces.  Note Always read the instruction in the product data sheet in the paint repair kit for Clean Room/Hygienic.	3HAC036639-001



Note

After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.

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4.2.5 The brake release buttons may be jammed after service work

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Description

The brake release unit has push-buttons for the brake release of each axis motor. When service work is performed inside the SMB recess that includes removal and refitting of the brake release unit, the brake release buttons may be jammed after refitting.



DANGER

If the power is turned on while a brake release button is jammed in depressed position, the affected motor brake is released. This may cause serious personal injuries and damage to the robot.

Elimination

To eliminate the danger after service work has been performed inside the SMB recess, follow the procedure below.

	Action
1	Make sure the power is turned off.
2	Remove the push-button guard, if necessary.
3	Verify that the push-buttons of the brake release unit are working by pressing them down, one by one. Make sure none of the buttons are jammed in the tube.
4	If a button gets jammed in the depressed position, the alignment of the brake release unit must be adjusted so that the buttons can move freely in their tubes.

4.3 Complete robot

4.3.1 Removing the complete cable harness

Introduction

This procedure describes how to remove the complete cable harness.

How to refit the cable harness is described in section [Refitting the complete cable harness on page 244](#).

The removal procedure is presented in the order the work is recommended to be performed. Therefore the order is different in the two procedures removal and refitting of the cable harness. Cross references will make it easy to find what is needed to know as the work continues.

The section *Removing the complete cable harness* consists of the following parts presented in the order the work is recommended to be performed:

- Removal in the *base* [Removing cable harness in base on page 233](#)
- Removal in the *frame* [Removing cable harness in frame on page 238](#)
- Removal in *lower arm* and *armhouse* [Removing cable harness in lower arm and armhouse on page 240](#).

How to replace the SMB unit, brake release unit and motors can be found in:

- SMB unit [Removing the SMB unit on page 264](#)
- Brake release unit [Removing the brake release board on page 271](#)
- Motors [Removing motors on page 335](#)

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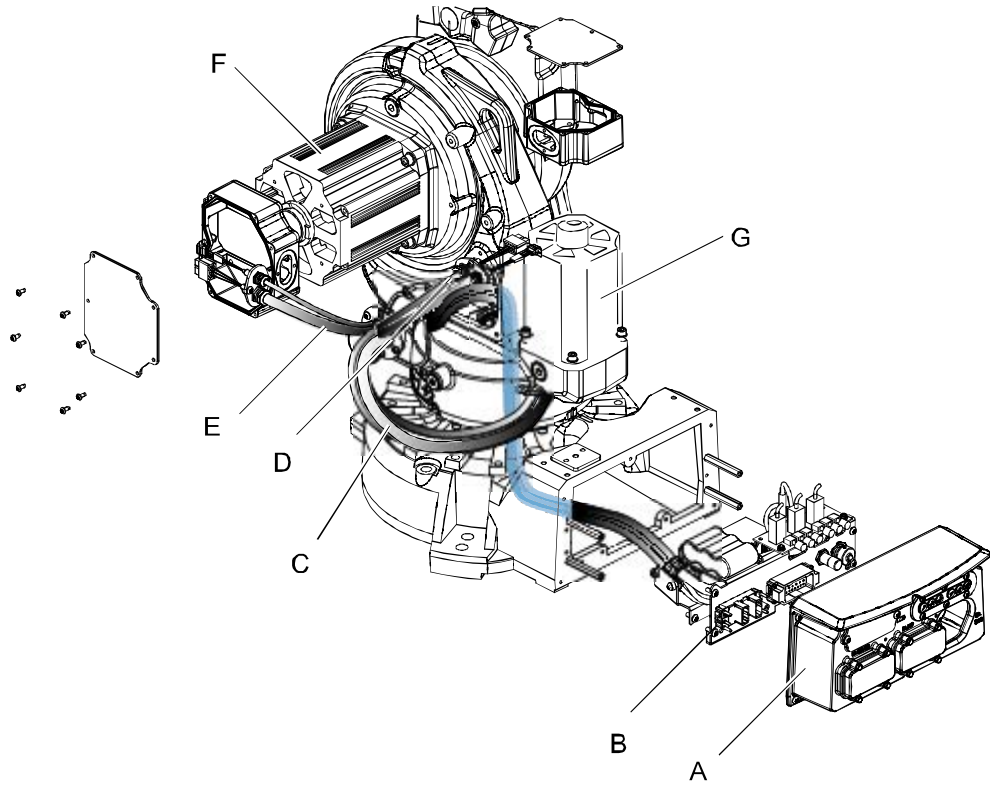
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Location of the cable harness

The location of the cable harness in the base, frame and lower arm is shown in the figures.

Cable harness, base and frame.

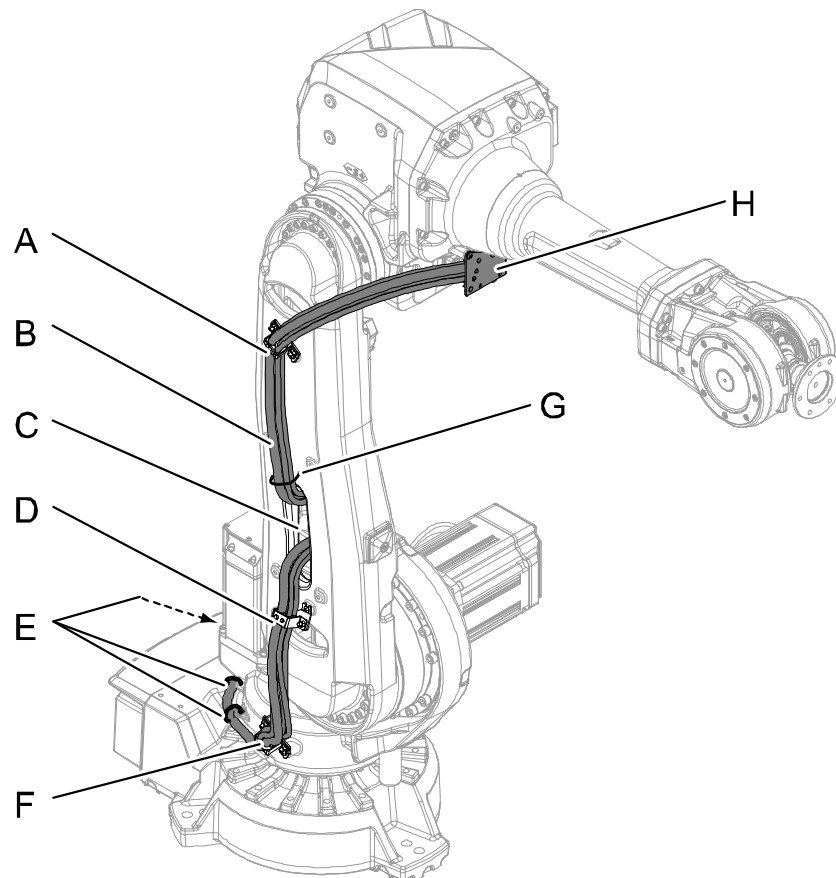


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A	Cover base
B	Bracket
C	Cable harness
D	Axis-1 motor cable
E	Axis-2 motor cable
F	Axis-2 motor
G	Axis-1 motor

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Cable harness, lower arm.



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A	Bracket, lower arm
B	Cable harness
C	Hole in lower arm
D	Bracket, lower arm
E	Cable straps, one not visible here (steel)
F	Bracket, frame
G	Cable strap, lower arm (plastic)
H	Bracket, armhouse

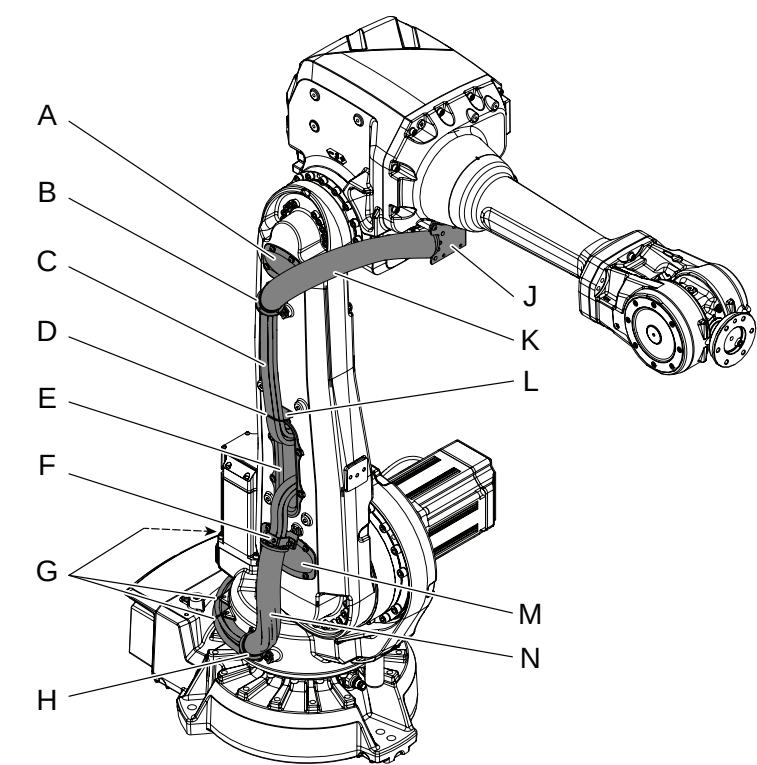
Cable harness, lower arm, Clean Room.

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A	Plug, upper
B	Bracket, lower arm
C	Cable harness
D	Cable strap, lower arm (plastic)
E	Sink cover
F	Bracket, lower arm
G	Cable straps, one not visible here (steel)
H	Bracket, frame
J	Bracket, armhouse
K	Protection tube
L	Middle bracket
M	Plug, lower
N	Protection tube

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Deep well hexagon socket	Width 30 mm
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

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Deciding calibration routine

Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. - Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. - Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
	If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405 .
	If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

Removing cable harness in base

Use this procedure to remove the cable harness in the base.

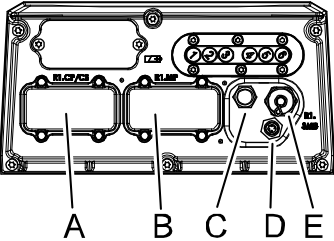
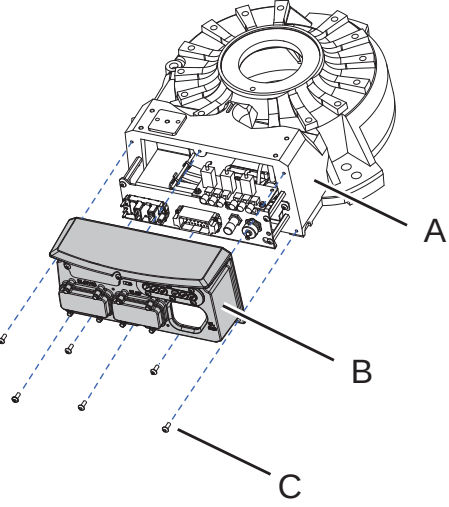
	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	
2	 DANGER Turn off all: - electric power supply - hydraulic pressure supply - air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	

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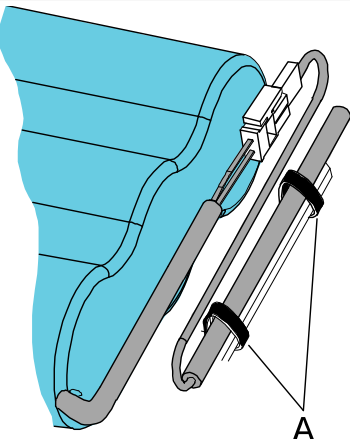
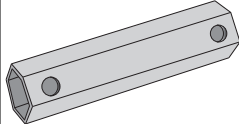
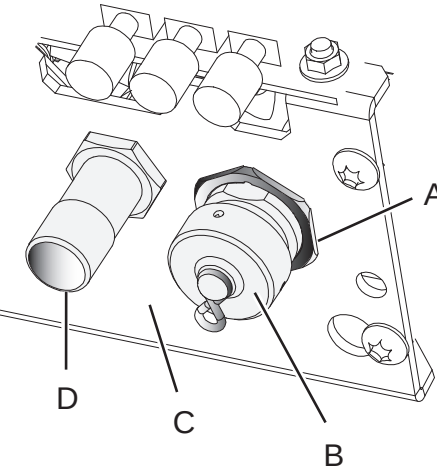
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	Action	Note
3	Disconnect the following connectors on the base cover: • R1.CP/CS • R1.MP • R1.ETHERNET (if used)  Tip Do not remove the <i>R1.SMB-connector</i> and <i>air hose connector</i> at this stage. It will be easier to remove these two when the cover base has been removed.	 xx0900000014 Parts: • A: R1.CP/CS • B: R1.MP • C: Air hose connector • D: Position of R1.ETHERNET (if used) • E: R1.SMB
4	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.	
5	Remove the <i>cover base</i>.	 xx0800000456 A Base B Cover base C Attachment screws
6	Disconnect connectors on the brake release unit: • X8 • X9 • X10	

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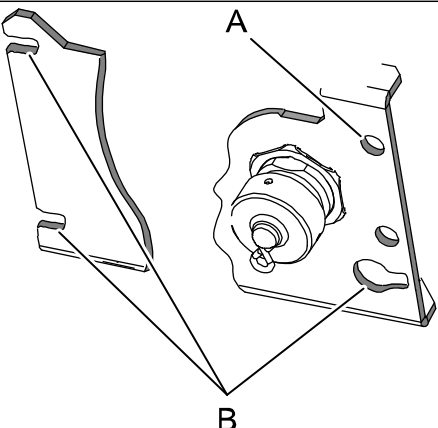
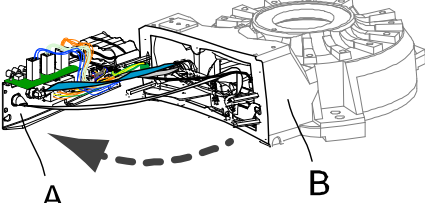
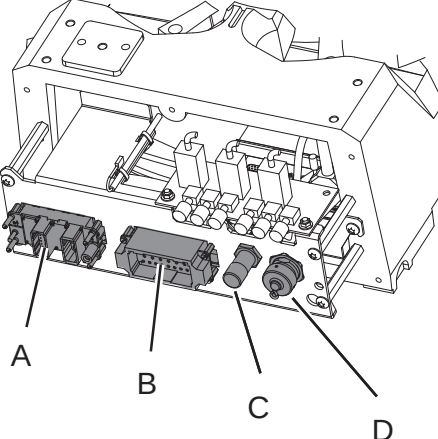
	Action	Note
7	Cut the <i>cable straps</i> securing the battery cable.	 xx0900000099 Parts: A: Cable straps (2 pcs)
8	Disconnect the battery cable.	
9	Unscrew the thin nut securing the R1.SMB connector on the outside of the bracket.  Tip Use a deep well hexagon socket, width 30 mm (like the ones used for spark plugs, or similar).  xx1200000888	 xx1200000889 A Thin nut, width 30 mm B R1.SMB C Bracket D Air connector
10	Unscrew the nut for the air connection on the inside of the bracket.	

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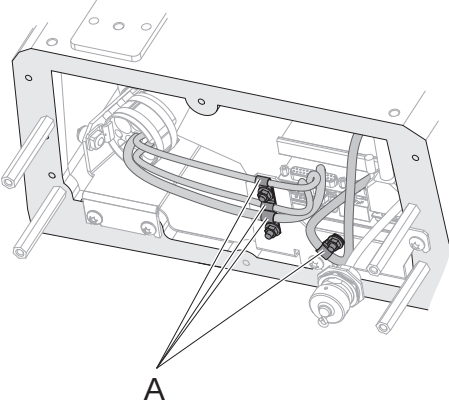
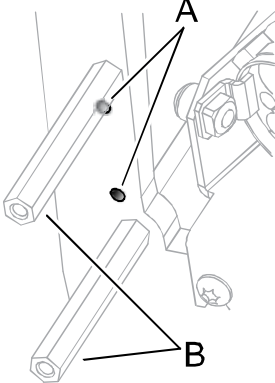
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	Action	Note
11	Remove the screw that secures the bracket and unscrew the three other screws a little just enough to be able to slide the bracket sideways.	 xx0900000100 Parts: - A: Screw to be removed - B: Screws to be unscrewed (3 pcs)
12	Remove the <i>bracket</i> by sliding it off the remaining three attachment screws and put it at a 90° angle from the base. Putting the bracket at a 90° angle facilitates the disconnecting of cables from the bracket.  Note Use caution when performing this procedure in order not to damage cables or other components!	 xx0900000013 Parts: - A: Bracket at a 90° angle - B: Base
13	Remove connectors and air hose connector completely from the <i>bracket</i>: - R1.CP/CS - R1.MP - R1.SMB - Air hose connector - R1.ETHERNET (if used)	 xx1200000890 A R1.CP/CS B R1.MP C Air hose connector D R1.SMB
14	Remove the <i>SMB unit</i> from its attachment screws. Leave the screws in the base.	How to remove the <i>SMB unit</i> is described in section: Removing the SMB unit on page 264

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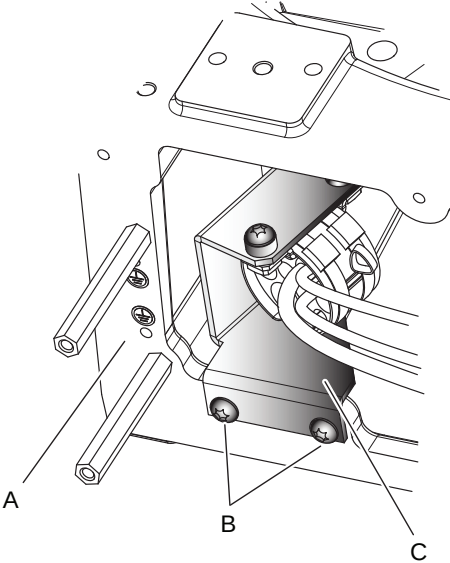
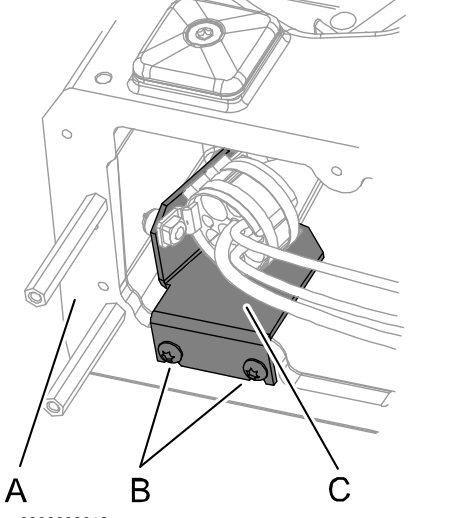
	Action	Note
15	Disconnect connectors on the SMB unit: • R1.SMB1-2 • R1.SMB2-6 • R2.SMB	
16	Disconnect the <i>screen connections</i> of: • R1.SMB1-2 • R1.SMB2-6	 xx0900000035 Parts: • A: Screen connection (4 pcs)
17	Disconnect the <i>earth cables</i> .	 xx0900000015 Parts: • A: Earth • B: Distance screws

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4.3.1 Removing the complete cable harness

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	Action	Note
18	Valid for Type C and Type D. Remove the <i>bracket</i> securing the cable package inside the base on the left side, by following these steps: • Unscrew the attachment screws just enough to be able to remove the bracket. • Lift the bracket off the screws.	 xx1200000860 Parts: • A: Base • B: Attachment screws • C: Bracket
19	Valid for Other design than Type C and Type D. Remove the <i>bracket</i> securing the cable package inside the base on the left side, by following these steps: • Unscrew the attachment screws just enough to be able to remove the bracket. • Lift the bracket off the screws.	 xx0900000018 Parts: • A: Base • B: Attachment screws • C: Bracket
20	Continue removal of the cable package from the frame.	How to remove the cable package from the frame is described in section • Removing cable harness in frame on page 238

Removing cable harness in frame

Use this procedure to remove the cable harness in the frame.

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**Tip**

Before starting this procedure, first remove the cable harness in the base. See [Removing the complete cable harness on page 229](#).

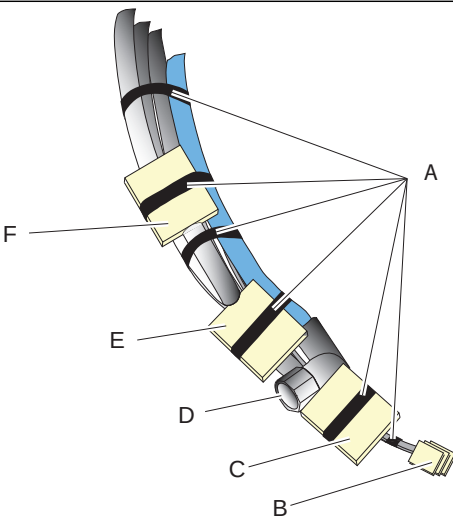
	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Disconnect the <i>motor cables</i> on the axis-1 and axis-2 motors.	How to remove the motor cables is described in section: • Removing motors on page 335
3	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
4	Remove the <i>bracket</i> securing the cable package to the frame.	See the figure in: • Location of the cable harness on page 230
5	Cut the <i>cable straps</i> securing the cable harness to the frame and lower arm.	See the figure in: • Location of the cable harness on page 230

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	Action	Note
6	Prepare the end of the cable package in the base with tape as shown in the figure.  Tip In order to protect the connectors from getting residual grease on the cable harness, put some plastic over them prior to pushing it through the hole in the frame.	 xx1200000886 A Tape B Connectors to SMB unit and Brake release unit C R1.CP/CS D Air hose E R1.MP F R1.SMB (Connector bent and taped upwards)
7	Pull out the cable package through the hole in the frame.  Note Use caution when performing this procedure in order not to damage cables or other components!	
8	Continue the removal of the cable package from the lower arm and armhouse.	How to remove the cable package from the lower arm and armhouse is described in section: • Removing cable harness in lower arm and armhouse on page 240

Removing cable harness in lower arm and armhouse

Use this procedure to remove the cable harness in the lower arm and armhouse.



Tip

Before starting this procedure, first remove the cable harness in the base [Removing the complete cable harness on page 229](#) and frame [Removing the complete cable harness on page 229](#).

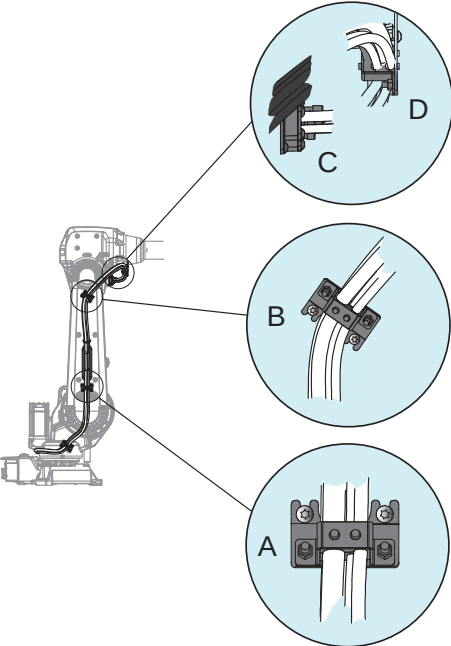
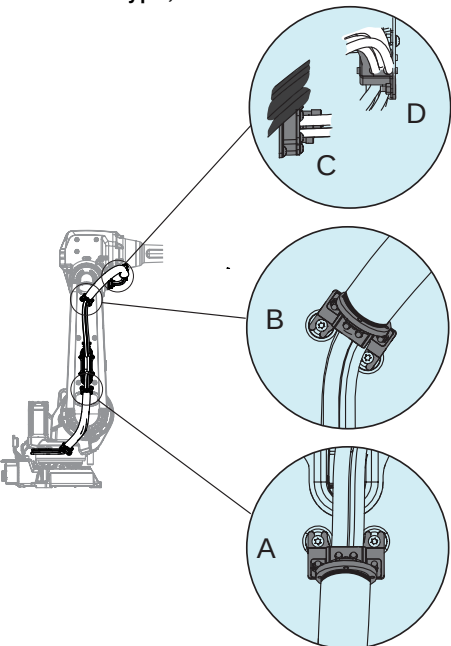
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	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Cut the <i>cable strap</i> on the lower arm.	See the figure in: • Location of the cable harness on page 230 (Cable harness, lower arm)
3	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	

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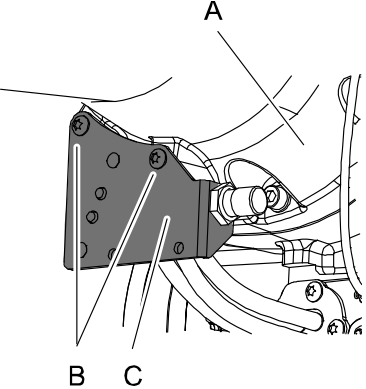
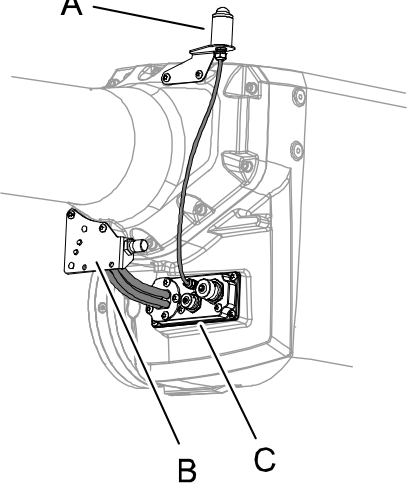
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Action	Note
4 Remove the <i>brackets</i> on the lower arm.	 xx0900000020 Protection type, Clean Room  xx2300001190 Parts: • A: Bracket, lower arm • B: Bracket, lower arm • C: Bracket, armhouse • D: Cable bracket

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	Action	Note
5	Remove the <i>bracket</i> on the armhouse.	 xx0800000335 Parts: • A: Tubular shaft unit • B: Attachment screws • C: Bracket, armhouse
6	Remove the <i>cable cover</i> on the armhouse.	 xx0800000338 Parts: • A: Signal lamp • B: Bracket • C: Cable cover, armhouse
7	Remove signal lamp if used.	
8	Continue the removal of the cable package by disconnecting the motor cables of the axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors.	How to remove the <i>motor cables</i> from the <i>axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors</i> see section: • Removing motors on page 335

4.3.2 Refitting the complete cable harness

Introduction

This procedure describes how to refit the complete cable harness.

How to remove the cable harness is described in [Removing the complete cable harness on page 229](#).

The refitting procedure is presented in the order the work is recommended to be performed.

Therefore the order is different in the two procedures removal and refitting of the cable harness. Cross references will make it easy to find what is needed to know as the work continues.

The section *Refitting the complete cable harness* consists of the following parts presented in the order the work is recommended to be performed:

- Refitting in the frame [Refitting the cable harness in the frame on page 248](#)
- Refitting in the base [Refitting the cable harness in the base on page 252](#)
- Refitting in the lower arm and armhouse [Refitting the cable harness in the lower arm and armhouse on page 258](#).

How to refit the SMB unit, brake release unit and motors can be found in:

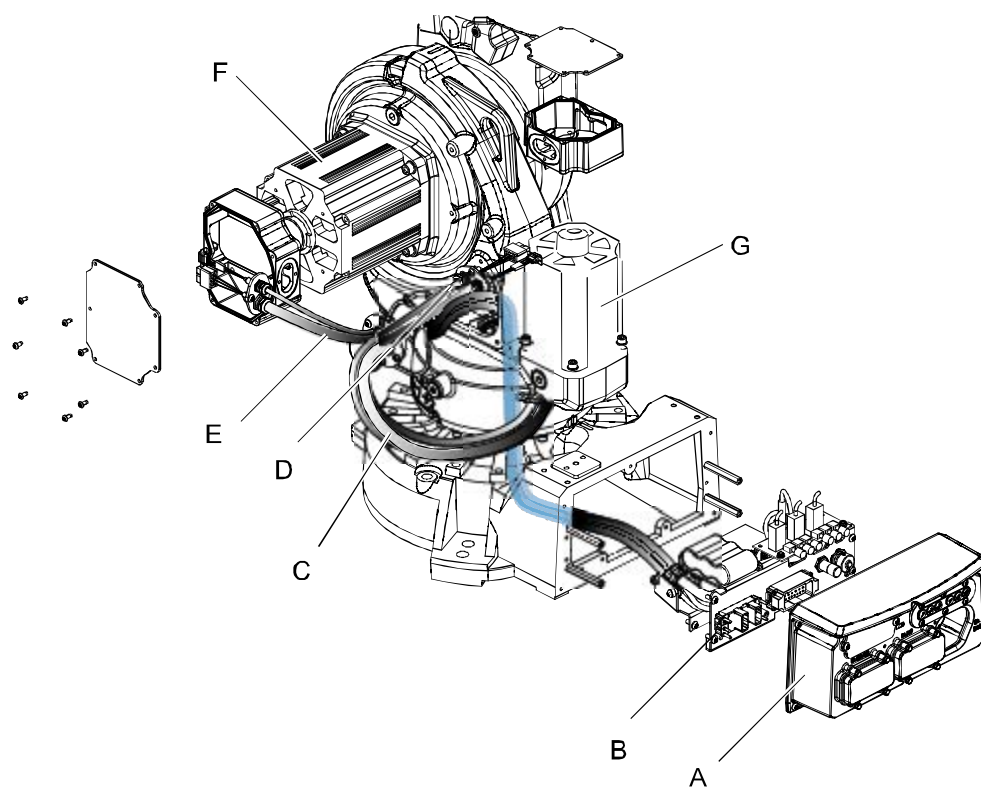
- SMB unit [Refitting the SMB unit on page 267](#)
- Brake release unit [Refitting the brake release board on page 272](#)
- Motors [Refitting motors on page 344](#)

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Location of the cable harness

The location of the cable harness in the base, frame and lower arm is shown in the figures.

Cable harness, base and frame.



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A	Cover base
B	Bracket
C	Cable harness
D	Axis-1 motor cable
E	Axis-2 motor cable
F	Axis-2 motor
G	Axis-1 motor

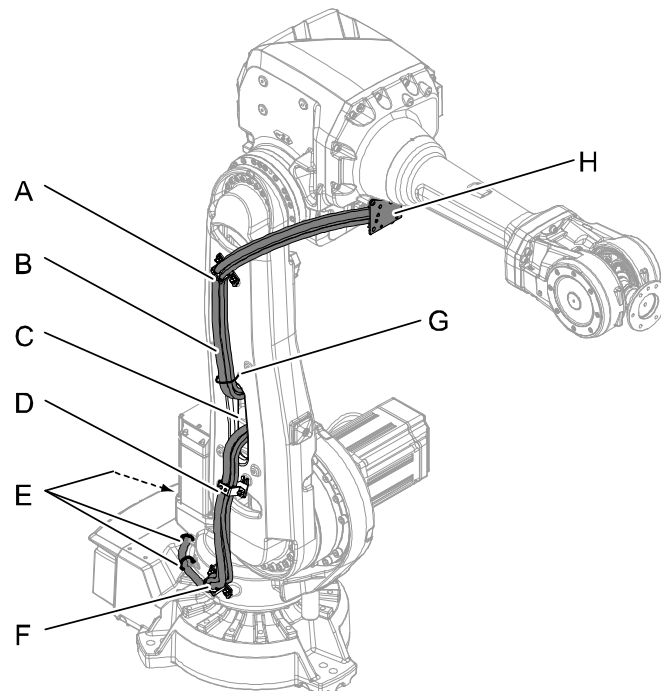
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Cable harness, lower arm.

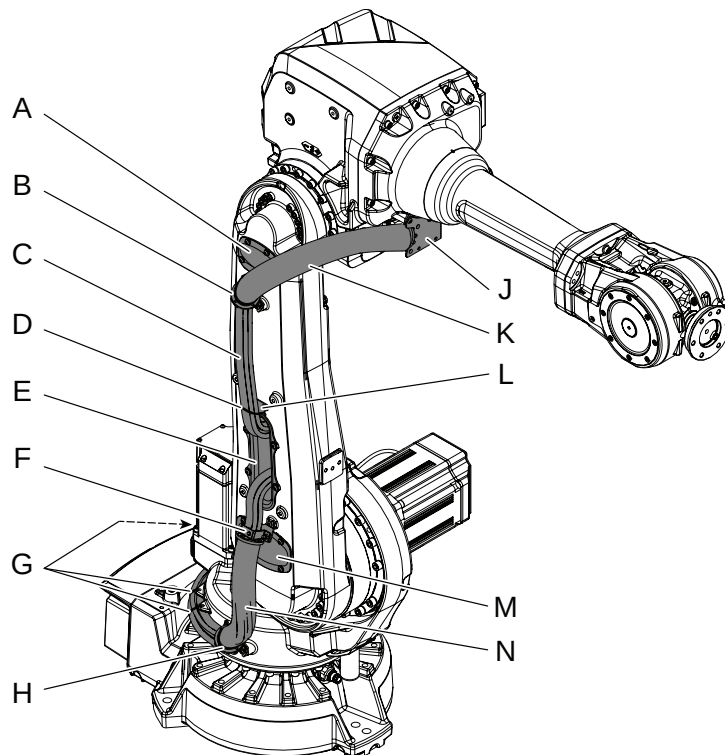


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A	Bracket, lower arm
B	Cable harness
C	Hole in lower arm
D	Bracket, lower arm
E	Cable straps, one not visible here (steel)
F	Bracket, frame
G	Cable strap, lower arm (plastic)
H	Bracket, armhouse

Cable harness, lower arm, Clean Room.

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A	Plug, upper
B	Bracket, lower arm
C	Cable harness
D	Cable strap, lower arm (plastic)
E	Sink cover
F	Bracket, lower arm
G	Cable straps, one not visible here (steel)
H	Bracket, frame
J	Bracket, armhouse
K	Protection tube
L	Middle bracket
M	Plug, lower
N	Protection tube

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Deep well hexagon socket	Width 30 mm
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

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Equipment	Note
Cable grease	3HAC042536-001 (Shell Gadus S2)



CAUTION

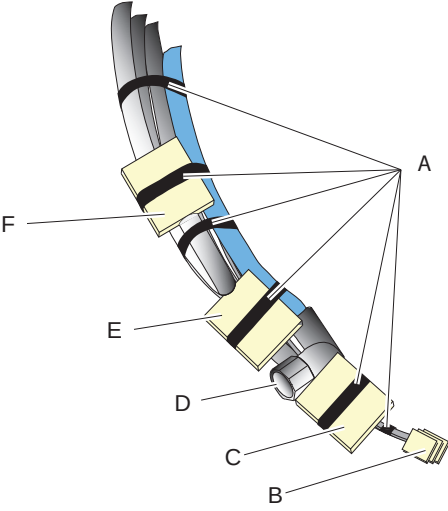
Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

Refitting the cable harness in the frame

Use this procedure to refit the cable harness in the frame.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	
3	Apply cable grease on these surfaces: • cable guide inside the hole • the part of the cable harness that runs through the cable guide.	Cable grease is specified in: • Required equipment on page 247
4	 Note Two alternative methods to insert the cable package in frame and base are presented below. Chose one of the methods.	

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	Action	Note
5	<i>Use this procedure when replacing the old cable harness:</i> Method 1, step 1: Prepare the end of the cable package in the base with tape as shown in the figure.  Tip In order to protect the connectors from getting residual grease on the cable harness, put some plastic over them prior to pushing it through the hole in the frame.	 xx1200000886 A Tape B Connectors to SMB unit and Brake release unit C R1.CP/CS D Air hose E R1.MP F R1.SMB (Connector bent and taped upwards)
6	<i>Use this procedure when replacing the old cable harness:</i> Method 1, step 2: Push the cable package carefully in through the base and up through the hole in the frame.  Note Use caution when performing this procedure in order not to damage cables or other components!	

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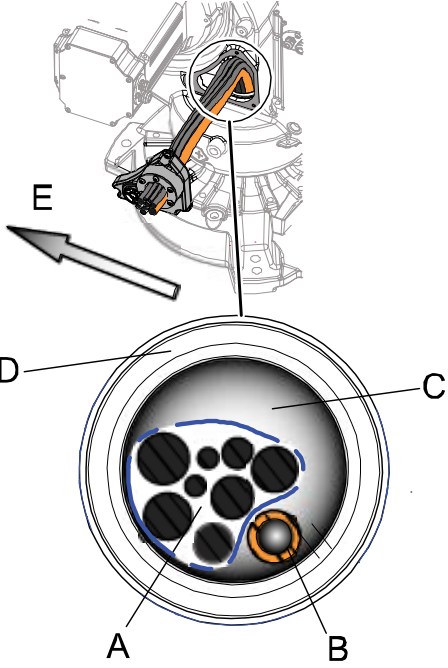
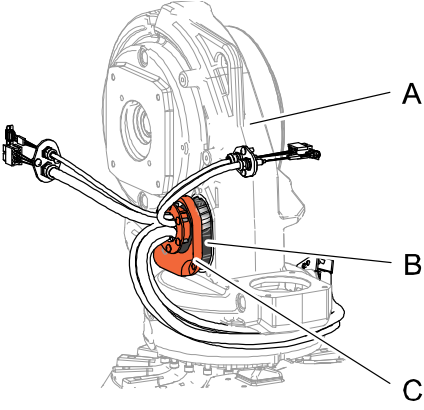
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4.3.2 Refitting the complete cable harness

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	Action	Note
7	<i>Use this procedure when replacing the old cable harness:</i> Method 2: Push the cable harness carefully into the hole in the frame and out of the hole in the base. Perform the procedure in the following order: • R1.MP • R1.CP/CS • R1.SMB1-2 and R1.SMB3-6 • Air hose.  Note Use caution when performing this procedure in order not to damage cables or other components!  Tip In order to protect the connectors from getting residual grease on the cable harness, put some plastic over them prior to pushing it through the hole in the frame.	
8	<i>Use this procedure when fitting a new cable harness:</i> Without removing the plastic around cables and hose, push the cable harness through the hole in the frame.  Note Use caution when performing this procedure in order not to damage cables or other components!	 Note Check that cables and air hose are placed as shown in the figure above.

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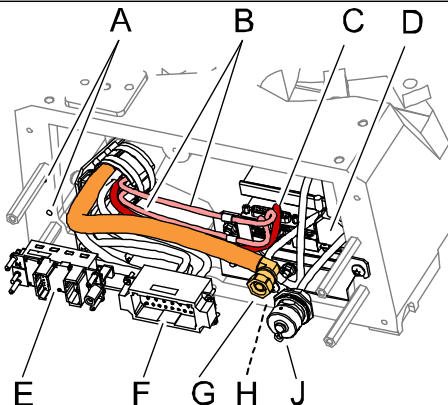
	Action	Note
9	 Note It is vital that the position of the air hose is correct, as shown in the figure!	 xx0900000096 Parts: • A: Cables • B: Air hose • C: Hole in frame • D: Cable guide • E: Position of the front of the robot
10	Secure the <i>cover</i> to the frame with its attachment screws.	 xx0900000016 Parts: • A: Frame • B: Hole in frame • C: Cover
11	Connect the axis-1 and axis-2 motor cables.	How to refit the motor cables is described in section: • Refitting motors on page 344

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4.3.2 Refitting the complete cable harness

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Action	Note
12 Sort out the different cables the way they later will be fit on the bracket in the base.	 xx0900000017 Connections: • A: Earth cables • B: R1.SMB1-2 • C: R1.SMB3-6 • D: R2.SMB • E: R1.CP/CS • F: R1.MP • G: Air hose • H: Position of R1.ETHERNET (if used) • J: R1.SMB
13 Continue the refitting of the cable harness in the base.	How to refit the cable harness in the base is described in section: • Refitting the cable harness in the base on page 252

Refitting the cable harness in the base

Use this procedure to refit the cable harness in the base.



Tip

Before starting this procedure, first refit the cable harness in the *frame*. See:

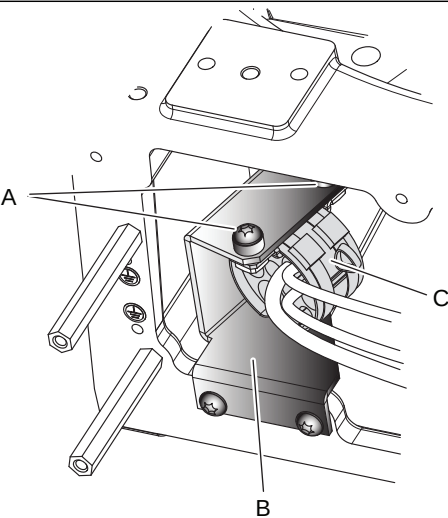
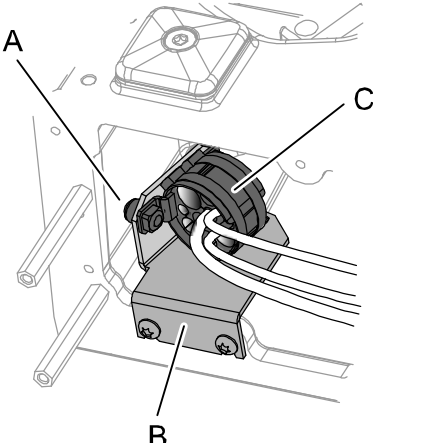
- [Refitting the complete cable harness on page 244](#)

Action	Note
1  DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the safe-guarded space.	

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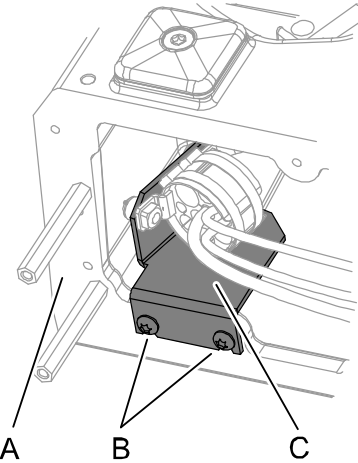
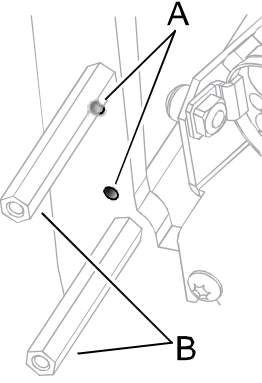
	Action	Note
2	Valid for Type C and Type D. Attach the <i>cable harness</i> to the bracket.	 xx1200000861 Parts: • A: Attachment screw and nut • B: Bracket • C: Cable harness
3	Valid for other design than Type C and Type D. Attach the <i>cable harness</i> to the bracket.	 xx0900000098 Parts: • A: Attachment screw and nut • B: Bracket • C: Cable harness

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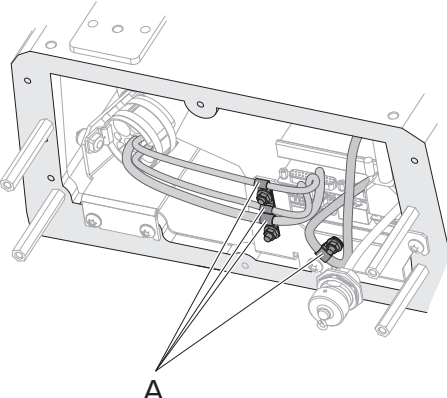
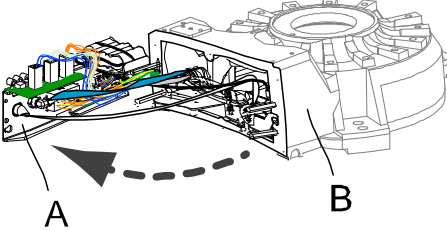
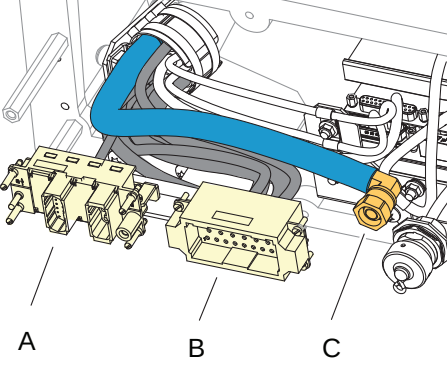
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4.3.2 Refitting the complete cable harness

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	Action	Note
4	Secure the <i>bracket</i> on its <i>attachment screws</i> in the base.  Tip Perform this in the following order: - Put the <i>attachment screws</i> in the holes but do not tighten them yet (if they have been removed earlier). - Place the <i>bracket</i> on the attachment screws. - Secure the bracket with its attachment screws.	The figure shows Other design than Type C and Type D. The principle of securing the bracket on Type C and Type D is the same.  xx0900000018 Parts: - A: Base - B: Attachment screws (2 pcs) - C: Bracket
5	Refit the <i>earth cables</i> .	 xx0900000015 Parts: - A: Earth - B: Distance screws
6	Connect the contacts on the SMB unit: - R1.SMB1-2 - R1.SMB3-6 - R2.SMB	
7	Refit the SMB unit.	How to refit the SMB unit is described in section: Refitting the SMB unit on page 267

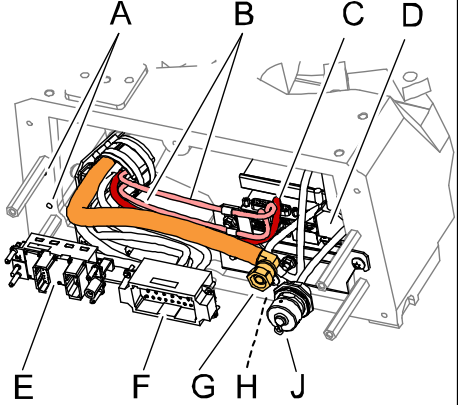
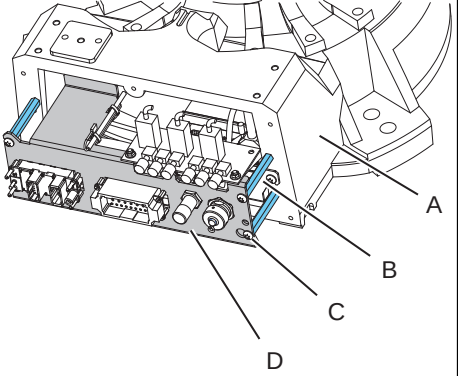
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	Action	Note
8	Refit the cables with the <i>screen connections</i> .	 xx0900000035 Parts: A: Screen connections (4 pcs)
9	 Tip When refitting connectors on the <i>bracket</i> , put it at a 90° angle.	 xx0900000013 Parts: - A: Bracket - B: Base
10	Before refitting the connectors on the bracket, arrange cables and connectors as shown in the figure.	 xx1200000857 A R1.CP/CS B R1.MP C Air hose

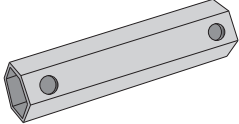
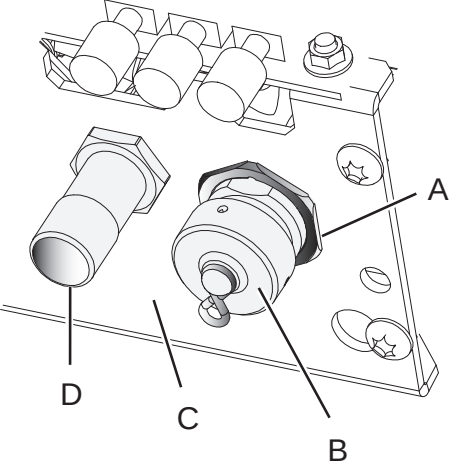
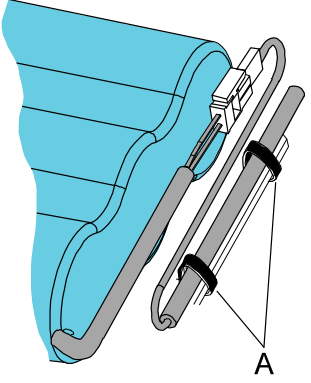
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Action	Note
11 Refit the <i>connectors</i> and <i>air hose</i> on the bracket: • R1.CP/CS • R1.ETHERNET (if used) • R1.MP  Tip Do not refit the <i>R1.SMB-connector</i> and <i>air hose</i> at this stage. It will be easier to refit these two when the bracket has been fitted to the distance screws.  xx0900000017 Connectors: • A: Earth cables • B: R1.SMB1-2 • C: R1.SMB3-6 • D: R2.SMB • E: R1.CP/CS • F: R1.MP • G: Air hose • H: Position of R1.ETHERNET (if used) • J: R1.SMB	12 Secure the bracket on the distance screws.  xx1200000887 A Base B Distance screw C Attachment screw D Bracket
13 Reconnect connectors on the brake release unit: • X8 • X9 • X10	

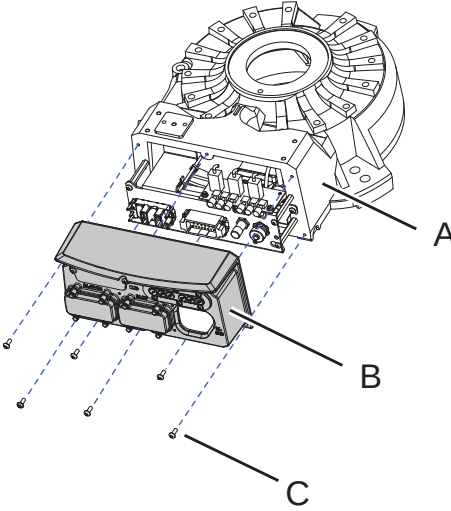
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	Action	Note
14	Refit the <i>R1.SMB-connector</i> on the bracket.  Tip Use a deep well hexagon socket, width 30 mm (like the ones used for spark plugs, or similar).  xx1200000888	 xx1200000889 A Thin nut, width 30 mm B R1.SMB C Bracket D Air connector
15	Refit the <i>air hose connector</i> on the bracket.  Note Check that there is no leakage from the air hose.	
16	Reconnect the battery cable.	
17	Secure the battery cable with <i>cable straps</i> .	 xx0900000099 Parts: A: Cable straps (2 pcs)

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4.3.2 Refitting the complete cable harness

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	Action	Note
18	Use caution when pushing the <i>base cover</i> into position while at the same time checking that no cables are damaged.	 xx0800000456 Parts: • A: Base • B: Base cover • C: Attachment screws (6 pcs)
19	Secure the <i>base cover</i> with its attachment screws.	
20	Refit the <i>bracket</i> on the frame.	See the figure in: • Location of the cable harness on page 245
21	Refit the <i>cable straps</i> securing the cable harness to the frame.	See the figure in: • Location of the cable harness on page 245
22	Continue the refitting of the cable package on lower arm and armhouse.	How to refit the cable harness on the <i>lower arm and armhouse</i> is described in section: • Refitting the cable harness in the lower arm and armhouse on page 258

Refitting the cable harness in the lower arm and armhouse

Use this procedure to refit the cable harness in the *lower arm and armhouse*.



Tip

Before starting this procedure, first refit the cable harness in the *frame* and *base*.
See:

- [Refitting the complete cable harness on page 244](#)
- [Refitting the complete cable harness on page 244](#)

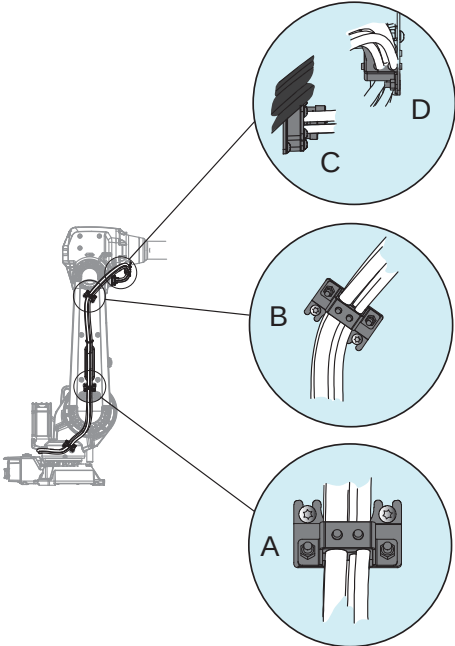
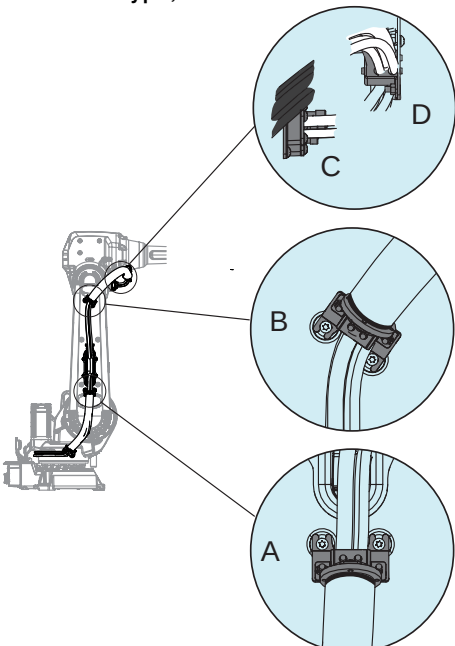
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	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	

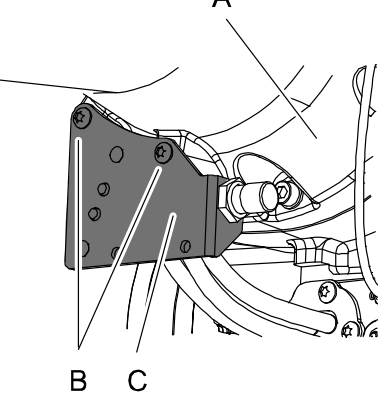
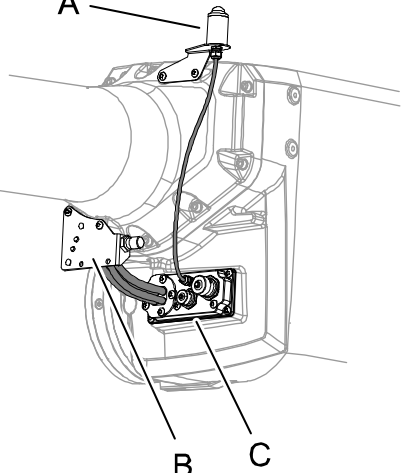
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Action	Note
2	Secure the <i>brackets</i> on the lower arm.  xx0900000020 Protection type, Clean Room  xx2300001190 Parts: • A: Bracket, lower arm • B: Bracket, lower arm • C: Bracket, armhouse • D: Cable bracket
3	Refit the <i>cable straps</i> securing the cable harness to the lower arm. See the figure in: • Location of the cable harness on page 245 (Cable harness, lower arm)

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	Action	Note
4	Push the cable harness carefully into the armhouse.	
5	Secure the <i>bracket, armhouse</i> with its attachment screws.	 xx0800000335 Parts: • A: Tubular shaft unit • B: Attachment screws • C: Bracket, armhouse
6	Secure the <i>bracket</i> to the armhouse with its attachment screws.	 xx0800000338 Parts: • A: Signal lamp • B: Bracket, armhouse • C: Cable bracket
7	Reconnect the axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 <i>motor cables</i> .	How to connect the axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motor cables, see: • Refitting motors on page 344
8	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

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4.3.2 Refitting the complete cable harness

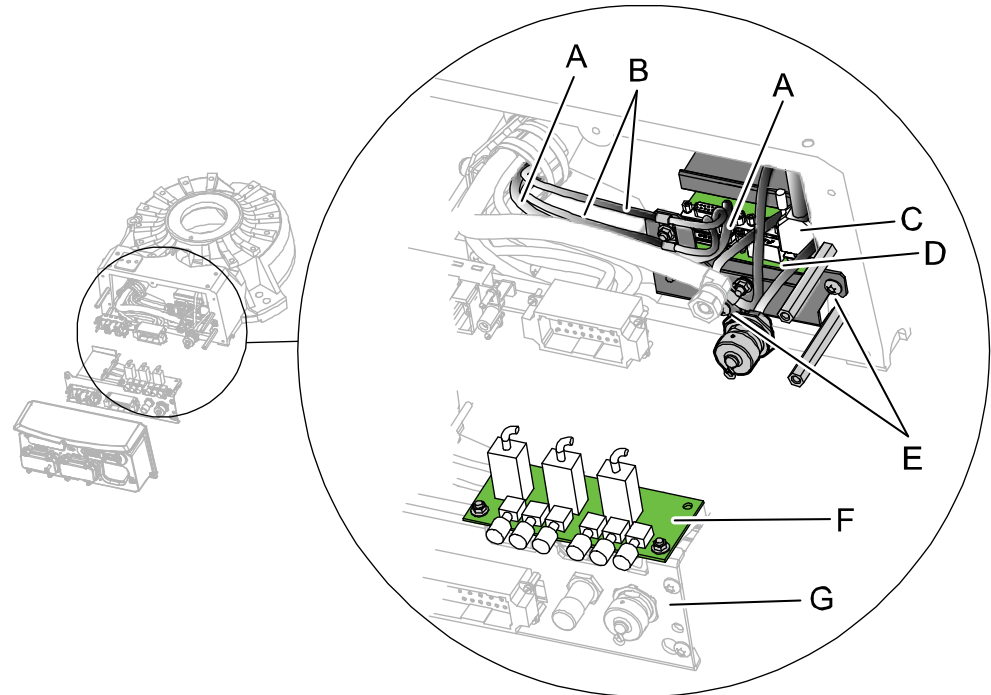
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	Action	Note
9	Recalibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i> , enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404 . General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389 .
10	 WARNING The cover on the armhouse must be fitted when the robot is running. It is a vital part for the stability of the robot.	
11	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116 .	

4.3.3 Replacing SMB unit

Location of SMB unit

The SMB unit (SMB = Serial measurement board) is located in the base below the brake release unit, as shown in the figure.



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A	R1.SMB3-6
B	R1.SMB1-2
C	R2.SMB
D	SMB unit
E	Attachment screws M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (2 pcs)
F	Brake release unit
G	Bracket

Required equipment



Note

There are different variants of SMB units and batteries. The variant with the 3-pole battery contact (RMU) has longer lifetime for the battery.

It is important that the SMB unit uses the correct battery. Make sure to order the correct spare parts. Do not replace the battery contact!

Equipment	Note
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

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4.3.3 Replacing SMB unit

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Equipment	Note
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.
SMB unit	For spare part no. see chapter Spare parts, section: • Spare part lists on page 447

Deciding calibration routine

Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

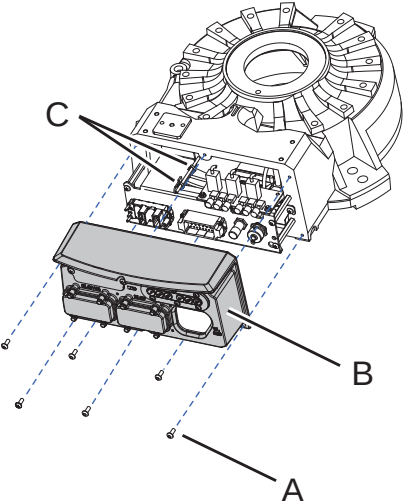
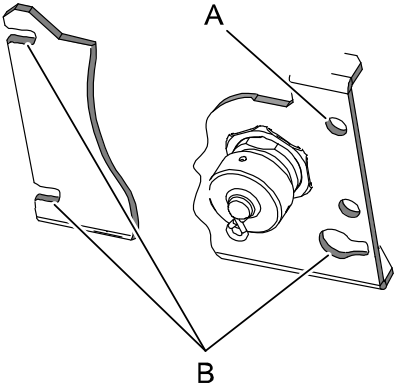
	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. • Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. • Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
	If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405 .
	If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

Removing the SMB unit

Use this procedure to remove the SMB unit.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	

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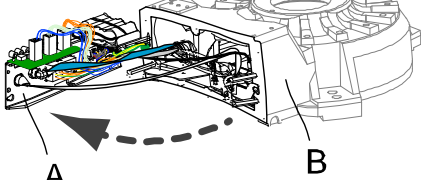
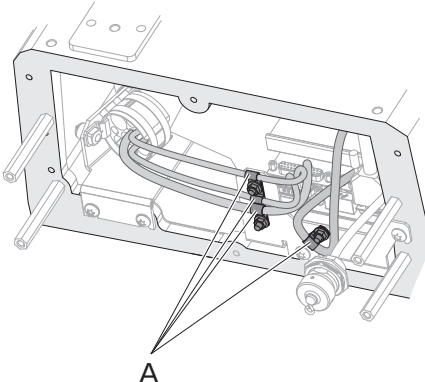
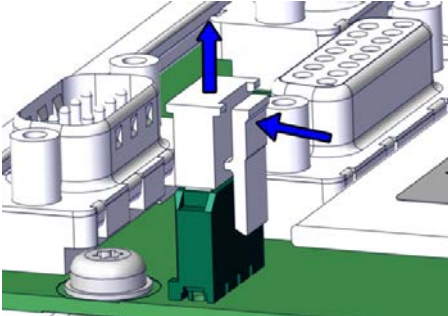
	Action	Note
3	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.	
4	Remove the <i>base cover</i>.  CAUTION Clean cover from metal residues before opening. Metal residues can cause shortage on the boards which can result in hazardous failures.	 xx0900000103 Parts: - A Attachment screws (6 pcs) - B Base cover - C Cable straps, securing the battery cable (2 pcs)
5	Cut the <i>cable straps</i> securing the battery cable.	
6	Remove the screw that secures the bracket and unscrew the three other screws a little just enough to be able to slide the bracket sideways.  Note It is not needed to remove these three screws.	 xx0900000100 Parts: - A Screw to be removed - B Screws to be unscrewed a little (3 pcs)

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4.3.3 Replacing SMB unit

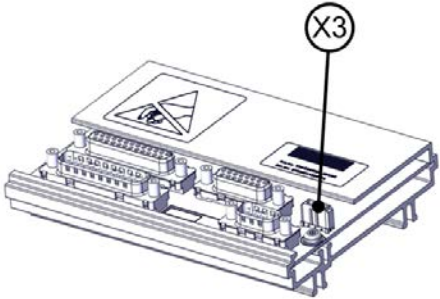
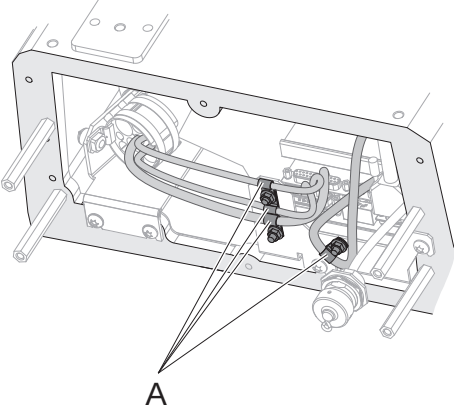
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	Action	Note
7	Remove the <i>bracket</i> by sliding it off the remaining three attachment screws and put it at a 90° angle from the base. Putting the bracket at a 90° angle facilitates the disconnecting of cables from the bracket.  Note Use caution when performing this procedure order not to damage cables or other components!	Cable harness can stay connected to all connectors except to the SMB unit.  xx0900000013 Parts: - A Bracket at a 90° angle - B Base
8	Disconnect cable clamps.	 xx0900000035 Parts: A Cable clamps
9	Unscrew the <i>attachment screws</i> securing the SMB unit just enough to be able to remove the SMB unit.	See the figure in: • Location of SMB unit on page 263
10	Remove the SMB unit.	
11	Disconnect the battery cable by pressing down the upper lip of the R1.G connector to release the lock while pulling the connector upwards.	 xx1700000993
12	Disconnect the remaining connectors on the SMB unit: • R1.SMB1-2 • R1.SMB3-6 • R2.SMB	See the figure in: • Location of SMB unit on page 263

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Refitting the SMB unit

Use this procedure to refit the SMB unit.

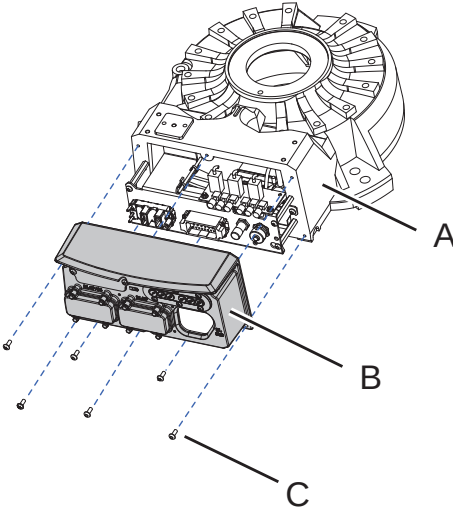
	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	
3	Reconnect contacts on the SMB unit: • R1.SMB1-2 • R1.SMB3-6 • R2.SMB • Battery cable R1.G (X3) Make sure the lock snaps into place during refitting.	 xx1700000994
4	Place the SMB unit on its <i>attachment screws</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of SMB unit on page 263
5	Secure the SMB unit with its attachment screws.	
6	Refit the <i>cable clamps</i> .	 xx0900000035 Parts: A Cable clamps

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	Action	Note
7	Put back the cable harness in the base and refit the bracket on the distance screws.  Note Use caution when performing this procedure order not to damage cables or other components!	See the figure in: • Location of SMB unit on page 263
8	Secure the battery cable with cable straps.	
9	Use caution when pushing the <i>base cover</i> into position while at the same time checking that no cables are damaged.	
10	Secure the <i>base cover</i> with the attachment screws.	 xx0800000456 Parts: - A Attachment screws (6 pcs) - B Base cover - C Base
11	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	
12	Recalibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i> , enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404 . General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389 .

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	Action	Note
13	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116 .	

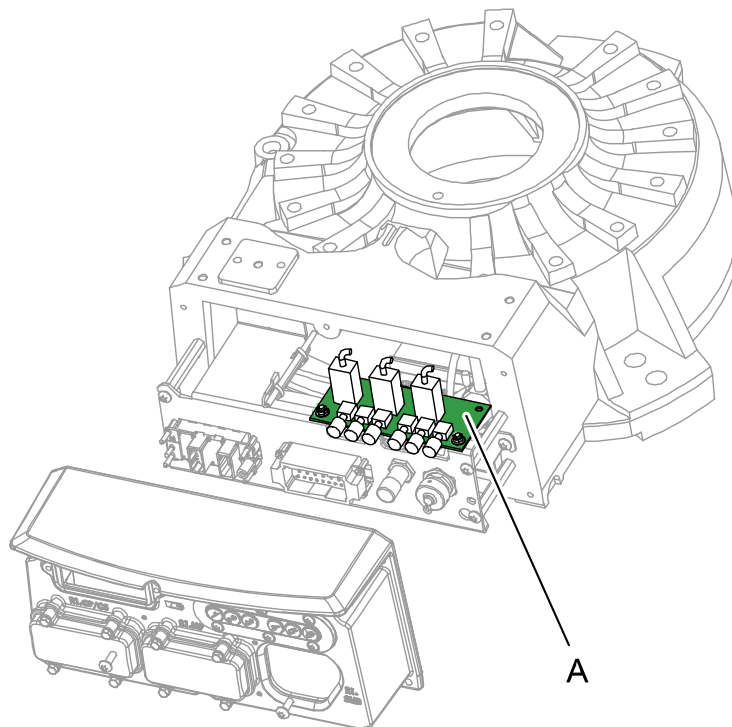
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4.3.4 Replacing the brake release board

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Location of brake release board

The brake release board is located as shown in the figure.

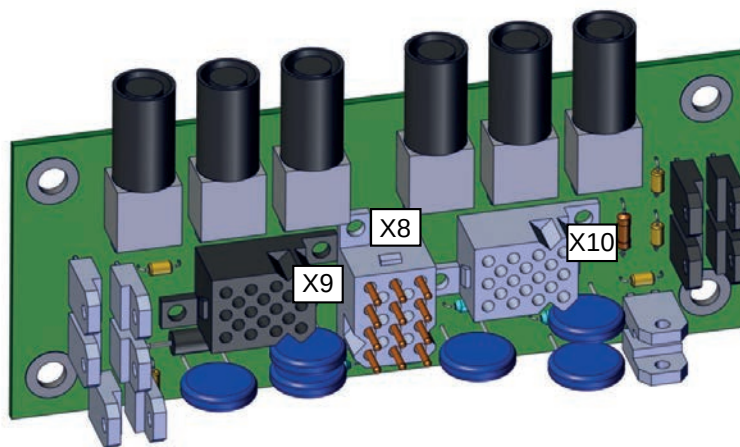


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A	Brake release board
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Connectors on push-button board

The connectors X8, X9 and X10 are placed on the push-button board as shown in the figure below.



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Required equipment

Equipment		Note
Brake release board	3HAC065020-001 ⁱ 3HAC062021-001 ⁱⁱ	DSQC1050 DSQC1052
Standard toolkit		Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.

- ⁱ Valid for robots that are equipped with motors of Type A and Type B (see *Product manual, spare parts - IRB 4600*).
Includes brake release board and harness.
- ⁱⁱ Valid for robots that are equipped with motors of Type B (see *Product manual, spare parts - IRB 4600*).
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Removing the brake release board

Use this procedure to remove the brake release board.

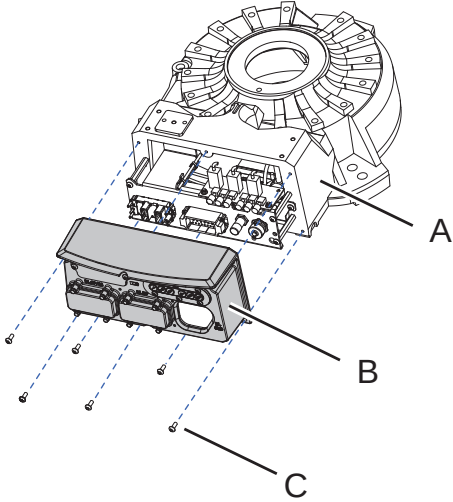
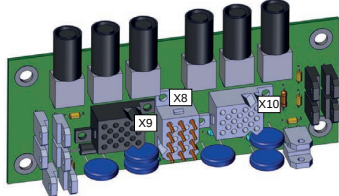
	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE (ESD) The unit is sensitive to ESD. Before handling the unit read the safety information in section The unit is sensitive to ESD on page 58 .	
3	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
4	Remove the <i>push button guard</i> from the SMB cover.	The guard must be removed to ensure a correct refitting of the brake release board.

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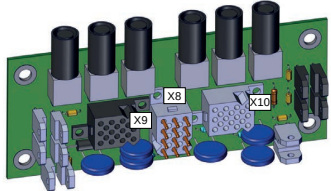
	Action	Note
5	Remove the <i>base cover</i>.  CAUTION Clean cover from metal residues before opening. Metal residues can cause shortage on the boards which can result in hazardous failures.	 xx0800000456 Parts: - A Base - B Base cover - C Attachment screws M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (6 pcs)
6	Take a picture or make notes of how the robot cabling is positioned in regard to the brake release board.	
7	Disconnect <i>connectors X8, X9 and X10</i> from the brake release board.	 xx1700000978
8	Remove the <i>nuts</i> securing the brake release board.	
9	Remove the brake release board.	

Refitting the brake release board

Use this procedure to refit the brake release board.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	

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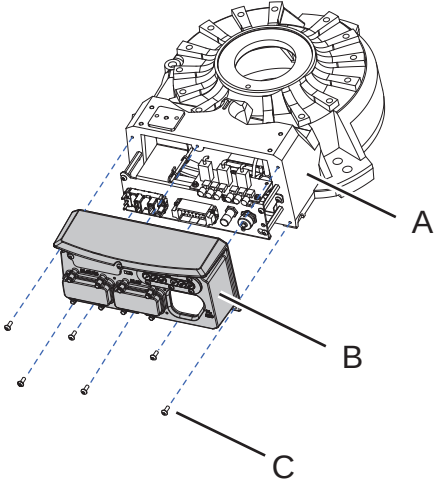
	Action	Note
2	 ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE (ESD) The unit is sensitive to ESD. Before handling the unit read the safety information in section The unit is sensitive to ESD on page 58 .	
3	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	
4	Secure the brake release board to the <i>bracket</i> with its <i>nuts with flange</i> .	Maximum tightening torque: 5 Nm. See the figure in: • Location of brake release board on page 270
5	Reconnect <i>connectors X8, X9 and X10</i> to the brake release board. Be careful not to damage the sockets or pins. Make sure the connector and its locking arms are snapped down properly.	 xx1700000978
6	Verify that the robot cabling is positioned correctly, according to previously taken picture/notes.  WARNING Screened cables must not get in contact with the brake release board after installation. Eliminate all risks of contact between screened cables and the brake release board.	

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4.3.4 Replacing the brake release board

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	Action	Note
7	Use caution when pushing the <i>base cover</i> into position while at the same time checking that no cables are damaged.	 xx0800000456 Parts: - A Base - B Base cover - C Attachment screws M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (6 pcs)
8	Secure the <i>base cover</i> with its <i>attachment screws</i> .	
9	 WARNING Before continuing any service work, follow the safety procedure in section The brake release buttons may be jammed after service work on page 228!	
10	Refit the <i>push button guard</i> to the SMB cover.	
11	Press the push buttons 1 to 6, one at a time, to make sure that the buttons are moving freely and do not stay in any locked position.	
12	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	
13	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116 .	

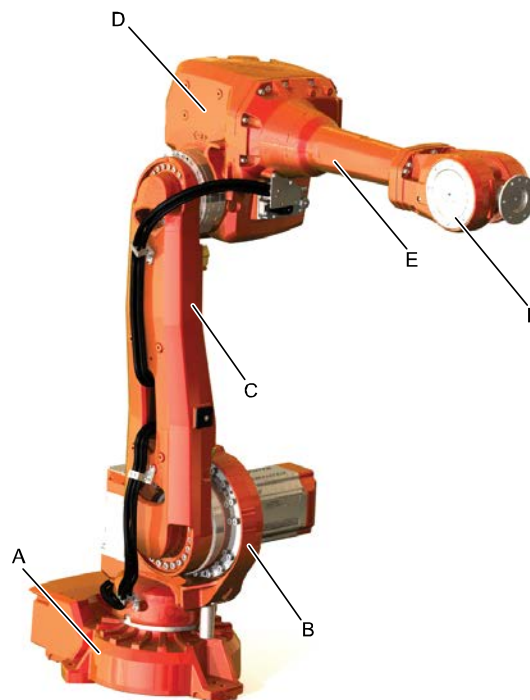
4.3.5 Replacing the base

Location of base and complete arm system

The complete arm system is defined as:

- complete upper arm (includes: wrist unit, tubular shaft unit and armhouse)
- lower arm
- frame
- axis-1 gearbox

The location of the base and the complete arm system is shown in the figure.



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A	Base
B	Frame
C	Lower arm
D	Arm house (part of complete upper arm)
E	Tubular shaft unit (part of complete upper arm)
F	Wrist unit (part of complete upper arm)

Required equipment

Equipment	Article number	Note
Roundslings	-	Length: 2 m (2 pcs), 1.5 m (1 pcs) Lifting capacity: 1,000 kg.
Support legs	3HAC15535-1	3 pcs
Guide pin, M8x150	3HAC15520-2	Always use guide pins in pairs.

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4.3.5 Replacing the base

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Equipment	Article number	Note
Lifting eye	-	M8 3 pcs
Standard toolkit		Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.
Cleaning agent	-	Loctite 7063 For cleaning.
Flange sealant	-	Loctite 574 (or equivalent) For sealing.

Deciding calibration routine

Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. - Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. - Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
	If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405 .
	If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

Removing the base

Use this procedure to remove the complete arm system from the base.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	

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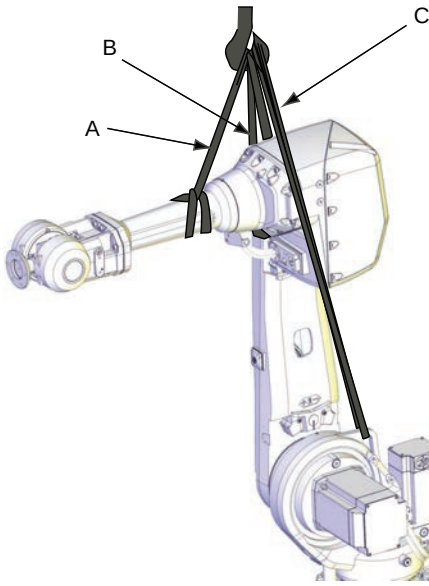
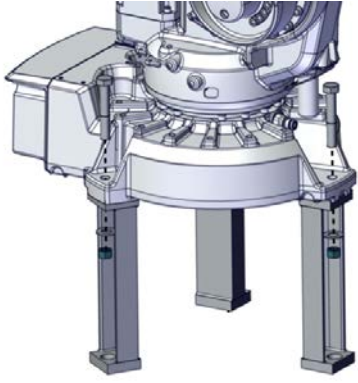
	Action	Note
2	Jog the robot to: • Axis 1: 0° • Axis 2: 0° • Axis 3: -10° • Axis 4: 0° • Axis 5: 0° • Axis 6: 0°	
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the safe-guarded space.	
4	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
5	Drain the axis-1 gearbox.  Note Draining is time-consuming. Elapsed time varies depending on the temperature of the oil.	How to drain oil is detailed in section • Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots on page 166
6	Remove the <i>cable harness</i> in the base, the frame and the lower arm of the robot.  Tip Wrap up the cabling against the frame to keep it undamaged during the remaining work.	How to remove the cable harness in base and frame is detailed in sections: • Removing cable harness in base on page 233 • Removing cable harness in frame on page 238 • Removing cable harness in lower arm and armhouse on page 240

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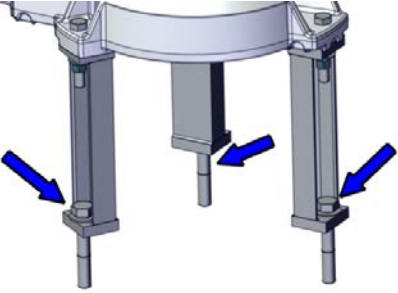
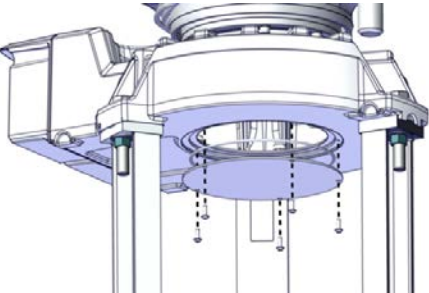
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	Action	Note
7	Secure the robot with <i>roundslings</i> in an overhead crane. Stretch the roundslings so that the robot weight is secured when removing foundation bolts in next step.	Dimensions are specified in Required equipment on page 275.  xx1100000582 A Roundsling 1.5 m B Roundsling 2 m C Roundsling 2 m
8	 CAUTION The IRB 4600 robot weighs 465 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
9	Remove the bolts that secure the robot to the foundation.	
10	Lift the robot and fit three support legs to the robot base, using bolts, washers and nuts.  DANGER Working underneath the manipulator without safely securing the support legs between the robot base and the foundation will result in serious or fatal injury. Make sure the robot is stable and safely secured to the foundation via the support legs, before working underneath the robot. Keep the lifting accessories stretched for extra safety precautions.	 xx1800000874

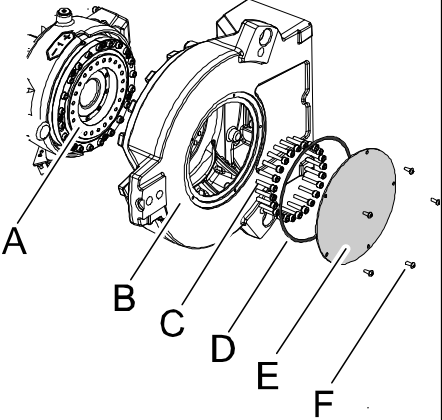
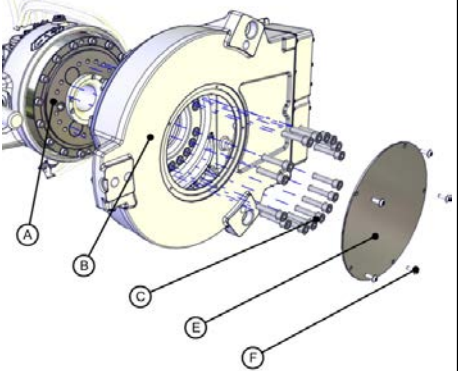
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	Action	Note
11	Lower the robot and secure the support legs to the foundation, using bolts and washers.	 xx1800000875
12	Remove the <i>cover plate</i> at the bottom of the base.	 xx1800000879

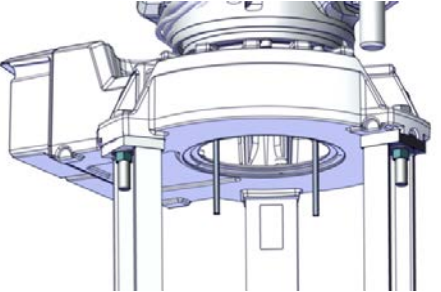
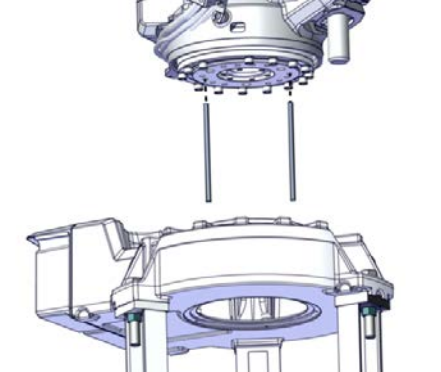
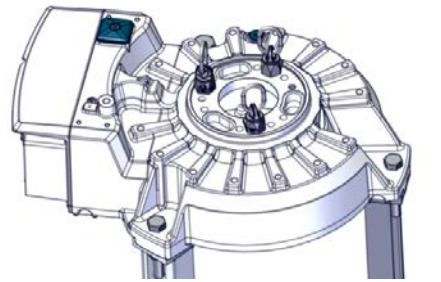
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4.3.5 Replacing the base
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Action	Note
13 Remove the base attachment screws and washers.	Other design than Type C and Type D:  xx0800000357 Type C and Type D:  xx1200000634 Parts: • A: Gearbox axis 1 • B: Base • C: Other design than Type C and Type D: Attachment screws M8x40 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo and washers (24+24 pcs) • C: Type C and Type D: Attachment screws M12x50 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo and washers (24+24 pcs) • D: O-ring (Not visible behind cover plate in figure of Type C and Type D) • E: Cover plate • F: Attachment screws M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (5 pcs)

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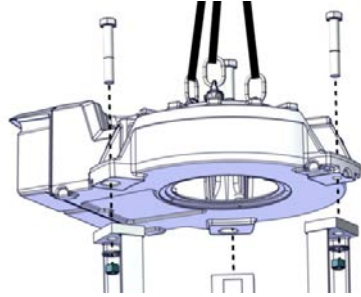
	Action	Note
14	Fit two guide pins in opposite holes in the axis-1 gearbox.	Guide pin, M8x150: 3HAC15520-2 Always use guide pins in pairs.  xx1800000883
15	 CAUTION The arm system and axis-1 gearbox weighs 380 kg together. All lifting accessories must be sized accordingly.	
16	Lift away the robot arm system. Remove the guide pins, if the arm system is about to be laid down on the floor. See Illustration of robot put down on its side on page 357.	 xx1800000884
17	 CAUTION The weight of the base is 49 kg All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly.	
18	Fit three lifting eyes to the base and secure with roundslings in an overhead crane or similar.	Lifting eye: M8  xx1800000931

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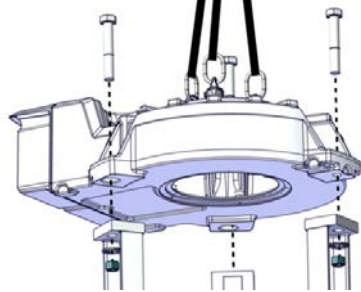
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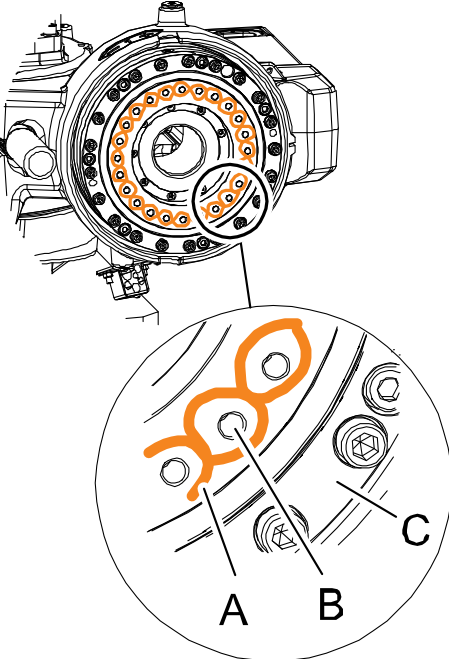
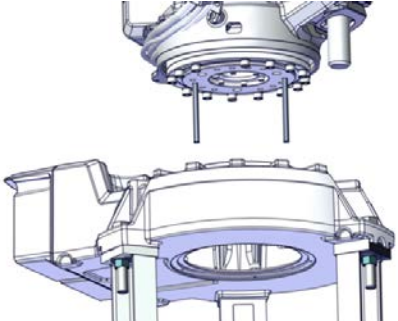
	Action	Note
19	Remove the support legs attachments screws and remove the base from the support legs.	 xx1800000885

Refitting the base

Use this procedure to refit the complete arm system to the base.

	Action	Note
1	 CAUTION The weight of the base is 49 kg All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly.	
2	Fit three lifting eyes to the base and secure with roundslings in an overhead crane or similar.	Lifting eye: M8
3	Fit the new base to the support legs and secure with the attachment screws.	 xx1800000885
4	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	
5	Remove residues of old Loctite and other contaminations from surfaces before applying new Loctite 574.	 Tip Use Loctite 7063 (or similar) for cleaning.

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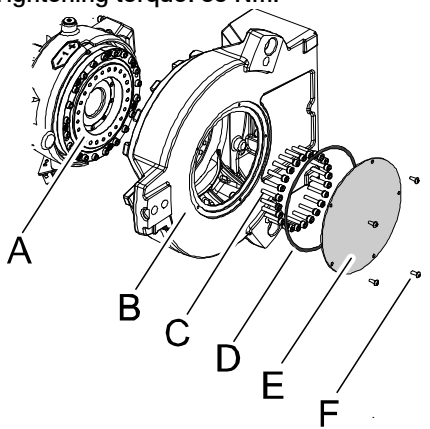
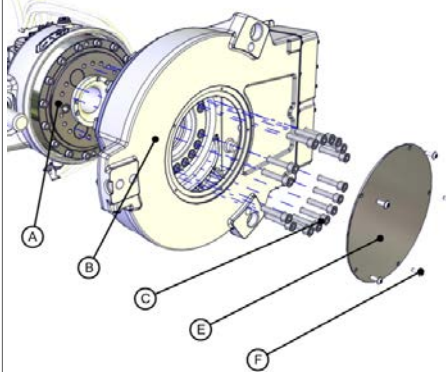
	Action	Note
6	Apply <i>Loctite 574</i> around the <i>screw holes</i> on the axis-1 gearbox as shown in the figure.	 xx0800000353 Parts A Loctite 574 B Screw hole in axis-1 gearbox C Axis-1 gearbox
7	 CAUTION The arm system and axis-1 gearbox weighs 380 kg together. All lifting accessories must be sized accordingly.	
8	Lift the arm system to the mounting site.	
9	Fit two guide pins in opposite holes in the axis-1 gearbox.	Guide pin, M8x150: 3HAC15520-2 Always use guide pins in pairs.  xx1800000932

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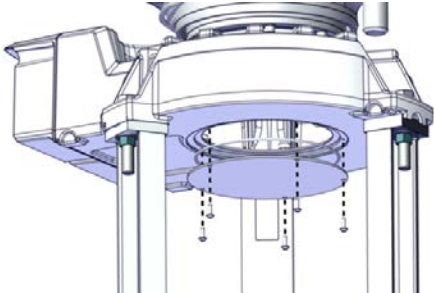
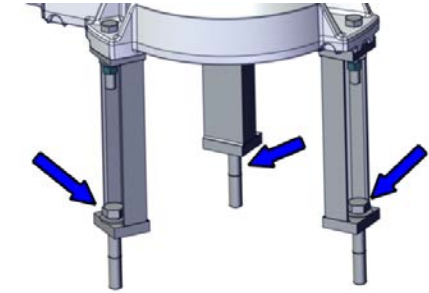
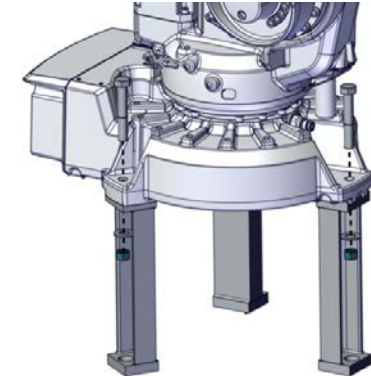
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	Action	Note
10	Refit the base with its <i>attachment screws</i> and <i>washers</i>.  Note The attachment screws on Type C and Type D are different from the ones on Other design than Type C and Type D!	Other design than Type C and Type D: Tightening torque: 35 Nm.  xx0800000357 Type C and Type D: Tightening torque: 110 Nm.  xx1200000634 Parts: • A: Gearbox axis 1 • B: Base • C: Other design than Type C and Type D: Attachment screws M8x40 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo and washers (24+24 pcs) • C: Type C and Type D: Attachment screws M12x50 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo and washers (24+24 pcs) • D: O-ring (Not visible behind cover plate in figure of Type C and Type D) • E: Cover plate • F: Attachment screws M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (5 pcs)
11	Apply some grease to the <i>o-ring</i> and refit the o-ring between the cover and base.	

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	Action	Note
12	Refit the <i>cover plate</i> at the bottom of the base with its attachment screws.	Attachment screws: M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (5 pcs)  xx1800000879
13	Remove the screws that secure the support legs to the foundation.  DANGER Stretch the roundslings to make sure that the robot weight is secured.	 xx1800000875
14	Lift the complete robot and remove the support legs from the base.	 xx1800000874
15	Lower the robot and secure it to the foundation.	See Orienting and securing the robot on page 68.
16	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

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4.3.5 Replacing the base

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	Action	Note
17	Recalibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i> , enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404 . General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389 .
18	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116 .	

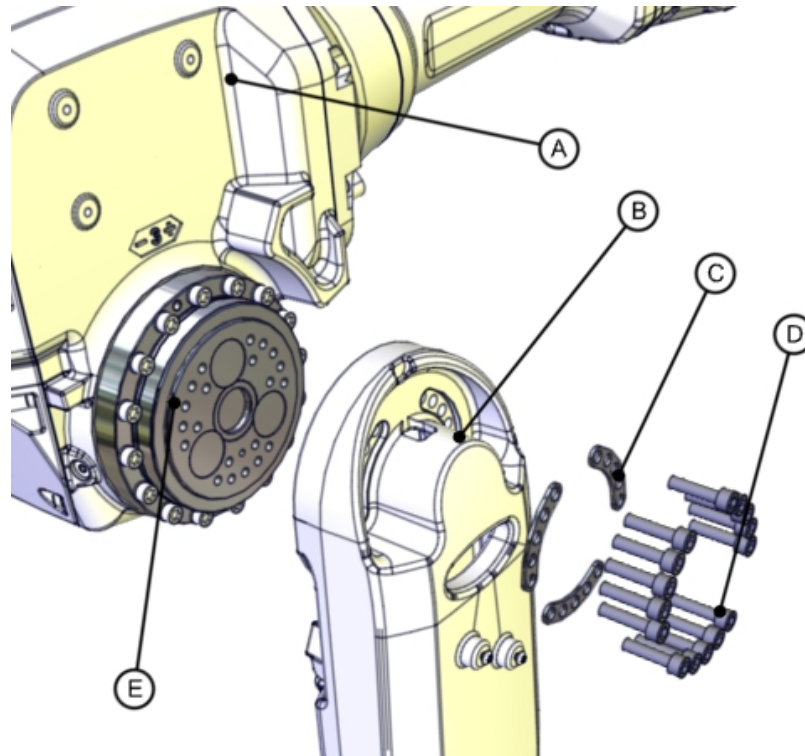
4.4 Upper arm

4.4.1 Replacing the complete upper arm

Location of the complete upper arm

Type C and Type D

The upper complete arm is located as shown in the figure.



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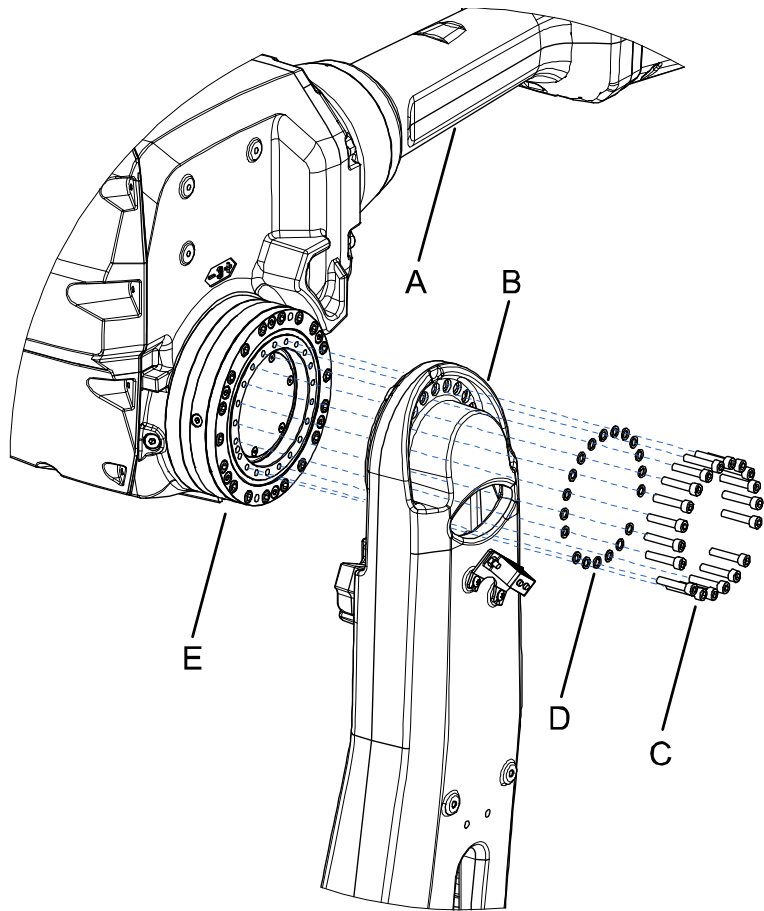
A	Upper arm
B	Lower arm
C	Washer (3 pcs)  xx120000520
D	Attachment screws M10x40 quality steel 12.9 Gleitmo (15 pcs)
E	Axis-3 gearbox

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4.4.1 Replacing the complete upper arm
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Other design than Type C and Type D
The complete upper arm is located as shown in the figure.



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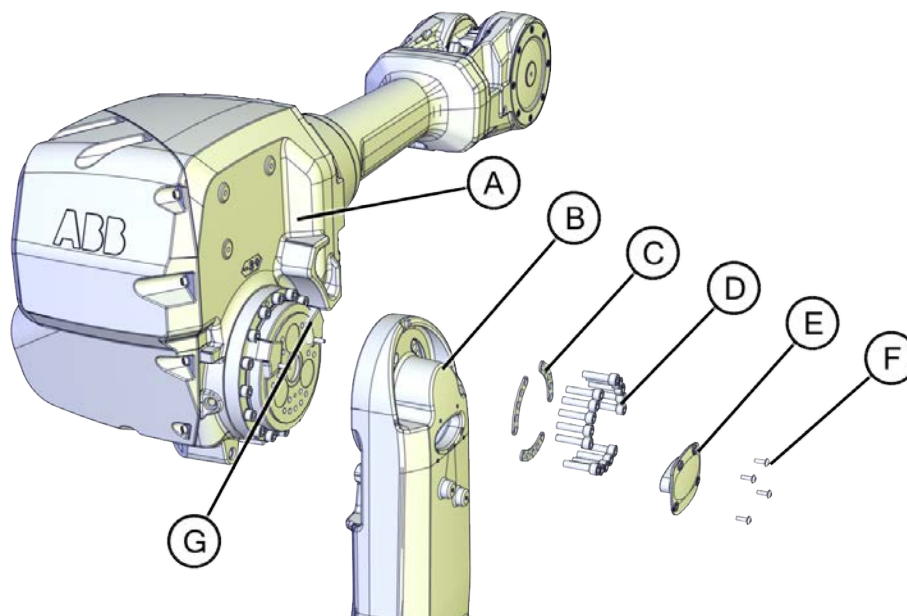
A	Upper arm
B	Lower arm
C	Attachment screws M8x40 quality steel 12.9 Gleitmo (19 pcs)
D	Washers quality steel 8.4x13x1.5 (19 pcs)
E	Axis-2 gearbox

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4.4.1 Replacing the complete upper arm Continued

IRB 4600-60/2.05 and IRB 4600-40/2.55 Type C, Clean Room

The complete upper arm is located as shown in the figure.



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A	Upper arm
B	Lower arm
C	Washer (3 pcs)  xx1200000520
D	Attachment screws M10x40 quality steel 12.9 Gleitmo (15 pcs)
E	Plug, upper
F	Attachment screws M6x16 8.8-A2F Torx pan head screw (4 pcs)
G	Axis-3 gearbox

Required equipment

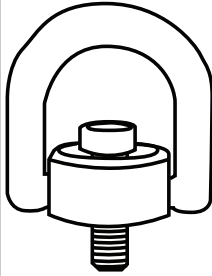
Equipment	Note
Armhouse	For spare parts no. see Spare parts - Upper arm (2.05/2.50/2.55) in Product manual, spare parts - IRB 2600.
Tubular shaft unit	For spare parts no. see Spare parts - Upper arm (2.05/2.50/2.55) in Product manual, spare parts - IRB 2600.

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4.4.1 Replacing the complete upper arm

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Equipment	Note
Rotating lifting point	2 pcs. Dimension: M8. Example: Gunnebo RLP GrabiQ M8-10.  xx1100000564
Washer	Required if the screw in the rotating lifting point bottoms. Inner diameter: 12 mm. Outer diameter: min. 23 mm. Thickness: enough to prevent the screw in the rotating lifting point to bottom.
Roundslings	3 pcs. Length: 1.5 m. Lifting capacity: 500 kg.
Screws	2 pcs. Used to prevent the roundsling at the wrist from sliding. Dimension: • M6. Length: 70 mm. Quality: 8.8. (IRB 4600 - 20/2.5) • M8. Length: 70 mm. Quality: 8.8. (IRB 4600 - 60/2.05, - 45/2.05, - 40/2.55)
Guide pins	Type C and Type D: M10 (2 pcs) Other design than Type C and Type D: M8 (2 pcs)
Locking liquid	Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243) Clean Room robots
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442.
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

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Deciding calibration routine

Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. - Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. - Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
	If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405 .
	If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

**CAUTION**

Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

Removing the complete upper arm

Use this procedure to remove the complete upper arm. This procedure can be done without draining the axis 3 gearbox.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	
2	Run the robot to the position shown in the figure. The robot must be floor mounted and the upper arm must be horizontally positioned.	 xx0800000336

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4.4.1 Replacing the complete upper arm

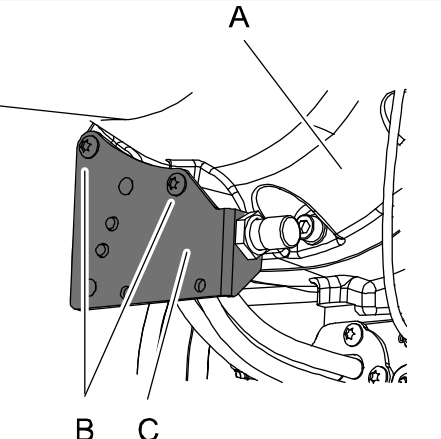
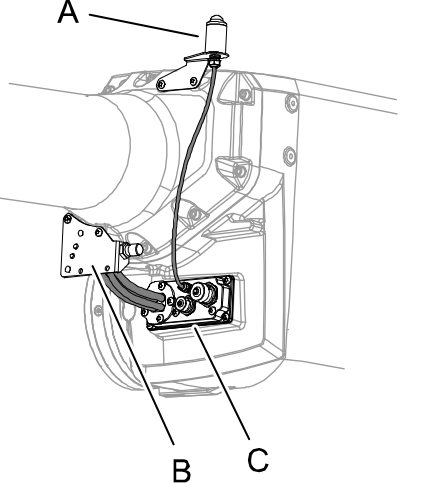
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	Action	Note
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	 CAUTION The weight of the complete upper arm (including the wrist) is 140 kg All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly.	
5	Attach the lifting accessories to the upper arm.	See Attaching the lifting accessories to the upper arm on page 294 .
6	Unload the weight of the upper arm by stretching the roundslings.  Tip Turn on the power temporarily and release the brakes of axis 3 to rest the weight onto the roundslings.	
7	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
8	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
9	Disconnect all <i>motor cables</i> from motors axes 3, 4, 5 and 6.	How to disconnect cables from motors is detailed in sections: • Removing motors on page 335

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4.4.1 Replacing the complete upper arm

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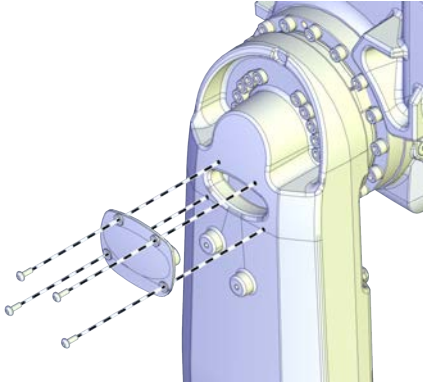
	Action	Note
10	Remove the <i>bracket</i> fitted on the tubular shaft unit.	 xx0800000335 Parts: • A: Tubular shaft unit • B: Attachment screws M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (2 pcs) • C: Bracket
11	Remove the <i>signal lamp</i> , if used.	
12	Remove the <i>cable bracket</i> on the armhouse.	 xx0800000338 Parts: • A: Signal lamp • B: Bracket • C: Cable bracket
13	Using caution, pull the cable package out of the hole where the cable bracket was fitted.	

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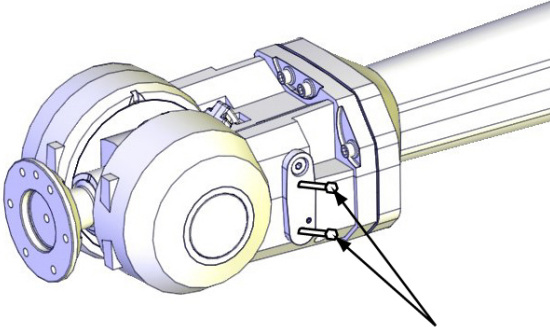
4.4.1 Replacing the complete upper arm

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	Action	Note
14	For protection type Clean Room, remove the <i>attachment screws</i> that secure the upper plug to the lower arm.  Tip The <i>attachment screws</i> are applied glue when installed.	 xx2300001227
15	Remove the <i>attachment screws</i> securing the upper arm to the lower arm.	See the figure in: • Location of the complete upper arm on page 287  Note Do not remove the attachment screws securing the gearbox axis 3 to the arm-house!
16	Remove the complete upper arm.	

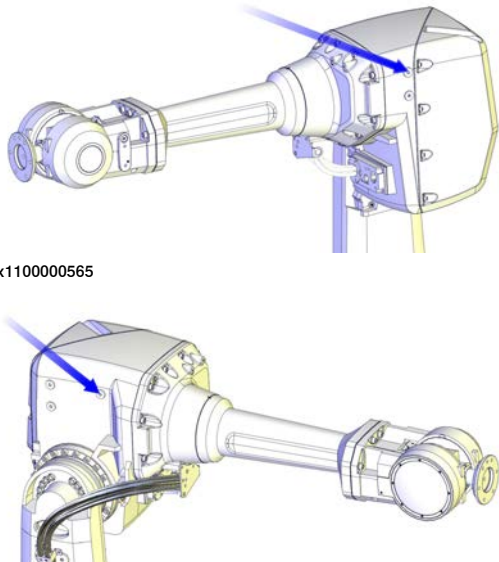
Attaching the lifting accessories to the upper arm

Attaching the lifting accessories

	Action	Note
1	Fit two <i>screws</i> in the wrist unit. The purpose of these screws is to prevent the roundsling from sliding.	Dimension is specified in Required equipment on page 289.  xx1100000568

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4.4.1 Replacing the complete upper arm Continued

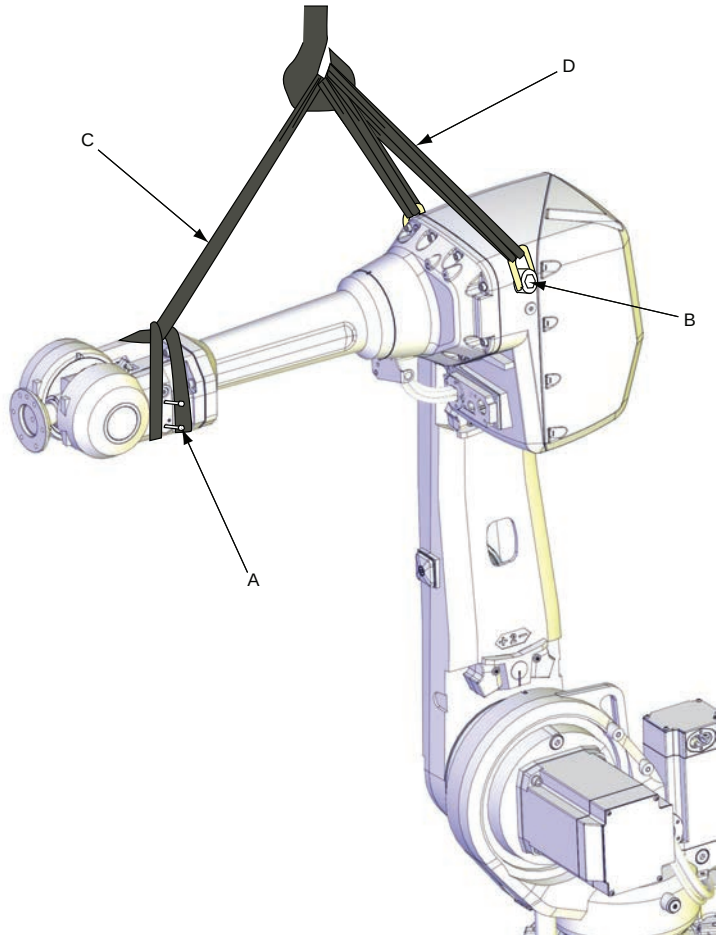
	Action	Note
2	Fit two <i>rotating lifting points</i> to the attachment holes in the arm house, see the figure. Secure the lifting point tightly against the arm house, but at the same time making sure that the screw does not bottom. Use an extra <i>washer</i> if the screw does bottom. Tightening torque: 30 Nm.	Dimension is specified in Required equipment on page 289.  xx1100000565 xx1100000566
3	Run a <i>roundsling</i> through each rotating lifting point and fasten both ends at the lifting hook.	Dimension is specified in Required equipment on page 289. See figure Attaching the roundslings to the upper arm on page 296.
4	Make a loop of the third <i>roundsling</i>, running it around the wrist unit. Run the roundsling on both sides of the screws and fasten the free end of the roundsling to the lifting hook.	Dimension is specified in Required equipment on page 289. See figure Attaching the roundslings to the upper arm on page 296.

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Attaching the roundslings to the upper arm



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A	Screws to prevent the roundslings from sliding, 2 pcs
B	Rotating lifting point, 2 pcs
C	Roundslings around wrist unit Length: 1.5 m.
D	Roundslings attached to arm house, 2 pcs Length: 1.5 m.

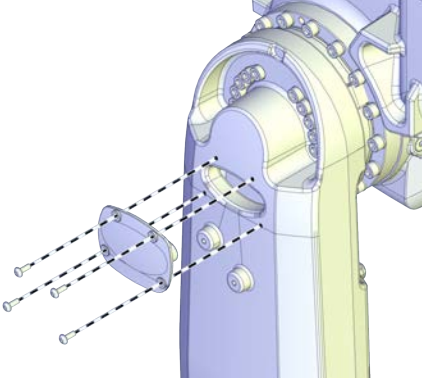
Refitting the complete upper arm

Use this procedure to refit the complete upper arm.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	

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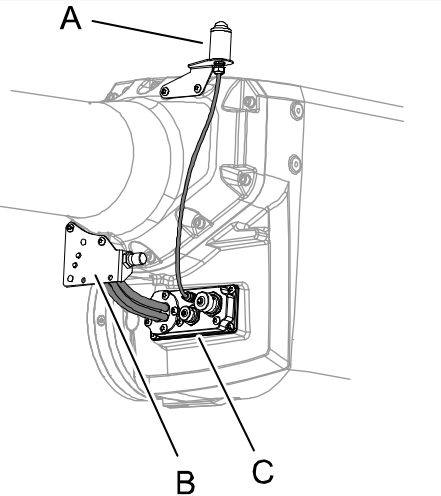
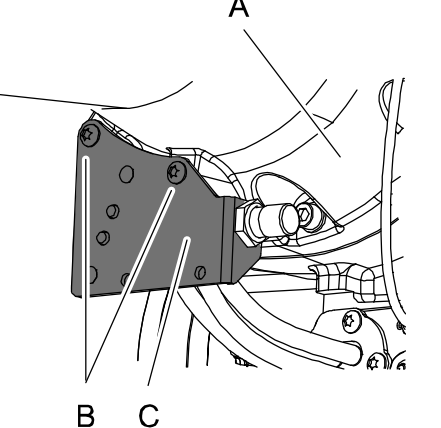
	Action	Note
2	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	
3	 CAUTION The weight of the complete upper arm (including the wrist) is 140 kg All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly.	
4	Clean all assembly surfaces.	
5	Attach the lifting accessories to the upper arm.	See Attaching the lifting accessories to the upper arm on page 294 .
6	Fit <i>guide pins</i> to the upper arm.	Specified in Required equipment on page 289 .
7	Lift the upper arm to the robot using an overhead crane.	
8	Release the brakes of the axis 3 motor.	
9	Refit the upper arm to the lower arm with its <i>attachment screws</i> .  Note Use new attachment screws! It may be necessary to turn the gear by rotating the motor pinion with a <i>rotation tool</i> , <i>motor</i> beneath the motor cover.	See the figure in: • Location of the complete upper arm on page 287 Tightening torque Other design than Type C and Type D: • 35 Nm Tightening torque and angle Type C and Type D: • 50 Nm and 90° angle
10	For protection type Clean Room, apply the locking liquid to the <i>attachment screws</i> of the upper plug.  Tip If using an old <i>attachment screw</i> , clean the screw first.	Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243)
11	For protection type Clean Room, refit the <i>attachment screws</i> to secure the upper plug to the lower arm.	 xx2300001227

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	Action	Note
12	Using caution, push the cable package through the hole where the cable bracket will be fitted.	 xx0800000338 Parts: • A: Signal lamp • B: Bracket • C: Cable bracket
13	Refit the <i>cable bracket</i> with its attachment screws.	
14	Reconnect all <i>motor cables</i> .	How to connect motor cables is detailed in sections: • Refitting motors on page 344
15	Refit the <i>bracket</i> on the <i>tubular shaft unit</i> .	 xx0800000335 Parts: • A: Tubular shaft unit • B: Attachment screws M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (2 pcs) • C: Bracket
16	Refit the <i>signal lamp</i> , if used.	

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4.4.1 Replacing the complete upper arm

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	Action	Note
17	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	
18	Recalibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i>, enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404. General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389.
19	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116.	

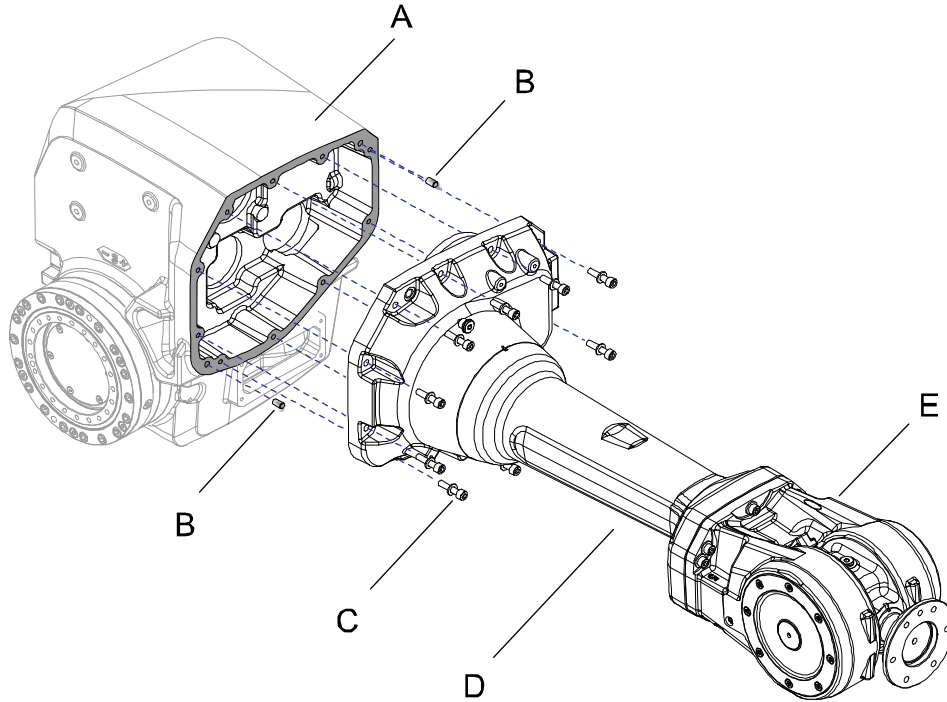
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4.4.2 Replacing complete tubular shaft unit

4.4.2 Replacing complete tubular shaft unit

Location of tubular shaft unit

The tubular shaft unit is located as shown in the figure.



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A	Armhouse
B	Parallel pin, hardened 8x16 m6 (2 pcs)
C	Attachment screws M8x35 quality 8.8-A2F and washers (10 + 10 pcs)
D	Tubular shaft unit
E	Wrist unit

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Tubular shaft unit	For spare parts no. see Spare parts - <i>Upper arm (2.05/2.50/2.55)</i> in <i>Product manual</i> , spare parts - <i>IRB 2600</i> .
Guide pins	2 pcs. Dimension: M8.
Cleaning agent	Isopropanol
Sealing liquid	Loctite 574
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

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Deciding calibration routine

Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. - Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. - Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
	If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405 .
	If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

Removing complete tubular shaft unit

Use this procedure to remove the complete tubular shaft unit.

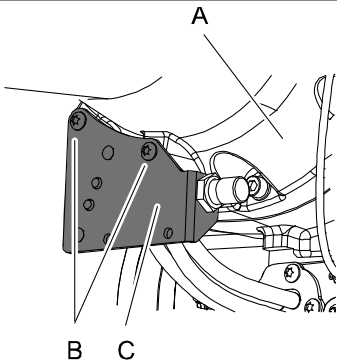
	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	
2	Drain <i>oil</i> from gearbox axis 4.	How to drain the oil from the gearbox is described in section: Changing the oil, axis-4 gearbox on page 188
3	Move the robot to the position shown in the figure.	 xx0800000336

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	Action	Note
4	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
5	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
6	Remove the <i>bracket</i> securing the cable package to the tubular shaft unit by removing its attachment screws.	 xx0800000335 Parts: • A: Tubular shaft unit • B: Attachment screws M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (2 pcs) • C: Bracket
7	Place the cable package in a way that it will not be damaged in the continued removal procedure.	
8	Remove motors axes 4, 5 and 6.	How to remove motors is described in section: • Removing motors on page 335
9	 Tip If only the tubular shaft unit shall be replaced, it is a good idea to remove the <i>wrist unit</i> at this stage.	How to remove the wrist unit is detailed in section: • Removal of wrist unit on page 309
10	 CAUTION The robot arm tube weighs 65 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly.	

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	Action	Note
11	Secure the <i>tubular shaft unit</i> with round-slings in an overhead crane.  CAUTION Prevent the slings from sliding! For example a small plate can be fitted to the lower attachment hole for the cable bracket (removed in a previous step). The plate should be fitted so it points downwards and functions as a mechanical stop for the roundsling. At the other end of the tubular shaft unit, a shackle can be fitted if the wrist unit is removed.	
12	Remove the <i>attachment screws</i> that secure the tubular shaft unit.	See the figure in: • Location of tubular shaft unit on page 300
13	Remove the <i>tubular shaft unit</i> using caution. The tubular shaft unit is fitted with Loctite.  CAUTION Do not damage the gears when removing the tubular shaft unit.  CAUTION Remaining oil will drain out from the gear-box cavity when the tubular shaft is lifted out.	 Note There are two parallel pins guiding the tubular shaft unit into its place. See figure in Replacing complete tubular shaft unit on page 300.

Refitting complete tubular shaft unit

Use this procedure to refit the tubular shaft unit.

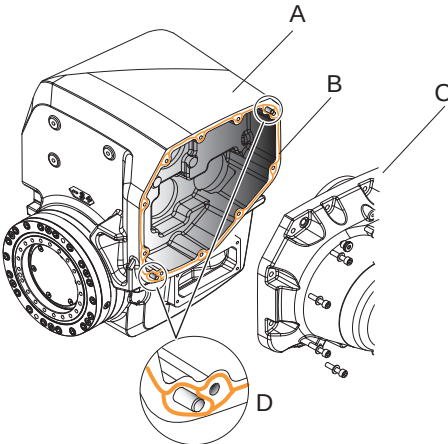
	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	
3	Remove residues of old Loctite and other contaminations from the assembly surfaces. Remove any painting from the assembly surfaces, with a knife.	

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4.4.2 Replacing complete tubular shaft unit

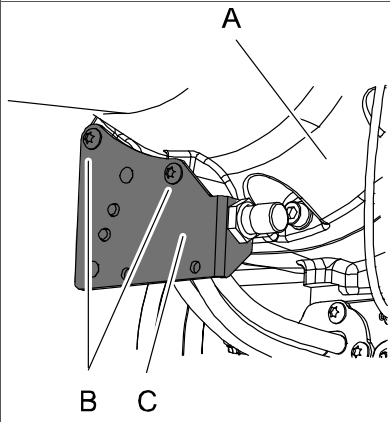
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	Action	Note
4	Apply sealing liquid (Loctite 574) on the surface between the tubular shaft unit and the armhouse. Make sure to apply the sealing liquid in circles around each of the attachment holes.	 xx0800000457 Parts: - A Armhouse - B Surface where Loctite 574 shall be applied - C Tubular shaft unit - D Cylindrical pin (2 pcs)
5	 CAUTION The robot arm tube weighs 65 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
6	 CAUTION Prevent the slings from sliding! For example a small plate can be fitted to the lower attachment hole for the cable bracket (removed in a previous step). The plate should be fitted so it points downwards and functions as a mechanical stop for the roundsling. At the other end of the tubular shaft unit, a shackle can be fitted if the wrist unit is removed.	
7	Fit <i>guide pins</i> in the upper arm house.	Specified in Required equipment on page 300.
8	Refit the tubular shaft unit, using caution.  CAUTION Do not damage the gears when refitting the tubular shaft unit.	 Note There are two parallel pins guiding the tubular shaft unit into its place.

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	Action	Note
9	Secure the tubular shaft unit with its <i>attachment screws</i> . Note For Protection type, Clean Room variants, apply some sikaflex 521 on the screws to protect any unpredictable pollution.	See the figure in: • Location of tubular shaft unit on page 300 Tightening torque: 22 Nm
10	Refit <i>motors axes 4, 5 and 6</i> .	How to refit motors is described in section: • Refitting motors on page 344
11	Perform a leak-down test.	See Performing a leak-down test on page 219 .
12	Refit the <i>bracket</i> securing the cable package to the tubular shaft unit, with its <i>attachment screws</i> .	 xx0800000335 Parts: • A: Tubular shaft unit • B: Attachment screws M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (2 pcs) • C: Bracket
13	If the <i>wrist unit</i> has been removed from the tubular shaft unit, refit it now.	How to refit the wrist unit is detailed in section: • Refitting of wrist unit on page 310
14	Refill gearbox axis 4 with oil.	How to refill oil in gearbox is described in section: • Changing the oil, axis-4 gearbox on page 188
15	Recalibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i> , enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404 . General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389 .

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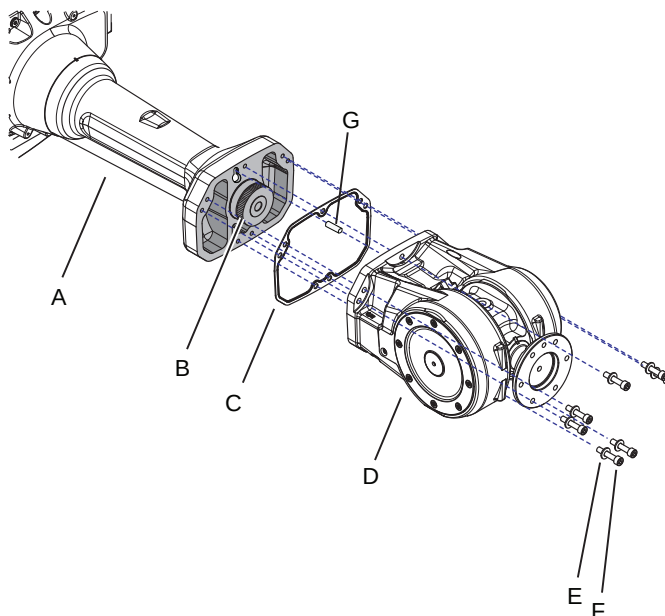
	Action	Note
16	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	
17	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116.	

4.4.3 Replacing wrist unit

Location of wrist unit

The wrist unit is located in the upper arm as shown in the figures.

IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55



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A	Upper arm
B	Gear
C	O-ring/sealing plate
D	Wrist unit
E	Spring washer, conical 8.4x18x2, quality steel-mZn12c (7 pcs)
F	Attachment screw M8x40, quality steel 12.9 Gleitmo (7 pcs)
G	Guide pin (only available for robots that are calibrated with Axis Calibration)

There are two versions of the wrist, one with an o-ring and one with a sealing. Make sure to order the correct spare parts.

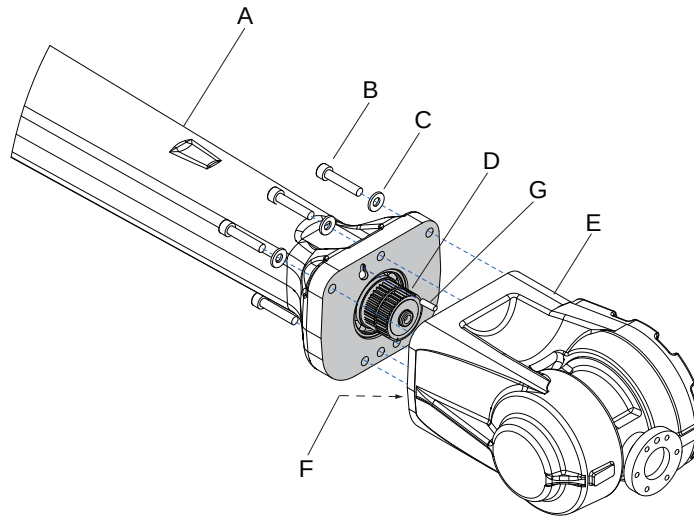
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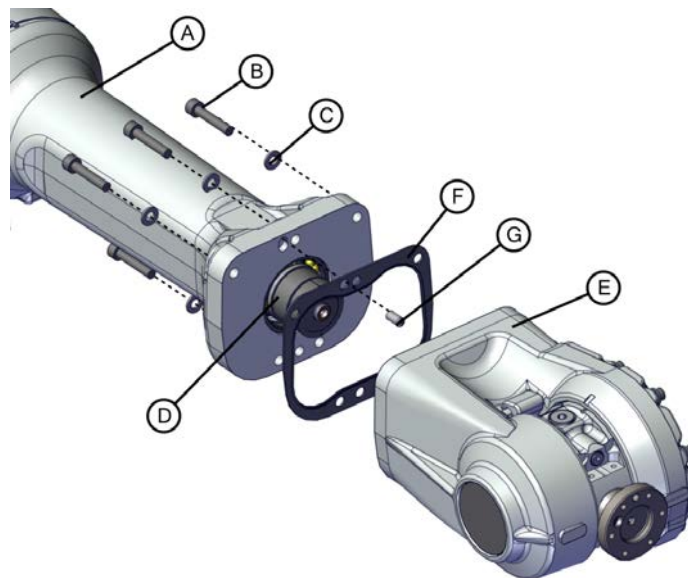
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IRB 4600 -20/2.50



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A	Upper arm
B	Attachment screw M8x40, quality steel 12.9 Gleitmo (5 pcs)
C	Spring washer, conical 8.4x18x2, quality steel-mZn12c (5 pcs)
D	Gears
E	Wrist unit
F	O-ring (Placed on the wrist, not visible) Sealing (lower image)
G	Guide pin (only available for robots that are calibrated with Axis Calibration)

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Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Wrist unit	For spare parts no. see Spare parts - Upper arm (2.05/2.50/2.55) in Product manual, spare parts - IRB 2600.
O-ring	For spare parts no. see Spare parts - Upper arm (2.05/2.50/2.55) in Product manual, spare parts - IRB 2600.
Sealing	
Measuring tool	For adjusting the play.
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

Deciding calibration routine

Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. - Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. - Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
	If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405 .
	If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

Removal of wrist unit

Use this procedure to remove the wrist unit.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	

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4.4.3 Replacing wrist unit

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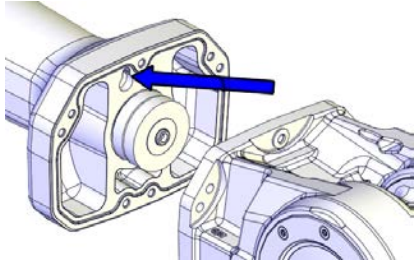
	Action	Note
2	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
3	Drain <i>oil</i> from gearbox axes 5-6.	How to drain the oil from gearbox axes 5-6 is described in section: • Changing oil, axes-5 and -6 gearboxes on page 192
4	 CAUTION The robot wrist unit weighs 25 kg (IRB 4600 - 60/2.05, - 45/2.05, -40/2.55) and 15 kg (IRB 4600 - 20/2.50). All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
5	Secure the wrist unit with a roundsling in an overhead crane or similar.	
6	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
7	Remove the <i>attachment screws</i> and carefully remove the wrist unit.  CAUTION Do not damage the gears.	See the figure in: • Location of wrist unit on page 307

Refitting of wrist unit

Use this procedure to refit the wrist unit.

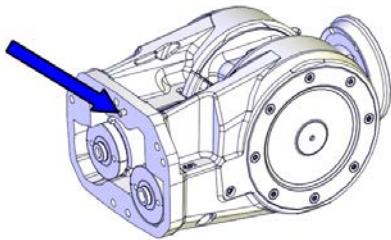
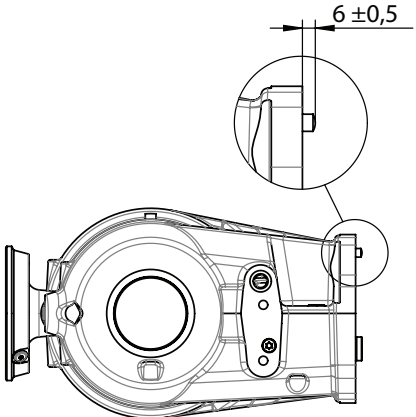
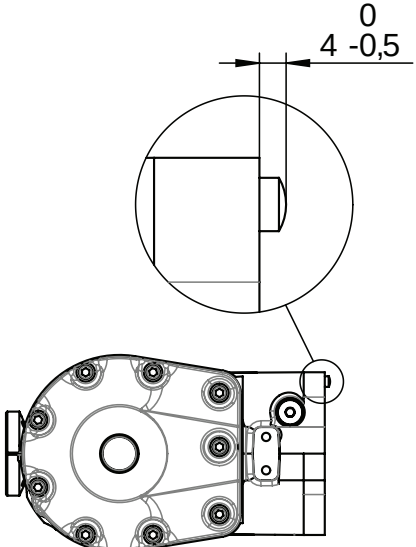
	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	

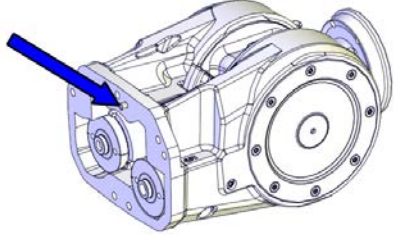
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	Action	Note
2	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	
3	Check if there is a parallel pin hole in the upper arm tube. The hole is available on robots that are calibrated with the Axis Calibration method.	 xx1600000690

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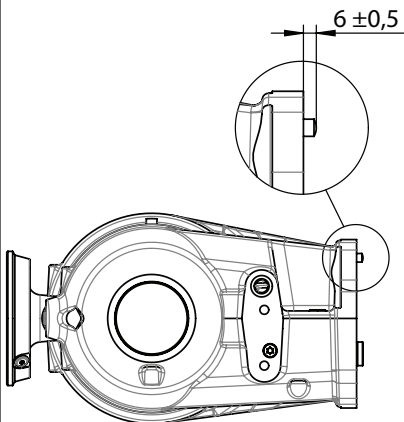
4.4.3 Replacing wrist unit
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Action	Note
4 If there is a hole, fit the parallel pin into the corresponding hole in the wrist (enclosed with the new wrist spare part).  Note If the parallel pin is not installed on a robot calibrated with Axis Calibration, the calibration result will be affected negatively.	 xx1600000689 Verify that the parallel pin sticks out from the wrist according to the measurement given below. IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55  xx1600000702 IRB 4600 -20/2.50  xx1600000703
5 Clean all assembly surfaces. Remove any painting from the assembly surfaces with a knife.	



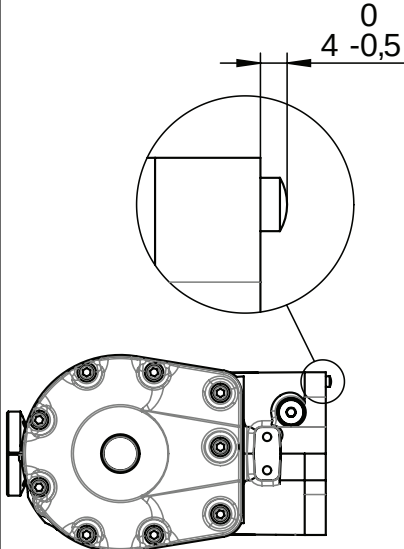
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Verify that the parallel pin sticks out from the wrist according to the measurement given below.
IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55

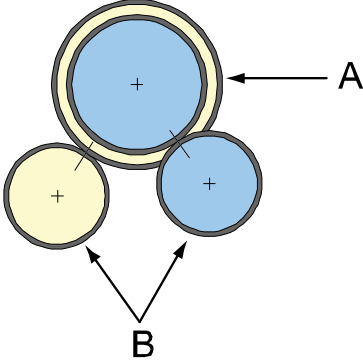


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IRB 4600 -20/2.50



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	Action	Note
6	Not applicable to variant IRB 4600-20/2.50. Fit the o-ring sealing plate.	See the figure in: • Location of wrist unit on page 307
7	Check the o-ring or sealing. Replace if damaged.	See the figure in: • Location of wrist unit on page 307
8	Prepare the refitting of the wrist by inserting the attachment screws and washers in the upper arm tube.	
9	 CAUTION The robot wrist unit weighs 25 kg (IRB 4600 - 60/2.05, - 45/2.05, -40/2.55) and 15 kg (IRB 4600 - 20/2.50). All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly.	
10	Carefully put the <i>wrist unit</i> in its place on the <i>upper arm</i> .  CAUTION Do not damage the gears.  CAUTION Make sure that the o-ring stays in place on the wrist unit.	
11	Adjust the play of the wrist by following these steps: • Fit the <i>measuring tool</i> at the rear of the motor. • Push the wrist as shown in the figure to locate the smallest play in the same way as for adjustment of motors for axes 4, 5 and 6. See Refitting motors on page 344.	 xx1000000223 Parts: • A: Gears on drive shaft unit, axes 5-6 • B: Gears on the wrist
12	Secure the wrist unit with its <i>attachment screws</i> and <i>washers</i> .	See the figure in • Location of wrist unit on page 307 Tightening torque: 35 Nm.

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4.4.3 Replacing wrist unit

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	Action	Note
13	<i>Measure the play</i> by moving axes 5 and 6 with the measuring tool.	How to measure the play is described in sections: • Measuring the play, axis 5 on page 315 • Measuring the play, axis 6 on page 318
14	Perform a leak-down test.	See Performing a leak-down test on page 219 .
15	Refill <i>oil</i> in gearbox axes 5-6.	How to fill oil in gearbox axes 5-6 is described in section: • Changing oil, axes-5 and -6 gearboxes on page 192
16	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	
17	Re-calibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i> , enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404 . General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389 .
18	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116 .	

4.4.4 Measuring the play, axis 5

General

After reassembly due to repair work or any other reason, the play in axis 5 and 6 must be checked to ensure the repetition accuracy of the robot positioning. The procedure for axis 5 is detailed below.

Required equipment

Equipment, etc.	Article number	Note
Standard toolkit	-	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Measuring tool, play (IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55)	3HAB1611-6	
Measuring tool, play (IRB 4600 -20/2.50)	3HAB6337-1	
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.

Measurement, axis 5

The procedure below details how to measure the play of axis 5.



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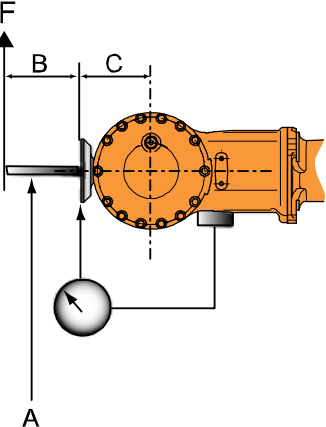
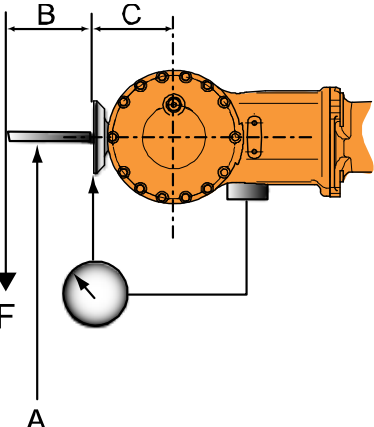
The measuring tool and measuring values differ depending on robot version.

	Action	Info
1	DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Move the robot to calibration position and turn the axis 4 90°.	
3	Fit the <i>measuring tool, play</i> to the turning disc.	Article number is specified in Required equipment on page 315 .

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4.4.4 Measuring the play, axis 5
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Action	Info
4 Apply load F in one direction, as shown in the figure to the right.  Note Different load and distances for the different robot versions, as specified to the right!	 xx0300000186 Values for IRB 4600 - 60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55: • A: Measuring tool, play • B: 207.5 mm • C: 135 mm • F: 90N Values for IRB 4600 -20/2.50: • A: Measuring tool, play • B: 140 mm • C: 85 mm • F: 40N
5 Remove the load and set the dial indicator to zero.	
6 Apply load F in the opposite direction, as shown in the figure to the right.	 xx0300000187 Values for IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55: • A: Measuring tool, play • B: 207.5 mm • C: 135 mm • F: 90N Values for IRB 4600 -20/2.50: • A: Measuring tool, play • B: 140 mm • C: 85 mm • F: 40N

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	Action	Info
7	Remove the load and measure the play by reading the dial indicator.	The maximum play allowed at the given distance from the center of axis 5 is, for robot version: • IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55: 0.10 mm • IRB 4600 -20/2.50: 0.08 mm

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4.4.5 Measuring the play, axis 6

4.4.5 Measuring the play, axis 6

General

After reassembly due to repair work or any other reason, the play in axis 5 and 6 must be checked to ensure the repetition accuracy of the robot positioning. The procedure for axis 6 is detailed below.

Required equipment

Equipment	Article number	Note
Standard toolkit	-	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Measuring tool, play (IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55)	3HAB1611-6	
Measuring tool, play (IRB 4600 -20/2.50)	3HAB6337-1	
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.

Measurement, axis 6

The procedure below details how to measure the play in axis 6.

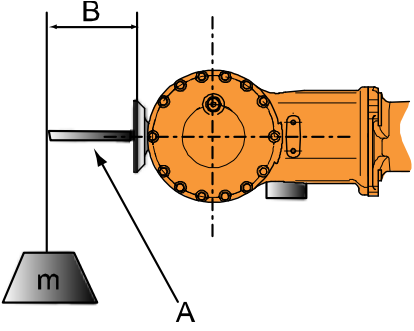
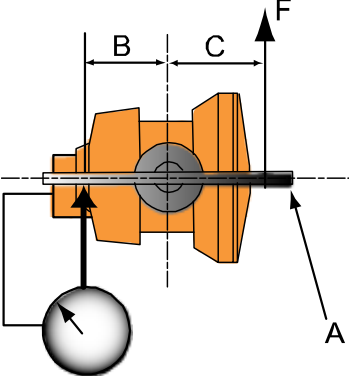


Note

The measuring tool and measuring values differ depending on robot version.

	Action	Info
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Fit the <i>measuring tool, play</i> to the turning disc.	Article number is specified in Required equipment on page 318 .

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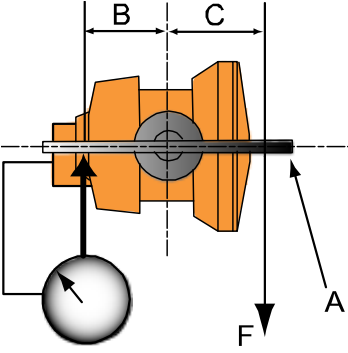
	Action	Info
3	Attach a weight (m) at a distance (B) from the wrist flange, in order to avoid the effects of play on axis 5.  Note Different weight and distance for the different robot versions, as specified to the right.	 xx0300000188 Values for robot versions IRB 4600 - 60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55: • A: Measuring tool, play • B: 207.5 mm • m: 20 kg Values for robot version IRB 4600 -20/2.50: • A: Measuring tool, play • B: 140 mm • m: 10 kg
4	Apply load F in one direction.  Note Different load and distances for the different robot versions, as specified to the right.	 xx0300000189 Values for robot versions IRB 4600 - 60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55: • A: Measuring tool, play • B: 100 mm • C: 100 mm • F: 50N Values for robot version IRB 4600 -20/2.50: • A: Measuring tool, play • B: 100 mm • C: 150 mm • F: 40N
5	Remove the load and set the dial indicator to zero.	

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	Action	Info
6	Apply load F in the opposite direction, as shown in the figure to the right.	 xx0300000190 Values for robot versions IRB 4600 - 60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55: • A: Measuring tool, play • B: 100 mm • C: 100 mm • F: 50N Values for robot version IRB 4600 -20/2.50: • A: Measuring tool, play • B: 100 mm • C: 150 mm • F: 40N
7	Remove the load and measure the play by reading the dial indicator.	The maximum play allowed at the given distance (B) from the center of axis 6 is, for robot version: • IRB 4600 -60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55: 0.16 mm • Values for IRB 4600 -20/2.55: 0.19 mm

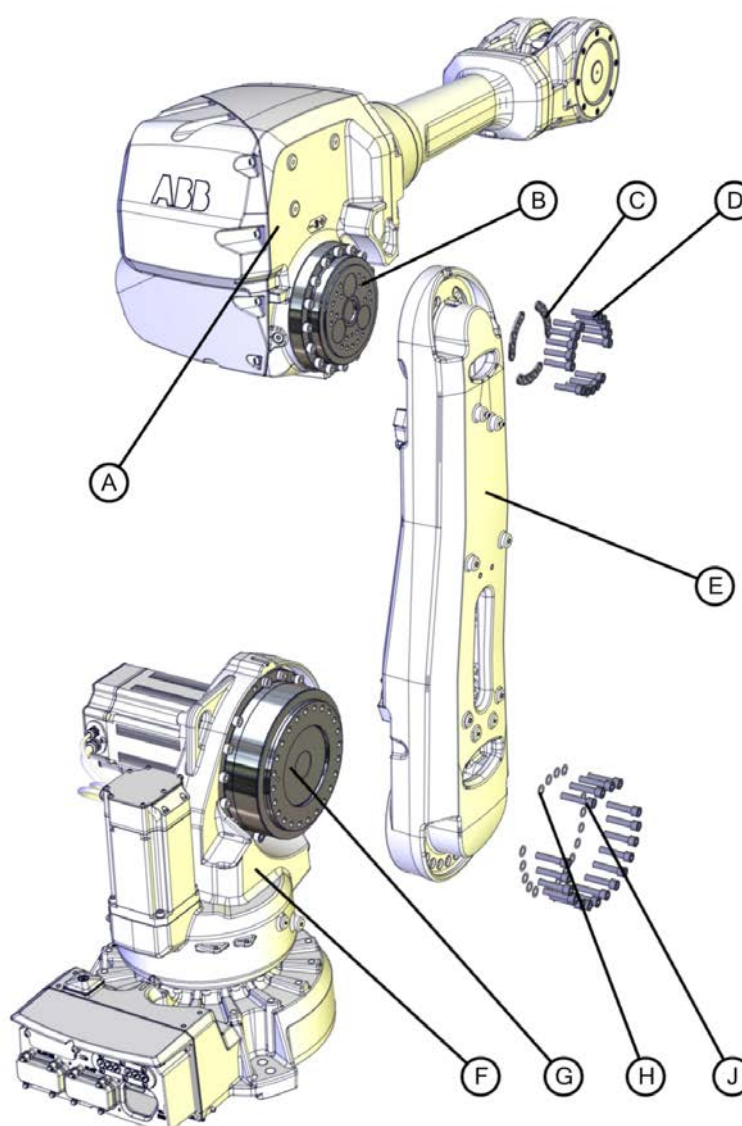
4.5 Lower arm

4.5.1 Replacing the lower arm

Location of lower arm

Type C and Type D

The lower arm is located as shown in the figure.



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A	Upper arm
B	Axis-3 gearbox

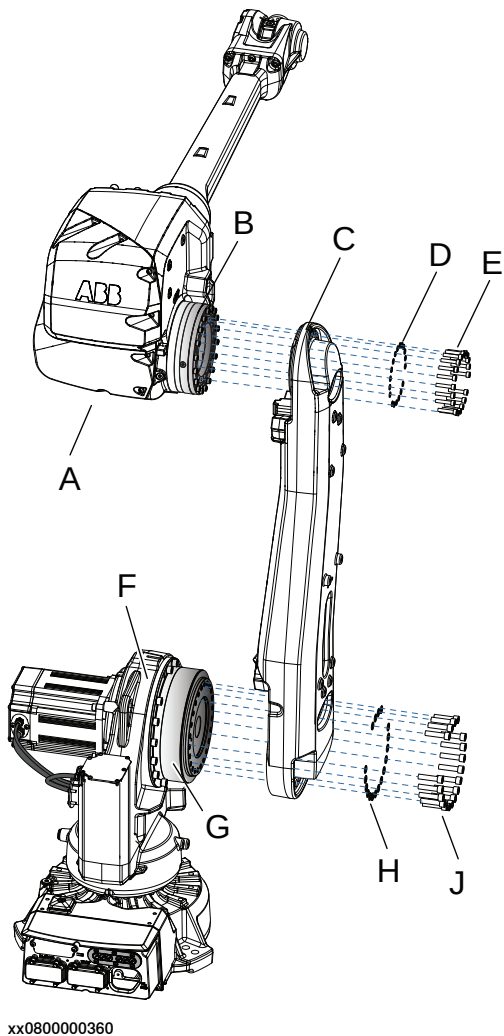
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C	Washer with five holes (3 pcs)  xx1200000520
D	Attachment screws M10x40 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (15 pcs)
E	Lower arm
F	Frame
G	Axis-2 gearbox
H	Washer (18 pcs)
J	Attachment screws M12x50 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (18 pcs)

Other design than Type C and Type D
The lower arm is located as shown in the figure.



A	Upper arm
B	Axis-3 gearbox
C	Lower arm

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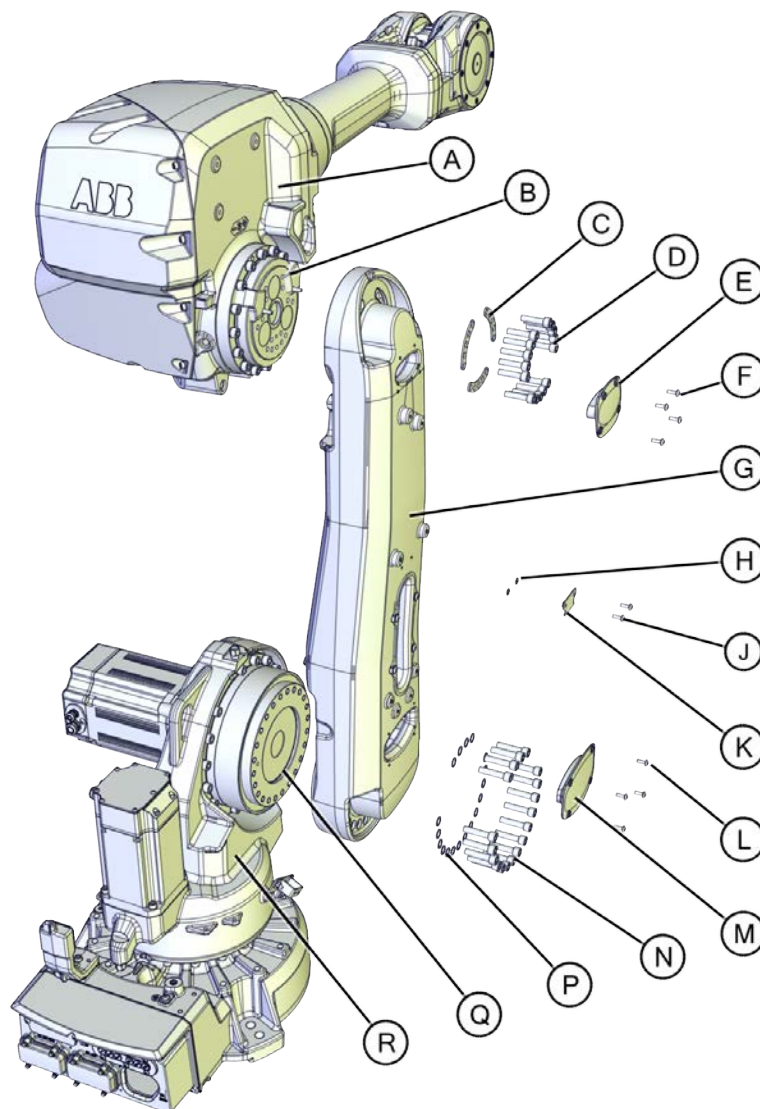
4.5.1 Replacing the lower arm

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D	Washer (19 pcs)
E	Attachment screws M8x40 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (19 pcs)
F	Frame
G	Axis-2 gearbox
H	Washer (18 pcs)
J	Attachment screws M12x50 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (18 pcs)

IRB 4600-60/2.05 and IRB 4600-40/2.55 Type C, Clean Room

The lower arm is located as shown in the figure.



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A	Upper arm
B	Axis-3 gearbox

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4.5.1 Replacing the lower arm

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C	Washer with five holes (3 pcs)  xx1200000520
D	Attachment screws M10x40 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (15 pcs)
E	Plug, upper
F	Attachment screws M6x16 8.8-A2F Torx pan head screw (4 pcs)
G	Lower arm
H	Washers 3HAC077381-001 (2 pcs)
J	Attachment screws M6x16 8.8-A2F Torx pan head screw (2 pcs)
K	Middle bracket
L	Attachment screws M6x16 8.8-A2F Torx pan head screw (4 pcs)
M	Plug, lower
N	Attachment screws M12x50 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (18 pcs)
P	Washer (18 pcs)
Q	Axis-2 gearbox
R	Frame

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Lower arm	For spare parts no. see Spare parts - <i>Lower arm and motors</i> in <i>Product manual</i> , spare parts - <i>IRB 2600</i> .
Lifting eye	Type C and Type D M10 Other design than Type C and Type D M8
Locking liquid	Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243) Clean Room robots
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

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Deciding calibration routine

Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. - Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. - Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
	If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405 .
	If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

Removing the lower arm

Use this procedure to remove the lower arm.

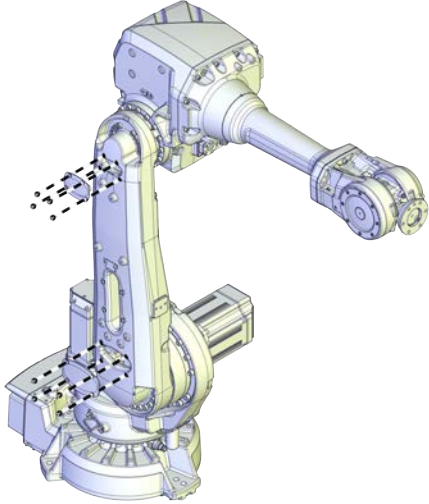
	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	
2	Move the robot to the position shown in the figure.	 xx0800000336

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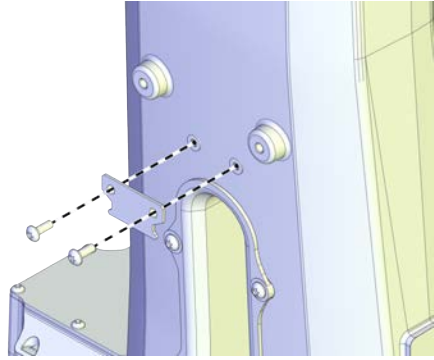
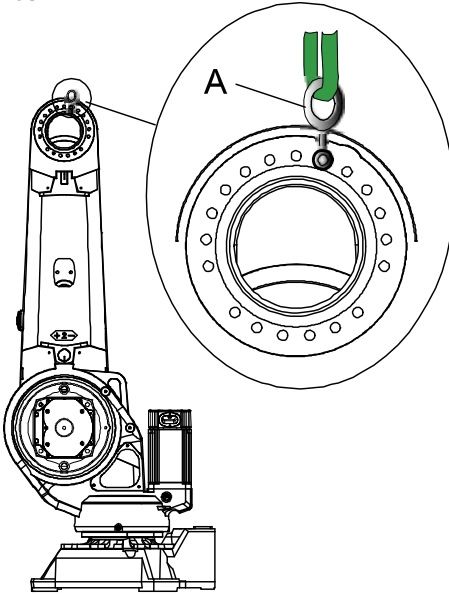
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	Action	Note
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	Remove the <i>cable package</i> from all axes except in the base.	How to remove the cable package in frame, lower arm and armhouse is described in sections: • Removing cable harness in frame on page 238 • Removing cable harness in lower arm and armhouse on page 240
5	Secure the upper arm with a roundsling in an overhead crane.	
6	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
7	For protection type Clean Room, remove the <i>attachment screws</i> that secure the plugs to the lower arm.  Tip The <i>attachment screws</i> are applied glue when installed.	 xx2300001191

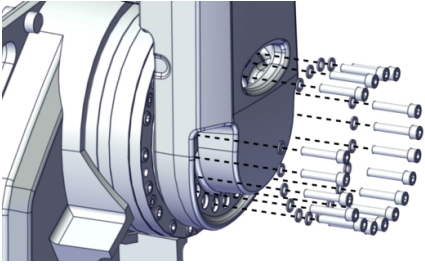
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	Action	Note
8	For protection type Clean Room, remove the <i>attachment screws</i> that secure the middle bracket to the lower arm.	 xx2300001192
9	Remove the <i>complete upper arm</i> and put it on a loading pallet.	How to remove the complete upper arm is described in section: • Removing the complete upper arm on page 291
10	 CAUTION The robot lower arm weighs 65 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
11	Fit a <i>lifting lug</i> in one of the upper holes in the lower arm, for the attachment screws.	The figure shows other design than Type C and Type D, but the principle of fitting the lifting lug is the same on Type C and Type D.  xx0800000379 Parts: • A: Lifting lug

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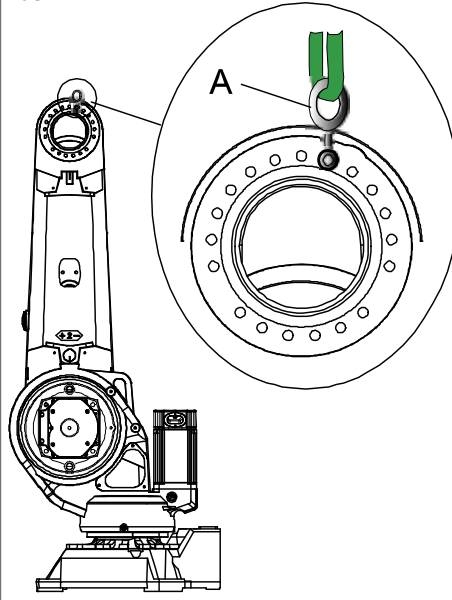
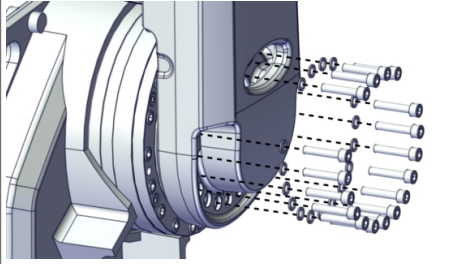
	Action	Note
12	Remove the <i>attachment screws and washers</i> that secure the lower arm to the axis-2 gearbox.	 xx1800000935
13	Remove the lower arm.	

Refitting the lower arm

Use this procedure to refit the lower arm.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	
3	 CAUTION The robot lower arm weighs 65 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	

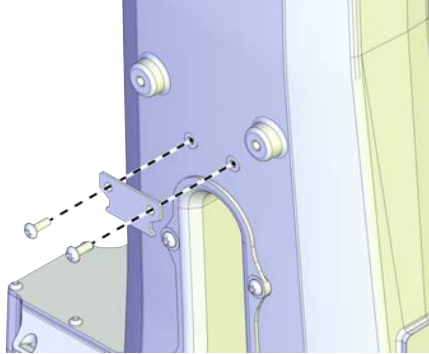
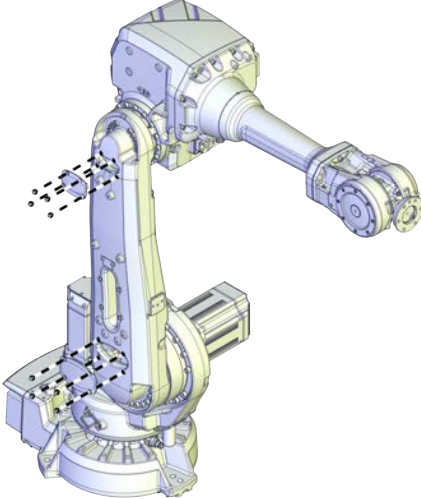
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	Action	Note
4	Fit a <i>lifting lug</i> in one of the upper holes in the lower arm, for the attachment screws.	The figure shows other design than Type C and Type D, but the principle of fitting the lifting lug is the same on Type C and Type D.  xx0800000379 Parts: A: Lifting lug
5	Secure the lower arm with a roundsling in an overhead crane and lift it to the robot.	
6	Refit the <i>attachment screws and washers</i> to secure the lower arm to the axis-2 gear-box.	Attachment screws: M12x50 quality steel Gleitmo 12.9 (18 pcs) Tightening torque: 110 Nm.  xx1800000935
7	Secure the complete upper arm with roundslings in an overhead crane and lift it to the robot.	
8	Refit the <i>complete upper arm</i> .	How to refit the complete upper arm is described in section: Refitting the complete upper arm on page 296

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	Action	Note
9	For protection type Clean Room, refit the <i>attachment screws</i> to secure the middle bracket to the lower arm.	Attachment screws: M6x16 8.8-A2F Torx pan head screw(2 pcs) Washers: 3HAC077381-001 (2 pcs)  xx2300001192
10	For protection type Clean Room, apply the locking liquid to the <i>attachment screws</i> of the plugs.  Tip If using an old <i>attachment screw</i>, clean the screw first.	Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243)
11	For protection type Clean Room, refit the <i>attachment screws</i> to secure the plugs to the lower arm.	Attachment screws: M6x16 8.8-A2F Torx pan head screw(8 pcs) Tightening torque: 0.3 Nm.  xx2300001191
12	Refit the <i>cable package</i> .	How to refit the cable package in frame, lower arm and armhouse is described in sections: • Refitting the cable harness in the frame on page 248 • Refitting the cable harness in the lower arm and armhouse on page 258

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	Action	Note
13	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	
14	Recalibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i>, enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404. General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389.
15	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116.	

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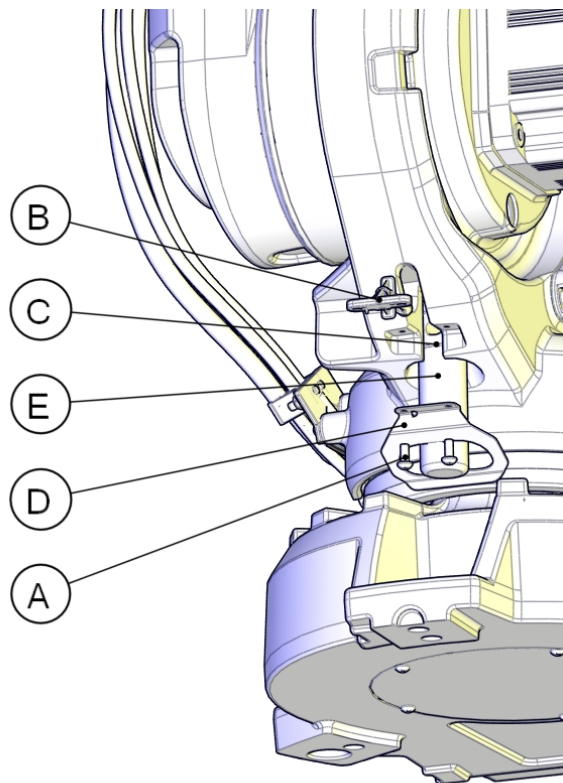
4.6.1 Replacing stop pin axis 1

4.6 Frame and base

4.6.1 Replacing stop pin axis 1

Location of stop pin axis 1

The stop pin axis 1 is located as shown in the figure.



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A	Attachment screws M6x16 quality 8.8-A2F (2 pcs)
B	Bracket
C	O-ring (2 pcs) - Not used if bracket (D) is installed.
D	Bracket
E	Stop pin

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Stop pin	For spare parts number, see Spare parts - Frame and base in Product manual, spare parts - IRB 2600.
Locking liquid	Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243)
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .

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Equipment	Note
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

Removing the stop pin, axis 1

Use this procedure to remove the stop pin axis 1.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
3	Remove the <i>attachment screws</i> securing the <i>bracket</i> and <i>stop pin</i> .	See the figure in • Location of stop pin axis 1 on page 332
4	Remove the <i>bracket</i> and <i>stop pin</i> .	See the figure in • Location of stop pin axis 1 on page 332

Refitting the stop pin, axis 1

Use this procedure to refit the stop pin axis 1.

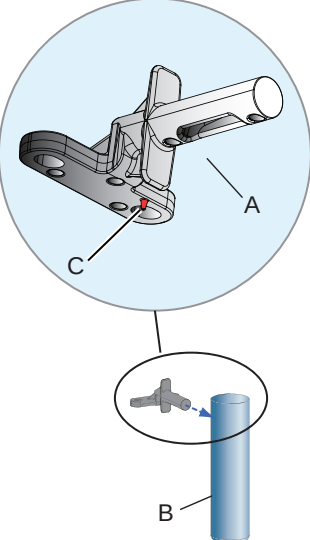
	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	

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4.6.1 Replacing stop pin axis 1

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	Action	Note
3	Fit the two <i>o-rings</i> on the stop pin.  Note The o-rings are not used when bracket (D) is installed.	See the figure in • Location of stop pin axis 1 on page 332
4	Fit the <i>stop pin</i> on the <i>bracket</i> .  Note The small spike on the bracket shall be pointing downwards for correct fitting of the stop pin.	 xx0800000453 Parts: • A: Bracket • B: Stop pin • C: Small spike
5	Secure the stop pin together with bracket (D) on the frame with its <i>attachment screws</i> . Use Locking liquid	Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243) Tightening torque: 10 Nm See the figure in • Location of stop pin axis 1 on page 332
6	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	
7	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116 .	

4.7 Motors

4.7.1 Removing motors

Introduction

This procedure describes how to remove motors on all axes of the robot.

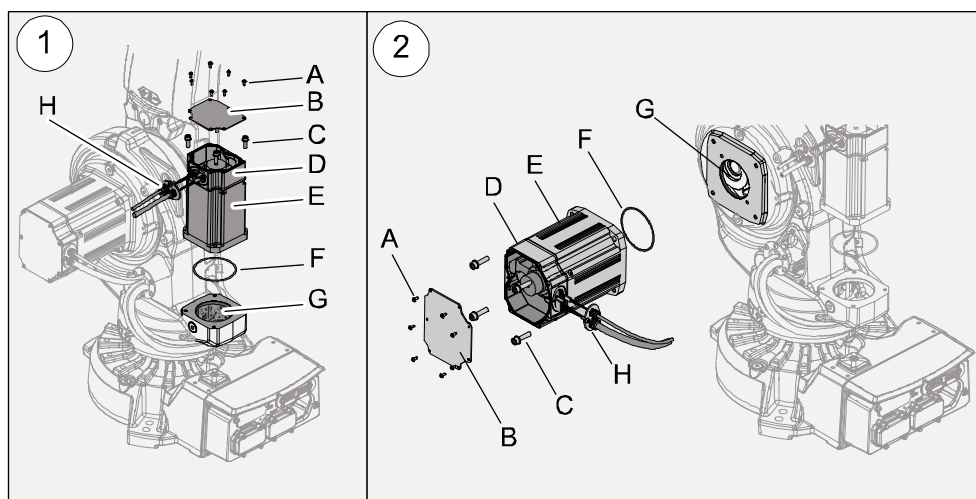
Location of axis-1 and axis-2 motors

The axis-1 and axis-2 motors are located as shown in the figure.

Motors:

(1) = Axis-1 motor

(2) = Axis-2 motor



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A	Attachment screws M5x16, quality Steel 8-A2F (7 pcs)
B	Motor cover
C	Attachment screws, axis-1 motor (4 pcs) + washers. See Tightening torques and attachment screws on page 348
C	Attachment screws, axis-2 motor (4 pcs) + washers. See Tightening torques and attachment screws on page 348
D	Connection box
E	Axis-1 motor
E	Axis-2 motor
F	O-ring
G	Hole
H	Cable gland cover

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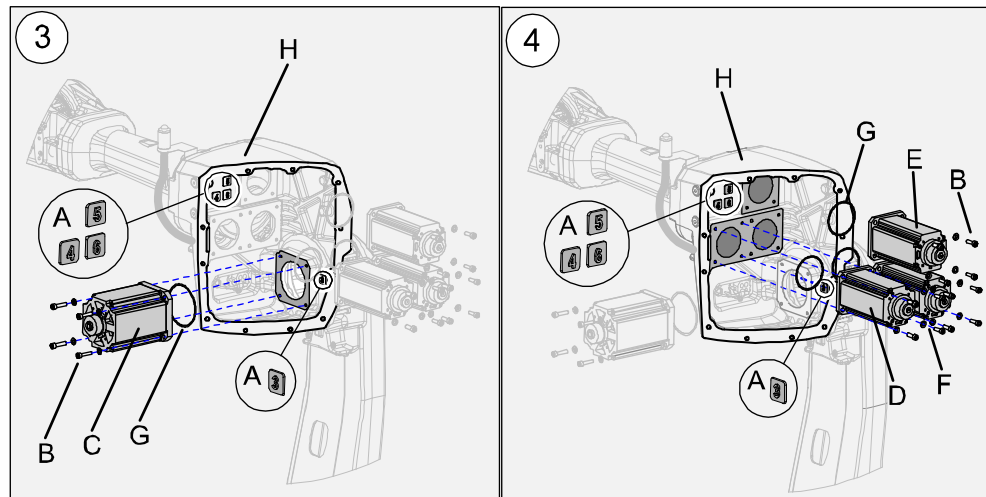
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Location of axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors

The axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors are located as shown in the figures.

Motors: (3) = Axis-3 motor. (4) = Axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors.



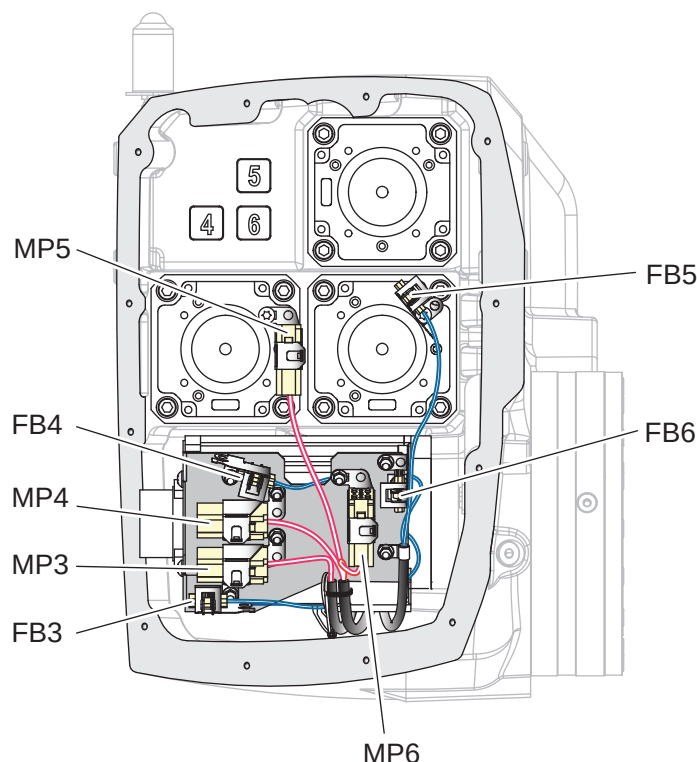
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A	Markings inside armhouse, identifying the position of each motor
B	Attachment screws, axis-3 motor (4 pcs) + washers. See Tightening torques and attachment screws on page 348
B	Attachment screws, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors (3x4 pcs) + washers. Tightening torques and attachment screws on page 348
C	Axis-3 motor
D	Axis-4 motor
E	Axis-5 motor
F	Axis-6 motor
G	O-ring (axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6)
H	Armhouse

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Connectors, axis-3 and axis-4 motors

The figure shows the connectors of motors axes 3-6.



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Required equipment

Equipment	Article number	Note
Bits extender	3HAC12342-1	300 mm, bits 1/2"
Guide pin, M8x150	3HAC15520-2	Always use guide pins in pairs.
Guide pin, M10x150	3HAC15521-2	Always use guide pins in pairs.
Removal tool motor M10	3HAC14972-1	Used to push out the motor, if necessary. Always use removal tools in pairs.
Removal tool motor M12	3HAC14631-1	Used to push out the motor, if necessary. Always use removal tools in pairs.
Standard toolkit		Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.

**CAUTION**

Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

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Weights

The motors for the different axes weighs according to the table:

Motor	Weight in kg
Axis-1 motor	13 kg
Axis-2 motor	25 kg
Axis-3 motor	13 kg
Axis-4 motor	8 kg
Axis-5 motor	8 kg
Axis-6 motor	8 kg



CAUTION

All lifting equipment must be sized accordingly!

Deciding calibration routine

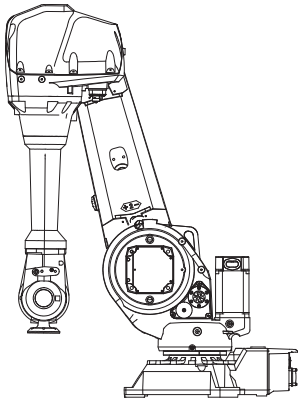
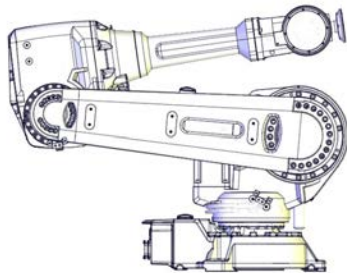
Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. - Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. - Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
	If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405 .
	If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

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Position of robot

Use this procedure to place the robot in the position recommended in order to facilitate replacement of motors.

Action	Info
Axis-1, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motor Move the robot to a position where the wrist is pointing to the floor, as shown in the figure. This will make it possible to remove the motors without draining the oil from the gearbox.	 xx0800000388
Axis-2 motor Move the robot to a position where the lower arm rests firmly on the damper of axes 2 and 3. Release the brake of axis 2 to be sure that the lower arm rests in the end position.	 xx1100000548
Axis-3 motor Move axis-2 to 0° and axis-3 to maximal +. Release the brake of axis-3 to be sure that the upper arm is completely vertical and rests against the damper of axis-2 and axis-3.	

Draining gearbox

Use this procedure to drain gearboxes, if needed.

**Note**

Draining of gearbox is only needed when removing the axes 2 and 3 motors.

Action	Note
1 Axis-1 motor: Draining of gearbox is not needed.	-
2 Axis-2 motor: The gearbox has to be drained before removing the motor.	How to drain the gearbox is described in section: Changing the oil, axis-2 gearbox on page 177

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	Action	Note
3	Axis-3 motor: The gearbox has to be drained before removing the motor.	How to drain the gearbox is described in section: Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox on page 181
4	Axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors: Draining of gearbox oil is not needed if robot is positioned as recommended.	-

Removing motors

Use this procedure to remove the axis-1, axis-2, axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors.

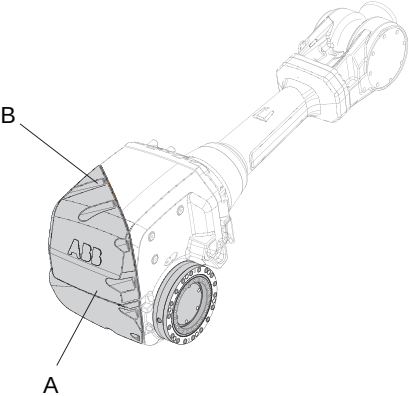


Note

The procedure contains information how to remove motors on all axes of the robot. Some steps are only applicable to a certain motor. Follow the steps carefully in order not to miss vital information!

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	
2	Move the robot to the recommended position for the motor that shall be removed.	Also see Position of robot on page 339
3	 DANGER Turn off all: - electric power supply - hydraulic pressure supply - air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	Check if the gearbox needs to be drained.	Also see Draining gearbox on page 339
5	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	

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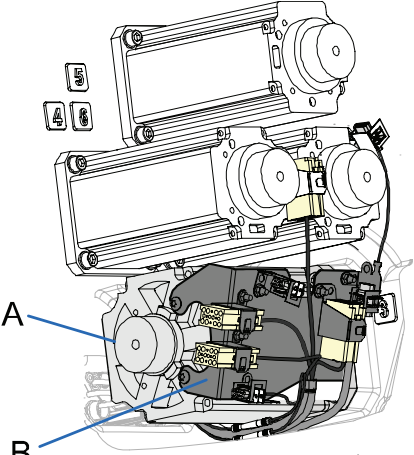
Action	Note
6 Only applicable to axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors! Remove the cover in the back of the arm house.  WARNING The robot must never be run without the cover in the armhouse fitted! It is a vital supporting part of the robot.	 xx0800000389 Parts: • A: Cover • B: Attachment screws (10 pcs) + washers.
7 Only applicable to motors on axes 1 and 2 with fan fitted! Remove the fan before starting the removal!	How to remove the fan is detailed in section: • Installation of cooling fan for motors (option) on page 93
8 Only applicable to axis-1 and axis-2 motors! Remove the motor cover.	See the figure in: • Location of axis-1 and axis-2 motors on page 335
9 Only applicable to axis-1 and axis-2 motors! Remove the cable gland cover.	See the figure in: • Location of axis-1 and axis-2 motors on page 335
10 Only applicable to axis-1 and axis-2 motors! Remove the connection box.  Note Only needed if the motor shall be replaced with a new one.	See the figure in: • Location of axis-1 and axis-2 motors on page 335
11 Disconnect the <i>motor cables</i>.	 Note When removing the axis-3 motor, the cables of the axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors must be disconnected too. This must be done in order to be able to remove the bracket on top of the axis-3 motor.

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4.7.1 Removing motors

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Action	Note
12 Only applicable to axis-3 motor! Remove the <i>bracket</i> from the axis-3 motor.	 xx0800000390 Parts: - A: Axis-3 motor - B: Bracket
13 In order to release the brakes of the motor to be removed, connect the 24 VDC power supply to the motor connector.  Tip For axis-2 and axis-3 motors: release the motor brake until the arm firmly rests on the damper for each axis respectively. See positions in Position of robot on page 339.	Connectors: - Axis-1 motor: R2.MP1 - Axis-2 motor: R2.MP2 - Axis-3 motor: R2.MP3 - Axis-4 motor: R2.MP4 - Axis-5 motor: R2.MP5 - Axis-6 motor: R2.MP6 Connect to pins: + : pin 2 -: pin 5  CAUTION The connections for the motor brakes (24 VDC connection) are phase dependent. If the connection on the pins is switched, it can cause severe damage to vital parts.
14  Note Whenever parting/mating motor and gearbox, the gears may be damaged if excessive force is used!	
15 Remove the attachment screws securing the motor. If needed, use a bits extender (axis-1 motor).	Bits extender: 3HAC12342-1 (300 mm, bits 1/2") See the figure in: Location of axis-1 and axis-2 motors on page 335
16 Install guide pins in the unthreaded holes.	Dimensions for different motors: Guide pin, M8x150: 3HAC15520-2 Guide pin, M10x150: 3HAC15521-2 Always use guide pins in pairs.

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	Action	Note
17	If required, use removal tools in the threaded holes to press the motor out of position.	Dimensions for different motors: Removal tool motor M10: 3HAC14972-1 Removal tool motor M12: 3HAC14631-1 Used to push out the motor, if necessary. Always use removal tools in pairs.
18	Remove the motor!	 CAUTION Lift the motor gently in order not to damage pinion or gears.
19	Only applicable to motor axis 1! Cover the hole if replacement of motor axis 1 is not immediate, in order to avoid contamination.	See the figure in: • Location of axis-1 and axis-2 motors on page 335
20	Only applicable to motors axes 4, 5 and 6! Check that the o-ring also is removed. It might stay in the armhouse when the motor is removed.	See the figure in: • Location of axis-1 and axis-2 motors on page 335

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4.7.2 Refitting motors

4.7.2 Refitting motors

Introduction

This procedure describes how to refit motors on all axes of the robot.



WARNING

When a motor is replaced, make sure to use the correct type of new motor. Motors of different types may not be compatible. See the *Spare parts manual* on ABB Robotics One, <https://one.robotics.abb.com/en/knowledge-hub>.

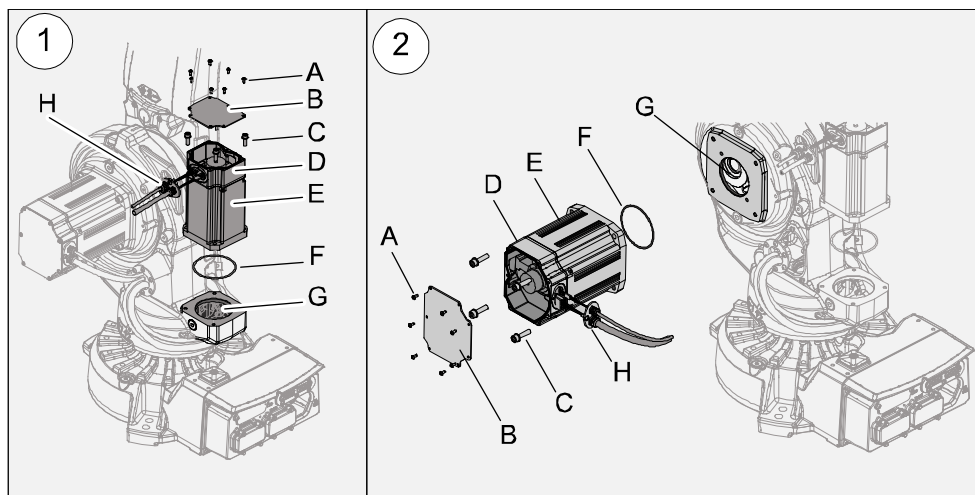
Location of axis-1 and axis-2 motors

The axis-1 and axis-2 motors are located as shown in the figure.

Motors:

(1) = Axis-1 motor

(2) = Axis-2 motor



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A	Attachment screws M5x16, quality Steel 8-A2F (7 pcs)
B	Motor cover
C	Axis-1 motor: Attachment screws(4 pcs) + washers. See Tightening torques and attachment screws on page 348
C	Axis-2 motor: Attachment screw (4 pcs) + washers. See Tightening torques and attachment screws on page 348
D	Connection box
E	Axis-1 motor
E	Axis-2 motor
F	O-ring
G	Hole
H	Cable gland cover

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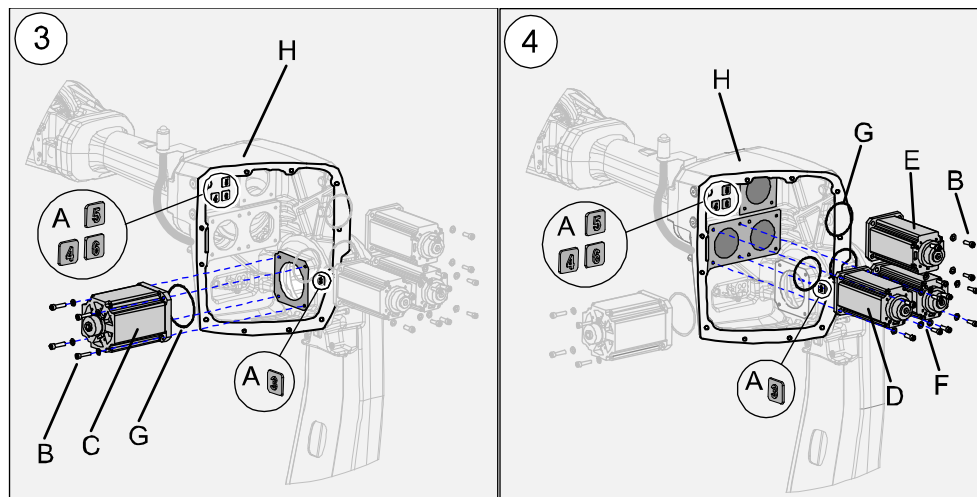
Location of axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors

The axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors are located as shown in the figures.

Motors:

(3) = Axis-3 motor

(4) = Axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors



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A	Markings inside armhouse, identifying the position of each motor
B	Attachment screws, axis-3 motor, (4 pcs) + washers. See Tightening torques and attachment screws on page 348
B	Attachment screws, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors, (3x4 pcs) + washers. See Tightening torques and attachment screws on page 348
C	Axis-3 motor
D	Axis-4 motor
E	Axis-5 motor
F	Axis-6 motor
G	O-ring (axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6)
H	Armhouse

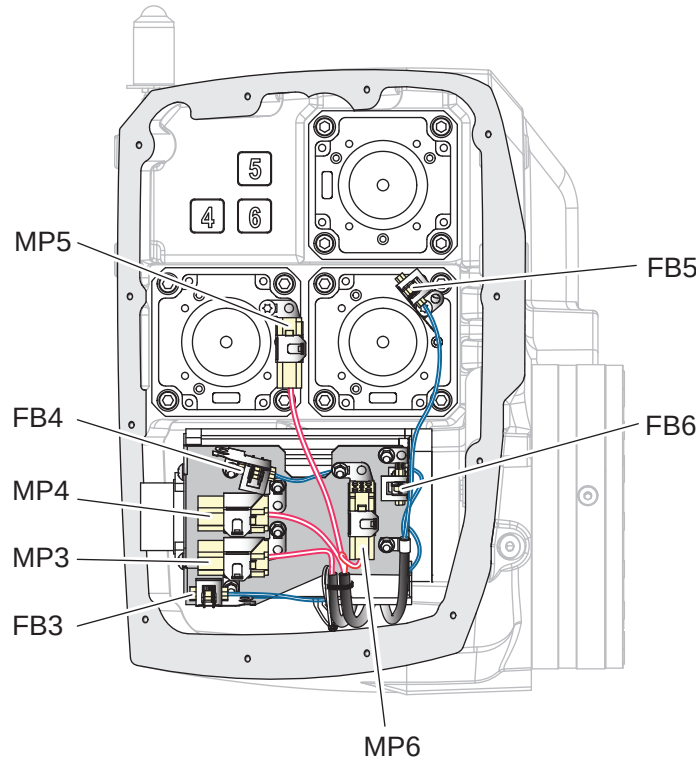
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Connectors, axis-3 and axis-4 motors

The figure shows the connectors of the axis-3 and axis-4 motors.



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Required equipment

Equipment	Article number	Note
Guide pin, M8x150	3HAC15520-2	Always use guide pins in pairs.
Guide pin, M10x150	3HAC15521-2	Always use guide pins in pairs.
Bits extender	3HAC12342-1	300 mm, bits 1/2"
Lifting tool, axis-2		
Rotation tool M4	Rotation tool M4	Rotation tool M4
Standard toolkit		Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.
Motors		For spare part no. see Spare part lists on page 447 .



CAUTION

Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See [Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226](#).

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Weights

The motors for the different axes weighs according to the table:

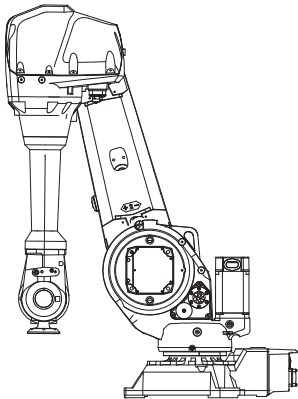
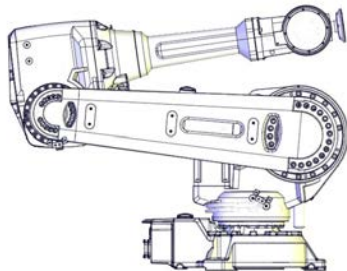
Motor	Weight in kg
Axis-1 motor	13 kg
Axis-2 motor	25 kg
Axis-3 motor	13 kg
Axis-4 motor	8 kg
Axis-5 motor	8 kg
Axis-6 motor	8 kg

**CAUTION**

All lifting equipment must be sized accordingly!

Position of robot

Use this procedure to place the robot in the position recommended in order to facilitate replacement of motors.

Action	Info
Axis-1, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors Move the robot to a position where the wrist is pointing to the floor, as shown in the figure. This will make it possible to remove the motors without draining the oil from the gearbox.	 xx0800000388
Axis-2 motor Move the robot to a position where the lower arm rests firmly on the axis-3 damper. Release the axis-2 brake to be sure that the lower arm rests in the end position.	 xx1100000548
Axis-3 motor Move axis-2 to 0° and axis-3 to maximal +. Release the axis-3 brake to be sure that the upper arm is completely vertical and rests against the damper.	

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Filling oil in gearbox

Use this procedure to fill oil in gearbox, if needed.



Note

Filling oil in the gearbox is only needed when refitting motors axes 2 and 3.

	Action	Note
1	Axis-1 motor: Filling gearbox oil not needed.	-
2	Axis-2 motor: Refill oil in gearbox after refitting.	How to fill oil in gearbox is described in section: Changing the oil, axis-2 gearbox on page 177
3	Axis-3 motor: Refill oil in gearbox after refitting.	How to fill oil in gearbox is described in section: Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox on page 181
4	Axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors: Filling gearbox oil not needed.	-

Tightening torques and attachment screws

The table shows the tightening torques for all motors.

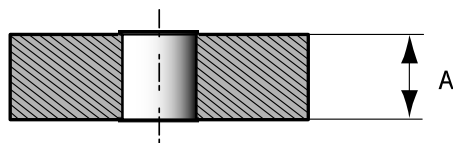
Motor	Attachment screw	Quality	Tightening torque
Motor, axis 1	M8x25	8.8-A2F	22 Nm
Motor, axis 2	Screwlengths depending on flange thickness on page 348	8.8-A2F	35 Nm
Motor, axis 3	Screwlengths depending on flange thickness on page 348	8.8-A2F	22 Nm
Motor, axis 4	M8x25	8.8-A2F	22 Nm
Motor, axis 5	M8x25	8.8-A2F	22 Nm
Motor, axis 6	M8x25	8.8-A2F	22 Nm

Screwlengths depending on flange thickness

Screwlengths can vary depending on when the robot is delivered. The different screwlengths depends on the different flange thickness of motors. Make sure to use the correct screwlength! See table:

Motor axis 2		Motor axis 3	
Flange thickness	Attachment screws	Flange thickness	Attachment screws
18.5 mm	M10x40	15 mm	M8x35
16 mm	M10x35	13 mm	M8x30

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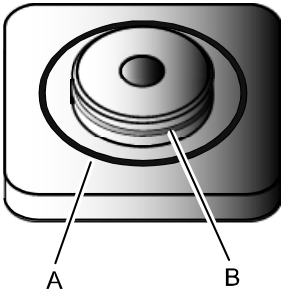


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A	Flange thickness
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Preparations before the refitting of motors

Use this procedure to make necessary preparations before refitting motors.

Action	Note
1  DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2 Grind the paint on the surface carefully to get a smooth surface.	
3 Clean the surface from contamination such as oil and dirt. Remove any painting from the assembly surfaces, with a knife.	
4 Make sure that the motor and the pinion are not damaged or scratched.	
5 Axis-1 and axis-2 motors: apply <i>Loctite 574</i> on the o-ring. Axis-3, axis-4, axis-5 and axis-6 motors: lubricate the o-ring with <i>grease</i> .	
6 Make sure the <i>o-ring</i> on the flange of the motor is seated properly.	 xx0900000082 Parts: • A: Correct position of o-ring • B: Incorrect position of o-ring ! Replace with a new o-ring if damaged!

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	Action	Note
7	In order to release the brakes, connect the 24 VDC power supply.	Connectors: • Motor axis 1: R2.MP1 • Motor axis 2: R2.MP2 • Motor axis 3: R2.MP3 • Motor axis 4: R2.MP4 • Motor axis 5: R2.MP5 • Motor axis 6: R2.MP6 Connect to pins: • + : pin 2 • -: pin 5  CAUTION The connections for the motor brakes (24 VDC connection) are phase dependent. If the connection on the pins is switched, it can cause severe damage to vital parts.



Note

A fan is recommended to be used to avoid overheating of motor and gear in applications with intensive motion (high average torque and/or short wait time) of axes 1 and 2. IP54 is valid for cooling fan.

A fan is also recommended to be used if the environmental temperature is high.

How to install a fan is described in section [Installation of cooling fan for motors \(option\) on page 93](#).

Refitting motors

Use this procedure to refit motors axes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

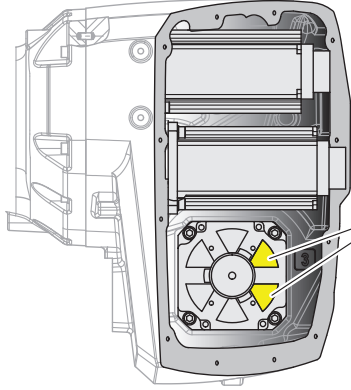
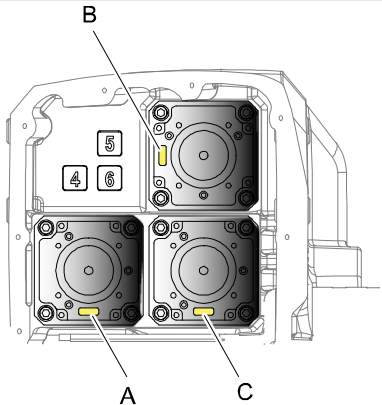


Note

The procedure contains information how to refit motors on all axes of the robot. Some steps are only applicable to a certain motor. Follow the steps carefully in order not to miss vital information!

	Action	Info
1	Note Before starting the refitting of the motor, first make the necessary preparations!	Also see • Preparations before the refitting of motors on page 349
2	Note Whenever parting/mating motor and gearbox, the gears may be damaged if excessive force is used!	

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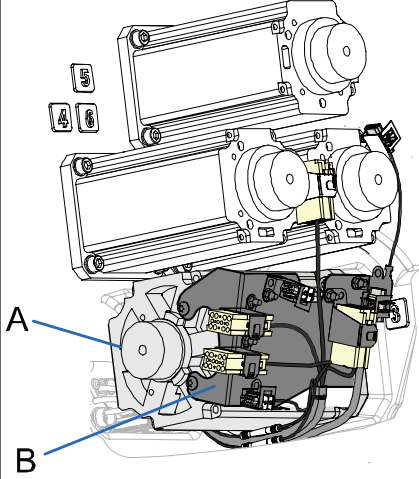
	Action	Info
3	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	
4	Install guide pins.	Dimensions for different motors: Guide pin, M8x150: 3HAC15520-2 Guide pin, M10x150: 3HAC15521-2 Always use guide pins in pairs.
5	Place the motor carefully in the gearbox.	
6	Fit the motor, making sure the motor pinion is properly mated to the gear in the gearbox.	Make sure that: - the motor is turned the correct way - the pinion or gear of the motor does not get damaged!
7	Applicable to motor axis 3! Make sure that the wire exit holes of motor axis 3 are in the correct position. See illustration!	 xx0900000300 Parts: A: Wire exit holes, motor axis 3
8	Applicable to motors axes 4, 5 and 6! Make sure that the wire exit hole of the motor is in the correct position.	 xx0900000062 Parts: - A: Wire exit hole, motor axis 4 - B: Wire exit hole, motor axis 5 - C: Wire exit hole, motor axis 6
9	Only applicable to motors axes 4, 5 and 6! Fit the attachment screws for the motor and fasten them slightly. The motor must be able to move parallel to the gear during the adjustment of the play.	

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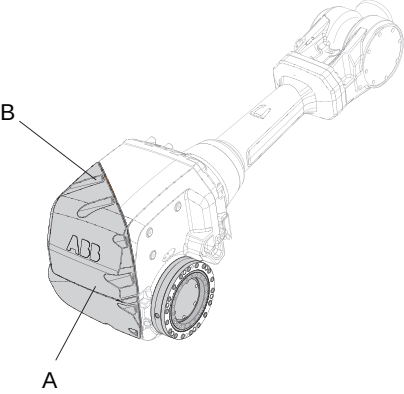
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	Action	Info
10	Only applicable to motors axes 4, 5 and 6! Adjust the play of the motor.	See Adjusting the play of axis 4, 5 and 6 motors on page 354 .
11	Secure the motor with its attachment screws and washers.  Note Apply the correct tightening torque!	Tightening torque and attachment screws are specified in the table: • Tightening torques and attachment screws on page 348
12	Disconnect the brake release voltage.	
13	Only applicable to motors axes 1 and 2! Refit the connection box (if it has been removed).  Note Make sure that the o-ring is in place!	See the figure in: • Location of axis-1 and axis-2 motors on page 344
14	Applicable to motor axis 3! Refit the bracket on motor axis 3.	 xx0800000390 Parts: • A: Motor axis 3 • B: Bracket
15	Reconnect the motor cables.	
16	Applicable to motor axes 1 and 2! Refit the <i>cable gland</i> and <i>motor covers</i> . Make sure that the <i>o-ring</i> is in place!	See the figure in: • Location of axis-1 and axis-2 motors on page 344  Note Make sure that the cover is tightly sealed!
17	Applicable to motors axis 2! Refill gearbox oil.	How to fill oil in the gearbox is described in sections: • Changing the oil, axis-2 gearbox on page 177 • Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox on page 181

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	Action	Info
18	Applicable to motors axes 3, 4, 5 and 6! Make sure that the gasket on the cover on the armhouse is intact.	If the gasket is damaged, it need to be replaced.
19	Applicable to motors axes 3, 4, 5 and 6! Refit the cover in the back of the armhouse with its attachment screws and washers.  WARNING The cover on the armhouse must be fitted when the robot is running. It is a vital part for the stability of the robot.	Make sure that the cover is tightly sealed.  xx0800000389 Parts: • A: Cover • B: Attachment screws M6x25, quality 8.8-A2F (10 pcs) Tightening torque: • 14 Nm
20	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	
21	Recalibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i> , enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404 . General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389 .
22	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116 .	

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4.7.3 Adjusting the play of axis 4, 5 and 6 motors

4.7.3 Adjusting the play of axis 4, 5 and 6 motors

Required equipment

Equipment	Article number	Note
Measuring tool, play	3HAB1611-6	IRB 4600 - 60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55
Measuring tool, play	3HAB6337-1	IRB 4600 - 20/2.50
Standard toolkit		Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.

Adjusting the play of axis 4, 5 and 6 motors

	Action	Note
1	Fit the measuring tool at the rear of the motor.	
2	Adjust the play on the motor by starting with a big play and then gradually finding the smallest play. Use swift movements in order to avoid noticing the magnetic field which causes the gears to stick together. Follow the instructions for current motor: Motor axis 4: 1 Turn the motor shaft six turns and find the smallest play within this range. Axis 5 motor: 1 Turn the outgoing shaft for axis 4 in intervals of 90° for one full turn and find the smallest play for the axis 5 motor within this range. 2 Turn the axis 5 motor one full turn at a time for a total of five turns and find the smallest play within this range. Axis 6 motor: 1 Turn the outgoing shaft for axis 4 in intervals of 90° for one full turn and find the smallest play for the axis 6 motor within this area. 2 Turn the axis 5 motor one full turn at a time for a total of five turns and find the smallest play for axis 6 within this range. 3 Turn the axis 6 motor one full turn at a time for a total of three turns and find the smallest play for axis 6 within this range.	
3	Push or tap the motor in radial direction so that the play becomes minimal within one motor turn, without the gear "chewing".	

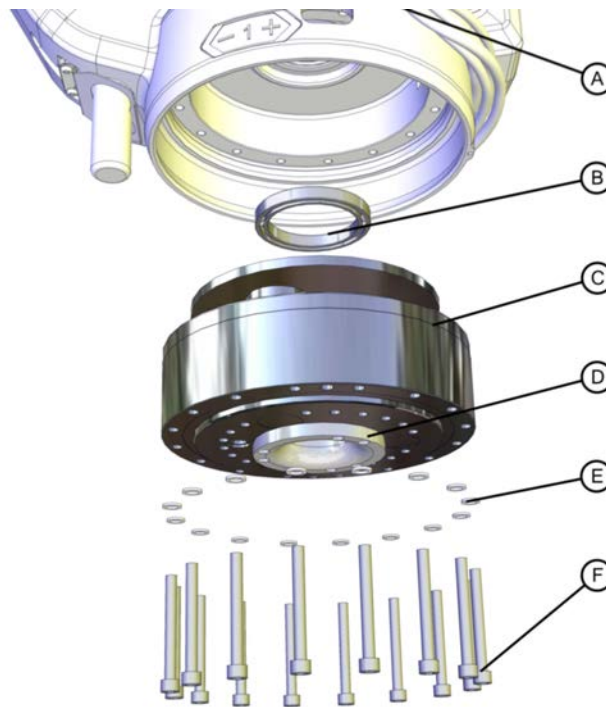
4.8 Gearboxes

4.8.1 Replacing gearbox axis 1

Location of gearbox

The gearbox is located as shown in the figure. The exploded view only shows the principle of the assembly. The actual replacing is recommended to be done with the robot resting on its side.

Type C and Type D



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A	Frame
B	Radial sealing
C	Axis-1 gearbox with O-ring
D	Harness pipe
E	Washer (16 pcs)
F	Attachment screws M10x100 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (16 pcs)

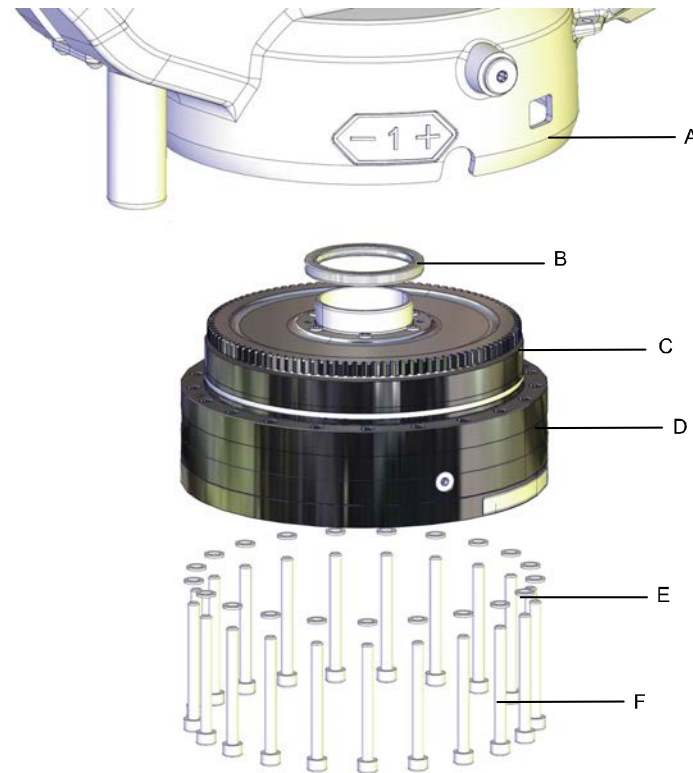
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4.8.1 Replacing gearbox axis 1

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Other design than Type C and Type D



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A	Frame
B	Radial sealing
C	O-ring
D	Axis-1 gearbox
E	Washer (21 pcs)
F	Attachment screws M8x80 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (21 pcs)

Required equipment

Equipment	Note
Gearbox	See Spare part lists on page 447 .
Guide pins	Type C and Type D: Guide pin, M10x150: 3HAC15521-2/ Other design than Type C and Type D: Guide pin, M8x150: 3HAC15520-2 Used to guide the gearbox during removal/refitting. Always use guide pins in pairs.
Sikaflex 521 FC, color white	3HAC026759-003
Guide for reduction gear	3HAC043870-009 Used to guide axis-1 gear and frame during refitting.

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Equipment	Note
Standard toolkit	Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.	These procedures include references to the tools required.

Deciding calibration routine

Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. - Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. - Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
	If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405.
	If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

Illustration of robot put down on its side

The robot is put down on its side for a safe removal of the axis-1 gearbox. Prepare an area on the floor with cardboard, plastic foam or similar and prepare higher support for the wrist.

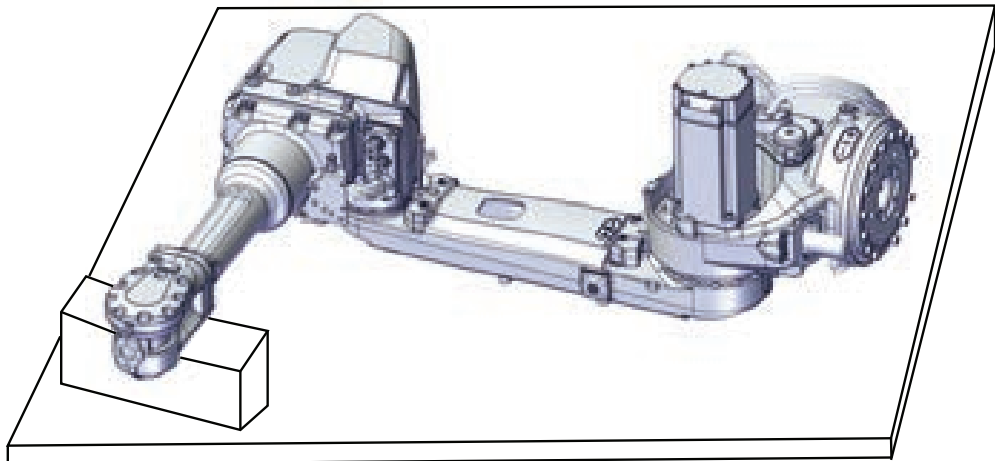
Make sure the cabling brackets on the lower arm are unfastened and moved out of the way so that the cabling is not getting squeezed.

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4.8.1 Replacing gearbox axis 1

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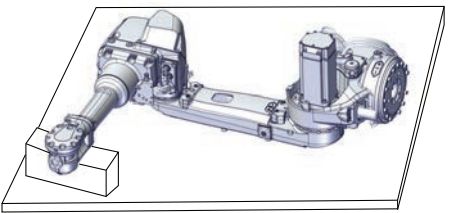
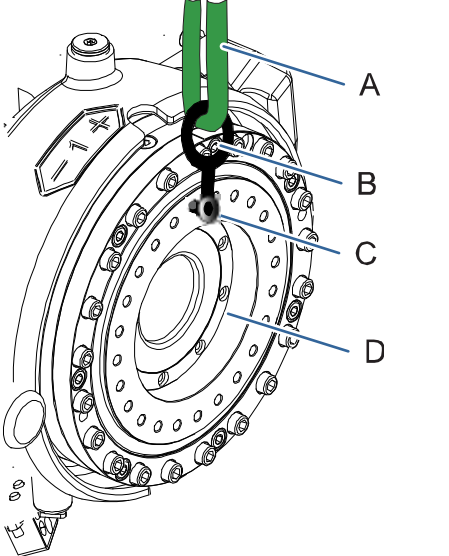
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Removing gearbox axis 1

Use this procedure to remove the gearbox.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	
2	Drain the oil from the gearbox.	How to drain the oil from the gearbox is described in section: • Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots on page 166
3	Jog the robot to: • Axis 1: 0° • Axis 2: 0° • Axis 3: -10° • Axis 4: 0° • Axis 5: 0° • Axis 6: 0°	
4	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the safeguarded space.	
5	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
6	Remove the axis-1 motor.	See Removing motors on page 335 .

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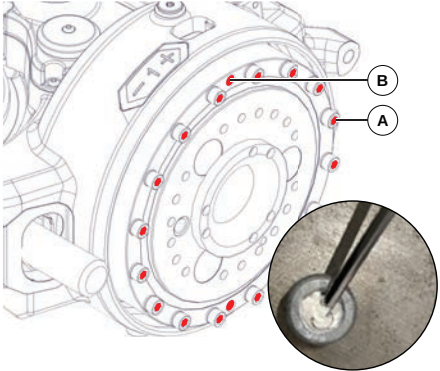
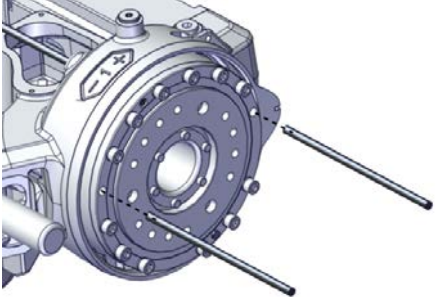
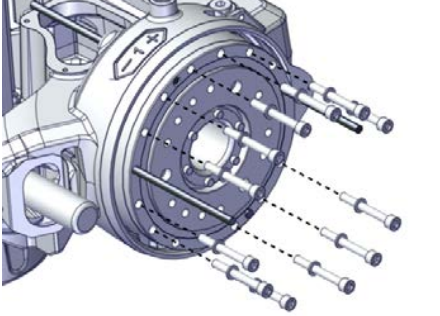
	Action	Note
7	Remove the complete arm system from the base and lay down the robot on its side.	See Removing the base on page 276 .  xx1800000593
8	Fit a lifting lug in the uppermost hole for the base attachment screws.	 xx0800000440 A Roundsling B Lifting lug C Uppermost base attachment hole D Axis-1 gearbox
9	 CAUTION The gearbox weighs 27 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
10	Secure the gearbox in an overhead crane or similar.	
11	Remove the <i>attachment screws</i> securing the gearbox.	See the figure in: • Location of gearbox on page 355

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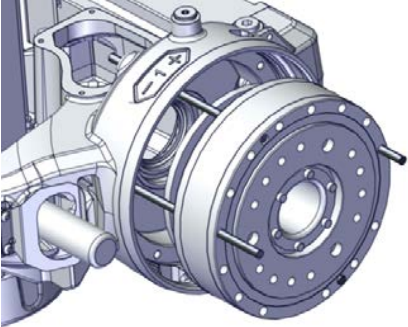
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4.8.1 Replacing gearbox axis 1

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	Action	Note
12	For protection type Clean Room, dig out the glue from the countersink as clean as possible until the countersink can be used for loosening the screws with a wrench.	 xx2300001363 A Screws (16 pcs) B Pin holes (2 pcs)
13	Remove two gearbox attachment screws opposite to each other and fit two guide pins into the holes.	 xx1800000789 Type C and Type D: Guide pin, M10x150: 3HAC15521-2/ Other design than Type C and Type D: Guide pin, M8x150: 3HAC15520-2 Always use guide pins in pairs!
14	Remove the remaining attachment screws and washers.	 xx1800000790
15	 Note Whenever parting/mating motor and gearbox, the gears may be damaged if excessive force is used!	

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	Action	Note
16	 Note There will be some excess oil running out of the gearbox when it is removed. Use some absorbent material to catch the oil.	
17	Slide the gearbox out onto the guide pins and lift it away. If necessary use removal tools to remove the gearbox.	 Note Always use removal tools in pairs diagonal to each other.  xx1800000791

Refitting gearbox axis 1

Use these procedures to refit the gearbox.

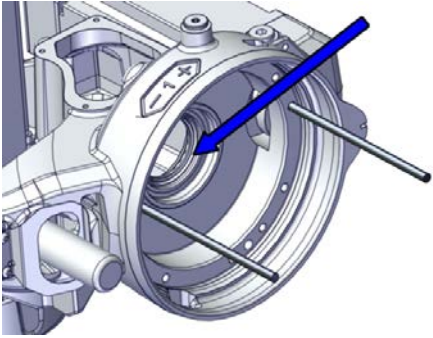
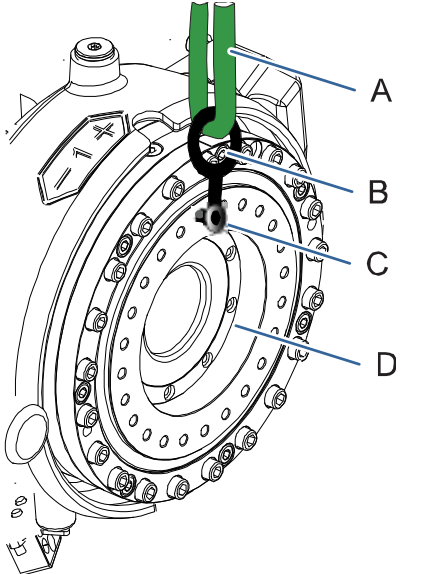
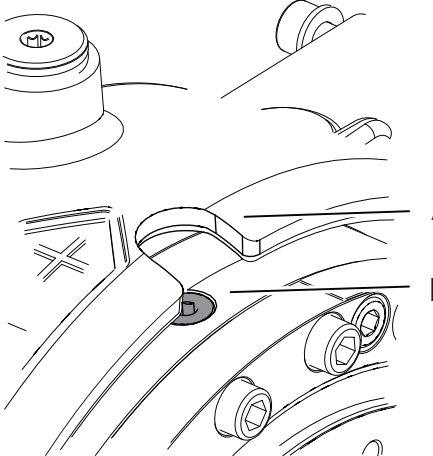
Refitting the gearbox to the frame

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	Clean the joints that have been opened. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226	

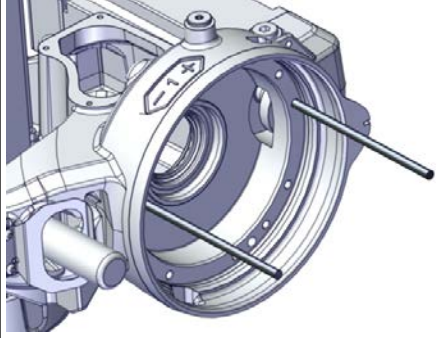
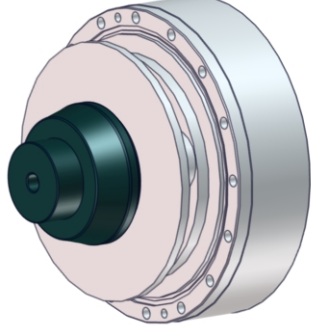
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4.8.1 Replacing gearbox axis 1
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Action	Note
3 Check the radial sealing in the frame. Replace if damaged.	 xx1800000794
4 Fit a lifting lug in the uppermost hole for the base attachment screws.	 xx0800000440 A Roundslings B Lifting lug C Uppermost base attachment hole D Axis-1 gearbox
5 Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D:  Note Check, when fitting the lifting lug, that both oil plugs will be placed in the correct position after the gearbox is fitted as shown in the figure. The oil plugs shall be placed in the openings in the frame.	 xx0800000441 A Opening for oil plug in frame B Oil plug

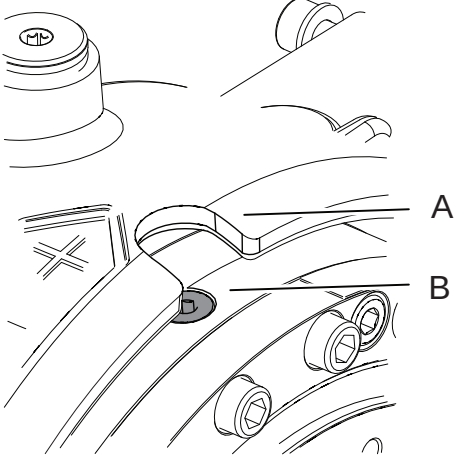
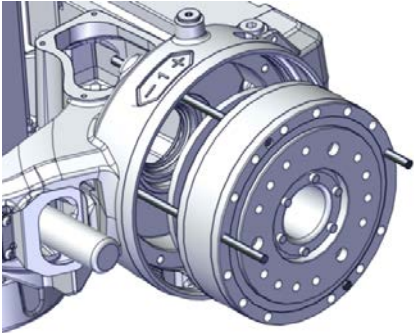
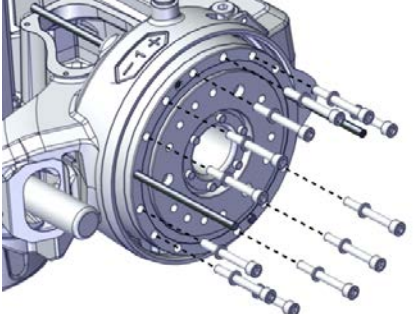
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	Action	Note
6	Apply grease on the <i>o-ring</i> .	See the figure in: Location of gearbox on page 355 Replace o-ring if damaged.
7	Clean all assembly surfaces. Remove any painting from the assembly surfaces, with a knife.	
8	Fit two guide pins to the frame.	 xx1800000793 Type C and Type D: Guide pin, M10x150: 3HAC15521-2/ Other design than Type C and Type D: Guide pin, M8x150: 3HAC15520-2 Always use guide pins in pairs!
9	Fit the guide for the gear on top of the protection tube. It protects the radial sealing from being damaged during refitting.	Guide for reduction gear: 3HAC043870-009  xx2600000019
10	 CAUTION The gearbox weighs 27 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	

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4.8.1 Replacing gearbox axis 1

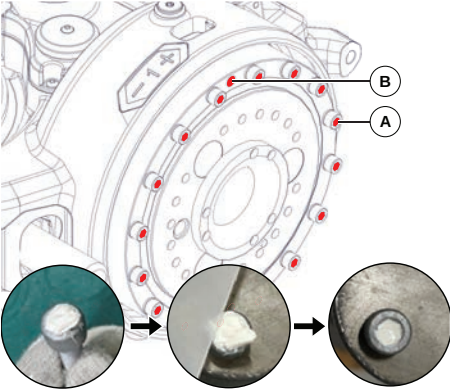
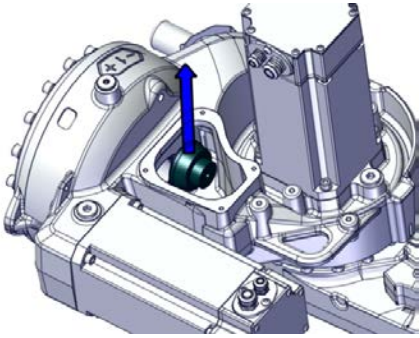
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	Action	Note
11	Lift the gearbox onto the guide pins and slide it into position, using caution. Check that the radial sealing in the frame tube does not get damaged. Only valid for Other design than Type C and Type D: Double check that the oil plugs are in the correct position.  xx0800000441 A Opening for oil plug in frame B Oil plug	 xx1800000791
12	Secure the gearbox with its attachment screws and washers.  Note For Protection type, Clean Room variants, apply some sikaflex 521 on the screws to protect any unpredictable pollution.	
13	Remove the guide pins from the frame and secure the remaining two screws.	xx1800000790 • Other design than Type C and Type D: 35 Nm • Type C and Type D: 68 Nm

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4.8.1 Replacing gearbox axis 1

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	Action	Note
14	For protection type Clean Room, apply Sikaflex 521 to the countersink of the screws and the pin holes on the axis-1 gearbox.	 xx2300001364 A Screws (16 pcs) B Pin holes (2 pcs)
15	For protection type Clean Room, use a plate to clean the overflowing glue to make the outer surface as flat as possible.	
16	Remove the guide from the protection tube.	 xx1800000796

Refitting the arm system to the base

	Action	Note
1	Refit the complete arm system to the base.	See Refitting the base on page 282 .
2	Refit the axis-1 motor.	See Refitting motors on page 344 .
3	Refit the cable harness in the base, the frame and the lower arm.	Also see • Refitting the cable harness in the base on page 252 • Refitting the cable harness in the frame on page 248 • Refitting the cable harness in the lower arm and armhouse on page 258
4	Refill oil in the gearbox.	See Changing the oil, axis-1 gearbox on floor mounted robots on page 166 .

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4.8.1 Replacing gearbox axis 1

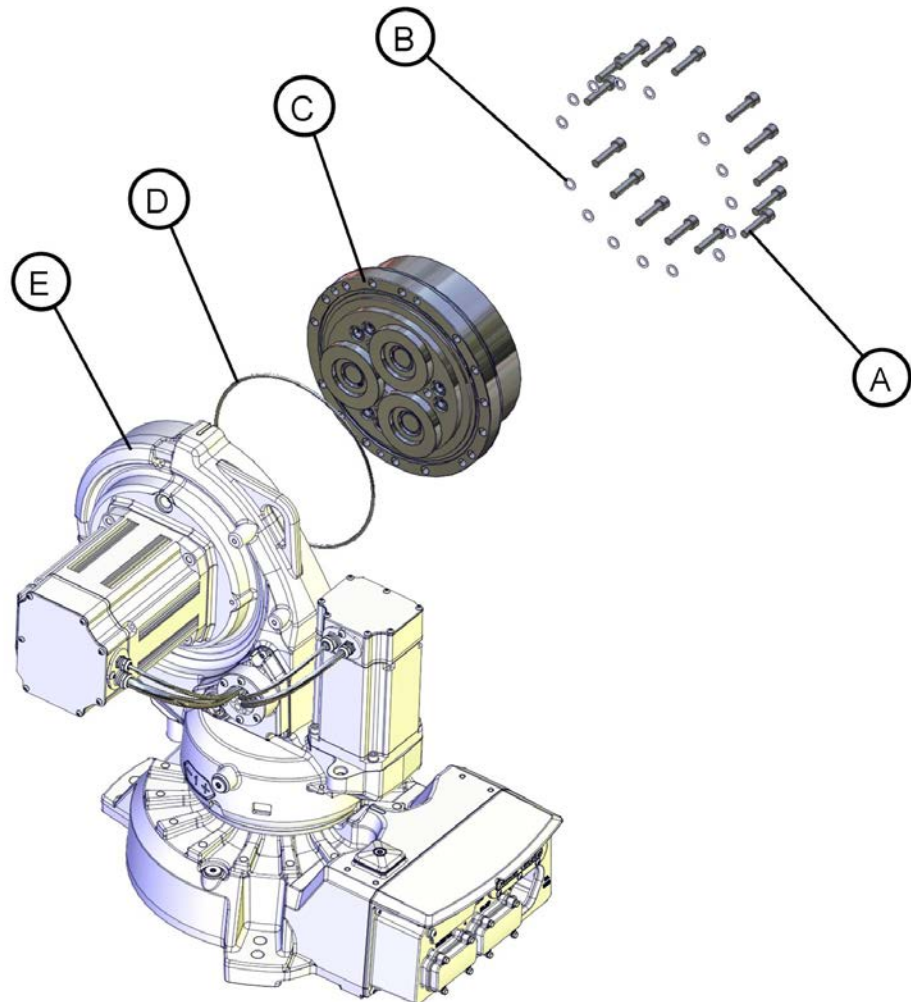
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	Action	Note
5	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	
6	Recalibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i>, enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404. General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389.
7	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116.	

4.8.2 Replacing gearbox axis 2

Location of gearbox axis 2

The gearbox is located as shown in the figure.



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A	Attachment screws M12x50 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (15 pcs)
B	Washers (15 pcs)
C	Gearbox axis 2
D	O-ring
E	Frame

Required equipment

Equipment	Article number	Note
Gearbox	See Spare part lists on page 447 .	
Rotation tool	3HAB7887-1	

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4.8.2 Replacing gearbox axis 2

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Equipment	Article number	Note
Lifting accessories	-	Roundslings.
Guide pin, M12x150	3HAC13056-2	Always use guide pins in pairs.
Locking liquid		Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243) Clean Room robots
Standard toolkit		Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.

Deciding calibration routine

Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

Action	Note
1 Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. - Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. - Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405 .
If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

Removing gearbox axis 2

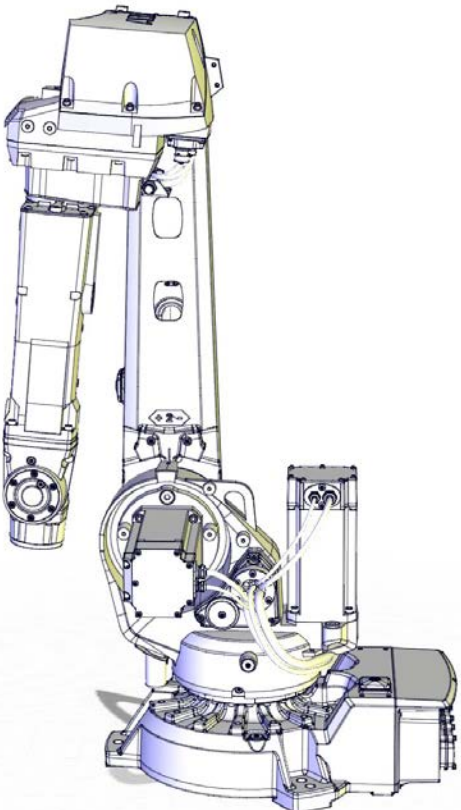
Use this procedure to remove the gearbox.



WARNING

The procedure details how to replace the gearbox without removing the cable harness, only by loosening it. This means that the upper and lower arm will be separated from the frame but still be connected to the frame through the cabling. Be careful not to damage the cables!

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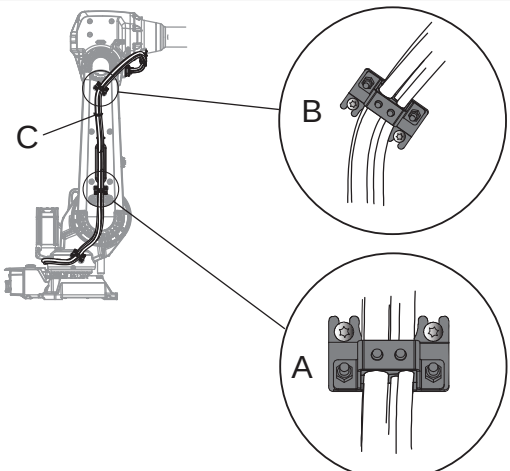
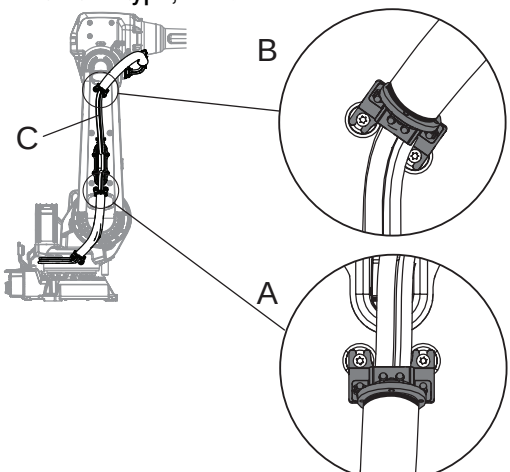
	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	
2	Move the robot to the position shown in the figure. Upper arm should rest on the axis-3 damper.	The figure shows IRB 2600 but the position of the robot is correct.  xx1200000068
3	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
4	Drain the gearbox.	How to drain the gearbox is described in section: • Changing the oil, axis-2 gearbox on page 177
5	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.	

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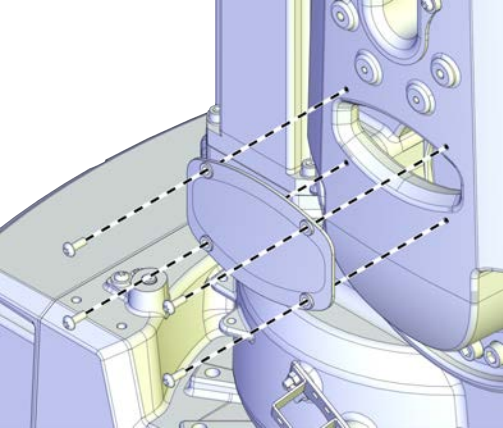
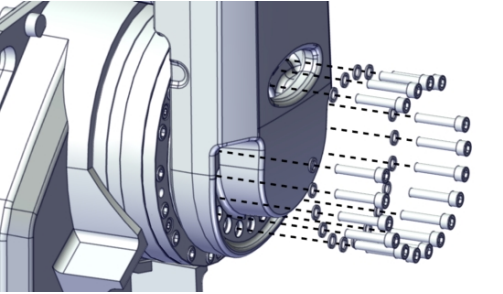
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4.8.2 Replacing gearbox axis 2

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	Action	Note
6	Loosen the cabling from the lower arm by removing two cable brackets and a cable strap.	 xx1100000946 A Cable bracket B Cable bracket C Cable strap Protection type, Clean Room  xx2300001229
7	 CAUTION The weight of the complete upper and lower arm together is 205 kg All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly.	
8	Attach a roundsling around the upper arm house.	
9	Unload the weight of the lower and upper arm package by stretching the roundslings with the overhead crane. Turn on the power temporarily and release the brakes of axis 2 to rest the weight onto the roundslings.	

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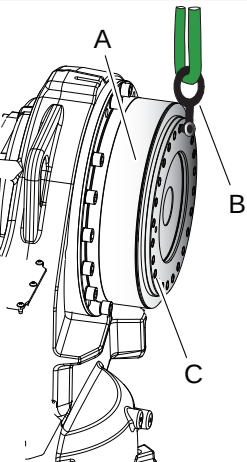
	Action	Note
10	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
11	For protection type Clean Room, remove the <i>attachment screws</i> that secure the lower plug to the lower arm.  Tip The <i>attachment screws</i> are applied glue when installed.	 xx2300001228
12	Remove the <i>attachment screws and washers</i> that secure the lower arm to the axis-2 gearbox.	 xx1800000935
13	Remove the lower and upper arm package from the frame.  WARNING The cable harness is still installed on the robot! Make sure not to damage the cables or the cable brackets on the robot.	
14	 CAUTION The gearbox weighs 51 kg All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	

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4.8.2 Replacing gearbox axis 2

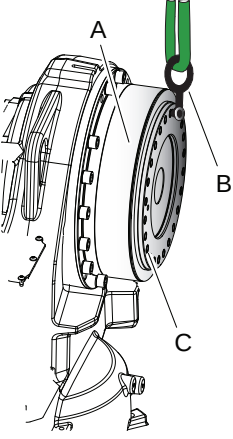
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	Action	Note
15	Fit a <i>lifting lug</i> in the uppermost hole for the attachment screws that secure the lower arm to the gearbox.	 xx0800000445 Parts: - A: Gearbox axis 2 - B: Lifting lug - C: Holes for attachment screws that secure the lower arm to the axis-2 gearbox
16	Secure the gearbox with a roundsling in an overhead crane or similar.	
17	Remove the <i>attachment screws and washers</i> that secure the gearbox to the frame.	See the figure in: Location of gearbox axis 2 on page 367
18	Fit guide pins to help guiding the gearbox out from the frame.	Guide pin, M12x150: 3HAC13056-2 Always use guide pins in pairs.
19	If necessary, use removal tools to remove the gearbox.	 Note Always use removal tools in pairs diagonal to each other.
20	Remove the gearbox.  CAUTION Use caution in order not to damage gearbox or pinion!	

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Refitting gearbox axis 2

Use this procedure to refit the gearbox.

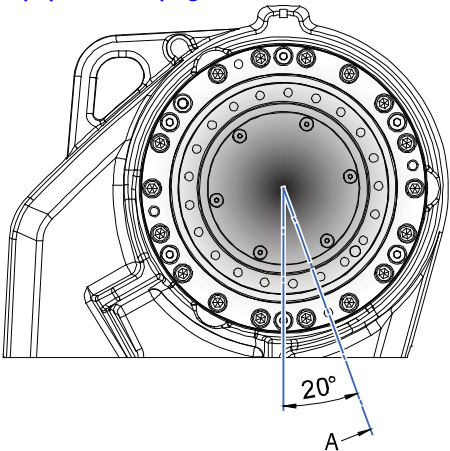
	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
3	 CAUTION The gearbox weighs 51 kg All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
4	Fit a lifting lug in the uppermost hole for the attachment screws securing the lower arm to the gearbox.	 xx0800000445 Parts: • A: Gearbox axis 2 • B: Lifting lug • C: Holes for attachment screws securing the lower arm to gearbox axis 2.
5	Clean all assembly surfaces. Remove any painting from the assembly surfaces, with a knife.	

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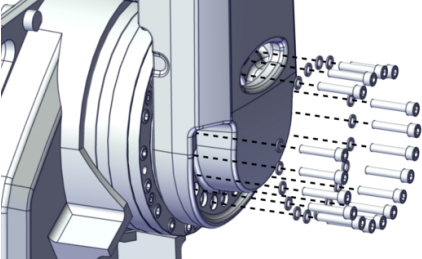
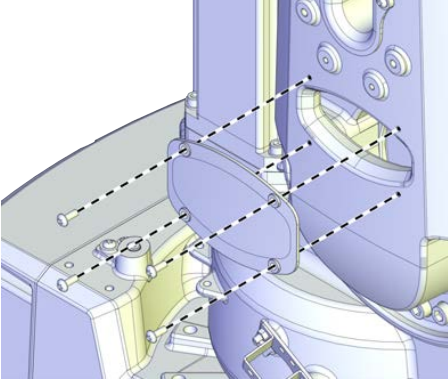
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4.8.2 Replacing gearbox axis 2

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	Action	Note
6	Apply some grease on the o-ring before fitting. Valid for Type C and Type D: Replace if damaged.	O-ring: 3HAB3772-120. See the figure in: Location of gearbox axis 2 on page 367
7	Fit two guide pins in opposite holes in the frame.	Guide pin, M12x150: 3HAC13056-2 Always use guide pins in pairs.
8	Secure the gearbox with a roundsling in an overhead crane or similar.	
9	Release the brakes of the axis 2 motor.	
10	Lift the gearbox onto the guide pins and slide it into position while rotating the motor pinion to find the mating position. Use a <i>rotation tool</i> .  Note The position of the oil plug shall be according to the illustration.	Article number is specified in Required equipment on page 367 .  xx1000000307 Parts: A: Position of oil plug on gearbox
11	Secure the gearbox with its <i>attachment screws</i> and <i>washers</i> .	See screw dimension in the figure in: Location of gearbox axis 2 on page 367 Tightening torque: 110 Nm
12	Perform a leak-down test.	See Performing a leak-down test on page 219 .
13	Fit the guide pins to the gearbox.	
14	 CAUTION The weight of the complete upper and lower arm together is 205 kg All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly.	
15	Lift the upper and lower arms into mounting position and guide them in place with the guide pins. It might be necessary to rotate the motor pinion with the rotating tool to find the mating position.	

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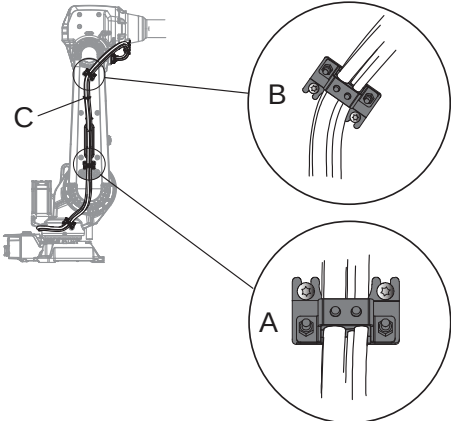
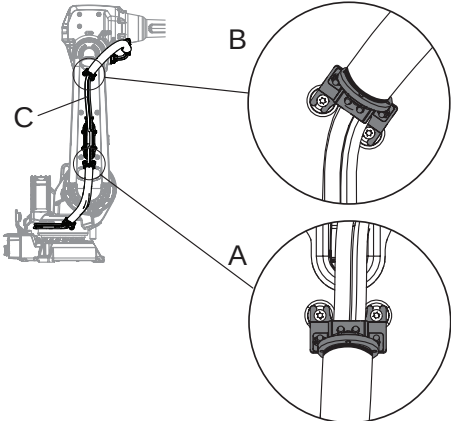
	Action	Note
16	Refit the <i>attachment screws and washers</i> to secure the lower arm to the axis-2 gearbox.	Attachment screws: M12x50 quality steel Gleitmo 12.9 (18 pcs) Tightening torque: 110 Nm.  xx1800000935
17	For protection type Clean Room, apply the locking liquid to the <i>attachment screws</i> of the lower plug.  Tip If using an old <i>attachment screw</i>, clean the screw first.	Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243)
18	For protection type Clean Room, refit the <i>attachment screws</i> to secure the plug to the lower arm.	 xx2300001228

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4.8.2 Replacing gearbox axis 2

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	Action	Note
19	Refit the cable brackets and cable strap to the lower arm.	 xx1100000946 A Cable bracket B Cable bracket C Cable strap Protection type, Clean Room  xx2300001229
20	Refill the gearbox with <i>lubrication oil</i> .	How to fill the gearbox with oil is described in section: • Changing the oil, axis-2 gearbox on page 177
21	Seal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

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	Action	Note
22	Recalibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i> , enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404 . General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389 .
23	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116 .	

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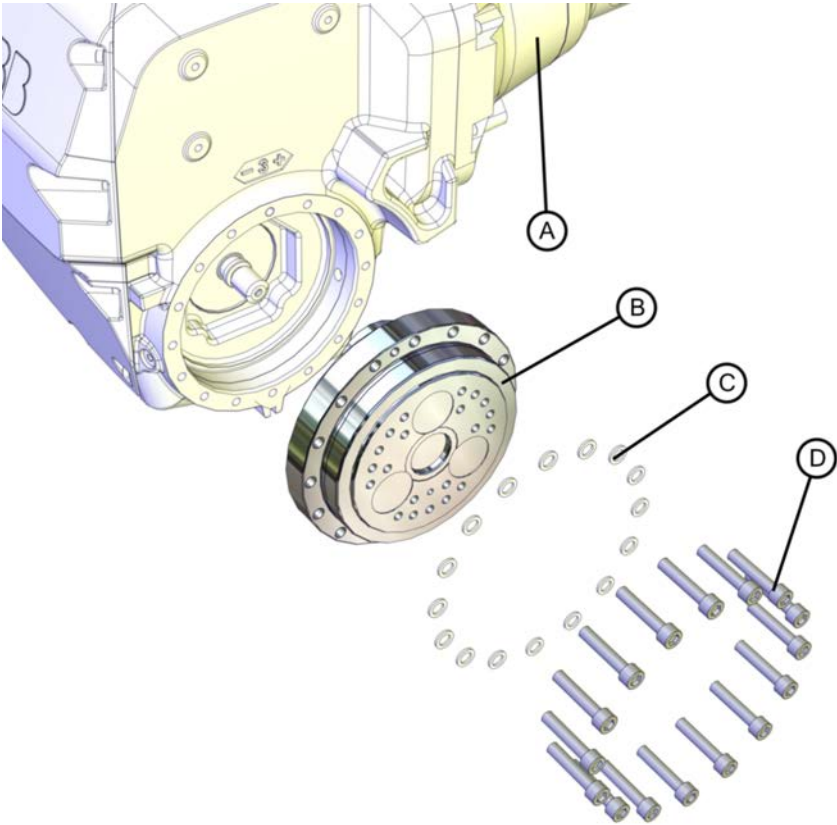
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Location of gearbox axis 3

The gearbox is located as shown in the figure.

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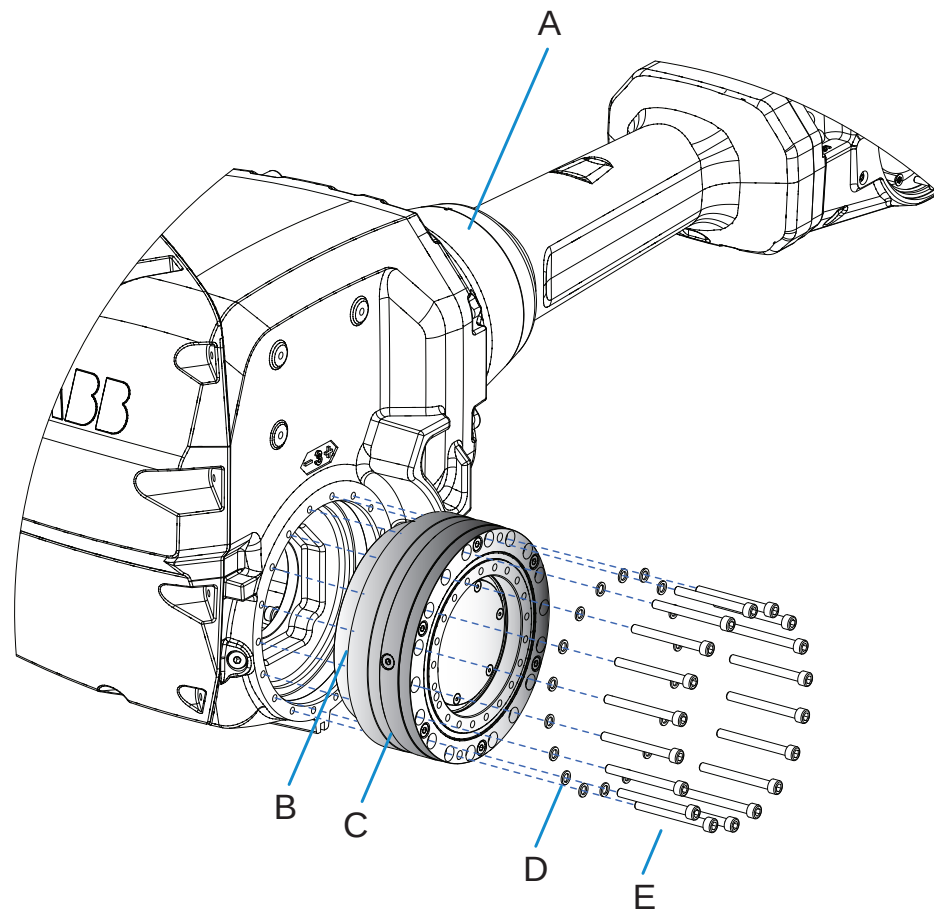


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A	Upper arm
B	Axis-3 gearbox
C	Washers (16 pcs)
D	Attachment screws M10x50 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (16 pcs)

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Other design than Type C and Type D



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A	Upper arm
B	O-ring
C	Axis-3 gearbox
D	Washers (18 pcs)
E	Attachment screws M8x80 quality Steel 12.9 Gleitmo (18 pcs)

Required equipment

Equipment	Art. no.	Note
Gearbox		See Spare part lists on page 447 .
Guide pins		Type C and Type D: M10 (2 pcs) Other design than Type C and Type D: M8 (2 pcs) Used to guide the gearbox and the upper arm during removal/refitting.
Locking liquid		Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243) Clean Room robots
Rotation tool	3HAB7887-1	

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4.8.3 Replacing gearbox axis 3

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Equipment	Art. no.	Note
Standard toolkit		Content is defined in section Standard tools on page 442 .
Other tools and procedures may be required. See references to these procedures in the step-by-step instructions below.		These procedures include references to the tools required.

Deciding calibration routine

Decide which calibration routine to be used, based on the information in the table. Depending on which routine is chosen, action might be required prior to beginning the repair work of the robot, see the table.

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use for calibrating the robot. - Reference calibration. External cable packages (DressPack) and tools can stay fitted on the robot. - Fine calibration. All external cable packages (DressPack) and tools must be removed from the robot.	
	If the robot is to be calibrated with reference calibration: Find previous reference values for the axis or create new reference values. These values are to be used after the repair procedure is completed, for calibration of the robot. If no previous reference values exist, and no new reference values can be created, then reference calibration is not possible.	Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. Read more about reference calibration for Axis Calibration in Reference calibration routine on page 405 .
	If the robot is to be calibrated with fine calibration: Remove all external cable packages (DressPack) and tools from the robot.	

Removing gearbox axis 3

Use this procedure to remove the gearbox.

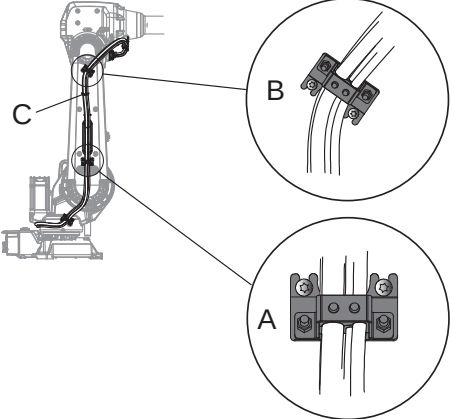


WARNING

The procedure details how to replace the gearbox without removing the cable harness. This means that the upper and lower arm will be separated but still be connected to each other through the cabling. Be careful not to damage the cables!

	Action	Note
1	Decide which calibration routine to use, and take actions accordingly prior to beginning the repair procedure.	

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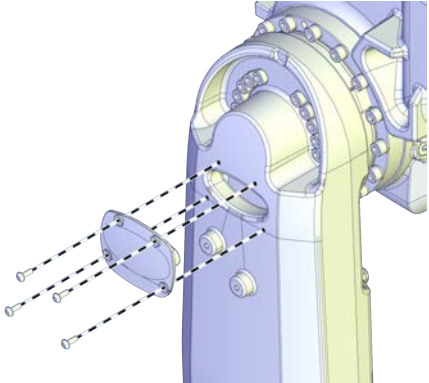
	Action	Note
2	Drain the gearbox.	How to drain the gearbox is described in section: • Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox on page 181
3	Move the robot to the position shown in the figure.	 xx0800000336
4	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
5	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	
6	Unscrew the attachment screws securing the cable harness to the lower arm by the the two cable brackets and a cable strap.	 xx1100000946 A Cable bracket B Cable bracket C Cable strap

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4.8.3 Replacing gearbox axis 3

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	Action	Note
7	Loosen the cabling from the lower arm by unhooking the two cable brackets.  CAUTION The cable harness is still mounted in other parts of the robot. Make sure not to damage the cable harness or any cable brackets in the continued removal.	
8	Attach the lifting accessories to the upper arm.	See Attaching the lifting accessories to the upper arm on page 294
9	Connect the 24 VDC power supply to the axis-3 motor and release the brakes.	
10	Releasing the brakes of the axis-3 motor unloads the weight of the upper arm by stretching the roundslings.	
11	For protection type Clean Room, remove the <i>attachment screws</i> that secure the upper plug to the lower arm.  Tip The <i>attachment screws</i> are applied glue when installed.	 xx2300001227
12	Remove the <i>attachment screws</i> that secure the upper arm to the lower arm.  Note Do not remove the attachment screws securing the gearbox axis 3 to the armhouse!	See the figure in: • Location of the complete upper arm on page 287
13	 CAUTION The robot upper arm weighs 140 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
14	Remove the upper arm from the lower arm and leave it hanging in the air.  CAUTION When the upper arm no longer is attached to the robot, the armhouse has a tendency to drop down a little. In order to prevent this is to rise the front end of the upper arm a little before removing the attachment screws securing the upper arm.	 WARNING The cable harness is still installed on the robot! Make sure not to damage the cable harness or the cable brackets on the robot.

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	Action	Note
15	 CAUTION The gearbox weighs 23 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
16	Remove two attachment screws diagonally located and insert guide pins.	Always use guide pins in pairs!
17	Remove the remaining <i>attachment screws</i> that secures the gearbox.	See the figure in: • Location of gearbox axis 3 on page 378
18	 Note There will be some surplus oil in the gearbox. Place some absorbant cloth or similar under the gearbox.	
19	Slide the gearbox carefully out onto the guide pins and lift it away. If necessary, use a pair of screws to push out the gearbox.  CAUTION Remaining oil will drain out from the gearbox cavity when the gearbox is lifted out.	 Note Always use removal tools in pairs diagonal to each other.

Refitting the gearbox axis 3

Use this procedure to refit the gearbox.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER Turn off all: • electric power supply • hydraulic pressure supply • air pressure supply to the robot, before entering the robot working area.	
2	 CAUTION Always cut the paint with a knife and grind the paint edge when disassembling parts. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226 .	

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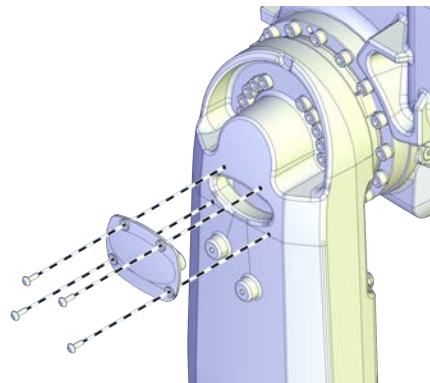
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	Action	Note
3	 CAUTION The gearbox weighs 23 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly!	
4	Clean all assembly surfaces. Remove any painting or other contamination from the assembly surfaces, with a knife.	
5	Apply some grease on the o-ring before fitting it to the gearbox.	See the figure in: • Location of gearbox axis 3 on page 378
6	Fit two guide pins in two opposite screw holes in the upper arm.	Always use guide pins in pairs!
7	Remove the arm house cover.	
8	Attach the rotation tool on the axis-3 motor.	
9	Release the brakes of the axis 3 motor.	
10	Lift the gearbox onto the guide pins.	
11	 Note Whenever parting/mating motor and gearbox, the gears may be damaged if excessive force is used!	
12	Slide the gearbox into position while rotating the motor pinion to find the mating position. Use a <i>rotation tool</i> .  Tip Two persons are required for this step since the upper arm is hanging freely in the air. One person needs to hold the upper arm still while the other fits the gearbox into the upper arm.	Article number for the rotation tool is specified in Required equipment on page 379 .
13	Rotate the motor pinion and slide the gearbox into position.	
14	Secure the gearbox with its <i>attachment screws</i> and <i>washers</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of gearbox axis 3 on page 378 Tightening torque: • Other design than Type C and Type D: 35 Nm • Type C and Type D: 68 Nm
15	Remove the guide pins and replace them with the remaining attachment screws.	
16	Perform a leak-down test.	See Performing a leak-down test on page 219 .
17	Fit <i>guide pins</i> in the upper arm.	Specified in Required equipment on page 379 .

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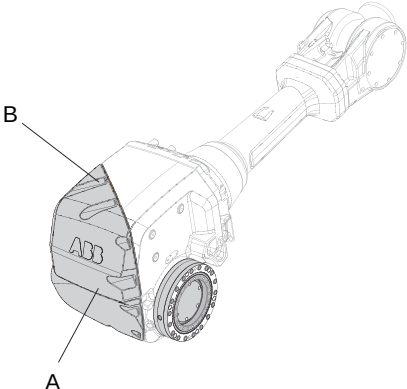
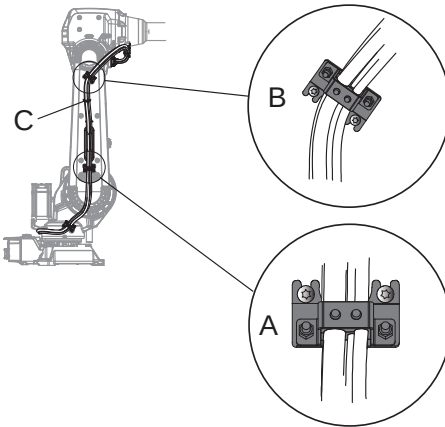
	Action	Note
18	Move the upper arm to its mounting position. (With the brakes of the axis 3 motor still released.)	
19	Refit the upper arm to the lower arm with its <i>attachment screws</i> .	See the figure in: • Location of the complete upper arm on page 287 Tightening torque: • Type C and Type D: 50 Nm and 90° angle • Other design than Type C and Type D: 35 Nm
20	Remove the guide pins and replace with the remaining attachment screws.	
21	Remove the 24 VDC power supply.	
22	For protection type Clean Room, apply the locking liquid to the <i>attachment screws</i> of the upper plug.  Tip If using an old <i>attachment screw</i> , clean the screw first.	Loctite 2400 (or equivalent Loctite 243)
23	For protection type Clean Room, refit the <i>attachment screws</i> to secure the upper plug to the lower arm.	 xx2300001227

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4 Repair

4.8.3 Replacing gearbox axis 3

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	Action	Note
24	Refit the upper armhouse cover with its attachment screws and washers.  WARNING The cover on the armhouse must be fitted when the robot is running. It is a vital part for the stability of the robot.	Tightening torque: 14 Nm. Make sure that the cover is tightly sealed.  xx0800000389 Parts: - A: Cover - B: Attachment screws M6x25, quality 8.8-A2F (10 pcs)
25	Refit the two cable brackets and a cable strap to the lower arm.	 xx1100000946 A Cable bracket B Cable bracket C Cable strap
26	Refill the gearbox with <i>lubrication oil</i>.	How to fill the gearbox with oil is described in section: Changing the oil, axis-3 gearbox on page 181
27	CSeal and paint the joints that have been opened. Also repair possible damages of the special Foundry Prime paint coat of the robot. See Cut the paint or surface on the robot before replacing parts on page 226.  Note After all repair work, wipe the robot free from particles with spirit on a lint free cloth.	

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	Action	Note
28	Recalibrate the robot.	Pendulum Calibration is described in <i>Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum</i> , enclosed with the calibration tools. Axis Calibration is described in Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404 . General calibration information is included in section Calibration on page 389 .
29	 DANGER Make sure all safety requirements are met when performing the first test run. See Test run after installation, maintenance, or repair on page 116 .	

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5 Calibration

5.1 Introduction to calibration

5.1.1 Introduction and calibration terminology

Calibration information

This chapter includes general information about the recommended calibration methods and also the detailed procedures for updating the revolution counters, checking the calibration position etc.

Detailed instructions of how to perform Axis Calibration are given on the FlexPendant during the calibration procedure. To prepare calibration with Axis Calibration method, see [Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404](#).

Detailed instructions of how to perform Pendulum Calibration are given in the documentation enclosed with the calibration tools.

Calibration terminology

Term	Definition
Calibration method	A collective term for several methods that might be available for calibrating the ABB robot. Each method contains calibration routines.
Synchronization position	Known position of the complete robot where the angle of each axis can be checked against visual synchronization marks.
Calibration position	Known position of the complete robot that is used for calibration of the robot.
Standard calibration	A generic term for all calibration methods that aim to move the robot to calibration position.
Fine calibration	A calibration routine that generates a new zero position of the robot.
Reference calibration	A calibration routine that in the first step generates a reference to current zero position of the robot. The same calibration routine can later on be used to recalibrate the robot back to the same position as when the reference was stored. This routine is more flexible compared to fine calibration and is used when tools and process equipment are installed. Requires that a reference is created before being used for recalibrating the robot. Requires that the robot is dressed with the same tools and process equipment during calibration as during creation of the reference values.
Update revolution counter	A calibration routine to make a rough calibration of each manipulator axis.
Synchronization mark	Visual marks on the robot axes. When marks are aligned, the robot is in synchronization position.

5 Calibration

5.1.2 Calibration methods

5.1.2 Calibration methods

Overview

This section specifies the different types of calibration and the calibration methods that are supplied by ABB.

Types of calibration

Type of calibration	Description	Calibration method
Standard calibration	The calibrated robot is positioned at calibration position. Standard calibration data is found on the SMB (serial measurement board) or EIB in the robot.	Axis Calibration or Calibration Pendulum ⁱ
Absolute accuracy calibration (optional)	Based on standard calibration, and besides positioning the robot at synchronization position, the Absolute accuracy calibration also compensates for: • Mechanical tolerances in the robot structure • Deflection due to load Absolute accuracy calibration focuses on positioning accuracy in the Cartesian coordinate system for the robot. Absolute accuracy calibration data is found on the serial measurement board (SMB) or other robot memory. For IRC5 robots, the absolute accuracy calibration data is delivered in a file, absacc.cfg, supplied with the robot at delivery. The file replaces the calib.cfg file and identifies motor positions as well as absolute accuracy compensation parameters. A robot calibrated with Absolute accuracy has a sticker next to the identification plate of the robot (IRC5). A robot calibrated with Absolute accuracy has the option information printed on its name plate (OmniCore). To regain 100% Absolute accuracy performance, the robot must be recalibrated for absolute accuracy after repair or maintenance that affects the mechanical structure.  ABSOLUTE ACCURACY 3HAC 14257-1 xx0400001197	CalibWare

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Type of calibration	Description	Calibration method
Optimization	Optimization of TCP reorientation performance. The purpose is to improve reorientation accuracy for continuous processes like welding and gluing. Wrist optimization will update standard calibration data for axes 4, 5 and 6.  Note For advanced users, it is also possible to do the wrist optimization using the RAPID instruction <code>WristOpt</code>, see <i>Technical reference manual - RAPID Instructions, Functions and Data types</i>. This instruction is only available for OmniCore robots.	Wrist Optimization

- i The robot is calibrated by either Calibration Pendulum or Axis Calibration at factory. Always use the same calibration method as used at the factory.
- Information about valid calibration method is found on the calibration label or in the calibration menu on the FlexPendant.
- If no data is found related to standard calibration, contact the local ABB Service.

Brief description of calibration methods

Calibration Pendulum method

Calibration Pendulum is a standard calibration method for calibration of some ABB robots. On OmniCore, this calibration method is only used on IRB 1510, IRB 1520, IRB 2400, and IRB 4400.

Two different routines are available for the Calibration Pendulum method:

- Calibration Pendulum II
- Reference calibration

The calibration equipment for Calibration Pendulum is delivered as a complete toolkit, including the *Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum*, which describes the method and the different routines further.

Axis Calibration method

Axis Calibration is a standard calibration method for calibration of IRB 4600. It is the recommended method in order to achieve proper performance.

The following routines are available for the Axis Calibration method:

- Fine calibration
- Update revolution counters
- Reference calibration

The calibration equipment for Axis Calibration is delivered as a toolkit.

An introduction to the calibration method is given in this manual, see [Calibrating with Axis Calibration method on page 404](#).

The actual instructions of how to perform the calibration procedure and what to do at each step is given on the FlexPendant. You will be guided through the calibration procedure, step by step.

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5.1.2 Calibration methods

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Wrist Optimization method

Wrist Optimization is a method for improving reorientation accuracy for continuous processes like welding and gluing and is a complement to the standard calibration method.

The actual instructions of how to perform the wrist optimization procedure is given on the FlexPendant.

CalibWare - Absolute Accuracy calibration

The CalibWare tool guides through the calibration process and calculates new compensation parameters. This is further detailed in the *Application manual - CalibWare Field*.

If a service operation is done to a robot with the option Absolute Accuracy, a new absolute accuracy calibration is required in order to establish full performance. For most cases after replacements that do not include taking apart the robot structure, standard calibration is sufficient.

The Absolute Accuracy option varies according to the robot mounting position. This is printed on the robot name plate for each robot. The robot must be in the correct mounting position when it is recalibrated for absolute accuracy.

References

Article numbers for the calibration tools are listed in the section [Special tools on page 443](#).

The calibration equipment for Calibration Pendulum is delivered as a complete toolkit, including the *Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum*, which describes the method and the different routines further.

5.1.3 When to calibrate

When to calibrate

The system must be calibrated if any of the following situations occur.

The resolver values are changed

If resolver values are changed, the robot must be re-calibrated using the calibration methods supplied by ABB. Calibrate the robot carefully with standard calibration, according to information in this manual.

If the robot has *absolute accuracy* calibration, it is also recommended, but not always necessary to calibrate for new absolute accuracy.

The resolver values will change when parts affecting the calibration position are replaced on the robot, for example motors or parts of the transmission.

The revolution counter memory is lost

If the revolution counter memory is lost, the counters must be updated. See [Updating revolution counters on page 398](#). This will occur when:

- The battery is discharged
- A resolver error occurs
- The signal between a resolver and measurement board is interrupted
- A robot axis is moved with the control system disconnected

The revolution counters must also be updated after the robot and controller are connected at the first installation.

The robot is rebuilt

If the robot is rebuilt, for example, after a crash or when the reachability of a robot is changed, it needs to be re-calibrated for new resolver values.

If the robot has *absolute accuracy* calibration, it needs to be calibrated for new absolute accuracy.

Robot is not floor mounted

The original calibration data delivered with the robot is generated when the robot is floor mounted. If the robot is not floor mounted, then the robot accuracy could be affected. The robot needs to be calibrated after it is mounted.

5 Calibration

5.2.1 Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes

5.2 Synchronization marks and axis movement directions

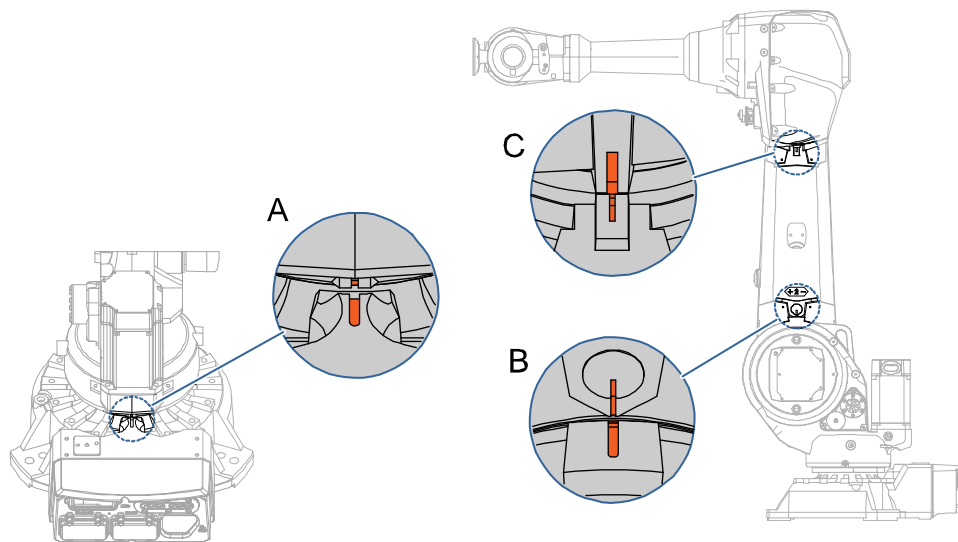
5.2.1 Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes

Introduction

This section shows the position of the synchronization marks and the synchronization position for each axis.

Synchronization marks, IRB 4600

IRB 4600-60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55, -20/2.50



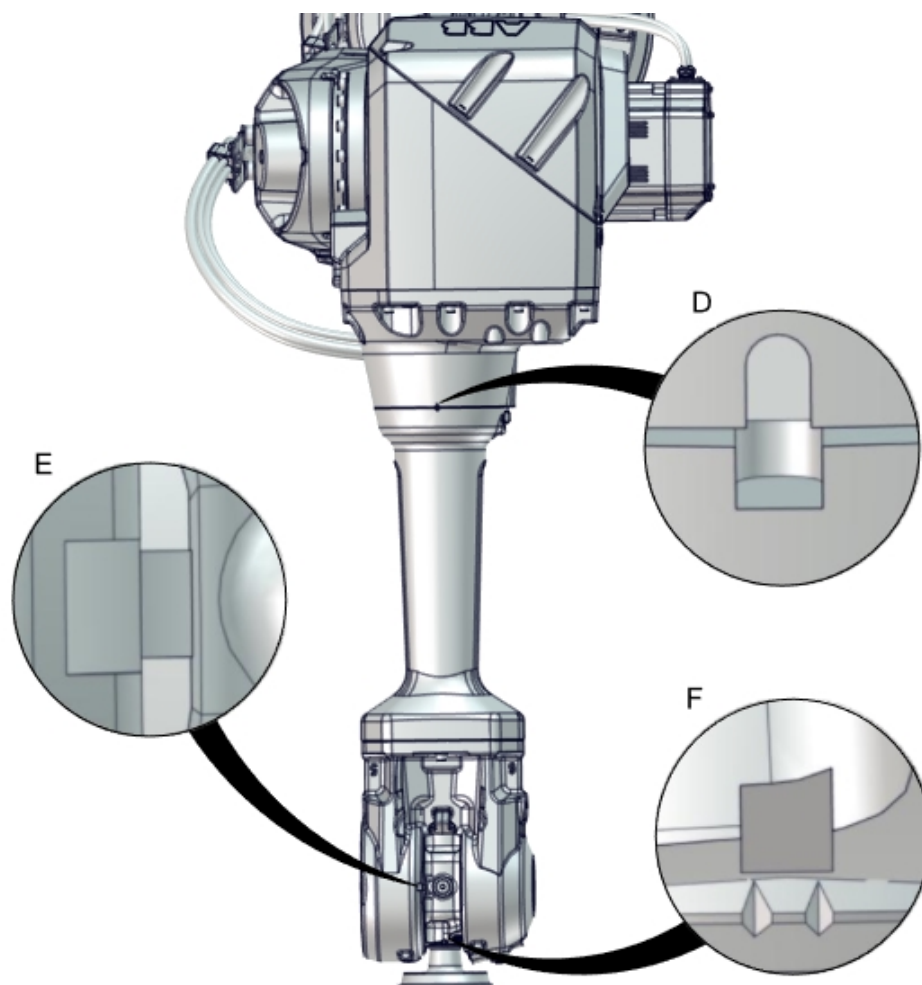
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A	Synchronization mark, axis 1
B	Synchronization mark, axis 2
C	Synchronization mark, axis 3

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5.2.1 Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes
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D	Synchronization mark, axis 4
E	Synchronization mark, axis 5
F	Synchronization mark, axis 6 The two tips of the arrows should be inside the corresponding groove on the tilt housing when in synchronization position.

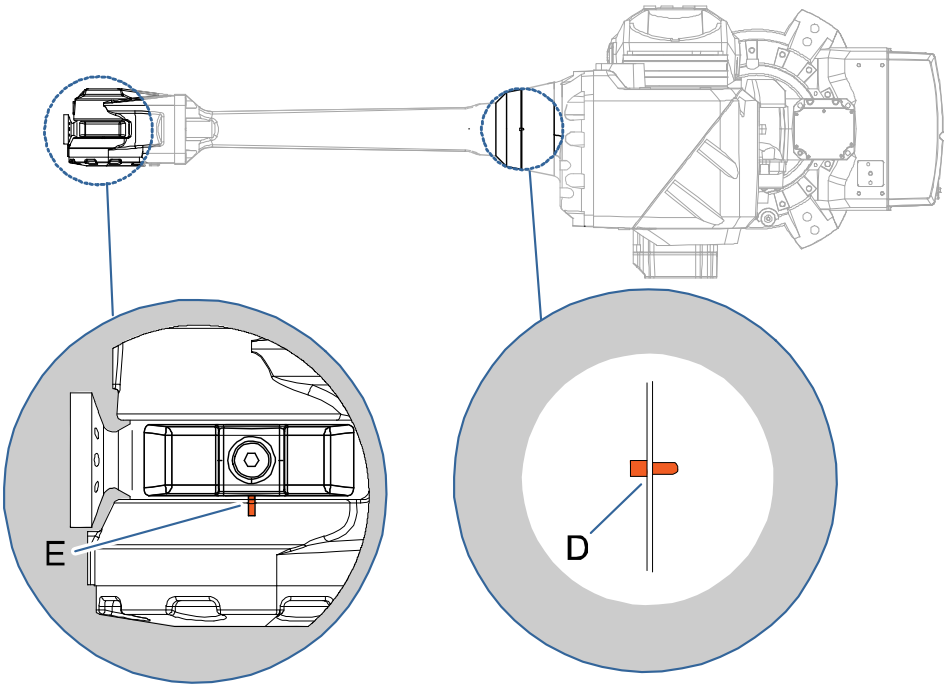
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5.2.1 Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes

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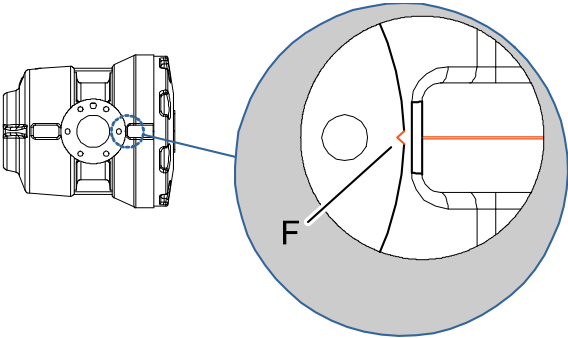
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D	Synchronization mark, axis 4
E	Synchronization mark, axis 5

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F	Synchronization mark, axis 6
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5.2.2 Calibration movement directions for all axes

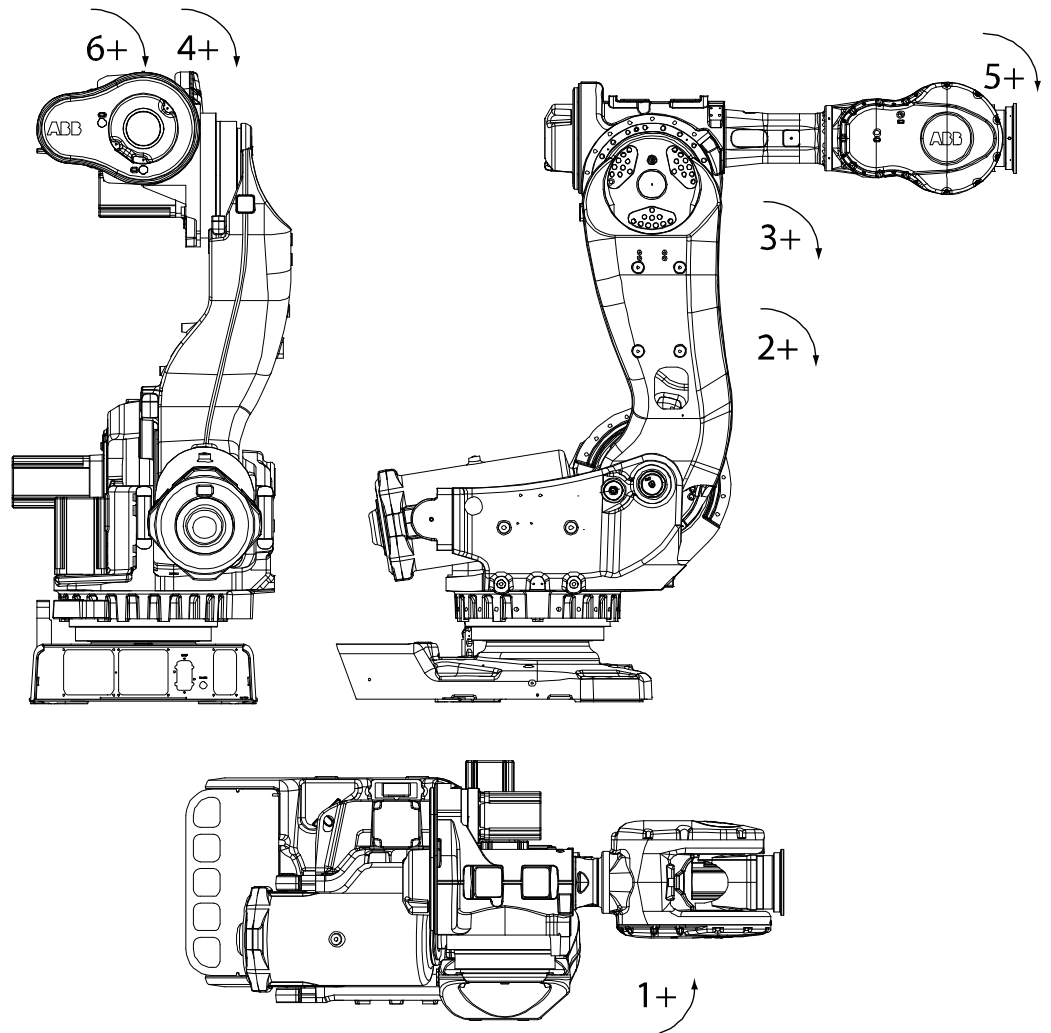
Overview

When calibrating, the axis must consistently be run towards the calibration position in the same direction in order to avoid position errors caused by backlash in gears and so on. Positive directions are shown in the graphic below.

Calibration service routines will handle the calibration movements automatically and these might be different from the positive directions shown below.

Manual movement directions, 6 axes

Note! The graphic shows an IRB 7600. The positive direction is the same for all 6-axis robots, except the positive direction of axis 3 for IRB 6400R, which is in the opposite direction!



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5.3.1 Updating revolution counters on IRC5 robots

5.3 Updating revolution counters

5.3.1 Updating revolution counters on IRC5 robots

Introduction

This section describes how to do a rough calibration of each manipulator axis by updating the revolution counter for each axis, using the FlexPendant.

Coupled axes

When updating the revolution counters for a coupled axis, also the axis it is coupled to needs to be at its synchronization position for the update to be correct; i.e. axis 4 needs to be in synchronization position when updating axis 5 and 6.

With reversed coupled joints, the relationship is the opposite, i.e. axis 4 needs to be in synchronization position to update axis 3.

Coupled axes	IRB 1410	IRB 1510	IRB 1520	IRB 1600	IRB 1600ID	IRB 1660ID	IRB 910 SC	IRB 2400	IRB 2600	IRB 2600ID	IRB 4400	IRB 4450S	IRB 4600
Axis 4, 5, 6				x				x	x		x	x	x
Axis 5, 6	x	x	x		x	x				x			
Axis 4, 3							x						

Step 1 - Manually running the manipulator to the synchronization position

Use this procedure to manually run the manipulator to the synchronization position.

	Action	Note
1	Select axis-by-axis motion mode.	
2	Jog the manipulator to align the synchronization marks.	See Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes on page 394 .
3	When all axes are positioned, update the revolution counter.	Step 2 - Updating the revolution counter with the FlexPendant on page 399 .

Correct calibration position of axis 4 and 6

When jogging the manipulator to synchronization position, it is extremely important to make sure that axes 4 and 6 of the following mentioned manipulators are positioned correctly. The axes can be calibrated at the wrong turn, resulting in an incorrect manipulator calibration.

Make sure the axes are positioned according to the correct calibration values, not only according to the synchronization marks. The correct values are found on a label, located either on the lower arm, underneath the flange plate on the base or on the frame.

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5.3.1 Updating revolution counters on IRC5 robots
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At delivery the manipulator is in the correct position. Do NOT rotate axis 4 or 6 at power up before the revolution counters are updated.

If one of the following mentioned axes are rotated one or more turns from its calibration position before updating the revolution counter, the correct calibration position will be lost due to non-integer gear ratio. This affects the following manipulators:

Manipulator variant	Axis 4	Axis 6
IRB 4600	No	No

If the synchronization marks seem to be wrong (even if the motor calibration data is correct), try to rotate the axis one turn, update the revolution counter and check the synchronization marks again (try both directions, if needed).

Step 2 - Updating the revolution counter with the FlexPendant

Use this procedure to update the revolution counter with the FlexPendant (IRC5).

Action

1 On the ABB menu, tap Calibration.

Manual
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Motors On
Stopped (Speed 100%)

HotEdit

Inputs and Outputs

Jogging

Production Window

Program Editor

Program Data

Log Off Default User

Backup and Restore

Calibration

Control Panel

Event Log

FlexPendant Explorer

System Info

Restart

ROB_1
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5.3.1 Updating revolution counters on IRC5 robots

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Action

2

All mechanical units connected to the system are shown with their calibration status.
Tap the mechanical unit in question.

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Manual

sbb_robcal_Bui.. (IN-L-BTGIS..)

Motors On

Stopped (Speed 100%)

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Calibration

In order to use the system all mechanical units must be calibrated.

Select the mechanical unit you want to calibrate.

Mechanical Unit	Status
 ROB_1	Calibrated

Calibration

ROB_1

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3

This step is valid for 6.02 and later.
Calibration method used at factory for each axis is shown, as well as calibration method used during last field calibration.
Tap Manual Method (Advanced).

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Manual

sbb_robcal_Bui.. (IN-L-BTGIS..)

Motors On

Stopped (Speed 100%)

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✕

Calibration - ROB_1

 ROB_1: Calibrated

Calibration Method Overview

Axis	Factory Method Used	Latest Method Used
rob1_1	Axis Calibration	Axis Calibration
rob1_2	Axis Calibration	Manual
rob1_3	Axis Calibration	Manual
rob1_4	Axis Calibration	Axis Calibration
rob1_5	Axis Calibration	Axis Calibration
rob1_6	Axis Calibration	Manual

Manual Method (Advanced)

Run Calibration Method

Close

Calibration

ROB_1

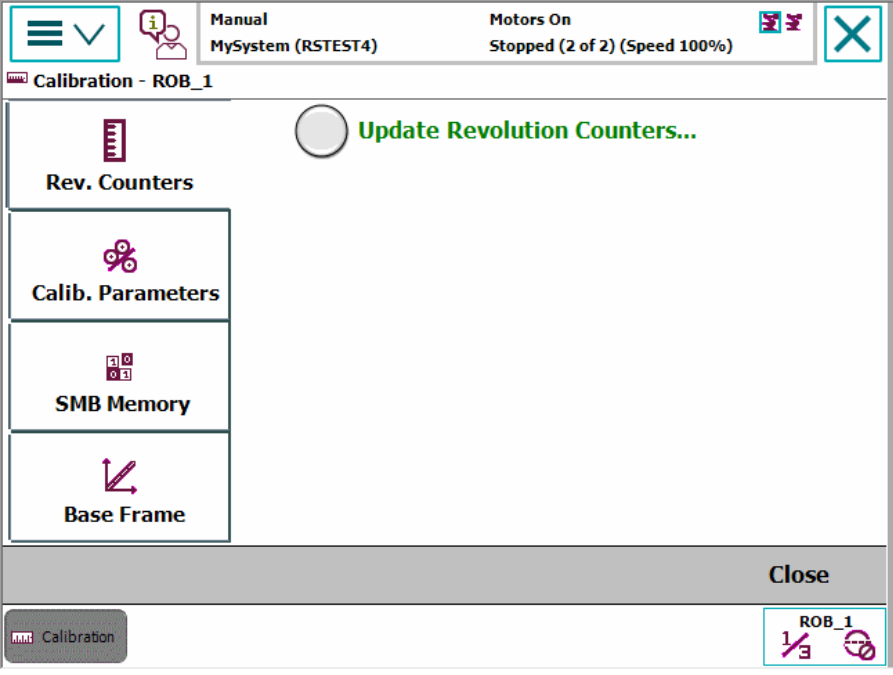
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	Action
4	A screen is displayed, tap Rev. Counters. 
5	Tap Update Revolution Counters.... A dialog box is displayed, warning that updating the revolution counters may change programmed robot positions: • Tap Yes to update the revolution counters. • Tap No to cancel updating the revolution counters. Tapping Yes displays the axis selection window.
6	Select the axis to have its revolution counter updated by: • Ticking in the box to the left • Tapping Select all to update all axes. Then tap Update.
7	A dialog box is displayed, warning that the updating operation cannot be undone: • Tap Update to proceed with updating the revolution counters. • Tap Cancel to cancel updating the revolution counters. Tapping Update updates the selected revolution counters and removes the tick from the list of axes.
8	 CAUTION If a revolution counter is incorrectly updated, it will cause incorrect manipulator positioning, which in turn may cause damage or injury! Check the synchronization position very carefully after each update. See Checking the synchronization position on page 423.

5 Calibration

5.3.2 Updating revolution counters on OmniCore robots

5.3.2 Updating revolution counters on OmniCore robots

Introduction

This section describes how to do a rough calibration of each manipulator axis by updating the revolution counter for each axis, using the FlexPendant.

Step 1 - Manually running the manipulator to the synchronization position

Use this procedure to manually run the manipulator to the synchronization position.

	Action	Note
1	Select axis-by-axis motion mode.	
2	Jog the manipulator to align the synchronization marks.	See Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes on page 394 .
3	When all axes are positioned, update the revolution counter.	Step 2 - Updating the revolution counter with the FlexPendant on page 402 .

Correct calibration position of axis 4 and 6

When jogging the manipulator to synchronization position, it is extremely important to make sure that axes 4 and 6 of the following mentioned manipulators are positioned correctly. The axes can be calibrated at the wrong turn, resulting in an incorrect manipulator calibration.

Make sure the axes are positioned according to the correct calibration values, not only according to the synchronization marks. The correct values are found on a label, located either on the lower arm, underneath the flange plate on the base or on the frame.

At delivery the manipulator is in the correct position. Do NOT rotate axis 4 or 6 at power up before the revolution counters are updated.

If one of the following mentioned axes are rotated one or more turns from its calibration position before updating the revolution counter, the correct calibration position will be lost due to non-integer gear ratio. This affects the following manipulators:

Manipulator variant	Axis 4	Axis 6
IRB 4600	No	No

If the synchronization marks seem to be wrong (even if the motor calibration data is correct), try to rotate the axis one turn, update the revolution counter and check the synchronization marks again (try both directions, if needed).

Step 2 - Updating the revolution counter with the FlexPendant

Use this procedure to update the revolution counter with the FlexPendant (OmniCore).

	Action
1	On the start screen, tap Calibrate . The calibration summary page for the mechanical unit is displayed.
2	In the Calibration Methods menu, select Revolution Counters .

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	Action
3	In the Selection column select the axes for which revolution counters need to be updated.
4	Tap Update. A dialog box is displayed warning that the updating operation cannot be undone.
5	Tap OK to update the revolution counter.
6	 CAUTION If a revolution counter is incorrectly updated, it will cause incorrect manipulator positioning, which in turn may cause damage or injury! Check the synchronization position very carefully after each update. See Checking the synchronization position on page 423 .

5 Calibration

5.4.1 Description of Axis Calibration

5.4 Calibrating with Axis Calibration method

5.4.1 Description of Axis Calibration

Instructions for Axis Calibration procedure given on the FlexPendant

The actual instructions of how to perform the calibration procedure and what to do at each step is given on the FlexPendant. You will be guided through the calibration procedure, step by step.

This manual contains a brief description of the method, additional information to the information given on the FlexPendant, article number for the tools and images of where to fit the calibration tools on the robot.

Overview of the Axis Calibration procedure

The Axis Calibration procedure applies to all axes, and is performed on one axis at the time. The robot axes are both manually and automatically moved into position, as instructed on the FlexPendant.

A fixed calibration pin/bushing is installed on each robot axis at delivery.

The Axis Calibration procedure described roughly:

- 1 A removable calibration tool is inserted by the operator into a calibration bushing on the axis chosen for calibration, according to instructions on the FlexPendant.



WARNING

Calibrating the robot with Axis Calibration requires special calibration tools from ABB. Using other pins in the calibration bushings may cause severe damage to the robot and/or personnel.



WARNING

The calibration tool must be fully inserted into the calibration bushing, until the steel spring ring snaps into place.

- 2 During the calibration procedure, RobotWare moves the robot axis chosen for calibration so that the calibration tools get into contact. RobotWare records values of the axis position and repeats the coming-in-contact procedure several times to get an exact value of the axis position.



WARNING

Risk of pinching! The contact force for large robots can be up to 150 kg. Keep a safe distance to the robot.

- 3 The axis position is stored in RobotWare with an active choice from the operator.

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Routines in the calibration procedure

The following routines are available in the Axis Calibration procedure, given at the beginning of the procedure on the FlexPendant.

Fine calibration routine

Choose this routine to calibrate the robot when there are no tools, process cabling or equipment fitted to the robot.

Reference calibration routine

Choose this routine to create reference values and to calibrate the robot when the robot is dressed with tools, process cabling or other equipment.

Also choose this routine if the robot is suspended.

**Note**

When calibrating the robot with the reference calibration routine, the robot must be dressed with the same tools, process cabling and any other equipment as when the reference values were created.

**Note**

When using reference calibration with some tools, typically large or flexible tools, oscillations in the robot can cause issues leading to failure of the calibration.

If calibrating the robot with reference calibration there must be reference values created before repair is made to the robot, if values are not already available. Creating new values requires possibility to move the robot. The reference values contain positions of all axes, torque of axes and technical data about the tool installed. A benefit with reference calibration is that the current state of the robot is stored and not the state when the robot left the ABB factory. The reference value will be named according to tool name, date etc.

Follow the instructions given in the reference calibration routine on the FlexPendant to create reference values.

When reference calibration is performed, the robot is restored to the status given by the reference values.

Update revolution counters

Choose this routine to make a rough calibration of each manipulator axis by updating the revolution counter for each axis, using the FlexPendant.

Validation

In the mentioned routines, it is also possible to validate the calibration data.

Position of robot axes

The robot axes should be positioned close to 0 degrees before commencing the calibration program. The axis chosen for calibration is then automatically run by the calibration program to its exact calibration position during the calibration procedure.

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5.4.1 Description of Axis Calibration

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It is possible to position some of the other axes in positions different from 0 degrees. Information about which axes are allowed to be jogged is given on the FlexPendant. These axes are marked with **Unrestricted** in the FlexPendant window. Also the following table shows the dependencies between the axes.

Requirements for axis positioning during calibration

Required position of axis	Axis to calibrate					
	Axis 1	Axis 2	Axis 3	Axis 4	Axis 5	Axis 6
Axis 1	-	*	*	*	*	*
Axis 2	0	-	0	*	*	*
Axis 3	0	0	-	*	*	*
Axis 4	*	*	*	-	0	0
Axis 5	*	*	*	*	-	0
Axis 6	*	*	*	*	*	-

-	Axis to be calibrated
*	Unrestricted. Axis is allowed to be jogged to other position than 0 degrees.
0	Axis must be put in position 0 degrees.

System containing SafeMove

SafeMove will lose its synchronization to the controller if a new calibration is done. New calibration values have to be downloaded to SafeMove, and a new SafeMove calibration has to be done. Make sure that the user rights admit to change the safety settings and to synchronize SafeMove.

For robots with EPS, the same applies as for SafeMove.

How to calibrate a suspended robot

The IRB 4600 is fine calibrated floor standing in factory, prior to shipping.

To calibrate a suspended robot, reference calibration must be used. Reference values for a suspended robot must be created with the robot mounted at its working position, not standing on a floor.

To calibrate a suspended robot with the fine calibration routine, the robot must first be taken down and then be mounted standing on the floor.

5.4.2 Calibration tools for Axis Calibration

Calibration tool set

The calibration tools used for Axis Calibration are designed to meet requirements for calibration performance, durability and safety in case of accidental damage.

The calibration tool will eventually break from fatigue after longer period of use and then needs to be replaced. There is no risk for bad calibrations as long as the calibration tool is in one piece.

**WARNING**

Calibrating the robot with Axis Calibration requires special calibration tools from ABB. Using other pins in the calibration bushings may cause severe damage to the robot and/or personnel.

Equipment, etc.	Article number	Note
Calibration tool box, Axis Calibration	3HAC074119-001	Delivered as a set of calibration tools. Required if Axis Calibration is the valid calibration method for the robot. Contains a removal tool for removing special protection plugs on the turning disk.

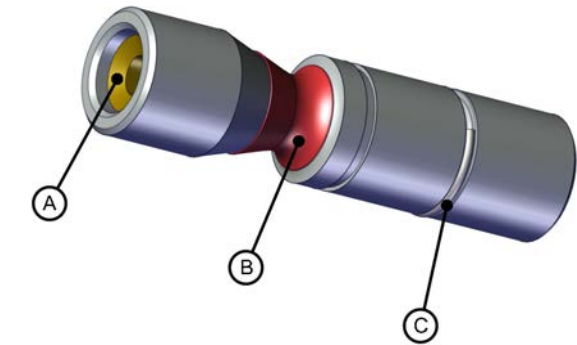
Examining the calibration tool

Check prior to usage

Before using the calibration tool, make sure that the tube insert, the plastic protection and the steel spring ring are present.

**WARNING**

If any part is missing or damaged, the tool must be replaced immediately.



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A	Tube insert
B	Plastic protection
C	Steel spring ring

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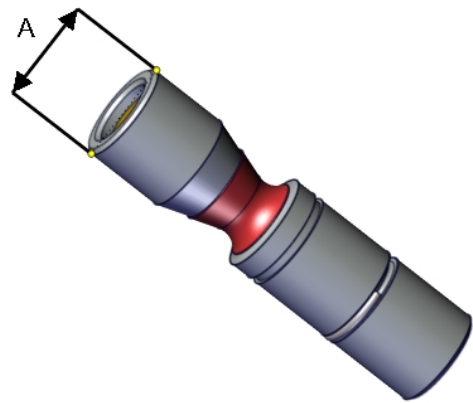
5.4.2 Calibration tools for Axis Calibration

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Periodic check of the calibration tool

If including the calibration tool in a local periodic check system, the following measures should be checked.

- Outer diameter within $\varnothing 12g4$ mm, $\varnothing 8g4$ mm or $\varnothing 6g5$ mm (depending on calibration tool size).
- Straightness within 0.005 mm.



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A	Outer diameter
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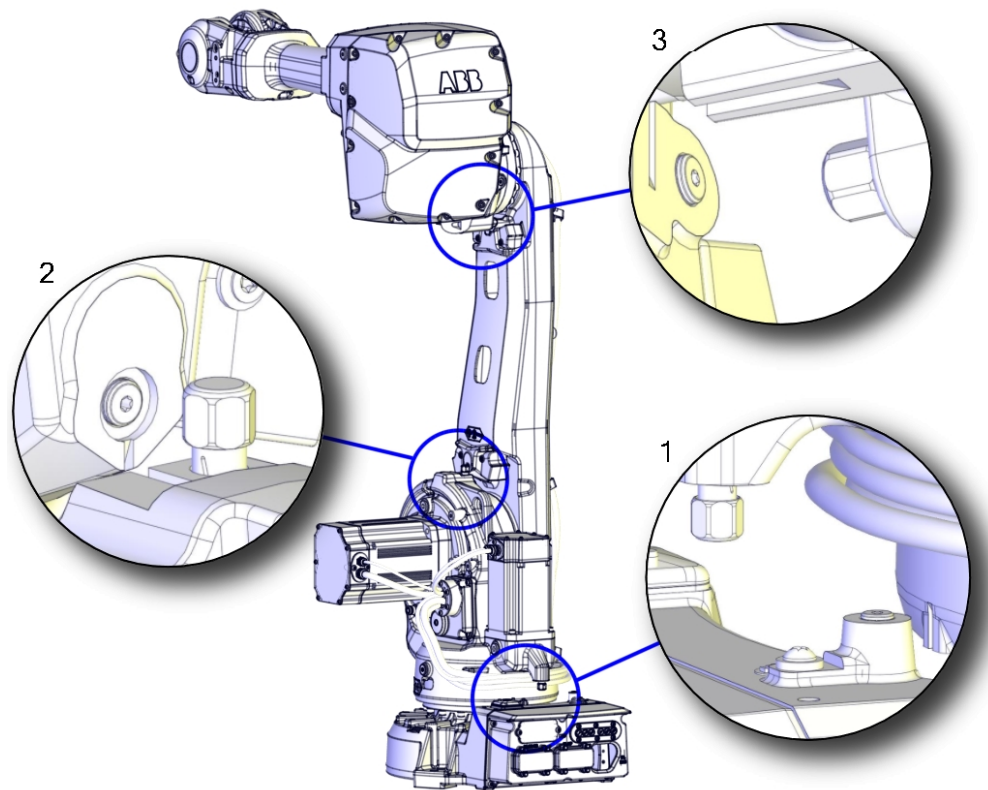
5.4.3 Installation locations for the calibration tools

Location of fixed calibration items

This section shows how the robot is equipped with items for installation of calibration tools for Axis Calibration (fixed calibration pins and/or bushings). Installed calibration tools are not shown.

A fixed calibration pin and a bushing for the movable calibration tool are located on each axis as follows.

If there is not enough space on an axis to install a fixed calibration pin, the axis is equipped with two bushings instead, for installation of two calibration tools when calibration is carried out. This is shown in the figure.



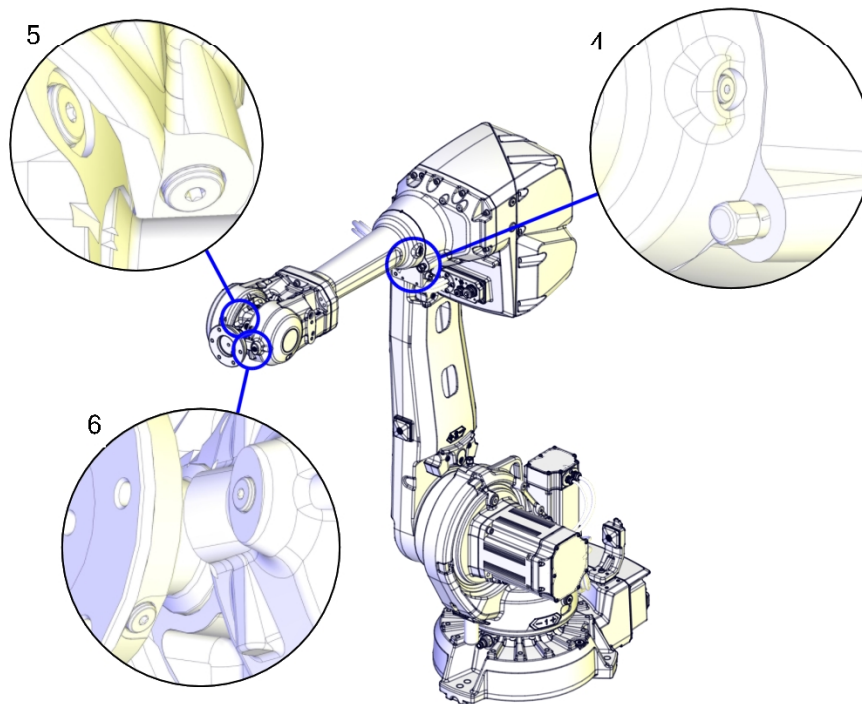
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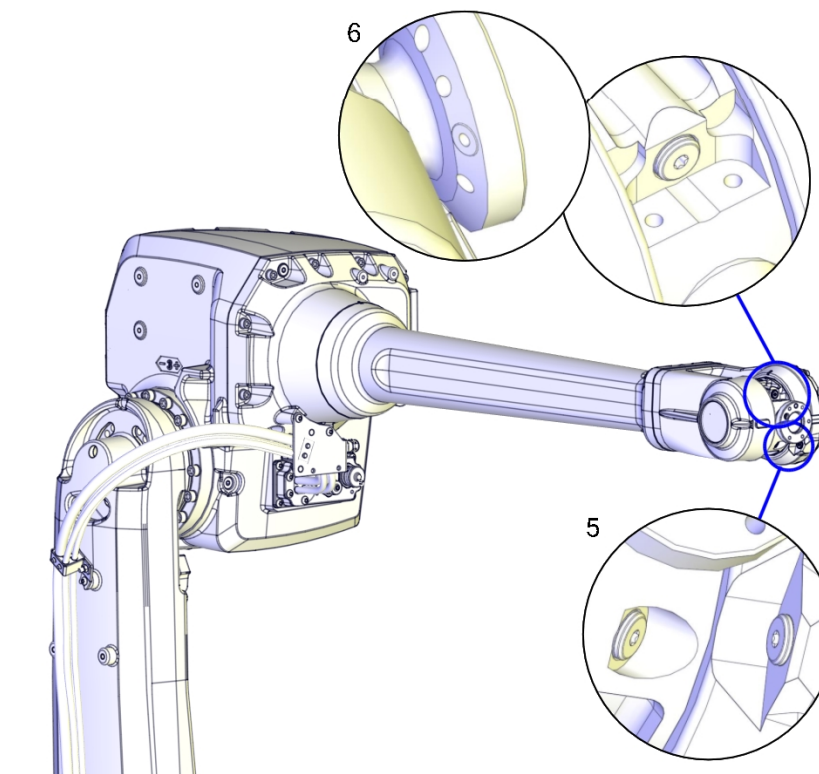
5.4.3 Installation locations for the calibration tools

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Spare parts

When calibration is not being performed, a protective cover and an o-ring should always be installed on the fixed calibration pin as well as a protective plug, included a sealing, in the bushing. Replace damaged parts with new.

Spare part	Article number	Note
Protection cover and plug set	3HAC059487-001 (protection type Standard)	Contains replacement calibration pin covers and protective plugs for the bushing.
Protective plug on turning disc	3HAC057511-001	Only on IRB 4600 - 20/2.50. Replace if damaged or missing.

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5.4.4 Axis Calibration - Running the calibration procedure

5.4.4 Axis Calibration - Running the calibration procedure

Required tools

The calibration tools used for Axis Calibration are designed to meet requirements for calibration performance, durability and safety in case of accidental damage.



WARNING

Calibrating the robot with Axis Calibration requires special calibration tools from ABB. Using other pins in the calibration holes may cause severe damage to the robot and/or personnel.

Equipment, etc.	Article number	Note
Calibration tool box, Axis Calibration	3HAC074119-001	Delivered as a set of calibration tools. Required if Axis Calibration is the valid calibration method for the robot. Contains a removal tool for removing special protection plugs on the turning disk.

Required consumables

Consumable	Article number	Note
Clean cloth	-	

Spare parts

Spare part	Article number	Note
Protection cover and plug set	3HAC059487-001 (protection type Standard)	Contains replacement calibration pin covers and protective plugs for the bushing.
Protective plug on turning disc	3HAC057511-001	Only on IRB 4600 - 20/2.50. Replace if damaged or missing.

Overview of the calibration procedure on the FlexPendant

The actual instructions of how to perform the calibration procedure and what to do at each step is given on the FlexPendant. You will be guided through the calibration procedure, step by step.

Use the following list to learn about the calibration procedure before running the RobotWare program on the FlexPendant. It gives you a brief overview of the calibration procedure.

After the calibration method has been started on the FlexPendant, the following sequence will be run.

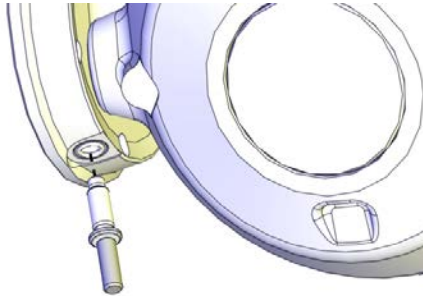
- 1 Choose calibration routine. The routines are described in [Routines in the calibration procedure on page 405](#).
- 2 Choose which axis/axes to calibrate.
- 3 The robot moves to synchronization position.
- 4 Validate the synchronization marks.

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- 5 The robot moves to preparation position.
- 6 Remove the protective cover from the fixed pin and the protection plug from the bushing, if any, and install the calibration tool.

Use the removal tool included in the calibration tool box to remove the special protection plug(s) on the turning disc.

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When calibrating axis 6, push in the calibration tool into the turning disc until the snap ring engages, no further.

- 7 The robot performs a measurement sequence by rotating the axis back and forth.
- 8 Remove the calibration tool and reinstall the protective cover on the fixed pin and the protection plug in the bushing, if any.
Refit the protection plug(s) to the turning disc, push until the steel spring ring snaps into place.
- 9 The robot moves to verify that the calibration tool is removed.
- 10 Choose whether to save the calibration data or not.

Calibration of the robot is not finished until the calibration data is saved, as last step of the calibration procedure.

Preparation prior to calibration

The calibration procedure is described in the FlexPendant while conducting it.

	Action	Note
1	 DANGER While conducting the calibration, the robot needs to be connected to power. Make sure that the robot's working area is empty, as the robot can make unpredictable movements.	
2	Wipe the calibration tool clean.  Note The calibration method is exact. Dust, dirt or color flakes will affect the calibration value.	Use a clean cloth.

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5.4.4 Axis Calibration - Running the calibration procedure

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	Action	Note
3	Check if the standard calibration data for axes 4, 5 or 6 are updated with wrist optimization. This is shown in the calibration overview/summary window on the FlexPendant.	If the data is optimized, the calibration routine Wrist Optimization must be re-run after standard calibration. See Calibrating with Wrist Optimization method on page 420 .

Starting the calibration procedure

Use this procedure to start the Axis Calibration routine on the FlexPendant.

	Action	Note
1	Tap the calibration icon and enter the calibration main page.	
2	All mechanical units connected to the system are shown with their calibration status. Tap the mechanical unit in question.  Note For RobotWare 7 or later, the mechanical unit page is displayed only if there is more than one mechanical unit available.	
3	The calibration method used at ABB factory for each axis is shown, as well as calibration method used for the robot during last field calibration.	The FlexPendant will give all information needed to proceed with Axis Calibration.
4	Valid for RobotWare 6 Tap Call Calibration Method . The software will automatically call for the procedure for the valid calibration method. If not, tap Call Routine and then tap Axis calibration .	
5	Valid for RobotWare 7 or later Tap Calibration Methods on the right pane and then tap Calibration . The software will automatically call for the procedure for the valid calibration method.	
6	Follow the instructions given on the FlexPendant.	A brief overview of the sequence that will be run on the FlexPendant is given in Overview of the calibration procedure on the FlexPendant on page 412 .

Restarting an interrupted calibration procedure

If the Axis Calibration procedure is interrupted before the calibration is finished, the RobotWare program needs to be started again. Use this procedure to take required action.

Situation	Action
The three-position enabling device on the FlexPendant has been released during robot movement.	Press and hold the three-position enabling device and press Play .

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5.4.4 Axis Calibration - Running the calibration procedure

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Situation	Action
The RobotWare program is terminated with PP to Main .	Remove the calibration tool, if it is installed, and restart the calibration procedure from the beginning. See <i>Starting the calibration procedure</i>. If the calibration tool is in contact the robot axis needs to be jogged in order to release the calibration tool. Jogging the axis in wrong direction will cause the calibration tool to break. Directions of axis movement is shown in Calibration movement directions for all axes on page 397

Axis Calibration with SafeMove option

To be able to run Axis Calibration, SafeMove needs to be unsynchronized. The Axis Calibration routine recognizes if the robot is equipped with SafeMove and will force SafeMove to unsynchronize automatically.

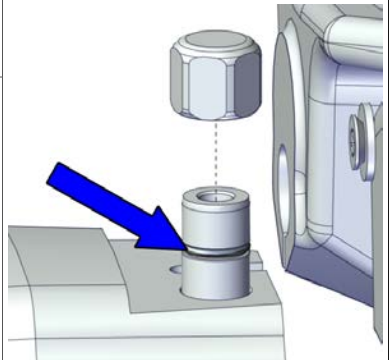
However, SafeMove may generate other warning messages anytime during the Axis Calibration routine. When a warning message is displayed, tap **Acknowledge** to confirm the unsynchronized state and continue Axis Calibration procedure.



CAUTION

SafeMove must be synchronized after the calibration is completed.

After calibration

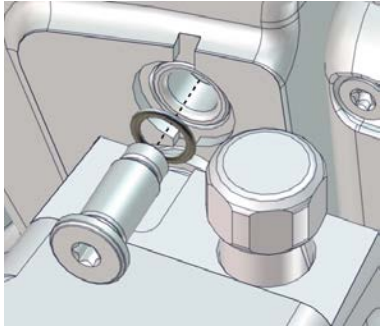
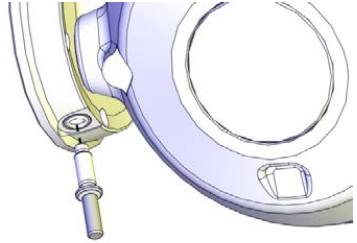
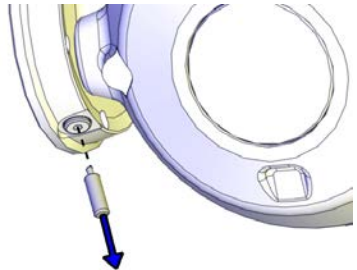
	Action	Note
1	Check the o-ring on the fixed calibration pin. Replace if damaged or missing.	 xx1600002102 Protection cover and plug set: . 3HAC059487-001 (protection type Standard)
2	Reinstall the protective cover on the fixed calibration pin on each axis, directly after the axis has been calibrated. Replace the cover with new spare part, if missing or damaged.	

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	Action	Note
3	Reinstall the protective plug and sealing in the bushing on each axis, directly after the axis has been calibrated. Ensure that the sealing is not damaged. Replace the plug and the sealing with new spare part, if missing or damaged.	 xx1500000952 Protection cover and plug set: . 3HAC059487-001 (protection type Standard)
4	Refit the special protection plug to the turning disc using the tool included in the calibration tool box.	IRB 4600 - 20/2.50  xx1700000905
5	Remove the tool from the protection plug.	IRB 4600 - 20/2.50  xx1700000906
6	If the standard calibration data for axes 4, 5 or 6 should be updated with wrist optimization, run the calibration routine Wrist Optimization.	See Calibrating with Wrist Optimization method on page 420.

5.4.5 Reference calibration

Brief introduction to Reference Calibration

Reference calibration is a faster method compared to Fine calibration, as it refers to a previously made calibration.

- 1 Create a backup of the current robot system.
- 2 Check that the active calibration offset values corresponds to the values on the calibration label (located on the lower arm or the base).
- 3 Jog the manipulator so that all axes are in zero position (ex use MoveAbsJ instruction). Check that all axis scales are aligned with calibration marks.
- 4 If the scales differ from calibration marks it might depend on wrong turns of the revolution counters. Make a marker line on the corresponding axis to be able to validate the result of the calibration. If more than one motor revolutions are wrong, the calibration will fail.
- 5 Use a verification position. This is especially recommended if all axes were not aligned with the synchronization marks (step 3). Reuse an existing position that is suitable and accurate so it can be used to validate the repair. Use a position where a deviation in axis calibration gives a big deviation in positioning. Note! Check the position after each repair in one axis.
- 6 Use Reference calibration to save reference values for all axes that is to be replaced. Make sure that the values are saved in RobotStudio or FTP program. The files are located in "Active system folder name/HOME/RefCalibFiles".
- 7 Perform the repair.
- 8 Make sure that the tooling and process equipment are the same as when creating the reference. Use Reference calibration to update the system with new calibration offset value for the repaired axis.
- 9 Check the position against the verification position (step 5).
- 10 Proceed with the repair of the next axis, if necessary, and repeat (step 8-9) for every axis.
- 11 (For system containing SafeMove or EPS) Download new calibration values to SafeMove. Use Visual SafeMove in RobotStudio.(For system containing SafeMove) Download new calibration values to SafeMove. Use Visual SafeMove in RobotStudio.
- 12 (For system containing SafeMove or EPS) Synchronize SafeMove to activate SafeMove.(For system containing SafeMove) Synchronize SafeMove to activate SafeMove.
- 13 Perform test run.
- 14 Update the calibration label with new resolver values (calibration values).

Manual tuning of calibration offset

Manual tuning of calibration offset is normally not needed, but can be useful in some situations. The requirement to do manual tuning is that there is a known accurate position, that worked accurately before the repair (step 5, see [Brief introduction to Reference Calibration on page 417](#)).

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5.4.5 Reference calibration

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Example "Adjust axis 4":

- 1 Create a backup.
- 2 Run the manipulator to the verification position. (The manipulator position is now deviating from the verification position.)
- 3 Read and note current axis 4 value in degrees (example: 96.3 degrees).
- 4 Manually jog, only axis 4, so that the manipulator is correctly positioned to the verification position.
- 5 Read and note current axis 4 value in degrees (example: 94.2 degrees).
- 6 Move the manipulator to its calibration position.
- 7 Calculate the angle difference (ie $96.3 - 94.2 = 2.1$ degrees).
- 8 Manually jog axis 4 the calculated angle difference (-2.1). NOTE! The direction +/- shall be the same direction as the direction used when axis 4 was manually jogged to coincide with the verification process. In the example -2.1 degrees.
- 9 Make a new manual fine calibration of axis 4 with axis in -2.1 degrees position.
- 10 Check again against the verification position.
- 11 Repeat the manual tuning if needed.
- 12 Create a new reference if the intention is to use the reference in the future.

5.5 Calibrating with Calibration Pendulum method

Where to find information for Calibration Pendulum

The calibration equipment for Calibration Pendulum is delivered as a complete toolkit, including the *Operating manual - Calibration Pendulum*, which describes the method and the different routines further.

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5.6 Calibrating with Wrist Optimization method

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When to run Wrist Optimization

Wrist Optimization routine is run to improve TCP reorientation performance.

Calibrating the robot with standard calibration method overwrites the optimized positions of axes 4, 5, 6. Re-run the **Wrist Optimization** routine after standard calibration to re-achieve the optimized positions of the wrist axes.

Overview of the calibration procedure on the FlexPendant

The actual instructions of how to perform the calibration procedure and what to do at each step is given on the FlexPendant. You will be guided through the calibration procedure, step by step.

Use the following list to learn about the calibration procedure before running the RobotWare program on the FlexPendant. It gives you a brief overview of the calibration procedure sequence.

After the calibration method has been called for on the FlexPendant, the following sequence will be run.

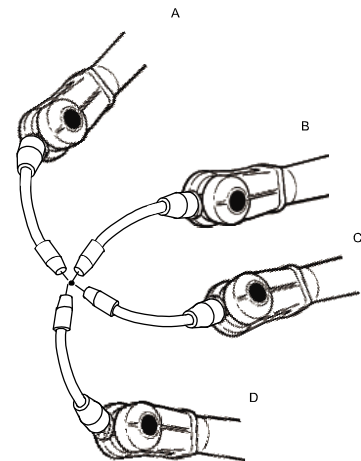
- 1 Choose calibration routine Wrist Optimization.
- 2 Modify targets for 4-point tool frame definition, in Wrist Optimization routine.



Tip

Select positions with large reorientations around the TCP. For best results, make sure that axis 4 and 5 have large movements.

- a Jog the robot to an appropriate position, A, for the first approach point.
Use small increments to accurately position the tool tip as close to the reference point as possible.
- b Tap **Modify Position** to define the point.
- c Repeat for each approach point to be defined, positions B, C, and D.
Jog away from the fixed world point to achieve the best result. Just changing the tool orientation will not give as good a result.



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- 3 Improved calibration data to the wrist axes is identified and presented.
- 4 Optimized positions for the wrist axes are presented.
- 5 The robot moves to the optimized positions for the wrist axes and automatically overwrites previous calibration data.

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WARNING

Robot moves automatically when pressing **Calibrate**.

- 6 Wrist optimization is finished.
- 7 Redefine / verify TCP for all tools.

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5.7 Verifying the calibration

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Introduction

Always verify the results after calibrating *any* robot axis to verify that all calibration positions are correct.

Verifying the calibration

Use this procedure to verify the calibration result.

	Action	Note
1	Run the calibration home position program twice. Do not change the position of the robot axes after running the program!	See Checking the synchronization position on page 423 .
2	Adjust the <i>synchronization marks</i> when the calibration is done, if necessary.	This is detailed in section Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes on page 394 .
3	Write down the values on a new label and stick it on top of the calibration label. The label is located on the lower arm.	

5.8 Checking the synchronization position

Introduction

Check the synchronization position of the robot before beginning any programming of the robot system. This may be done:

- Using a MoveAbsJ instruction with argument zero on all axes.
- Using the **Jogging** window on the FlexPendant. Using the **Jog** window on the FlexPendant.

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5.8.1 Checking the synchronization position on IRC5 robots

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Using a MoveAbsJ instruction

Use this procedure to create a program that runs all the robot axes to their synchronization position.

	Action	Note
1	On ABB menu tap Program editor .	
2	Create a new program.	
3	Use MoveAbsJ in the Motion&Proc menu.	
4	Create the following program: <code>MoveAbsJ [[0,0,0,0,0,0], [9E9,9E9,9E9,9E9,9E9,9E9]] \NoEOffs, v1000, fine, tool0</code>	
5	Run the program in manual mode.	
6	Check that the synchronization marks for the axes align correctly. If they do not, update the revolution counters.	See Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes on page 394 and Updating revolution counters on page 398 .

Using the jogging window

Use this procedure to jog the robot to the synchronization position of all axes.

	Action	Note
1	On the ABB menu, tap Jogging .	
2	Tap Motion mode to select group of axes to jog.	
3	Tap to select the axis to jog, axis 1, 2, or 3.	
4	Manually run the robots axes to a position where the axis position value read on the FlexPendant, is equal to zero.	
5	Check that the synchronization marks for the axes align correctly. If they do not, update the revolution counters.	See Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes on page 394 and Updating revolution counters on page 398 .

5.8.2 Checking the synchronization position on OmniCore robots

Using a MoveAbsJ instruction

Use this procedure to create a program that runs all the robot axes to their synchronization position.

	Action	Note
1	Tap Code .	
2	Create a new program.	
3	Use MoveAbsJ in the Add Instruction menu.	
4	Create the following program: <pre>MoveAbsJ [[0,0,0,0,0,0], [9E9,9E9,9E9,9E9,9E9,9E9]] \NoEOffs, v1000, fine, tool0</pre>	
5	Run the program in manual mode.	
6	Check that the synchronization marks for the axes align correctly. If they do not, update the revolution counters.	See Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes on page 394 and Updating revolution counters on page 398 .

Using the jogging window

Use this procedure to jog the robot to the synchronization position of all axes.

	Action	Note
1	Tap Jog .	
2	From the Mechanical unit list select a mechanical unit.	
3	From the Motion mode section, select an axis-set that need to be jogged. For example, to jog axis 2, select the axis set Axis 1-3 .	
4	Follow the screen instruction on joystick movements to understand the direction of the axis that you want to move and move the joystick.	
5	Manually run the robots axes to a position where the axis position value read on the FlexPendant, is equal to zero.	
6	Check that the synchronization marks for the axes align correctly. If they do not, update the revolution counters.	See Synchronization marks and synchronization position for axes on page 394 and Updating revolution counters on page 398 .

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6 Decommissioning

6.1 Introduction to decommissioning

Introduction

This section contains information to consider when taking a product, robot or controller, out of operation.

It deals with how to handle potentially dangerous components and potentially hazardous materials.



Note

The decommissioning process shall be preceded by a risk assessment.

Disposal of materials used in the robot

All used grease/oils and dead batteries **must** be disposed of in accordance with the current legislation of the country in which the robot and the control unit are installed.

If the robot or the control unit is partially or completely disposed of, the various parts **must** be grouped together according to their nature (which is all iron together and all plastic together), and disposed of accordingly. These parts **must** also be disposed of in accordance with the current legislation of the country in which the robot and control unit are installed.

See also [Environmental information on page 428](#).

Transportation

Prepare the robot or parts before transport, this to avoid hazards.

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6.2 Environmental information

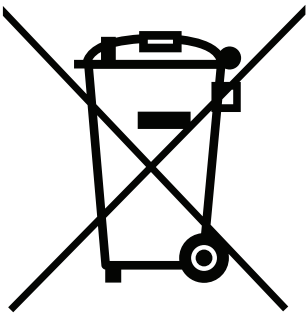
6.2 Environmental information

Introduction

ABB robots contain components in different materials. During decommissioning, all materials shall be dismantled, recycled, or reused responsibly, according to the relevant laws and industrial standards. Robots or parts that can be reused or upcycled helps to reduce the usage of natural resources.

Disposal symbol

The following symbol indicates that the product must not be disposed of as common garbage. Handle each product according to local regulations for the respective content (see table below).



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Materials used in the product

The table specifies some of the materials in the product and their respective use throughout the product.

Dispose components properly according to local regulations to prevent health or environmental hazards.

Material	Example application
Aluminium	Covers, synchronization brackets
Batteries, Lithium	Serial measurement board
Cast iron/nodular iron	Base, lower arm, upper arm
Copper	Cables, motors
Neodymium	Brakes, motors
Nickel	Turning disc (foundry)
Oil, grease	Gearboxes
Plastic/rubber	Cables, connectors, drive belts, and so on.
Steel	Gears, screws, base frame, and so on.

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Oil and grease

Where possible, arrange for oil and grease to be recycled. Dispose of via an authorized person/contractor in accordance with local regulations. Do not dispose of oil and grease near lakes, ponds, ditches, down drains, or onto soil. Incineration must be carried out under controlled conditions in accordance with local regulations.

Also note that:

- Spills can form a film on water surfaces causing damage to organisms. Oxygen transfer could also be impaired.
- Spillage can penetrate the soil causing ground water contamination.

6 Decommissioning

6.3 Scrapping of robot

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Note

The decommissioning process shall be preceded by a risk assessment.

Important when scrapping the robot



DANGER

The risk assessment should consider hazards arising in the decommissioning, such as, but not limited to:

- Always remove all batteries. If a battery is exposed to heat, for example from a blow torch, it will explode.
- Always remove all oil/grease in gearboxes. If exposed to heat, for example from a blow torch, the oil/grease will catch fire.
- When motors are removed from the robot, the robot will collapse if it is not properly supported before the motor is removed.
- A used robot does not have the same performance as on delivery. Springs, brakes, bearings, and other parts might be worn or broken.

7 Robot description

7.1 Manipulator types and variants

Overview

IRB 4600 variant	First manipulator revision (Type A)	Second manipulator revision (Type B)	Third manipulator revision (Type C)	Fourth manipulator revision (Type D)
IRB 4600-60/2.05, IRB 4600-45/2.05, IRB 4600-40/2.55 (Standard, Foundry Plus 2)	Axis 3 new gearbox	Axis 3 new gearbox	Axis 1 and 3 new gearboxes	
IRB 4600-20/2.50 (Standard, Foundry Plus 2)	Axis 3 new gearbox	Axis 3 new gearbox	Axis 1 and 3 new gearboxes	Axis 4, 5, and 6 new motors
IRB 4600-60/2.05, IRB 4600-40/2.55 (Clean Room)			Axis 1 and 3 new gearboxes	

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7.2 Type C of IRB 4600

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Type C - alternative gearboxes

Type C of IRB 4600 have an alternative supplier of the axis-1 and axis-3 gearboxes.

How to know which of the types is described, in the manual

Throughout the manual the alternative gearboxes are described as "Type C". Other types of gearboxes are called "Other design than Type C". The manual describes all the types of gearboxes.

Interchangeable parts

Type C gearboxes are not interchangeable with other designs of the axis-1 and axis-3 gearboxes.

Notable changes connected to the Type C gearboxes

- Dimension and number of attachments screws are different.
- Washers between the lower arm and axis-3 gearbox, are different.
- Tightening torques are different.
- Tightening torque with angle 90 degrees added when the lower arm is secured to the axis-3 gearbox.
- The frame and base are redesigned to fit the axis-1 gearbox and are not compatible with other designs of the gearbox. This affects the installation of additional mechanical stops on axis 1 and the values of possible restricted working range.

7.3 Type D of IRB 4600

Type D - alternative motor

Type D of IRB 4600 uses a [Type C of IRB 4600 on page 432](#) with an alternative motor, and is only valid for the 20 kg/2.50 m variant.

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8 Reference information

8.1 Introduction

General

This chapter includes general information, complementing the more specific information in the different procedures in the manual.

8 Reference information

8.2 Applicable standards

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General

This product is designed according to the global product standard ISO 10218-1:2025, *Robots for industrial environments - Safety requirements - Part 1 Robots*, In case of deviation from ISO 10218-1:2025, these are listed in the declaration of incorporation. The declaration of incorporation is part of the delivery.

Robot standards

Standard	Description
ISO 9283	Manipulating industrial robots – Performance criteria and related test methods
ISO 9787	Robots and robotic devices – Coordinate systems and motion nomenclatures
ISO 9946	Manipulating industrial robots – Presentation of characteristics

Other standards used in design

Standard	Description
ISO 9283	Manipulating industrial robots - Performance criteria and related test methods
ISO 9787	Robots and robotic devices -- Coordinate systems and motion nomenclatures
ISO 9946	Manipulating industrial robots - Presentation of characteristics
IEC 61000-6-2	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 6-2: Generic standards – Immunity standard for industrial environments
IEC 61000-6-4	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 6-4: Generic standards – Emission standard for industrial environments
IEC 61326-3-1	Immunity requirements for safety-related systems and for equipment intended to perform safety-related functions (functional safety) – General industrial applications

Region specific standards

Standard	Description
UL 1740 (option) CSA Z434 (option)	Standards For Safety - Robots and Robotic Equipment Industrial robots and robot Systems - General safety requirements Valid for USA and Canada.

8.3 Unit conversion

Converter table

Use the following table to convert units used in this manual.

Quantity	Units		
Length	1 m	3.28 ft.	39.37 in
Weight	1 kg	2.21 lb.	
Weight	1 g	0.035 ounces	
Pressure	1 bar	100 kPa	14.5 psi
Force	1 N	0.225 lbf	
Moment	1 Nm	0.738 lbf-ft	
Volume	1 L	0.264 US gal	

8 Reference information

8.4 Screw joints

8.4 Screw joints

General

This section describes how to tighten the various types of screw joints on ABB robots.

The instructions and torque values are valid for screw joints comprised of metallic materials and do *not* apply to soft or brittle materials.



Tip

During maintenance and repair, screws must be retained and kept in order. When loosening screws, ensure they are sorted so that each screw can be correctly refitted.

UNBRAKO screws

UNBRAKO is a special type of screw recommended by ABB for certain screw joints. It features special surface treatment (Gleitmo as described below) and is extremely resistant to fatigue.

Whenever used, this is specified in the instructions, and in such cases, *no other type of replacement screw* is allowed. Using other types of screws will void any warranty and may potentially cause serious damage or injury.

Gleitmo treated screws

Gleitmo is a special surface treatment to reduce the friction when tightening the screw joint. It is recommended by ABB for M6-M20 screw joints. Screws treated with Gleitmo may be reused 3-4 times before the coating disappears. After this the screw must be discarded and replaced with a new one.

When handling screws treated with Gleitmo, protective gloves of **nitrile rubber** type should be used.

Generally, screws are lubricated with *Gleitmo 603* mixed with *Geomet 500* or *Geomet 702* in proportion 1:3. *Geomet* thickness varies according to screw dimensions, refer to the following.

Dimension	Lubricant	Geomet thickness
M6-M20 (any length except M20x60)	<i>Gleitmo 603</i> + <i>Geomet 500</i>	3-5 µm
M6-M20 (any length except M20x60)	<i>Gleitmo 603</i> + <i>Geomet 702</i>	3-5 µm
M20x60	<i>Gleitmo 603</i> + <i>Geomet 500</i>	8-12 µm
M20x60	<i>Gleitmo 603</i> + <i>Geomet 702</i>	6-10 µm

Screws lubricated in other ways

Screws lubricated with Molykote 1000 or Molykote P1900 should *only* be used when specified in the repair, maintenance or installation procedure descriptions.

In such cases, proceed as follows:

- 1 Apply lubricant to the screw thread.

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- 2 Apply lubricant between the plain washer and screw head.
- 3 Screw dimensions of M8 or larger must be tightened with a torque wrench. Screw dimensions of M6 or smaller may be tightened without a torque wrench *if* this is done by trained and qualified personnel.

Lubricant	Article number
Molykote 1000 (molybdenum disulphide grease)	3HAC042472-001
Molykote P1900 (molybdenum disulphide grease)	3HAC070875-001

Tightening torque

Before tightening any screw, note the following:

- Determine whether a **standard** tightening torque or **special** torque is to be applied. The **standard torques** are specified in the following tables. Any **special torques** are specified in the repair, maintenance or installation procedure descriptions. **Any special torque specified overrides the standard torque!**
- Use the *correct tightening torque* for each type of screw joint.
- Only use *correctly calibrated* torque keys.
- *Always tighten the joint by hand*, and never use pneumatic tools.
- Use the *correct tightening technique*, that is *do not* jerk. Tighten the screw in a slow, flowing motion.
- Maximum allowed total deviation from the specified value is **10%**!

Tightening torque for oil-lubricated screws with slotted or cross-recess head screws

The following table specifies the recommended standard tightening torque for *oil-lubricated screws with slotted or cross-recess head screws*.



Note

A special torque specified in the repair, maintenance or installation procedure overrides the standard torque.

Tightening torque for oil-lubricated screws with allen head screws

The following table specifies the recommended standard tightening torque for *oil-lubricated screws with allen head screws*.



Note

A special torque specified in the repair, maintenance or installation procedure overrides the standard torque.

Dimension	Tightening torque (Nm) Class 8.8, oil-lubricated	Tightening torque (Nm) Class 10.9, oil-lubricated	Tightening torque (Nm) Class 12.9, oil-lubricated
M4	-	4	5
M5	6	8	10
M6	10	14	17

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8.4 Screw joints

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Dimension	Tightening torque (Nm) Class 8.8, oil-lubricated	Tightening torque (Nm) Class 10.9, oil-lubricated	Tightening torque (Nm) Class 12.9, oil-lubricated
M8	24	34	40
M10	47	67	80
M12	82	115	140
M16	200	290	340
M20	400	560	670
M24	680	960	1150

Tightening torque for lubricated screws (Molykote, Gleitmo or equivalent) with allen head screws

The following table specifies the recommended standard tightening torque for *screws lubricated with Molykote 1000, Gleitmo 603 or equivalent with allen head screws*.



Note

A special torque specified in the repair, maintenance or installation procedure overrides the standard torque.

Dimension	Tightening torque (Nm) Class 10.9, lubricated ⁱ	Tightening torque (Nm) Class 12.9, lubricated ⁱ
M5		8
M6		14
M8	28	35
M10	55	70
M12	96	120
M16	235	300
M20	460	550
M24	790	950

ⁱ Lubricated with Molykote 1000, Gleitmo 603 or equivalent

8.5 Weight specifications

Definition

In installation, repair, and maintenance procedures, weights of the components handled are sometimes specified. All components exceeding 22 kg (50 lbs) are highlighted in this way.

To avoid injury, ABB recommends the use of a lifting accessory when handling components with a weight exceeding 22 kg. A wide range of lifting accessories and devices are available for each manipulator model.

Example

Following is an example of a weight specification in a procedure:

Action	Note
 CAUTION The arm weighs 25 kg. All lifting accessories used must be sized accordingly.	

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8.6 Standard tools

8.6 Standard tools

General

All service (repairs, maintenance, and installation) procedures contains lists of tools required to perform the specified activity.

All special tools required are listed directly in the procedures while all the tools that are considered standard are gathered in the standard toolkit and defined in the following table.

This way, the tools required are the sum of the standard toolkit and any tools listed in the instruction.

Contents, standard toolkit

Qty	Tool
1	Ring-open-end spanner 8-19 mm
1	Socket head cap 2.5-17 mm
1	Torx socket no: 20-60
1	Torque wrench 10-100 Nm
1	Small screwdriver
1	Plastic mallet
1	Ratchet head for torque wrench 1/2"
1	Socket head cap no: 5, socket 1/2" bit L 20 mm
1	Socket head cap no: 6, socket 1/2" bit L 20 mm
1	Socket head cap no: 8, socket 1/2" bit L 20 mm
1	Small cutting plier
1	T-handle with ball head

8.7 Special tools

General

All service instructions contain lists of tools required to perform the specified activity. The required tools are a sum of standard tools, defined in the section [Standard tools on page 442](#), and of special tools, listed directly in the instructions and also gathered in this section.

Measuring tools, play

The tools listed for measuring the play are used after service work on axes 5 and 6.

Description	Robot variant	Art. no.
Measuring tool, play	IRB 4600 - 60/2.05, -45/2.05, -40/2.55	3HAB1611-6
Measuring tool, play	IRB 4600 - 20/2.50	3HAB6337-1

Special tools

The following table specifies the special tools required during several of the service procedures. The tools may be ordered separately and are also specified directly in concerned instructions in the product manual.

Description	Qty	Art. no.
Guide pins, removal/refitting of axis 1 gearbox	2 pcs	-
Guide pins, removal/refitting of axis 3 gearbox	2 pcs	-
Guide pin, M8x150	2 pcs	3HAC15520-2
Guide pin, M10x150	2 pcs	3HAC15521-2
Removal tool motor M10	Used to push out the motor, if necessary. Always use removal tools in pairs.	3HAC14972-1
Removal tool motor M12	Used to push out the motor, if necessary. Always use removal tools in pairs.	3HAC14631-1
Rotation tool M4	Used to rotate the motor pinion. Add screw M4.	3HAB7887-1

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Oil change equipment

The following table specifies the oil change equipment. The tool is specified directly in concerned instructions in the product manual.

Description	Included parts	Art. no.
Oil change equipment	• vacuum pump with regulator, hose and coupling • couplings and adapters • pump (manual) with hose and coupling • graduated measuring glass • oil gun • user instructions.	3HAC021745-001

Calibration equipment, Levelmeter (alternative method)

The following table specifies the calibration equipment required when calibrating the robot with the alternative method, Levelmeter Calibration.

Description	Art. no.	Note
Angle bracket	68080011-LP	
Calibration bracket	3HAC13908-9	
Calibration tool ax1	3HAC13908-4	
Measuring pin	3HAC13908-5	
Sensor fixture	68080011-GM	
Sensor plate	3HAC0392-1	
Sync. adapter	3HAC13908-1	

Calibration equipment, Calibration Pendulum

The following table specifies the calibration equipment needed when calibrating the robot with the Calibration Pendulum method.

The robot is calibrated by either Calibration Pendulum or Axis Calibration at factory. Always use the same calibration method as used at the factory.

Information about valid calibration method is found on the calibration label or in the calibration menu on the FlexPendant.

If no data is found related to standard calibration, Calibration Pendulum is used as default.

Description	Art. no.	Note
Calibration Pendulum toolkit	3HAC15716-1	Complete kit that also includes operating manual.

Calibration equipment, Axis Calibration

The following table specifies the calibration equipment needed when calibrating the robot with the Axis Calibration method.

The robot is calibrated by either Calibration Pendulum or Axis Calibration at factory. Always use the same calibration method as used at the factory.

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Information about valid calibration method is found on the calibration label or in the calibration menu on the FlexPendant.

If no data is found related to standard calibration, Calibration Pendulum is used as default.

Description	Art. no.	Note
Calibration tool box, Axis Calibration	3HAC074119-001	Delivered as a set of calibration tools. Required if Axis Calibration is the valid calibration method for the robot. Contains a removal tool for removing special protection plugs on the turning disk.

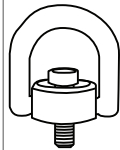
Turning tool for suspended mounting

The following table specifies the lifting tool required when fitting the robot in a suspended position.

Description	Art. no.	Note
Turning tool (includes lifting instruction)	3HAC034766-001	Valid for other designs than Type B, C and Type D.
Turning tool (includes lifting instruction 3HAC051688-001)	3HAC048502-001	Valid for Types B, D and Type D.

Lifting accessories

This table specifies the lifting accessories required during several of the service procedures. The lifting accessories can be ordered separately and are also specified directly in concerned instructions.

Description	Qty	Article no.	Note
Lifting accessory, axis 2			
Rotating lifting point	2 pcs	-	For lifting of upper arm. Dimension: M8. Example: Gunnebo RLP GrabiQ M8-10.  xx1100000564

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8.8 Lifting accessories and lifting instructions

8.8 Lifting accessories and lifting instructions

General

Many repair and maintenance activities require different pieces of lifting accessories, which are specified in each procedure.

The use of each piece of lifting accessories is *not* detailed in the activity procedure, but in the instruction delivered with each piece of lifting accessories.

The instructions delivered with the lifting accessories should be stored for later reference.

9 Spare part lists

9.1 Spare part lists and illustrations

Location

Spare parts and exploded views are not included in the manual but delivered as a separate document for registered users via ABB Robotics One, <https://one.robotics.abb.com/en/knowledge-hub>.

**Tip**

All documents can be found via ABB Robotics One, <https://one.robotics.abb.com/en/knowledge-hub>.

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10 Circuit diagram

10.1 Circuit diagrams

Overview

The circuit diagrams are not included in this manual, but are available for registered users via ABB Robotics One, <https://one.robotics.abb.com/en/knowledge-hub>.

See the article numbers in the tables below.

Controllers

Product	Article numbers for circuit diagrams
<i>Circuit diagram - OmniCore V250XT</i>	<i>3HAC074000-008</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - OmniCore V400XT</i>	<i>3HAC082020-008</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRC5</i>	<i>3HAC024480-011</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRC5 Panel Mounted Controller</i>	<i>3HAC026871-020</i>

Manipulators

Product	Article numbers for circuit diagrams
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 120</i>	<i>3HAC031408-003</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 140 type C</i>	<i>3HAC6816-3</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 260</i>	<i>3HAC025611-001</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 360</i>	<i>3HAC028647-009</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 390</i>	<i>3HAC060545-009</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 460</i>	<i>3HAC036446-005</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 660</i>	<i>3HAC025691-001</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 760</i>	<i>3HAC025691-001</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 1200</i>	<i>3HAC046307-003</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 1410</i>	<i>3HAC2800-3</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 1600/1660</i>	<i>3HAC021351-003</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 1510</i>	<i>3HAC087368-003</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 1520</i>	<i>3HAC039498-007</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 2400</i>	<i>3HAC6670-3</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 2600</i>	<i>3HAC029570-007</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 4400/4450S</i>	<i>3HAC9821-1</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 4600</i>	<i>3HAC029038-003</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 6620</i>	<i>3HAC025090-001</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 6620 / IRB 6620LX</i>	<i>3HAC025090-001</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 6640</i>	<i>3HAC025744-001</i>

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10.1 Circuit diagrams

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Product	Article numbers for circuit diagrams
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 6650S</i>	<i>3HAC13347-1 3HAC025744-001</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 6660</i>	<i>3HAC025744-001 3HAC029940-001</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 6700 / IRB 6790</i>	<i>3HAC043446-005</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 7600</i>	<i>3HAC13347-1 3HAC025744-001</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 14000</i>	<i>3HAC050778-003</i>
<i>Circuit diagram - IRB 910SC</i>	<i>3HAC056159-002</i>

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