Separator manual
High speed separator

MAB 103B-24
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Read and understand instruction manuals and observe the warnings before installation, operation, service and maintenance.

Not following the instructions can result in serious accidents.

In order to make the information clear only foreseeable conditions have been considered. No warnings are given, therefore, for situations arising from the unintended usage of the machine and its tools.
1 Read this first

This manual is designed for operators and service engineers working with the Alfa Laval separator MAB 103B-24.

For information concerning the function of the separator, see “3 Separator basics” on page 17, and “4 Operating instructions” on page 31.

If the separator has been delivered and installed by Alfa Laval as part of a processing system, this manual is a part of the System Manual. In this case, study carefully all the instructions in the System Manual.

In addition to this Separator manual a Spare Parts Catalogue, SPC is supplied.

This Separator manual consists of:

Safety instructions

Pay special attention to the safety instructions for the separator. Not following the safety instructions can cause accidents resulting in damage to equipment and serious injury to personnel.

Separator basics

Read this chapter if you are not familiar with this type of separator.

Operating instructions

This chapter contains operating instructions for the separator only.
Service instructions

This chapter gives instructions for daily checks, cleaning, oil changes, servicing and check points.

Dismantling / Assembly

This chapter contains step-by-step instructions for dismantling and assembly of the separator for service and repair.

Trouble-tracing

Refer to this chapter if the separator functions abnormally.

If the separator has been installed as part of a processing system always refer to the Trouble-tracing part of the System Manual first.

Technical reference

This chapter contains technical data concerning the separator and drawings.

Installation

General information on installation planning.

Lifting instruction.
2 Safety instructions

The centrifuge includes parts that rotate at high speed. This means that:

- Kinetic energy is high
- Great forces are generated
- Stopping time is long

Manufacturing tolerances are extremely fine. Rotating parts are carefully balanced to reduce undesired vibrations that can cause a breakdown. Material properties have been considered carefully during design to withstand stress and fatigue.

The separator is designed and supplied for a specific separation duty (type of liquid, rotational speed, temperature, density etc.) and must not be used for any other purpose.

Incorrect operation and maintenance can result in unbalance due to build-up of sediment, reduction of material strength, etc., that subsequently could lead to serious damage and/or injury.

The following basic safety instructions therefore apply:

- Use the separator only for the purpose and parameter range specified by Alfa Laval.
- Strictly follow the instructions for installation, operation and maintenance.
- Ensure that personnel are competent and have sufficient knowledge of maintenance and operation, especially concerning emergency stopping procedures.
- Use only Alfa Laval genuine spare parts and the special tools supplied.
2 Safety instructions

Disintegration hazards

- When power cables are connected, always check direction of motor rotation. If incorrect, vital rotating parts could unscrew.

- If excessive vibration occurs, stop separator and keep bowl filled with liquid during rundown.

- Use the separator only for the purpose and parameter range specified by Alfa Laval.

- Check that the gear ratio is correct for power frequency used. If incorrect, subsequent overspeed may result in a serious break down.

- Welding or heating of parts that rotate can seriously affect material strength.

- Wear on the large lock ring thread must not exceed safety limit. φ-mark on lock ring must not pass opposite φ-mark by more than specified distance.

- Inspect regularly for corrosion and erosion damage. Inspect frequently if process liquid is corrosive or erosive.
2 Safety instructions

Entrapment hazards

- Do NOT stand on the separator or parts of.

Entrapment hazards

- Make sure that rotating parts have come to a complete standstill before starting any dismantling work.

  If there is no braking function the run down time can exceed two hours.

- To avoid accidental start, switch off and lock power supply before starting any dismantling work.

  Assemble the machine completely before start. All covers and guards must be in place.

Electrical hazard

- Follow local regulations for electrical installation and earthing (grounding).

- To avoid accidental start, switch off and lock power supply before starting any dismantling work.
2 Safety instructions

Crush hazards

- Use correct lifting tools and follow lifting instructions.

Do not work under a hanging load.

Noise hazards

- Use ear protection in noisy environments.

Burn hazards

- Lubrication oil, machine parts and various machine surfaces can be hot and cause burns. Wear protective gloves.
2 Safety instructions

Skin irritation hazards

- When using chemical cleaning agents, make sure you follow the general rules and suppliers recommendation regarding ventilation, personnel protection etc.
- Use of lubricants in various situations.

Cut hazards

- Sharp edges, especially on bowl discs and threads can cause cuts. Wear protective gloves.

Flying objects

- Risk for accidental release of snap rings and springs when dismantling and assembly. Wear safety goggles.

Health hazard

- Risk for unhealthy dust when handling friction blocks/pads. Use a dust mask to make sure not to inhale any dust.
2.1 Warning signs in text

Pay attention to the safety instructions in this manual. Below are definitions of the three grades of warning signs used in the text where there is a risk for injury to personnel.

**DANGER**

Type of hazard

DANGER indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

**WARNING**

Type of hazard

WARNING indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

**CAUTION**

Type of hazard

CAUTION indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

**NOTE**

NOTE indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in property damage.
2.2 Recycling Information

Unpacking
Packing material consists of wood, plastics, cardboard boxes and in some cases metal straps.

- Wood and cardboard boxes can be reused, recycled or used for energy recovery.
- Plastics should be recycled or burnt at a licensed waste incineration plant.
- Metal straps should be sent for material recycling.

Maintenance
During maintenance oil and wear parts in the machine are replaced.

- Oil must be taken care of in agreement with local regulations.
- Rubber and plastics should be burnt at a licensed waste incineration plant. If not available they should be disposed to a suitable licensed land fill site.
- Bearings and other metal parts should be sent to a licensed handler for material recycling.
- Seal rings and friction linings should be disposed to a licensed land fill site. Check your local regulations.
- Worn out or defected electronic parts should be sent to a licensed handler for material recycling.

Scrapping
At the end of use, the equipment must be recycled according to relevant local regulations.

Besides the equipment itself, any hazardous residues from the process liquid must be taken into consideration and dealt with in a proper manner. When in doubt, or in the absence of local regulations, please contact your local Alfa Laval sales company.
2.3 Requirements of personnel

Only skilled or instructed persons are allowed to operate the machine, e.g. operating and maintenance staff.

- **Skilled person**: A person with technical knowledge or sufficient experience to enable him or her to perceive risks and to avoid hazards which electricity/mechanics can create.

- **Instructed person**: A person adequately advised or supervised by a skilled person to enable him or her to perceive risks and to avoid hazards which electricity/mechanics can create.

In some cases special skilled personnel may need to be hired, like electricians and others. In some of these cases the personnel has to be certified according to local regulations with experience of similar types of work.

2.4 Remote start

If the separator is operated from a remote position, from where it can neither be seen nor heard, the power isolation device shall be equipped with an interlocking device. This is to prevent a remote start command which could result in some liquid being fed to the separator when it is shut down for service.

The first start after the separator has been taken apart or has been standing still for a long time shall always be locally manually supervised.
# 3 Separator basics

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3.1 Basic principles of separation

The purpose of separation can be:

- to free a liquid of solid particles,
- to separate two mutually insoluble liquids with different densities while removing any solids present at the same time,
- to separate and concentrate solid particles from a liquid.

Separation by gravity

A liquid mixture in a stationary bowl will clear slowly as the heavy particles in the liquid mixture sink to the bottom under the influence of gravity.

A lighter liquid rises while a heavier liquid and solids sink.

Continuous separation and sedimentation can be achieved in a settling tank having outlets arranged according to the difference in density of the liquids.

Heavier particles in the liquid mixture will settle and form a sediment layer on the tank bottom.

Centrifugal separation

In a rapidly rotating bowl, the force of gravity is replaced by centrifugal force, which can be thousands of times greater.

Separation and sedimentation is continuous and happens very quickly.

The centrifugal force in the separator bowl can achieve in a few seconds what takes many hours in a tank under influence of gravity.
3.1.1 Factors influencing the separation result

Separating temperature
For some types of process liquids (e.g. mineral oils) a high separating temperature will normally increase the separation capacity. The temperature influences oil viscosity and density and should be kept constant throughout the separation.

Viscosity
Low viscosity facilitates separation. Viscosity can be reduced by heating.

Density difference (specific gravity ratio)
The greater the density difference between the two liquids, the easier the separation. The density difference can be increased by heating.
Phase proportions

An increased quantity of water in a oil will influence the separating result through the optimum transporting capacity of the disc stack. An increased water content in the oil can be compensated by reducing the throughput in order to restore the optimum separating efficiency.

The throughput

The throughput sets the time allowed for the separation of water and sediment from the oil. A better separation result can often be achieved by reducing the throughput, i.e. by increasing the settling time.

Sludge space - sludge content

Sediment will accumulate on the inside periphery of the bowl. When the sludge space is filled up the flow inside the bowl is influenced by the sediment and thereby reducing the separating efficiency. In such cases the time between cleaning should be reduced to suit these conditions.

Disc stack

A neglected disc stack containing deformed discs or discs coated with deposits will impair the separating result.
3.2 Overview

The separator comprises a processing part and a driving part. It is driven by an electric motor (6).

Mechanically, the separator machine frame is composed of a bottom part, a top part and a collecting cover. The motor is flanged to the frame as shown in the illustration. The frame feet have vibration damping.

The bottom part of the separator contains the horizontal driving device (1), driving shaft with couplings, a worm gear and a vertical spindle.

The bottom part also contains an oil bath for the worm gear, a brake and a revolution counter, indicating speed.

A pump (3) is attached to the driving spindle and located on the side of the bottom part. This pump has dual function. It is the feed inlet pump and the clean oil discharge pump.

The frame top part and the collecting cover contain the processing parts of the separator, the inlet and outlets and piping.

The liquid is cleaned in the separator bowl (4). This is fitted on the upper part of the vertical spindle and rotates at high speed inside the space formed by the frame top part and collecting cover.

The main inlets and outlets are shown with connection numbers in the illustration. These numbers correspond with the numbers used in the connection list and the basic size drawing which can be found in chapter “8 Technical reference” on page 121.
3.3 Separating function

Unseparated oil is fed into the bowl through the inlet pipe and is pumped via the distributor towards the periphery of the bowl.

When the oil reaches holes of the distributor, it will rise through the channels formed by the disc stack where it is evenly distributed.

The oil is continuously cleaned as it flows towards the center of the bowl. When the cleaned oil leaves the disc stack it rises upwards, flows over the gravity disc and leaves the bowl through outlet (220). Separated water, sludge and solid particles are forced towards the periphery of the bowl and collected in the sludge space.

The space between bowl hood and top disc are normally filled with water.

3.3.1 Purifier bowl

The illustration shows characteristic parts of the purifier bowl:

1. Top disc with neck

2. The gravity disc, which should be chosen according to directions in chapter “4.1.2 Selection of gravity disc” on page 32.

This bowl has two liquid outlets. The process liquid flows through the distributor to the interspaces between the bowl discs, where the liquid phases are separated from each other by action of the centrifugal force. The heavy phase and any solids move along the underside of the bowl discs towards the periphery of the bowl, where the solids settle on the bowl wall.

The heavy phase flows along the upper side of the top disc towards the neck of the bowl hood and leaves the bowl via the gravity disc the outer way.

The light phase flows along the upper side of the bowl discs towards the bowl centre and leaves the bowl via the hole in the top disc neck the inner way.
3.3.2  Position of interface - gravity disc

In a purifier bowl the position of the interface should be located between the disc stack edge and the outer edge of the top disc.

The position of the interface is adjusted by altering the pressure balance of the liquid phases oil and water inside the separator. That is done by exchanging the gravity disc. For this purpose a number of gravity discs with various hole diameters is delivered with the machine.

The gravity disc is located inside the bowl hood. A gravity disc with a larger hole will move the interface towards the bowl periphery, whereas a disc with a smaller hole will place it closer to the bowl centre.

Selection of gravity disc

For selection of gravity disc, see nomogram in chapter "8.3 Gravity disc nomogram" on page 126.

When selecting a gravity disc the general rule is to use the disc having the largest possible hole without causing a break of the water seal.

The heavier or more viscous the light phase and the larger the liquid feed the smaller the diameter should be.

When the heavy phase (water) is wanted more free from the light one (oil), the interface should be placed nearer the bowl centre, however not inside the outer edge of the discs (the gravity disc is too small), as this would prevent the liquid flow.
3.3.3 Clarifier bowl

The illustration shows characteristic parts of the clarifier bowl:

1. Discharge collar
2. Top disc without neck

This bowl has one liquid outlet. The process liquid flows through the distributor to the interspaces between the bowl discs. Through the action of the centrifugal force the heavy particles move along the underside of the discs towards the bowl periphery, where they settle on the bowl wall. The liquid proceeds towards the bowl centre and discharges through the bowl hood.

The separation is influenced by changes in the viscosity (rise in separating temperature) or in the throughput.
3.4 Mechanical function

3.4.1 Inlet and outlet

The inlet and outlets consists of the following parts:

- The inlet (201).
- The inlet for water seal (206).
- The outlet for clean oil (220) from pump.
- The outlet for water (221).
3.4.2 Mechanical power transmission

The main parts of the power transmission between motor and bowl are illustrated in the figure.

The friction coupling ensures a gentle start and acceleration and at the same time prevents overloading of the worm gear and motor.

The worm gear has a ratio which increase the bowl speed several times compared with the motor speed. For correct ratio see chapter “Technical reference” on page 121.

To reduce bearing wear and the transmission of bowl vibrations to the frame and foundation, the top bearing of the bowl spindle is mounted in a spring casing.

The worm wheel runs in a lubricating oil bath. The bearings on the spindle and the worm wheel shaft are lubricated by the oil splash produced by the rotating worm wheel.
3.4.3 Brake

The separator is equipped with a hand operated brake to be used when stopping the separator. The use of the brake reduces the retardation time of the bowl and critical speeds will therefore be quickly passed.

The brake lining acts on the outside of the bowl body.

3.4.4 Inlet and outlet pump

A gear pump is attached to the driving spindle and located on the side of the separator. This pump has dual function. It is the feed inlet pump and the clean oil discharge pump.
3.4.5 Sensors and indicators

**Revolution counter**

A revolution counter indicates the speed of the separator and is driven from the worm wheel shaft. The correct speed is needed to achieve the best separating results and for reasons of safety. The number of revolutions on the revolution counter for correct speed is shown in chapter “8.2 Technical data” on page 125. Refer to name plate for speed particulars.

![Revolution counter](image1)

**Sight glass**

The sight glass shows the oil level in the worm gear housing.

![Sight glass - oil level](image2)

**Cover interlocking switch (Option)**

When required, the cover interlocking switch should be connected to the starter equipment so that starting of the motor is prevented when the separator collecting cover is not (completely) closed.

The switch is described in “8.10.8 Machine plates and safety labels” on page 157.
### 3.5 Definitions

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<td>Back pressure</td>
<td>Pressure in the separator outlet.</td>
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<td>Clarification</td>
<td>Liquid/solids separation with the intention of separating particles, normally solids, from a liquid (oil) having a lower density than the particles.</td>
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<td>Clarifier disc</td>
<td>An optional disc, which replaces the gravity disc in the separator bowl, in the case of clarifier operation. The disc seals off the heavy phase (water) outlet in the bowl, thus no liquid seal exists.</td>
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<td>Counter pressure</td>
<td>See Back pressure.</td>
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<td>Density (specific gravity)</td>
<td>Mass per volume unit. Expressed in kg/m$^3$ at specified temperature, normally at 15 °C.</td>
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<td>Gravity disc</td>
<td>Disc in the bowl hood for positioning the interface between the disc stack and the outer edge of the top disc. This disc is only used in purifier mode.</td>
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<td>Interface</td>
<td>Boundary layer between the heavy phase (water) and the light phase (oil) in a separator bowl.</td>
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<td>Intermediate Service (IS)</td>
<td>Overhaul of separator bowl, inlet/outlet and operating water device. Renewal of seals in bowl inlet/outlet and operating water device.</td>
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<td>Major Service (MS)</td>
<td>Overhaul of the complete separator, including bottom part (and activities included in an Intermediate Service, if any). Renewal of seals and bearings in bottom part.</td>
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<td>Purification</td>
<td>Liquid/liquid/solids separation with the intention of separating two intermixed and mutually insoluble liquid phases of different densities. Solids having a higher density than the liquids can be removed at the same time. The lighter liquid phase (oil), which is the major part of the mixture, shall be purified as far as possible.</td>
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<td>Sediment (sludge)</td>
<td>Solids separated from a liquid.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Throughput</td>
<td>The feed of process liquid to the separator per time unit. Expressed in m$^3$/or lit/h.</td>
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<td>Viscosity</td>
<td>Fluid resistance against movement. Normally expressed in centistoke (cSt = mm$^2$/sec), at specified temperature.</td>
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<td>Water seal</td>
<td>Water in the solids space of the separator bowl to prevent the light phase (oil) from leaving the bowl through the heavy phase (water) outlet, in purifier mode.</td>
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3.5 Definitions

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The operating procedure:

Before start

Start and run-up

Running

Stop procedure
4.1 Operating routine

These instructions is related only the separator itself. If the separator is a part of a system or module follow also the instructions for the system.

4.1.1 Before first start

Technical demands for connections and logical limitations for the separator is described in the chapter “8 Technical reference” on page 121 in the documents:

1. Technical data
2. Basic size drawing
3. Connection list
4. Interface description
5. Foundation drawing.

Before first start the following checkpoint shall be checked:

- Motors equipped with regreasing nipples: When starting the motor for the first time, or after long storage of the motor, apply the specified quantity of grease until new grease is forced out of the grease outlet.

- Ensure the machine is installed correctly and that feed-lines and drains have been flushed clean.

- Fill oil in the gear housing. Fill up to the middle of the sightglass. Use the correct grade of oil. The separator is delivered without oil in the worm gear housing. For grade and quality, see “8.9 Lubricants” on page 137.

4.1.2 Selection of gravity disc

The separator is delivered with a set of gravity discs. The diameter (d) of the gravity disc sets the position of the oil-water interface in the separator. The separation efficiency can be optimized by selection of the correct diameter for each process. As a guide the nomogram in chapter “8.3 Gravity disc nomogram” on page 126 can be used.

The gravity disc sets the position of oil-water interface
4.1.3  Before normal start

Check these points before every start.

1. Ensure the bowl is clean and that the separator is properly assembled.

2. Make sure that all inlet and outlet couplings and connections have been correctly made and are properly tightened to prevent leakage.

3. Check that the bolts of the outlet cover and the hooks and screws for the frame hood are tightened.

4. Read the oil level. The middle of the sight glass indicates the minimum level. Refill if necessary. For grade and quality, see “8.9 Lubricants” on page 137.

5. Release the brake (B).

6. Make sure the direction of rotation of the motor and bowl corresponds to the sign on the frame.
4.1.4 Starting and running-up procedure

1. After starting the separator, visually check to be sure that the motor and separator have started to rotate.

2. Check the direction of rotation. The revolution counter should run clockwise.

3. Be alert for unusual noises or conditions. Smoke and odour may occur at the start when friction pads are new.

4. Note the normal occurrence of critical speed vibration periods.

5. During start the current reaches a peak and then slowly drops to a low and stable value. For normal length of the start-up period see “8.2 Technical data” on page 125.

**WARNING**

Disintegration hazards

When excessive vibration occurs, keep liquid feed on and stop separator.

The cause of the vibrations must be identified and corrected before the separator is restarted.

Excessive vibrations may be due to incorrect assembly or poor cleaning of the bowl.
4.1.5 At full speed

1. For purification mode:
   a. Supply water (206), approx. 1 litre (depending on Gravity disc) to form the water-seal. Continue until water flows out through the water outlet (221). The water should have the same temperature as the process liquid and be supplied quickly.
   b. Close water feed.
   c. Start the oil feed slowly to avoid breaking the water seal. Fill the bowl as quickly as possible.

2. For clarification mode:
   a. Start the oil feed with full flow. Fill the bowl as quickly as possible.

3. For both purification and clarification mode:
   Check the separator inlet and outlet pressures.
   Adjust the oil outlet pressure to 1,5-2 bar. For permissible pressures, see section “8.2 Technical data” on page 125.

4. Adjust to desired throughput.
4.1.6 During operation

Do regular checks on:

- oil inlet temperature (if applicable)
- water collecting tank level
- sound/vibration of the separator
- back pressure
- motor current.

4.1.7 Stopping procedure

1. Feed sealing water.
2. Turn off the oil feed.
3. Stop the separator.
4. Pull the brake. (A)
   
   Wait until the separator has come to a complete standstill (2-5 minutes).
   Release the brake when the separator is at standstill. (B)
5. Manual cleaning should be carried out before next start up. See "4.2.1 Removal of separated sludge" on page 38.

WARNING

Entrapment hazards

Make sure that rotating parts have come to a complete standstill before starting any dismantling work.

The revolution counter and the motor fan indicate if the separator is rotating or not.
4.1.8 Emergency stop

The emergency stop is always installed according to local safety regulations. It is often a button placed on the wall near the separator or on the control equipment.

The following should happen automatically:

- The bowl is kept filled with liquid until standstill.
- The separator motor is switched off.

Evacuate the room. The separator may be hazardous when passing resonance frequencies during the run-down.

After an emergency stop the cause of the fault must be identified.

If all parts have been checked and the cause remains unclear contact your Alfa Laval representative for advice.
4.2 Cleaning the bowl

The separated sludge is accumulating on the inside surface of the separator bowl. How often the separator needs to be cleaned, depends on the amount of sediment entering the separator. High solids content or high throughput has the consequence that the cleaning need to be done more often.

Guidelines for emptying intervals:

- Marine diesel oil - 1 week
- Lubricating oil - 1 day

Intervals for a specific case must be based on experience.

4.2.1 Removal of separated sludge

Remove the sludge collected on the inside of the bowl as follows:

1. Stop the separator.

   ![WARNING]
   
   **Entrapment hazards**

   Make sure that rotating parts have come to a **complete standstill** before starting any dismantling work.

   The revolution counter and the motor fan indicate if the separator is rotating or not.

2. Raise the collecting cover open. For instructions, see chapter “6 Dismantling/Assembly” on page 83.
3. Lock the bowl from rotating with the two lock screws.

4. Open the separator bowl.

5. Clean the bowl hood.

6. Clean the channels on the top disc upper side.

7. Remove sediment from the bowl body, clean and lubricate lock ring.
4.2.2 Sediment paper

To facilitate the cleaning of separators, a liner of plastic paper can be inserted in the bowl. Cut the paper into shape, moisten its plastic-coated side and press it against the inside of the bowl body. When cleaning remove the paper with the sediment cake.

4.2.3 Disc stack

When the sediment is not sticky, the disc stack can be cleaned by “hurling”.

1. Clean the other bowl parts.
2. Assemble the bowl.
3. Close and lock the collecting cover.
4. Run up to full speed without liquid feed.
5. After “hurling” either continue separation or stop and open the bowl and remove the sediment.

If the sediment adheres firmly, dissolve it by submerging the distributor and the disc stack in a suitable detergent.

If “hurling” has no effect, clean the discs one by one.
4.2.4 Assembling the bowl

Each bowl constitutes a balanced unit. Exchange of any major part necessitates rebalancing of the bowl. To prevent mixing of parts, e.g. in an installation comprising of several machines of the same type, the major bowl parts carry the machine manufacturing number or its last three digits.

**NOTE**

Be sure bowl parts are not interchanged. Out of balance vibration will reduce ball bearing life.

**Purifier bowl**

The arrows indicate positions of guides on the bowl parts.

*Lubrication needed*

*Balanced parts.*

*Exchange necessitates rebalancing of bowl.*
4.2 Cleaning the bowl

Clarifier bowl

The arrows indicate positions of guides on the bowl parts.

Lubrication needed

Balanced parts. Exchange necessitates rebalancing of bowl.

1. Clean spindle top and bowl body nave with a cloth.
2. Bring bowl parts into positions defined by the guides.

3. Screw in both lock screws. Screw large lock ring anti-clockwise until bowl hood lies tightly against bowl body. Slacken the two lock screws.

**NOTE**
The two lock screws must be fully released to prevent risk for damage to bowl body.

4. Lower and clamp the collecting cover and tighten both cap nuts to a maximum torque of 12 Nm.

*Max. torque = 12 Nm.*
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5.1 Periodic maintenance

5.1.1 Introduction
Periodic (preventive) maintenance reduces the risk of unexpected stoppages and breakdowns. Maintenance schedules are shown on the following pages in order to facilitate periodic maintenance.

5.1.2 Maintenance intervals
The following directions for periodic maintenance give a brief description of which components to be cleaned, checked and renewed at different maintenance intervals.

The maintenance logs for each maintenance interval later in this chapter give detailed enumeration of the check points that must be done.

Daily checks consist of minor check points to carry out for detecting abnormal operating conditions.

After a standstill for more than six months the spindle bearings should be prelubricated before restart. See also “5.6.4 Before shutdown” on page 80.

Oil change
The oil change interval is every 1500 hours or at least once every year if the total number of operating hours is less than 1500 hours.

When using a group D oil, time of operation between oil changes can be extended from the normal 1500 hours to 2000 hours.

IS - Intermediate Service
IS - Intermediate Service consists of an overhaul of the separator bowl, inlet and outlet every 3 months or 2000 operating hours. Seals in bowl and gaskets in the inlet/outlet device are renewed.
MS - Major Service

Major Service consists of an overhaul of the complete separator every 12 months or 8000 operating hours. Seals and bearings in the bottom part are renewed.

5.1.3 Maintenance procedure

At each Major Service, take a copy of the Service Log and use it for notations during the service.

A Major Service should be carried out in the following manner:

1. Dismantle the parts as mentioned in the Service Log and described in “6.2 Dismantling” on page 85.
   
   Place the separator parts on clean, soft surfaces such as pallets.

2. Inspect and clean the dismantled separator parts according to the Service Log.

3. Fit all the parts delivered in the Service kit while assembling the separator as described in “6.3 Assembly” on page 95. The assembly instructions have references to check points which should be carried out during the assembly.
5.1.4 Service kits

Service kits are available for Major Service (MS).

For other services the spare parts have to be ordered separately.

The contents of the service kits are described in the Spare Parts Catalogue.

NOTE

Always use Alfa Laval genuine parts as otherwise the warranty will become invalid.

Alfa Laval takes no responsibility for the safe operation of the equipment if non-genuine spare parts are used.
5.2 Maintenance logs

Keep a log of inspection and maintenance performed. Parts repeatedly replaced should be given special consideration. The cause of repeated failures should be determined and corrected. Discuss your problems with an Alfa Laval representative and, when necessary, request a visit by an Alfa Laval Service engineer.

Rate of corrosion and erosion and notification of cracks should also be a part of this log. Note the extent of damage and date the log entries so that the rate of deterioration can be observed.
### 5.2.1 Daily checks

The following steps should be carried out daily.

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1) See manufacturer’s instruction
5.2.2 Oil change

The oil change and check of worm gear should be carried out every 1500 * hours of operation.

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* When using a group D oil, time of operation between oil changes can be extended from the normal 1500 hours to 2000 hours.

When the separator is running for short periods, the lubricating oil must be changed every 12 months even if the total number of operating hours is less than 1500 hours (2000 h).

In a new installation, or after replacement of gear, change the oil after 200 operating hours.

See chapter “8 Technical reference” on page 121 for further information.
## 5.2.3 IS - Intermediate Service

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**NOTE**
Renew all parts included in the Intermediate Service kit (IS).
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**NOTE**

Renew all parts included in the Major Service kit (MS).
5.3 MS - Check points

5.3.1 Corrosion

Evidence of corrosion attacks should be looked for and rectified each time the separator is dismantled. Main bowl parts such as the bowl body, bowl hood and lock ring must be inspected with particular care for corrosion damage.

**WARNING**

Disintegration hazard

Inspect regularly for corrosion damage.
Inspect frequently if the process liquid is corrosive.

Always contact your Alfa Laval representative if you suspect that the largest depth of the corrosion damage exceeds 1.0 mm or if cracks have been found. Do not continue to use the separator until it has been inspected and given clearance for operation by Alfa Laval.

Cracks or damage forming a line should be considered as being particularly hazardous.

**Non-stainless steel and cast iron parts**

Corrosion (rusting) can occur on unprotected surfaces of non-stainless steel and cast iron. Frame parts can corrode when exposed to an aggressive environment.
Stainless steel

Stainless steel parts corrode when in contact with either chlorides or acidic solutions. Acidic solutions causes a general corrosion. The chloride corrosion is characterised by local damage such as pitting, grooves or cracks. The risk of chloride corrosion is higher if the surface is:

- Exposed to a stationary solution.
- In a crevice.
- Covered by deposits.
- Exposed to a solution that has a low pH value.

Corrosion damage caused by chlorides on stainless steel begins as small dark spots that can be difficult to detect.

- Inspect closely for all types of damage by corrosion and record these observations carefully.
- Polish dark-coloured spots and other corrosion marks with a fine grain emery cloth. This may prevent further damage.

**WARNING**

Disintegration hazard

Pits and spots forming a line may indicate cracks beneath the surface.

All forms of cracks are a potential danger and are totally unacceptable.

Replace the part if corrosion can be suspected of affecting its strength or function.

Other metal parts

Separator parts made of materials other than steel, such as brass or other copper alloys, can also be damaged by corrosion when exposed to an aggressive environment. Possible corrosion damage can be in the form of pits and/or cracks.
5.3.2 Erosion

Erosion can occur when particles suspended in the process liquid slide along or strike against a surface. Erosion can become intensified locally by flows of higher velocity.

Always contact your Alfa Laval representative if the largest depth of any erosion damage exceeds 1.0 mm. Valuable information as to the nature of the damage can be recorded using photographs, plaster impressions or hammered-in lead.

Erosion is characterised by:

- Burnished traces in the material.
- Dents and pits having a granular and shiny surface.

Surfaces particularly subjected to erosion are:

1. The underside of the distributor in the vicinity of the distribution holes and wings.
2. The internal surface of the bowl body that faces the conical part of the distributor.

Look carefully for any signs of erosion damage. Erosion damage can deepen rapidly and consequently weaken parts by reducing the thickness of the metal.

**WARNING**

Disintegration hazard

Inspect regularly for erosion damage. Inspect frequently if the process liquid is erosive.

Erosion damage can weaken parts by reducing the thickness of the metal. Replace the part if erosion can be suspected of affecting its strength or function.
5.3.3 Cracks

Cracks can initiate on the machine after a period of operation and propagate with time.

- Cracks often initiate in an area exposed to high cyclic material stresses. These are called fatigue cracks.
- Cracks can also initiate due to corrosion in an aggressive environment.
- Although very unlikely, cracks may also occur due to the low temperature embrittlement of certain materials.

The combination of an aggressive environment and cyclic stresses will speed-up the formation of cracks. Keeping the machine and its parts clean and free from deposits will help to prevent corrosion attacks.

WARNING

![Disintegration hazard]

All forms of cracks are potentially dangerous as they reduce the strength and functional ability of components.

Always replace a part if cracks are present.

It is particularly important to inspect for cracks in rotating parts.

Always contact your Alfa Laval representative if you suspect that the largest depth of the damage exceeds 1,0 mm. Do not continue to use the separator until it has been inspected and cleared for operation by Alfa Laval.
5.3.4 Disc stack pressure

The lock ring (1) should press the bowl hood (2) firmly against the bowl body (3). The hood in turn should exert a pressure on the disc stack (4), clamping it in place.

**NOTE**

Insufficient pressure in disc stack can cause out of balance vibration and reduced lifetime of ball bearings.

Compress the disc stack by tightening the lock ring, see chapter "6.3.3 Bowl" on page 100.

Correct pressure is obtained when it is possible to tighten the lock ring so far by hand that the ∅-mark on the lock ring is positioned 60° - 90° before the mark on the bowl hood.

To achieve this, add an appropriate number of discs to the top of the disc stack beneath the top disc.

Then advance the lock ring by giving the spanner handle some blows till the ∅-marks are passed and the bowl is fully assembled.
5.3.5 Lock ring; wear and damage

Excessive wear or impact marks on threads, guide and contact surfaces of the lock ring, bowl hood and bowl body may cause hazardous galling.

Check the thread condition by tightening the lock ring after removing the disc stack and bowl hood O-ring from the bowl.

**WARNING**

Disintegration hazards

**Wear** on large lock ring thread must not exceed safety limit. The $\phi$-mark on lock ring must not pass opposite $\phi$-mark by more than the specified distance.

In a new bowl the alignment marks on the lock ring and the bowl hood are exactly opposite each other.

If thread wear is observed, mark the bowl hood at the new position of the alignment mark on the lock ring by punching in a new alignment mark.

Contact Your Alfa Laval representative

- If the original mark on the lock ring passes the corresponding mark on the bowl hood by more than 25° (or 25 mm).
- If the alignment marks become illegible. The thread wear need to be inspected and the new position of alignment marks determined.

**Damage**

The position of the threads, contact and guide surfaces are indicated by arrows in the illustration.

Clean the threads, contact and guide surfaces with a suitable degreasing agent.

Check for burrs and protrusions caused by impact. Watch your fingers for sharp edges.

If damage is established, rectify using a whetstone or fine emery cloth (recommended grain size 240).

If the damage is considerable, use a fine single-cut file, followed by a whetstone.
5.3.6 Radial wobble of bowl spindle

- Spindle wobble is indicated by rough bowl run (vibration).

The bowl spindle wobble should be checked if the bowl spindle has been dismantled or if rough bowl running (vibration) occurs.

NOTE

Spindle wobble will cause rough bowl run. This leads to vibration and reduces lifetime of ball bearings.

Check the wobble before mounting the bowl.

Before measuring, make sure that the buffer plugs are properly tightened.

- Fit a dial indicator in a support and fasten it to the frame.
- Remove the motor to get access to the coupling drum. Use the coupling drum to revolve the spindle manually.
- Measure the wobble at the top of the tapered end of the spindle. Maximum permissible radial wobble is 0,15 mm.
- If wobble is too large, renew all the ball bearings on the spindle.

Measure wobble after assembly. If it is still excessive, the spindle is probably damaged and must be replaced, contact your Alfa Laval representative.
5.3.7 Bowl spindle cone and bowl body nave

Impact marks on the spindle cone or in the bowl body nave may cause poor fit and out-of-balance vibrations.

The bowl spindle and the nave should also be checked if the bowl spindle has been dismantled or if the bowl runs roughly.

Corrosion may cause the bowl to stick firmly to the spindle cone and cause difficulties during the next dismantling.

- Remove any impact marks with a scraper and/or whetstone.

Rust can be removed by using a fine-grain emery cloth (e.g. No 320).

Finish with polishing paper (e.g. No 600).

Wipe off the spindle top and nave bore in the bowl body. Lubricate the tapered end of the spindle and wipe it off with a clean cloth before assembling.

**NOTE**

Always use a scraper with great care. The conicity must not be marred.

Put a little oil on the bowl spindle and wipe it off with a clean cloth to prevent corrosion
5.3.8  Coupling disc of motor

The position of the coupling disc on the motor shaft is establishing the location of the friction pads inside the coupling.

If the coupling disc is loosened without first marking its position on the motor shaft, the correct position must be determined again.

1. Measure the distance on the frame.

2. Measure the distance on the motor.

3. The coupling disc is in correct position when frame distance (1) is 16-17 mm larger than motor distance (2). See fig.
5.3.9 Friction pads

Worn or oily pads will cause a long running-up period. Replace all the pads even when only one of them is worn.

If the pads are oily:

- Clean the pads as well as the inside of the coupling drum with a suitable degreasing agent.
- Roughen up the friction surfaces of the pads with a coarse file.

5.3.10 Brake plug

A worn brake plug will cause a long stopping period.

Replace the plug when the friction material is worn. If the thickness A of the friction material is less than 0.5 mm the brake plug need to be replaced.
5.3.11 Top bearing springs

Weakened or broken buffer springs may give rise to machine vibration (rough bowl running).

The condition (stiffness) of a spring can hardly be determined without using special testing equipment. So, an estimation of the spring condition must be based on the knowledge of the machine run before the overhaul. It is recommended, however, to replace all the springs at the annual overhaul.

In case of a sudden spring fracture, all springs should be replaced even when only one spring has broken.

5.3.12 Ball bearing housing

- Defective contact surfaces for the buffers on the ball bearing housing may give rise to machine vibration (rough bowl running).

Examine the contact surface for the buffers (1) on the ball bearing housing (3). In case of defects (indentations deeper than 0.1 mm) replace the housing as well as buffers and springs.
5.3.13 Worm wheel and worm; wear of teeth

Check the teeth of worm wheel and worm for wear.

See “5.3.14 Tooth appearance examples” on page 69.

Examine the contact surfaces and compare the tooth profiles. The gear may operate satisfactorily even when worn to some degree.

**NOTE**

Replace both worm wheel and worm at the same time, even if only one of them is worn.

**NOTE**

Presence of metal chips in the oil bath is an indication that the gear is wearing abnormally.

When using mineral-type oil in the worm gear housing, the presence of black deposits on the spindle parts is an indication that the oil base has deteriorated seriously or that some of the oil additives have precipitated. If pits are found on the worm gear, the cause could be that the additives are not suitable for this purpose.

In all these cases it is imperative to change to a high-temperature oil. See chapter “8.9 Lubricants” on page 137.
5.3.14 Tooth appearance examples

**Satisfactory teeth:**
Uniform wear of contact surfaces. Surfaces are smooth.

Good contact surfaces will form on the teeth when the gear is subjected to only moderate load during its running-in period.

**Worn teeth:**
Permissible wear is as a rule 1/3 of the thickness of the upper part of a tooth, provided that
- the wear is uniform over the whole of the flank of a tooth
- and all teeth are worn in the same way.

**Spalling:**
Small bits of the teeth have broken off, so-called spalling. This is generally due to excessive load or improper lubrication. Damage of this type need not necessitate immediate replacement, but careful checking at short intervals is imperative.

**Pitting:**
Small cavities in the teeth, so-called pitting, can occur through excessive load or improper lubrication. Damage of this type need not necessitate immediate replacement, but careful check at short intervals is imperative.
5.4 Cleaning

5.4.1 External cleaning

The external cleaning of the frame and motor should be restricted to brushing, sponging or wiping while the motor is running or is still hot.

Never wash down a separator with a direct water stream.

Totally enclosed motors can be damaged by direct hosing to the same extent as open motors and even more than those, because:

- Some operators believe that these motors are sealed, and normally they are not.
- A water jet played on these motors will produce an internal vacuum, which will suck the water between the metal-to-metal contact surfaces into the windings, and this water cannot escape.
- Water directed on a hot motor may cause condensation resulting in short-circuiting and internal corrosion.

Be careful even when the motor is equipped with a protecting hood. Never play a water jet on the ventilation grill of the hood.
5.4.2 Cleaning agents

When using chemical cleaning agents, make sure you follow the general rules and supplier's recommendations regarding ventilation, protection of personnel, etc.

For separator bowl, inlet and outlet

A chemical cleaning agent must dissolve the deposits quickly without attacking the material of the separator parts.

- For cleaning of lube oil separators the most important function of the cleaning agent is to be a good solvent for the gypsum in the sludge. It should also act as a dispersant and emulsifier for oil. It is recommended to use Alfa-Laval cleaning liquid for lube oil separators which has the above mentioned qualities. Note that carbon steel parts can be damaged by the cleaning agent if submerged for a long time.

- Fuel oil sludge mainly consists of complex organic substances such as asphaltenes. The most important property of a cleaning liquid for the removal of fuel oil sludge is the ability to dissolve these asphaltenes.

Alfa Laval cleaning liquid for lube oil separators has been developed for this purpose. The liquid is water soluble, non-flammable and does not cause corrosion of brass and steel. It is also gentle to rubber and nylon gaskets in the separator bowl.

Before use, dilute the liquid with water to a concentration of 3-5%. Recommended cleaning temperature is 50-70 °C.

CAUTION

Skin irritation hazard

Read the instructions on the label of the plastic container before using the cleaning liquid.

Always wear safety goggles, gloves and protective clothing as the liquid is alkaline and dangerous to skin and eyes.
For parts of the driving devices
Use white spirit, cleaning-grade kerosene or diesel oil.

Oiling (protect surfaces against corrosion)
Protect cleaned carbon steel parts against corrosion by oiling. Separator parts that are not assembled after cleaning must be wiped and coated with a thin layer of clean oil and protected from dust and dirt.
5.4.3 Cleaning of bowl discs

Bowl discs
Handle the bowl discs carefully so as to avoid damage to the surfaces during cleaning.

NOTE
Mechanical cleaning is likely to scratch the disc surfaces causing deposits to form quicker and adhere more firmly.
A gentle chemical cleaning is therefore preferable to mechanical cleaning.

1. Remove the bowl discs from the distributor and lay them down, one by one, in the cleaning agent.
2. Let the discs remain in the cleaning agent until the deposits have been dissolved. This will normally take between two and four hours.
3. Finally clean the discs with a soft brush.

CAUTION
Cut hazard
The discs have sharp edges.
5.5 When changing oil

Check at each oil change
Check the teeth of both the worm wheel and worm for wear.

5.5.1 Oil change procedure

NOTE
Before adding or renewing lubricating oil in the worm gear housing, the information concerning different oil groups, handling of oils, oil change intervals etc. given in chapter “8 Technical reference” on page 121 must be well known.

CAUTION
Burn hazards
Lubricating oil and various machine surfaces can be sufficiently hot to cause burns.

1. Place a collecting tray under the drain hole, remove the drain plug and drain off the oil.
2. Fill new oil in the worm gear housing. The oil level should be slightly above middle of the sight glass. See chapter "8.2 Technical data" on page 125.
5.6 Common maintenance directions

5.6.1 Vibration

A separator normally vibrates and makes noises, when it passes its critical speeds, during the start and stop periods.

It is recommended to get familiar with the normal behaviour of the machine.

Severe vibrations or noise indicates that something is incorrect. Stop the machine and identify the cause.

Use vibration analysis instrument to periodically check and record the level of vibration.

The level of vibration should not exceed maximum for separator in use (7,1 mm/s).

WARNING

Disintegration hazards

When excessive vibration occurs, keep liquid feed on and stop separator.

The cause of the vibration must be identified and corrected before the separator is restarted. Excessive vibration can be due to incorrect assembly or poor cleaning of the bowl.
5.6.2 Ball and roller bearings

Use the greatest cleanliness when handling rolling bearings. Avoid unnecessary dismounting of bearings. Do not re-fit a used bearing, always replaced it with a new one.

Important: Specially designed bearings are used for the bowl spindle.

The bearings used for the bowl spindle are specifically designed to withstand the speed, vibration, temperature and load characteristics of high-speed separators.

Do not use other bearings than those stated in the Spare Parts Catalogue.

A bearing that in appearance looks equivalent to the correct bearing may be considerably different from the latter in various respects: inside clearances, design and tolerances of the cage and ball (roller) races as well as material and heat treatment. Any deviation from the correct bearing may cause a serious breakdown.

**NOTE**

Using an incorrect bearing can cause a serious breakdown with damage to equipment as a result.

Do not re-fit a used bearing. Always replace it with a new.

**Dismounting**

Detach the bearing from its seat by pressing against the race having the tightest fit. Use a puller or a special tool to apply the pressure to the inner race when the bearing sits tightly on the shaft, and to the outer race when the bearing is tightly fitted in the housing respectively.

Arrange dismounted bearings and other parts in assembling order to avoid confusion.

Check the shaft end and the bearing seat in the housing for damage indicating that the bearing has rotated on the shaft, and in the housing respectively. Replace the damaged part, if the faults cannot be remedied by polishing or in some other way.
5.6 Common maintenance directions

NOTE
Do not strike with a hammer directly on the bearing.

Fitting
Leave new bearings in original wrapping until ready to fit. The anti-rust agent protecting a new bearing need not to be removed.

Fit a bearing on a shaft by pressure applied to the inner race and in a housing by pressure applied to the outer race. Use a suitable piece of pipe or a metal drift and a hammer. Never strike the bearing directly.

Bearings sitting with tight fit on a shaft should be heated in oil before assembly. The oil temperature should not exceed 125 °C. Never leave the bearing in the oil bath longer than required for thorough heating.

Angular contact ball bearings
Always fit single-row angular contact ball bearings with the stamped side of the inner race facing the axial load.

Use assembly tools
Use assembly tool
Angular contact bearing must be assembled correctly
5.6.3 Friction coupling

If the separator does not attain full speed within about two minutes, the friction elements or the coupling may be worn or greasy. The friction elements must then be replaced with new ones or carefully cleaned from grease.

Before the friction coupling is assembled, examine all parts thoroughly for wear and corrosion.

CAUTION

Inhalation hazard

When handling friction blocks/pads use a dust mask to make sure not to inhale any dust.

Do not use compressed air for removal of any dust. Remove dust by vacuum or wet cloth.

See Safety instructions for environmental issues regarding correct disposal of used friction blocks/pads.

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5.6.4 Before shutdown

Before the separator is shut-down for a period of time, the following must be carried out:

- Remove the bowl, according to chapter “6 Dismantling/Assembly” on page 83.

**NOTE**

The bowl must not be left on the spindle during standstill for more than one week.

Vibration in foundations can be transmitted to the bowl and produce one-sided loading of the bearings. This can cause bearing failure.

- Protect cleaned carbon steel parts against corrosion by oiling. Separator parts that are not assembled after cleaning must be wiped and protected against dust and dirt.

5.6.5 Before start-up

- If the separator has been shut-down for more than 3 months but less than 12 months, an Intermediate Service (IS) has to be made. In addition to IS-service: Lubricate the top bearing with 10 mil. of lubricating oil.

- If the electric motor is equipped with grease nipples; pre-lubricate according to the instructions in the manufacturers information. See “8.9 Lubricants” on page 137 for type of grease.

  If the motor has no grease nipples, it is permanently lubricated. No action is needed.

- If the shut-down period has been longer than 12 months, a Major Service (MS) should be carried out.
5.7 Lifting instructions

For lifting parts and assemblies of parts use lifting slings, working load limit (WLL): 300 kg.

Lifting the separator

1. Remove the cap nut on the hinged bolt.
2. Remove the separator bowl.
3. Assemble the lifting eye on hinged bolts (the screws must be tightened with spanner).
4. Attach endless slings or cables to the lifting eyes.
5. Lift and handle with care.

NOTE
Remove the separator bowl before lifting to prevent bearings to be damaged.

WARNING
Crush hazards

A dropped separator can cause accidents resulting in serious injury to persons and damage to equipment.
# 6 Dismantling/Assembly

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6.1 General

The parts must be handled carefully. Don't place parts directly on the floor, but on a clean rubber mat, fibreboard or a suitable pallet.

6.1.1 References to check points

In the text you will find references to the check point instructions in Chapter 5. The references appear in the text as in the following example:

✔ Check point

“5.3.4 Disc stack pressure” on page 61.

In this example, look up check point “5.3.4 Disc stack pressure” on page 61 for further instructions.

6.1.2 Tools

Special tools from the tool kit shall be used for dismantling and assembly. The special tools are specified in the Spare Parts Catalogue.

NOTE

For lifting parts and assemblies of parts use lifting slings, working load limit (WLL): 300 kg
6.2 Dismantling

To avoid accidental start, switch off and lock power supply.

**WARNING**

Entrapment hazards

Make sure that rotating parts have come to a complete standstill before starting any dismantling work.

The revolution counter and the motor fan indicates if separator parts are rotating or not.

6.2.1 Bowl

1. Be sure the bowl has stopped rotating.

2. Loosen the cap nuts and open the collecting cover.
3. Tighten both lock screws.
   The bowl parts can remain hot for a considerable time after the separator has come to a standstill.

4. Unscrew the small lock ring by using the special tool, “Spanner for small lock ring”.
   **Left hand thread!**

5. Unscrew the large lock ring by using the special tool; “Spanner for lock ring” and a tin hammer.
   **Left hand thread!**

**NOTE**
If the gravity disc has to be replaced owing to changed operating conditions, see “8.3 Gravity disc nomogram” on page 126.

Lift out the top disc, disc stack and distributor.

**CAUTION**
Cut hazard
The discs have sharp edges.

7. Unscrew the cap nut (1).
Release the lock screws (2).
Lift out the bowl body using the hand tool (3).

8. Disconnect the piping connections.
6.2 Dismantling

9. Remove the outlet parts.

10. Soak and clean all parts thoroughly in suitable cleaning agent, see “5.4 Cleaning” on page 70. Remove O-rings and replace them with spares from the major service kit.

✔ Check point

“5.3.1 Corrosion” on page 57,
“5.3.2 Erosion” on page 59,
“5.3.3 Cracks” on page 60.
6.2.2 Vertical driving device

Remove the outlet housings, feed and discharge pumps and raise the collecting cover. Remove also the separator bowl.

Before dismantling, in the case of 8000 hours service, or if the separator vibrates while running:

✔ Check point
“5.3.6 Radial wobble of bowl spindle” on page 63.

1. Remove the pump assembly. Inspect the bushings and the wear of seals.

2. Loosen the screw for the revolution counter and pull out the revolution counter.
3. Force out the conical pin, using a tin hammer as a holder-on for the worm wheel shaft.

4. Use the puller-tool to first pull off the bearing and then the worm wheel.

5. Loosen the top bearing holder.
6. Fit the cap nut to the spindle top and lift the spindle.

7. Use the puller-tool to remove the bottom bearing from the spindle.

8. Loosen and inspect the buffer springs.

9. Pull off the upper ball breaking (together with sleeve).

**NOTE**

Always discard a used bearing.
10. Every 3 years: clean the oil sump.

11. Clean all dismantled parts thoroughly in a degreasing agent and check for damage and corrosion.

✔ Check point
“5.3.1 Corrosion” on page 57.
Replace all parts supplied in the spare parts kit.
6.2.3 Horizontal driving device

1. Remove the motor.

**CAUTION**

Inhalation hazard

When handling friction blocks/pads use a dust mask to make sure not to inhale any dust.

Do not use compressed air for removal of any dust. Remove dust by vacuum or wet cloth.

See Safety instructions for environmental issues regarding correct disposal of used friction blocks/pads.

2. Renew the pads on the friction blocks.

When refitting the blocks make sure the arrow on each block points in the same direction of rotation. See the arrow on the frame.

Secure the blocks with washer and split pin.

If the friction elements are worn: fit new ones.

Replace all friction elements even if only one is worn.

If the friction elements are only greasy: clean the friction elements and the inside of the coupling drum with a degreasing agent.

3. Loosen the three screws holding the sealing washer. Use a hexagon key.
4. Remove the worm wheel shaft.

5. Use the puller tool to pull off the sealing washer. Protect end of worm wheel shaft with a washer.

6. To replace coupling drum or worm wheel shaft force out the spring pin and gently knock out the shaft.

7. Knock out the horizontal spindle.
6.3 Assembly

Clean all parts in a degreasing agent and replace parts supplied in the Spare parts kits.

✔ Check point
“5.3.1 Corrosion” on page 57,
“5.3.2 Erosion” on page 59,
“5.3.3 Cracks” on page 60,
“5.3.11 Top bearing springs” on page 67,
“5.3.12 Ball bearing housing” on page 67,
“5.3.13 Worm wheel and worm; wear of teeth” on page 68.

6.3.1 Vertical driving device

Before assembling the bowl spindle, make sure the relevant checks have been carried out.

Wipe off and oil the bearing seat before fitting the ball bearing.

Inspect the tapered end of the bowl spindle and assemble ball bearings.

Heat the new ball bearings in oil to maximum 125 °C.

NOTE
Always fit new bearings.

1. Fit the bearing onto the shaft.

CAUTION
Burn hazards

Use protective gloves when handling the heated bearings.
2. Lower the spindle into position.
   Apply some Loctite 242 onto the threads of the screw.
   Check for impact marks on the spindle cone and in the bowl body nave.

✔ Check point
“5.3.7 Bowl spindle cone and bowl body nave” on page 64.

6.3.2 Horizontal driving device

1. Clean the worm wheel shaft and the inner surface of the worm wheel nave thoroughly.
   Make sure seal ring in sealing washer is turned in the right direction.

2. Force bearing onto shaft, but stop when sealing washer is approx. 10 mm from bottom position.

Stop forcing bearing when A=10 mm
3. Push the worm wheel into its position on the shaft on top of the bearing. Knock with a brass sleeve on end of wheel. Observe holes for spring pin.

Count the number of teeth! See Chapter “8 Technical reference” on page 121.

**WARNING**

Disintegration hazard

When replacing the gear, always make sure that the new worm wheel and worm have the same number of teeth as the old ones.

4. Check with the conical pin to get the larger side of holes in same direction, when holes coincide, mark the parts to facilitate the fitting. Remove worm wheel from shaft.

5. Clean the ball bearing housing in the frame and oil the outer race of the ball bearing. Force the worm wheel shaft into its position in the frame, so that the ball bearing enters correctly into its seat.
6. Tighten screws of sealing washer.

7. Fit the worm wheel and knock conical pin into holes.

8. Knock the bearing into position with the mounting tool and a hammer.

9. Fit the revolution counter. Lock it with the lock screw.
10. Fit pump and shear pin coupling.
   See “6.4.1 Exchange of shear pin coupling” on page 105.

11. If the coupling disc has been loosened without first marking its position on the motor shaft, the correct position for position of coupling disc must be determined again.

   ✔ Check point
   “5.3.8 Coupling disc of motor” on page 65.

12. Fit the motor.

   **WARNING**

   Disintegration hazards

   When power cables have been connected, always check direction of rotation. If incorrect, vital rotating parts could unscrew causing disintegration of the machine.
6.3.3 Bowl

Make sure that the check points are carried out before and during assembly of the separator bowl.

✔ Check points
“5.3.7 Bowl spindle cone and bowl body nave” on page 64.

1. Wipe off spindle top and nave bore in the bowl body. Apply a few drops of oil onto the taper, smear it over the surface and wipe it off with a clean cloth.

Fit the bowl body on the spindle. Be careful not to damage the spindle cone.

Screw cap nut onto the spindle. Tighten firmly.

2. Before assembling the bowl discs, check the threads of the bowl hood and bowl body.

✔ Check point
“5.3.5 Lock ring; wear and damage” on page 62.

3. Fit bowl hood into position. Make sure guides are correctly located.
4. Degrease lock ring threads, contact and locating faces (see arrows above). Apply Molykote 1000 paste to the threads and faces stated.
   Brush in the paste according to the manufacturer's direction.

5. Secure the bowl from rotating. Screw in both lock screws.

6. Tighten lock ring counter-clockwise (left-hand thread) until bowl hood lies tightly against bowl body (in a new bowl marks will now be in line with each other - see above).

**Left-hand thread!**

**WARNING**

*Disintegration hazard*

The assembly mark on the bowl hood must never pass the mark on the bowl body by more than 25° (or 25 mm).

✔ **Check point**

“5.3.4 Disc stack pressure” on page 61.
7. Release both lock screws (A) and tighten both cap nuts (B) to a maximum torque of 12 Nm.

**NOTE**

The two lock screws must be fully released to prevent risk for damage to bowl body.

8. Fit the connecting hoses if they have been removed. Make sure to fit their gasket rings.
6.4 Feed and discharge pumps

1. Relief/safety valve:
   Examine valve cone and valve seat.

2. Bushings:
   Exchange the bushings if they are scratched or there is a play between shaft and bushing.

3. Wearing seals:
   Replace the seals if the surface is rough crackled or dented by the impeller.

4. Lipseal rings:
   Replace the rings at the annual overhaul. **Important!** Turn the rings the right way round.

5. Shear pin coupling:
   See “6.4.1 Exchange of shear pin coupling” on page 105.

6. Impeller shaft:
   Check the groove in the impeller shaft.

7. Disengagement:
   The feed pump can be disengaged by turning the impeller (6), thereby placing the driving blade of the impeller in the recess of the shield.
8. Axial play:

The total axial play (1) must be 0,1 - 0,3 mm. If the play is too large even though the wearing seals have been renewed, it can be compensated by adding a brass leaf liner.

Insert the liner at (2). If the play is too small, grind off the bearing holder (3).

Axial play 0,1 - 0,3 mm
6.4.1 Exchange of shear pin coupling

1. Remove the pipe connections of the pump.
   Screw off the lock ring of the sight glass.
   Remove the upper gasket and the sight glass.
   Remove the screws of the control housing.
   Lift the control housing with the lower gasket and the connecting piece.

2. Remove the sleeve halves over the shear pin coupling.
   Remove the pump housing with parts.
3. Drive out the tubular pin (a) from the worm wheel shaft. Use a counterstop. Remove the sleeve (b) from the bearing shield.

4. If the tubular pin in the impeller shaft is broken: drive out the tubular pin. Use a counterstop.

5. Check that the lipseal ring (c) is faultless. Should this not be the case, fit a new ring, turned the right way. Fit the new shear pin coupling (d) in the worm wheel shaft together with the sleeve (b). Drive the tubular pin (a) into its position. Use a counterstop.

6. Check that the impeller shaft can be revolved by hand. Should this not be the case: dismantle the pump and check the parts. See “6.4.1 Exchange of shear pin coupling” on page 105. Drive in a new tubular pin if the old one is broken. Use a counterstop.
7. Fit the pump housing with parts. Be careful not to damage the lipseal ring.

Fit the sleeve halves over the shear pin coupling.

8. Put down the control housing with connecting piece and the lower gasket.

Tighten the screws.

Fit the sight glass and the upper gasket.

Screw on the lock ring.

Fasten the pipe connections of the pump.
6.5 Oil filling

NOTE
Before adding or renewing lubricating oil in the worm gear housing, the information concerning different oil groups, handling of oils, oil change intervals etc. given in chapter “8 Technical reference” on page 121 must be well known.

1. Place a collecting tray under the drain hole, remove the drain plug to drain off the oil.

CAUTION
Burn hazards

Lubricating oil and various machine surfaces can be sufficiently hot to cause burns.

2. Fill new oil in the worm gear housing. The oil level should be slightly above middle of the sight glass. For lubricating oil volume see chapter “8 Technical reference” on page 121.
6.6 Brake

6.6.1 Checking of brake plug

A worn or oily brake plug will lengthen the stopping time. Remove the bracket with the brake. Examine the friction element.

- Replace the plug when the friction material is worn. If the thickness $A$ of the friction material is less than $0.5\,\text{mm}$ the brake plug need to be replaced.

- If the friction element is oily: clean the brake plug and the outside surface of the bowl body with a suitable degreasing agent.

Checking the brake

After the brake assembly has been fitted, release the brake and rotate the bowl slowly by hand. If a scraping noise is heard, the friction element is probably touching the bowl surface.

For normal stopping time see “8.2 Technical data” on page 125.
6.7 Frame feet

When replacing the frame feet, the separator must be lifted.

See “5.7 Lifting instructions” on page 81.

NOTE
Always remove the bowl before lifting the separator.

When lifting and moving the separator, follow normal safety precautions for lifting large heavy objects.

6.7.1 Mounting of new frame feet

1. Remove the existing frame feet.
2. Mount the new feet. Tightening torque 16 Nm. Secure the bolt with the lock-nut.
3. Place the separator in its original position and assemble the separator.
4. Remove the two eye bolts used for lifting.
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Study the System Manual’s Trouble-tracing chapter first. (if applicable)

If the problem is not solved in the System Manual’s Trouble-tracing, continue with this chapter.
7.1 Trouble tracing procedure

This chapter applies to trouble-tracing concerning functions of the separator only. It does not include the other equipment in your processing system.

Always start with trouble-tracing instructions in the System Manual, and if required, continue with the instructions below. If the problem still is not solved, contact your Alfa Laval representative.

7.2 MAB mechanical function

7.2.1 The separator does not start

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## 7.2.3 Starting power too low

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Motor failure.</td>
<td>Repair the motor.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friction pads worn.</td>
<td>Fit new friction pads.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friction pads oily.</td>
<td>Fit new friction pads.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

## 7.2.4 Starting power too high

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Bowl lock screws stops rotation.</td>
<td>Release lock screws.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Brake is on.</td>
<td>Release brake.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Motor failure.</td>
<td>Repair the motor.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gear worn out.</td>
<td>Replace worm wheel and worm.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bearing damaged or worn.</td>
<td>Install new bearings.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| Incorrect transmission (50 Hz gear and 60 Hz power supply). | ⚠️ **DANGER: Disintegration hazard**  
STOP immediately! Install correct transmission.  
Contact your local Alfa Laval representative. The bowl must be inspected.  
STOP. Adjust motor power connection. |
| Wrong direction of rotation.           |                                                                        |
### 7.2.5 Separator vibrates excessively during starting sequence

**NOTE** Some vibration is normal during starting sequence when the separator passes through its critical speeds.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Bowl out of balance due to:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- poor cleaning</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- incorrect assembly</td>
<td>![WARNING: Disintegration hazard]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- too few discs</td>
<td>STOP immediately! Identify and rectify cause.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- insufficiently tightened bowl hood</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- bowl assembled with parts from other separators.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vibration dampers in frame feet worn out.</td>
<td>Fit new vibration dampers.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bowl spindle bent (max. 0.15 mm).</td>
<td>Fit a new bowl spindle.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Top and/or bottom bearing damaged or worn.</td>
<td>Fit new bearings.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Top bearing springs defective.</td>
<td>Fit new springs.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 7.2.6 Separator vibrates excessively during normal running

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Uneven sludge deposits in sludge space.</td>
<td>STOP and clean bowl.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bearings damaged or worn.</td>
<td>Fit new bearings.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vibration-damping rubber washers worn out.</td>
<td>Fit new frame feet washers every four years.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Spindle top bearing spring(s) broken.</td>
<td>Replace all springs.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### 7.2.7 Smell

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Normal occurrence during start as the (new) friction blocks slip.</td>
<td>None.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Brake is applied.</td>
<td>Release the brake.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Top and/or bottom bearing overheated.</td>
<td>Fit new bearings.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 7.2.8 Noise

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Oil level in oil sump is too low.</td>
<td>STOP and read oil level and add oil.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Top and/or bottom bearing damaged or worn.</td>
<td>Fit new bearings.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friction pads worn.</td>
<td>Fit new friction pads.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 7.2.9 Speed too high

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Incorrect transmission (50 Hz gear running on 60 Hz power supply).</td>
<td><strong>⚠️ DANGER: Disintegration hazard</strong> STOP immediately! Install correct transmission. Contact your local Alfa Laval representative. The bowl must be inspected.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Frequency of power supply too high.</td>
<td>Check.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### 7.2 MAB mechanical function

#### 7.2.10 Speed too low

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Brake is on.</td>
<td>Release the brake.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friction pads worn or oily.</td>
<td>Fit new friction pads or clean the old ones if they are oily.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Motor failure.</td>
<td>Repair the motor.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Top/bottom bearings damaged or worn.</td>
<td>Fit new bearings.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bearing overheated/damaged.</td>
<td>Fit new bearings.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Incorrect transmission (60 Hz gear running on 50 Hz current).</td>
<td>Make sure that the gear is intended for 50 Hz power supply.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### 7.2.11 Stopping time too long

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Brake lining worn or oily.</td>
<td>Fit new friction pads or clean the old ones if they are oily.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### 7.2.12 Water in oil sump

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Leakage at top bearing.</td>
<td>Fit a new seal ring and change oil.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Condensation.</td>
<td>Clean the oil sump. Change oil.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### 7.2.13 Liquid flows through bowl casing drain

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Broken water seal.</td>
<td>Stop feed and feed water to create water seal.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Too high throughput</td>
<td>Reduce the feed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The supply of displacement/sealing water is not sufficient due to clogged</td>
<td>Straighten the hose or clean the strainer. Make sure the water pressure is 200-600 kPa</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>strainer, kinked hose or low water pressure.</td>
<td>(2-6 bar).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Seal ring on gravity/clarifier disc defective.</td>
<td>Fit a new seal ring.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bowl hood seal ring defective.</td>
<td>Fit a new seal ring.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bowl speed too low.</td>
<td>Make sure current is on and brake is off. Inspect motor and power transmission.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
7.3 Purification faults

7.3.1 Unsatisfactory separation result

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Gravity disc hole too small.</td>
<td>Use a gravity disc with a larger hole.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Incorrect separating temperature.</td>
<td>Adjust temperature.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Throughput too high.</td>
<td>Reduce throughput.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sludge space in bowl is filled.</td>
<td>Empty the sludge basket in the bowl.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Disc stack clogged.</td>
<td>Clean the bowl discs.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bowl speed too low.</td>
<td>See “7.2.10 Speed too low” on page 116.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

7.3.2 Outgoing water contaminated by oil

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Gravity disc hole too large.</td>
<td>Use a gravity disc with a smaller hole.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Seal ring under the gravity disc defective.</td>
<td>Fit a new seal ring.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### 7.3.3 Broken water seal

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Gravity disc too large.</td>
<td>Use a gravity disc with a smaller hole.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Separation temperature too low.</td>
<td>Increase temperature.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Throughput too high.</td>
<td>Reduce throughput.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sealing water volume too small.</td>
<td>Supply more water.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Seal ring under gravity disc defective.</td>
<td>Fit a new seal ring.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Disc stack clogged.</td>
<td>Clean the bowl discs.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bowl speed too low.</td>
<td>Use correct speed. See “7.2.10 Speed too low” on page 116.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bowl incorrectly assembled.</td>
<td>Examine and make correct.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
7.4 Clarification faults

7.4.1 Unsatisfactory separation result

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Separating temperature too low.</td>
<td>Adjust.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Throughput too high.</td>
<td>Reduce throughput.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Feed oil contains water.</td>
<td>Re-assemble and operate the separator as a purifier.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Disc stack clogged.</td>
<td>Clean the bowl discs.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sludge space in bowl filled.</td>
<td>Empty the sludge basket.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bowl speed too low.</td>
<td>See “7.2.10 Speed too low” on page 116.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

7.4.2 Oil discharge through water outlet

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Possible cause</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Valve(s) in outlet line closed.</td>
<td>Open the valve(s) and adjust to normal back pressure.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Disc stack clogged.</td>
<td>Clean the bowl discs.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Seal ring under gravity disc is defective.</td>
<td>Fit a new seal ring.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bowl incorrectly assembled.</td>
<td>Examine and make correct.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
8 Technical reference

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8.1 Product description

Alfa Laval ref. 9024635-06 rev. 2

Product number: 881145-09-02
Separator type: MAB 103B-24
Application: Mineral oil
Technical Design: Purifier/clarifier with solid-wall separator bowl and collecting cover in aluminium.

Sealings available in NITRILE.

Intended for marine- and land applications.

Directives: See “8.1.1 Declaration”

Restrictions:

Feed temperature: 0 - 100 °C

Ambient temperature: 5 - 55 °C

Not to be used for liquids with flashpoint below 60 °C

Risk for corrosion and erosion has to be investigated in each case by the application centre.
8.1.1 Declaration

Alfa Laval ref. 591985, rev. 10

This declaration is issued under the sole responsibility of the manufacturer.

Manufacturer: ........................................................................................................................................................................

Manufacturer address: ...........................................................................................................................................................

Type: ..........................................................................................................................................................................................

Product specification: ..............................................................................................................................................................

Configuration number: ..........................................................................................................................................................

Serial number: ..........................................................................................................................................................................

Declaration of Incorporation of Partly Completed Machinery

The machinery complies with the relevant, essential health and safety requirements of:

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<tr>
<th>Designation</th>
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<tr>
<td>2006/42/EC</td>
<td>Machinery Directive</td>
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To meet the requirements the following standards have been applied:

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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>EN 60204-1</td>
<td>Electrical equipment of machines, part 1: General requirements</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EN ISO 12100</td>
<td>Safety of machinery - General principles for design - Risk assessment and risk reduction</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ISO 3744</td>
<td>Acoustics - Determination of sound power levels of noise sources using sound pressure</td>
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EU Declaration of Conformity

The machinery complies with the following Directives:

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<tr>
<td>2014/30/EU</td>
<td>Electromagnetic Compatibility</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The technical construction file for the machinery is compiled and retained by the authorized person Fredrik Nytomt within the Business Unit High Speed Separators, Alfa Laval Tumba AB, SE-14780 Tumba, Sweden. By reasoned request all relevant technical documentation will be sent by post to national authorities.

This machinery is to be incorporated into other equipment and must not be put into service until it has been completed with starting/stopping equipment, control equipment, auxiliary equipment, e.g. valves, according to the instructions in the technical documentation, and after the completed machinery has been declared in conformity with the directives mentioned above, in order to fulfil the EU-requirements.
Signed for and on behalf of: ......................................................................................................

Place: ..............................................................................................................................

Date of issue: ...................................................................................................................

Signature: .........................................................................................................................

Name: .............................................................................................................................

Function: .........................................................................................................................
8.2 Technical data

Units according to ISO Standard.

The manufacturer reserves the right to change specifications without notice.

Bowl speed max: 8571/8600 rev/min. 50Hz/60Hz
Speed motor shaft max: 1500/1800 rev/min. 50Hz/60Hz
Revolution counter speed: 69-75/85-90 rev/min. 50Hz/60Hz
Gear ratio: 40:7/43:9 50Hz/60Hz
Hydraulic capacity: 1,40 m³/h
Max. density of sediment/feed: 1800/1100 kg/m³
Feed temperature: 0/100 min./max. °C
Weight of separator: 75,2 kg (without motor)
Motor power: 0,75 kW
Jp reduced to motor shaft: 1,60 kg/m² 50Hz
Jp reduced to motor shaft: 1,10 kg/m² 60Hz
Max. power consumption: 0,6 kW (at starting up)
Power consumption: 0,4/0,6 kW (idling/at max. capacity)
Lubricating oil volume: 0,7 litres
Starting time: 3,0 minutes (min./max.)
Stopping time with brake: 2,0/2,5 minutes (min./max.)
Stopping time without brake: 6,0 minutes (average)
Max. running time;
empty bowl/filled bowl without flow: 480 minutes
Sound power/sound pressure level: 7,6 /64 Bel(A) /dB(A)
Vibration level, separator in use: 9,0 mm/sec (r.m.s)
Bowl max. inner diameter: 159 mm
Bowl volume: 1,2 litres
Bowl weight: 13 kg
Bowl body material AL 111 2377-02

There are other material than stainless steel in contact with process fluid.
8.3 Gravity disc nomogram

Alfa Laval ref. 555414 rev. 0

ρ = Density of oil in kg/m³ at 15 °C
Q = Throughput in m³/h
T = Separating temperature in °C or °F

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Selection of gravity disc

The best separating results are obtained by using a gravity disc with as large a hole as possible, one which will not cause a broken water seal in the bowl or an emulsification in the water outlet.

The presence of salt water may demand the use of gravity disc with bigger hole than indicated in the nomogram (the nomogram is based on the density properties of fresh water).

Example I in nomogram

- Density of oil: 980 kg/m³ at 15 °C
- Separating temp.: 98 °C
- Troughput: 0.4 m³/h
- Hole diameter: Ø 47.5 mm

Example II in nomogram

- Density of oil: 886 kg/m³ at 15 °C
- Separating temp.: 90 °C
- Troughput: 1.2 m³/h
- Hole diameter: Ø 63 mm
8.4 Basic size drawing

Alfa Laval ref. 9024637, rev. 1

A. Screw 3/8-16UNC
B. Tightening torque 16 Nm locked with lock nut

Data for connections see "8.6 Connection list" on page 132.
8.4.1 Dimensions of connections

Data for connections, see chapter “8.6 Connection list” on page 132.
All connections to be installed non-loaded and flexible.
8.5 Basic size drawing, for heater

A. Screw 3/8-16UNC
B. Tightening torque 16 Nm
locked with lock nut.

Data for connections see "8.7 Connection list, for heater" on page 133.
8.5.1 Dimensions of connections

Data for connections, see chapter “8.6 Connection list” on page 132. All connections to be installed non-loaded and flexible.
## 8.6 Connection list

Alfa Laval ref. 9024639, rev. 0

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Connection No.</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Requirements/limit</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>201</td>
<td>Inlet for process liquid, (to pump) - Permitted temperatures</td>
<td>max. 100 °C, min. 0 °C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>206</td>
<td>Inlet for water seal</td>
<td>Fresh water, approx 1 litre (depending on gravity disc)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>220</td>
<td>Outlet for light phase (oil from pump)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>221</td>
<td>Outlet for heavy phase (water)</td>
<td>no counter pressure</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>460</td>
<td>Drain of frame</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>701</td>
<td>Motor for separator - Max. deviation from nominal frequency</td>
<td>±5%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
## 8.7 Connection list, for heater

*Alfa Laval ref. 9024638 rev. 0*

Machine with Pre-Heater.

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<tr>
<th>Connection No.</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Requirements/limit</th>
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<tr>
<td>201.1</td>
<td>Inlet for process liquid, (to pump)</td>
<td>min. 0 °C - max. 100 °C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Allowed temperatures</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>201.2</td>
<td>Outlet for process liquid, (from pump to heater)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>201.3</td>
<td>Inlet for process liquid, (from heater to separator)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>206</td>
<td>Inlet for liquid seal</td>
<td>Fresh water, approx. 1 litre (depending on gravity disc)</td>
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<td>±5%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Max. deviation from nominal frequency</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
8.8 Interface description

Alfa Laval ref. 9024640, rev. 0

In addition to the Connection List this document describes limitations and conditions for safe control, monitoring and reliable operation.

At the end of the document a function graph and running limitations are to be found.

8.8.1 Definitions

Ready for start means:

• The machine is assembled correctly.
• All connections are installed according to Connection List, Interconnection Diagram and Interface Description.

Start means:

• The power to the separator is on.
• The acceleration is supervised to ensure that a certain speed has been reached within a certain time. See “8.2 Technical data” on page 125.

Normal stop means:

• Stopping of the machine at any time with feed or safety/backup liquid and with brake applied.
Safety stop means:
The machine must be stopped in the quickest and safest way due to vibrations or process reasons.

Comply to following conditions:

- The bowl must be kept filled.
- The machine must not be restarted before the reason for the Safety stop has been investigated and action has been taken.

In case of emergency condition in the plant, the machine must be stopped in a way that is described in EN 418.

8.8.2 Component description and signal processing

Separator motor 701

The separator is equipped with a 3-phase DOL-started (direct on line) motor. The separator can also be started by a Y/D starter, but then the time in Y-position must be maximized to 5 seconds.
8.8.3 Function graph and running limitations

A Stand still
B Starting mode
C Running mode
D Stop mode
E Safety stop mode
# 8.9 Lubricants

## 8.9.1 Lubrication chart, general

_Alfalaval ref. 553216-01, rev. 9_

**CAUTION**

Check the oil level before start.
Top up when necessary.
Do not overfill.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Lubricating points</th>
<th>Lubrication</th>
<th>Interval</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>The oil bath</strong></td>
<td>Lubricate with oil.</td>
<td>For information on oil change interval see Recommended lubricating oils.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bowl spindle bearings are</td>
<td>For information on type of lubricant see <strong>Recommended lubricating oils</strong>.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lubricated by oil splash from the oil</td>
<td>For information on lubricating oil volume: see Technical data</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>bath.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Bowl spindle taper</strong></td>
<td>Lubricate with oil.</td>
<td>At assembly.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Bowl</strong></td>
<td>Lubricate with paste.</td>
<td>At assembly.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sliding contact surfaces, thread of</td>
<td>For information on pastes see <strong>Recommended lubricants</strong>.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lock nut and cap nut.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Rubber seal rings</strong></td>
<td>Lubricate with grease.</td>
<td>At assembly.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Friction coupling ball bearings</strong></td>
<td>The bearings are sealed and packed with grease and need no extra</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td><em>Not valid for rigid coupling:</em></td>
<td>lubrication.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Electric motor</strong></td>
<td>Follow manufacturer's instructions.</td>
<td>Follow manufacturer's instructions.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Threads</strong></td>
<td>Lubricating oil, if not otherwise stated.</td>
<td>At assembly.</td>
</tr>
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**NOTE!**

If not otherwise specified, follow the supplier's instructions about applying, handling and storing of lubricants.
8.9.2 Recommended lubricating oils

Selection of lubricating oil

Select lubricating oil type with regards to ambient temperature.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Ambient temperature °C</th>
<th>Oil type</th>
<th>Oil change interval (operating hours)</th>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td>Between +5 - +45 and frame temperature below 80°C</td>
<td>553218 01 – Mineral lubricating oil CKC 220 (Alfa Laval oil group A) or 553218 02 – Mineral lubricating oil CKE 220 (Alfa Laval oil group B)</td>
<td>1500 h</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>+2 - +65</td>
<td>553218 03 – Synthetic lubricating oil PAO CKE 220 (Alfa Laval oil group D)</td>
<td>2000 h</td>
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Oil change interval

Oil change interval is dependent on operating conditions.

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<th>Operating conditions</th>
<th>Oil change interval</th>
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<tr>
<td>In a new installation. After change of gear transmission.</td>
<td>200 hours</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Continuous operation.</td>
<td>See Selection of lubricating oil</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>When the separator is operated for short periods.</td>
<td>12 months</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Seasonal operation</td>
<td>Before every operating period</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Other information

Check and prelubricate spindle bearings on separators which have been out of service for 6 months or longer.
8.9.3 Recommended oil brands

Mineral lubricating oil CKC 220 (Alfa Laval oil group A)

Trade names and designations might vary from country to country. Please contact your local supplier for more information.

Recommended oil brands

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<td>LubeWay XA 220</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>Cirkan ZS 220</td>
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Requirements

- Viscosity grade (ISO 3448/3104) VG 220 / Viscosity index (ISO 2909) VI > 90.
  The oil must have the correct viscosity grade. No other viscosity grade than specified should be used.

- The oil must be endorsed for worm gear with bronze worm wheel.

- The oil must follow the requirements in one of the standards below.

<table>
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<th>Standard</th>
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<td>ISO 12925-1</td>
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<td>DIN 51517 part 3 (German standard)</td>
<td>DIN 51517 – CLP 220</td>
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NOTE

The use of other lubricants than the recommended is done on the exclusive responsibility of the user or oil supplier.
### 8.9.4 Recommended oil brands

*Alfa Laval ref. 553218-02 rev. 7*

**Mineral lubricating oil CKE 220 (Alfa Laval oil group B)**

Trade names and designations might vary from country to country. Please contact your local supplier for more information.

#### Recommended oil brands

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<td>Castrol Alpha SP 220</td>
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<td>Statoil/Fuchs</td>
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<td>Lubmarine Epona Z 220</td>
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</table>
8.9 Lubricants

Requirements

- Viscosity grade (ISO 3448/3104) VG 220 / Viscosity index (ISO 2909) VI > 90. The oil must have the correct viscosity grade. No other viscosity grade than specified should be used.
- The oil must be endorsed for worm gear with bronze worm wheel.

The oil must follow the requirements in one of the standards below.

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**NOTE**

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8.9.5 Recommended oil brands

Synthetic lubricating oil PAO CKE 220 (Alfa Laval oil group D)

Trade names and designations might vary from country to country, Please contact your local supplier for more information.

Recommended oil brands (general demands)

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<td>Total</td>
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<td>Lubmarine Epona SA 220</td>
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Recommended oil brands (special hygienic demands)

Conform to U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) requirements of lubricants with incidental food contact, Title CFR 21 178.3570, 178.3620 and/or those generally regarded as safe (US 21 CFR 182).

The hygienic oil on the list is in the online “NSF White Book™ Listing” at the time of the revision of this document. For more information about the NSF registration and up to date H1 registration, see www.nsf.org (http://www.nsf.org/business/nonfood_compounds/)

<table>
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## Requirements

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**NOTE**

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8.9.6 Lubricants

Lubricant recommendation for hygienic and non-hygienic applications

Lubricants with an Alfa Laval part number are approved and recommended for use.

The data in the tables below is based on supplier information.

Trade names and designations might vary from country to country. Please contact your local supplier for more information.

Paste for assembly of metallic parts, non-hygienic applications:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Part No</th>
<th>Quantity</th>
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<th>Manufacturer</th>
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<td>1000 g</td>
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Bonded coating for assembly of metallic parts, non-hygienic applications:

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<td>-</td>
<td>Gleitmo 900</td>
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Silicone grease/oil for rubber rings, hygienic and non-hygienic applications

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Always follow the lubrication recommendations of the bearing manufacturer.

**Grease for ball and roller bearings in electric motors**

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8.10 Drawings

8.10.1 Cross-section of separator
8.10.2 Exploded view

Exploded view of separator frame
8.10.3 Water adding device
(option)
8.10.4 Pump

*Inlet and outlet pump, exploded view*

*Inlet and outlet pump, cross-section*

Alfa Laval ref. 529209
8.10.5 Foundation drawing

Alfa Laval ref. 556885 rev. 3

A Center of separator bowl
B 4 holes Ø 11.5 for anchorage
C Service side

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Recommended free floor space for unloading when doing service

Min. access area for overhead hoist
(no fixed installation within this area)

Vertical force not exceeding 6 kN/foot

Horizontal force not exceeding 6 kN/foot
8.10.6 Lifting instruction

Alfa Laval ref. 556213 rev. 1

Weight to lift 93 kg

**NOTE**

Never lift the separator with the separator bowl inside.

Lifting the separator
1. Remove cap nut on hinged bolt
2. Remove separator bowl
3. Assemble lifting eye nuts on hinged bolt.

**NOTE**

Never lift the separator in any other way.
8.10.7 Electric motor

For information regarding motor specifications, see motor plate.

For further information see motor manufacturer’s documentation.

**NOTE**

For complete information about motor variants, please contact your Alfa Laval representative.
8.10.8 Machine plates and safety labels

Alfa Laval ref. 549438 rev. 3

1. Machine plate

Separator
Manufacturing serial No / Year
Product No
Frame
Bowl
Max. speed (bowl)
Direction of rotation (bowl)
Speed motor shaft
El. current frequency
Recommended motor power
Max. density of feed
Max. density of sediment
Process temperature min./max.
3. Safety label

Text on label:

**WARNING:**

Read the instruction manuals **before** installation, operation and maintenance. Consider inspection intervals.

Failure to strictly follow instructions can lead to fatal injury.

If excessive vibration occur, **stop** separator and **keep bowl filled** with liquid during rundown.

Out of balance vibration will become worse if bowl is not full during rundown.

Separator must **stop rotating** before any dismantling work is started.

4. Name plate

6. Power supply frequency

7. Arrow

Indicating direction of rotation of horizontal driving device.

9. Stop, follow lifting instruction

This transport label is not permanently fixed to the separator.
8.11 Storage and installation

8.11.1 Storage and transport of goods

Storage
Before storing a separator that has been in operation, make sure to drain any parts containing water, such as Operating water module (if any), Operating water system and Cooling jackets.

Specification
Upon arrival to the store, check all components and keep them:

1. Well stored and protected from mechanical damage.
2. Dry and protected from rain and humidity.
3. Organized in the store in such a way that the goods will be easily accessible when installation is about to take place.
8.11 Storage and installation

A separator can be delivered with different types of protection:

- **Fixed on a pallet.**
  
  The separator must be stored in a storage room well protected from mechanical damage and theft and also dry and protected from rain and humidity.

- **In a wooden box which is not water tight.**
  
  The separator must be stored dry and protected from rain and humidity.

- **In a special water-resistant box for outdoor storage.**
  
  The separator and its parts have been treated with an anti-corrosion agent. Once the box has been opened, store dry and protected from rain and humidity.

  The packaging for outdoor storage is only to special order.
Transport

Specification

- During transport of the separator, the frame hood and bowl must always be removed from the machine.

- When lifting a separator it must always be hung securely. See chapter “5.7 Lifting instructions” on page 81.

WARNING

Crush hazards

Use correct lifting tools and follow lifting instructions.

- During erection, all inlets and outlets to separators and accessories must be covered to be protected from dirt and dust.
8.11.2 Planning and installation

Introduction

The requirements for one or more separators can be established by consulting the following documents.

- Basic size drawing
- Connection list
- Interface description
- Interconnection drawing
- Foundation drawing
- Lifting drawing

These are included in this chapter “8 Technical reference” on page 121.

Important measurements

Important measurements are the minimum lifting height for lifting tackle, shortest distance between driving motor and wall, free passage for dismantling and assembly, maintenance and operation.

Plan your installation with sufficient room for the controls and operation so that instruments are easily visible. Valves and controls must be within convenient reach. Pay attention to space requirements for maintenance work, work benches, dismantled machine parts or for a service trolley.

Space for separator

The separator shall be placed in such a way that suitable space for maintenance and repair is obtained.

Specification

- See “8.10.5 Foundation drawing” on page 154 for the service space required with the separator installed.
**Recommendation**

- The spanner for the large lock ring should have sufficient space to make a complete turn without hitting any of the ancillary equipment surrounding the separator.

**Lifting height for transport of bowl**

**Specification**

- A minimum height is required to lift the bowl, bowl parts and the bowl spindle, see "8.10.6 Lifting instruction" on page 155.

**Recommendation**

- When two or more separators are installed, the lifting height may have to be increased to enable parts from one separator to be lifted and moved over an adjoining assembled separator.

![NOTE]

Remove the separator bowl before lifting.

![WARNING]

**Crush hazard**

Use correct lifting tools and follow lifting instructions. Do not work under a hanging load.

**Space for oil changing**

**Specification**

- The plug for gearbox oil draining must not be blocked by floor plate arrangement, etc.

**Recommendation**

- It should be possible to place a portable collecting tray under the gearbox drain plug for changing oil.
8.11.3 Foundations

**Specification**

- The separator should be installed at floor level, see “8.10.5 Foundation drawing” on page 154.
- The separator must be installed on a strong and rigid foundation to reduce the influence of vibrations from adjacent machinery.
- The foundation should be provided with a cofferdam.

Fit the separator frame on the foundation as follows:

1. Place the separator frame without cushions in position.
2. Check that the bolts do not press against the edges of the holes, otherwise the elasticity of the mounting of the separator frame will be impeded.
3. Check that the separator frame is horizontal and that all feet rest on the foundation.
4. Fit height adjusting washers required.
5. Lift the separator frame, fit the vibration dampers, lower and check that the bolts do not press against the edges of the holes.
6. Tighten nut with 16 Nm. Hold firmly and secure with the lock nut. Repeat for the other frame feet.