

Fill level switch

Product series WSx

For oil and hydraulic fluid reservoirs

For use in SKF centralized lubrication systems



Fill level switches monitor the fill level in non-pressurized fluid reservoirs. Different designs are available to suit different requirements.

- Fill level switch with one switching point (WS32) for monitoring of the minimum fill level in a reservoir.



- Fill level switch with two switching points (WS35) for monitoring of the minimum fill level and for early warning of minimum fill level. With this design, a signal is given before a critical oil level is reached so that the oil can be topped up before the machine comes to a standstill. At the time when the signal is given, there is still enough oil in the reservoir for production to continue without stopping the machine or interrupting work.



- Fill level switch with two switching points (WS33) to monitor the minimum and maximum fill levels in the reservoir. The WS33 stops automatic filling of the reservoir when the maximum fill level is reached.

Other fill level switches are available on request, e.g. with three switching points, or for other media such as grease (with capacitive proximity switch).

Fill level switch

Note for the use of fill level switches



Be mindful of oil viscosity

SKF float switches may only be used in mineral and synthetic oils up to a maximum effective viscosity of 1 500 mm²/s. Use in media with an effective viscosity > 1 500 mm²/s can cause an increase in the shear forces between the float and contact tube, leading to failure of the float tube. This can result in insufficient lubrication and thereby to machine damage.



Protect contacts from erosion

The switching capacities specified for the individual switches refer to the resistive load. If inductive loads are connected, we recommend the use of a suitable means of spark suppression (e.g. RC element, varistor, free-wheeling or suppressor diode) to limit voltage spikes upon switch-off. This will extend the service life and improve the reliability of the contacts.

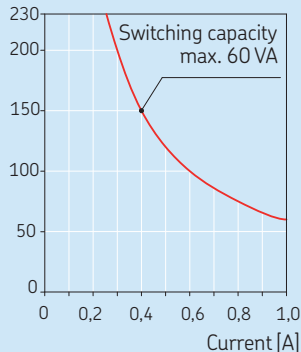


Be mindful of contact rating

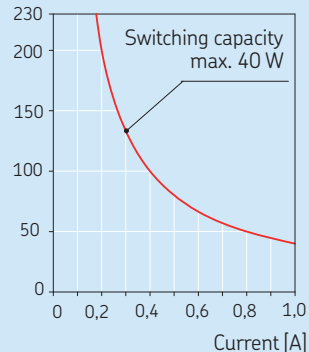
The graphs show the voltage and current function in relation to the max. switching capacity and are valid for the fill level switches with reed contacts WS32-2, WS33-2 und WS35-2.

The maximum permissible AC or DC voltage is 230 V, and the maximum permissible AC or DC current is 1 A.

AC voltage [V]



DC voltage [V]



Fill level switch

Product overview



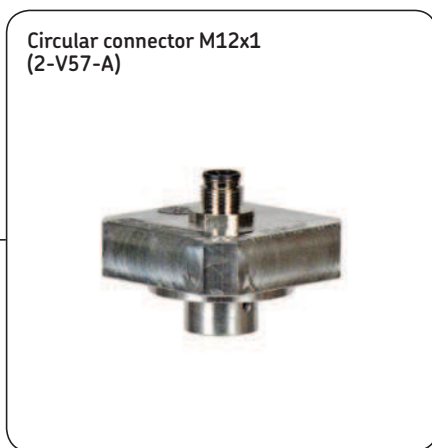
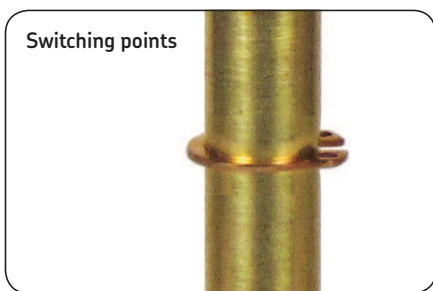
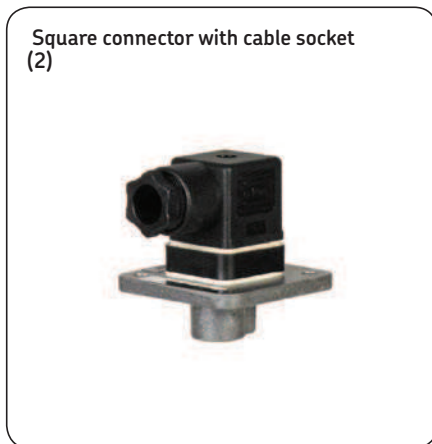
Productselection table

Series	Switching points	Function / contact type	Plug connector	Voltage, current, switching capacity	Fitting position	Page
WS32-S10	1	min. fill level/1 changeover	Circular connector with LED DIN EN 175201-804	24 V DC/1 A; 24 W ¹⁾	Vertical	4-5, 6
WS33-S10	2	max. fill level/1 changeover min. fill level/1 changeover	Circular connector with LED DIN EN 175201-804	24 V DC/1 A; 40 W ¹⁾	Vertical	4-5, 6
WS35-S10	2	early warning/1 changeover min. fill level/1 changeover	Circular connector with LED DIN EN 175201-804	24 V DC/1 A; 40 W ¹⁾	Vertical	4-5, 6
WS32-S30	1	min. fill level/1 changeover	Circular connector M12x1 with LED	24 V DC/1 A; 30 W	Vertical	4-5, 7
WS33-S30	2	max. fill level/1 NC contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Circular connector M12x1 with LED	24 V DC/1 A; 30 W	Vertical	4-5, 7
WS35-S30	2	early warning/1 NO contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Circular connector M12x1 with LED	24 V DC/1 A; 30 W	Vertical	4-5, 7
WS32-2	1	min. fill level/1 changeover	Square connector DIN EN 175301-803-A	See graph on page 2	Vertical	4-5, 8
WS33-2	2	max. fill level/1 NO contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Square connector DIN EN 175301-803-A	See graph on page 2	Vertical	4-5, 8
WS35-2	2	early warning/1 NO contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Square connector DIN EN 175301-803-A	See graph on page 2	Vertical	4-5, 8
WS32-2-V57-A	1	min. fill level/1 changeover	Circular connector M12x1	24 V AC/1 A; 24 VA ¹⁾ 48 V DC/1 A 40 W ¹⁾	Vertical	4-5, 9
WS33-2-V57-A	2	max. fill level/1 NO contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Circular connector M12x1	24 V AC/1 A; 24 VA ¹⁾ 48 V DC/1 A 40 W ¹⁾	Vertical	4-5, 9
WS35-2-V57-A	2	early warning/1 NO contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Circular connector M12x1	24 V AC/1 A; 24 VA ¹⁾ 48 V DC/1 A 40 W ¹⁾	Vertical	4-5, 9
WS63-2	1	min. fill level/1 NO or NC contact (depending on mounting pos.)	Plug connector DIN EN 175301-803-A	240 V AC/0,5 A; 100 VA 200 V DC/0,5 A; 50 W	Horizontal	10-11
WS68	1	min. fill level/1 NC contact	Plug connector DIN EN 175301-803-A	48 V AC/DC 0,25 A; 10 VA/10 W	Horizontal	10-11

¹⁾ Safety measures to be applied for correct operation: "Protective extra-low voltage"
(PELV) Standards: EN 60204-1 / IEC 60204-1; HD 60364-4-41 / DIN VDE 0100-410 / IEC 60364-4-41

Fill level switch for vertical installation

Designs

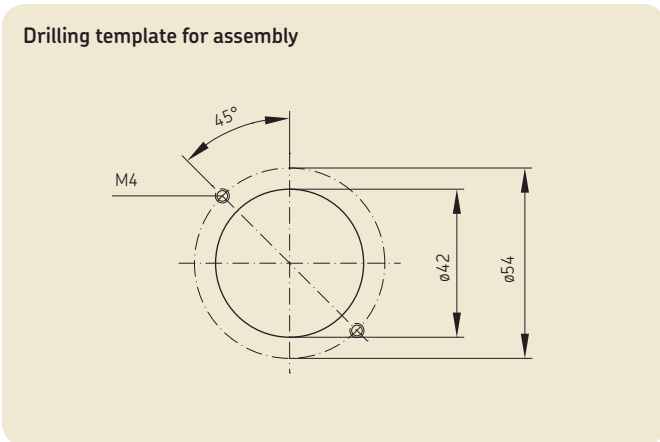


Note! This illustration shows possible different designs of the WS32, WS33 and WS35. The product customizer on the following page allows functional assembly of a complete fill level switch including plug connector, immersion depth, and switching points.

Technical data WS32/WS33/WS35

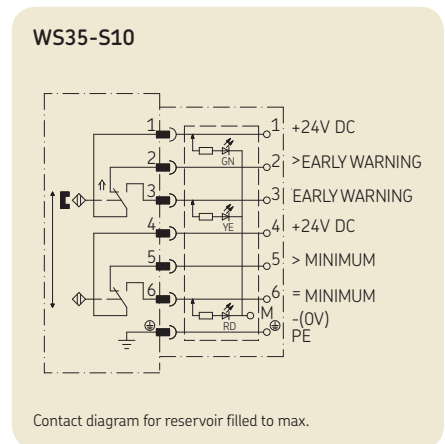
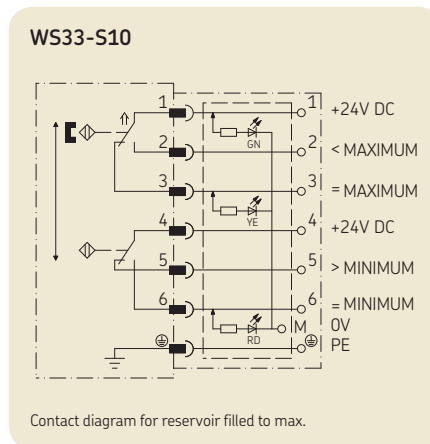
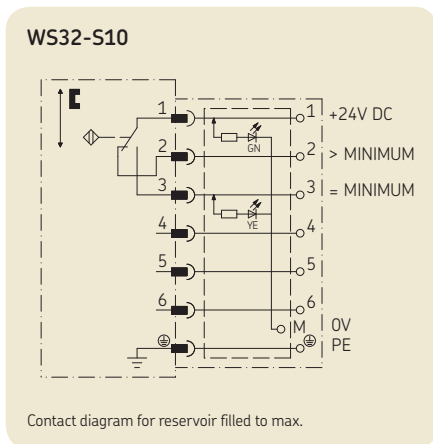
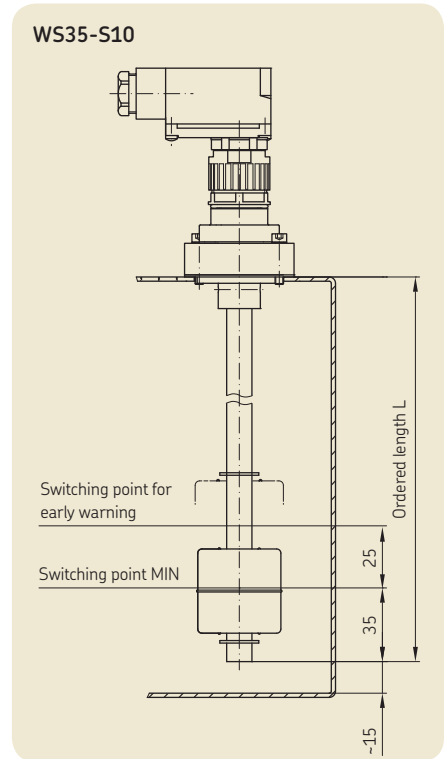
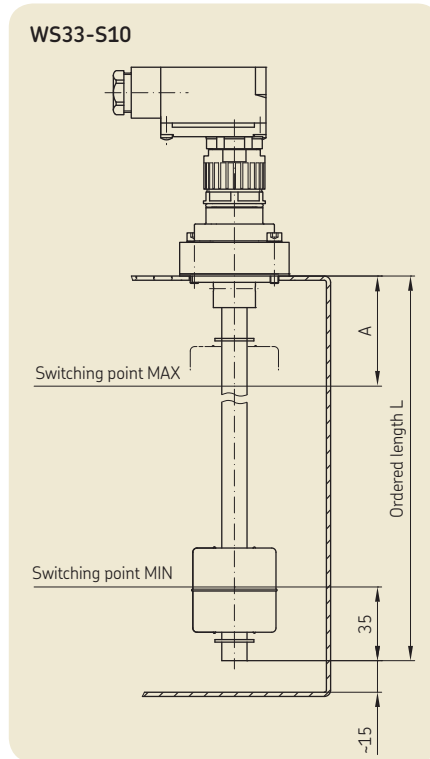
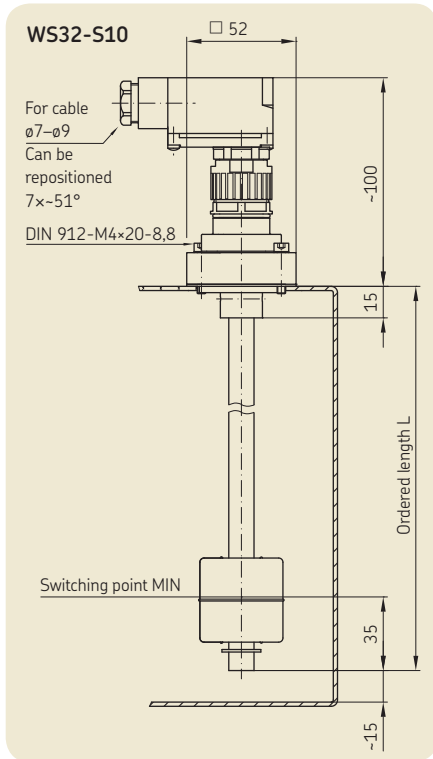
Technical data

Switching element	Reed contact
Protection class according to DIN EN 60529	IP 65
Operating/ media temperature	-10 to + 80 °C
Media	Mineral and synthetic oils with an effective viscosity of max. 1 500 mm ² /s
Fitting position	Vertical
Materials:	
Flange	Aluminum
Contact tube	CuZn
Seals	NBR
Float	PP



Fill level switch for vertical installation (with LED)

Dimensions, circuit diagrams and functional descriptions



Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum fill level. When operating voltage is applied, the green LED lights up. At minimum fill level, contact 1-2 opens and contact 1-3 closes. The yellow LED lights up.

Functional description

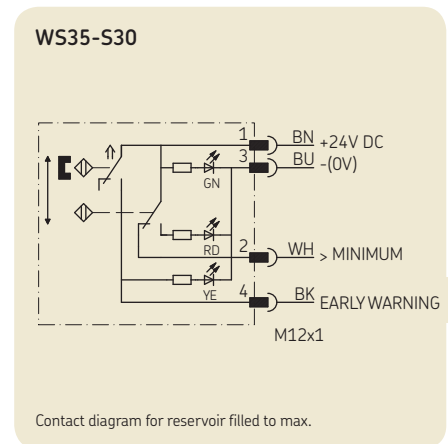
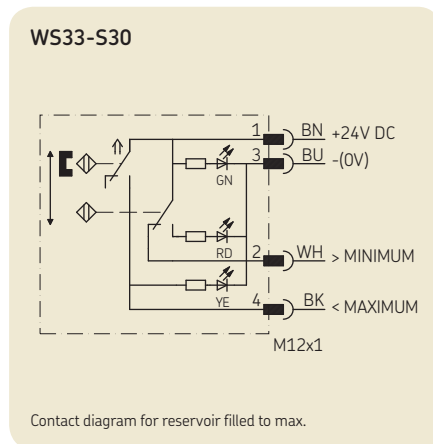
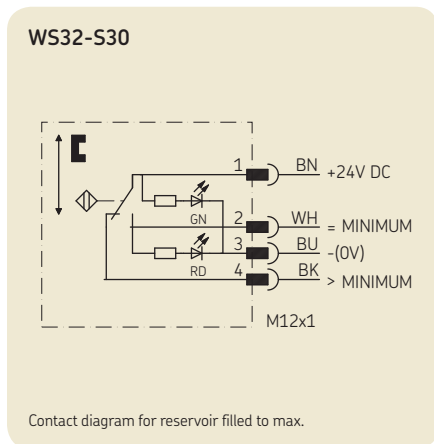
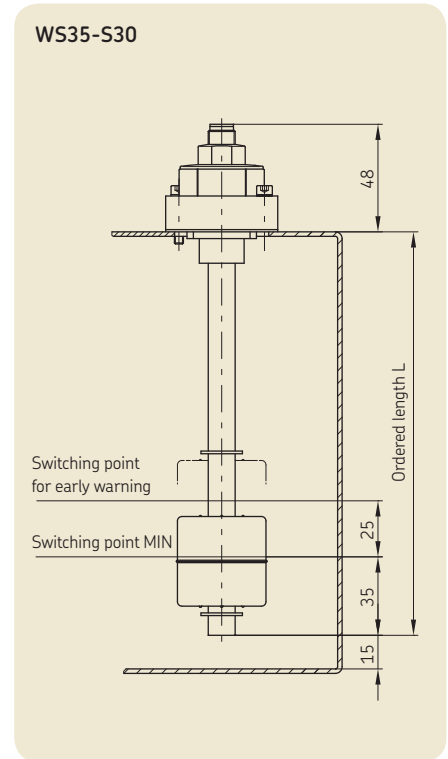
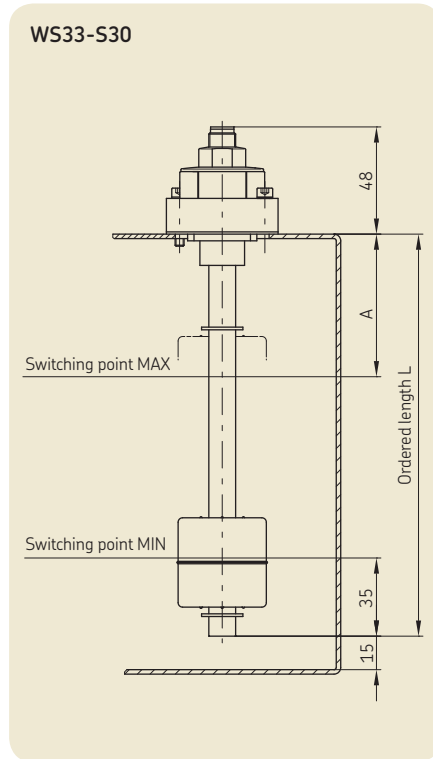
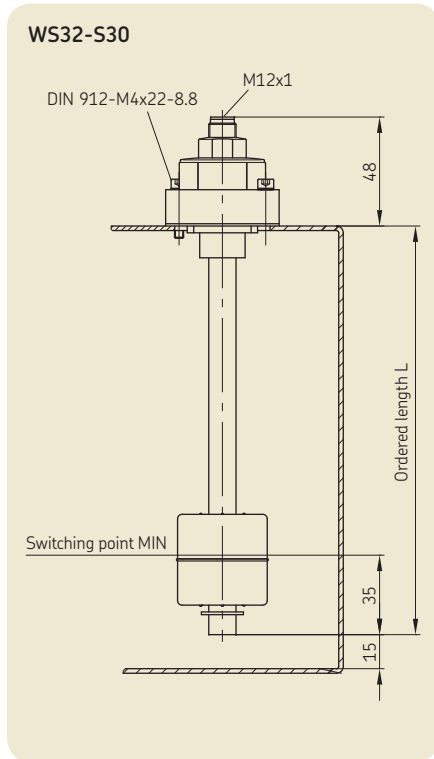
Float switch to monitor the minimum and maximum fill level. When operating voltage is applied, the green LED lights up. When the reservoir is full (max. fill level), contact 1-3 is closed and contact 1-2 is open. The yellow LED lights up. At minimum fill level, contact 4-5 opens and contact 4-6 closes. The red LED lights up.

Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum fill level with early warning. When operating voltage is applied, the green LED lights up. Contact 1-2 opens and contact 1-3 closes 25 mm before the minimum fill level. The yellow LED lights up. When the minimum fill level is reached, contact 4-5 opens and contact 4-6 closes. The red LED lights up.

Fill level switch for vertical installation (with LED)

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Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum fill level. When operating voltage is applied, the green LED lights up. At minimum fill level, contact 1–4 opens and contact 1–2 closes. The red LED lights up.

Functional description

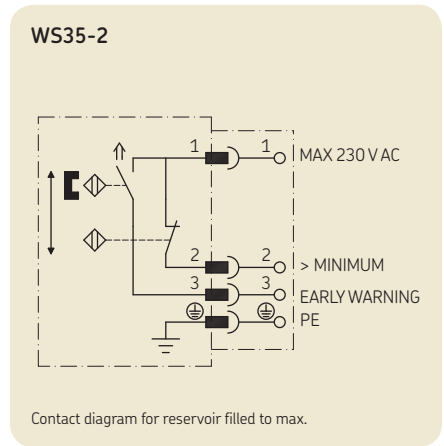
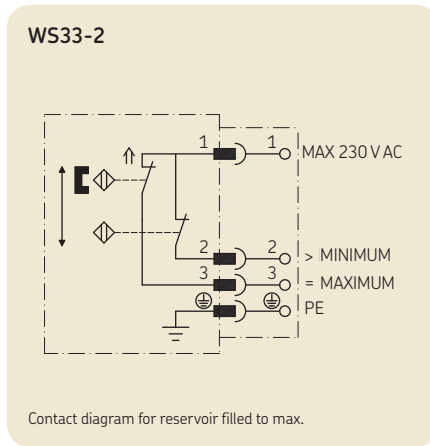
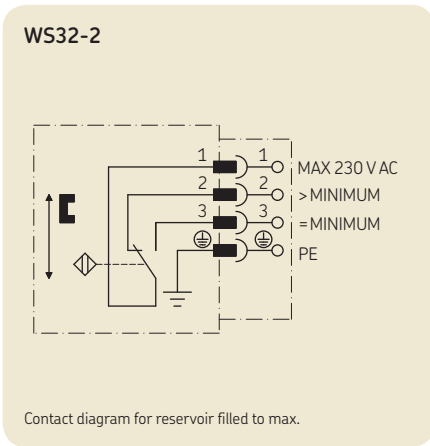
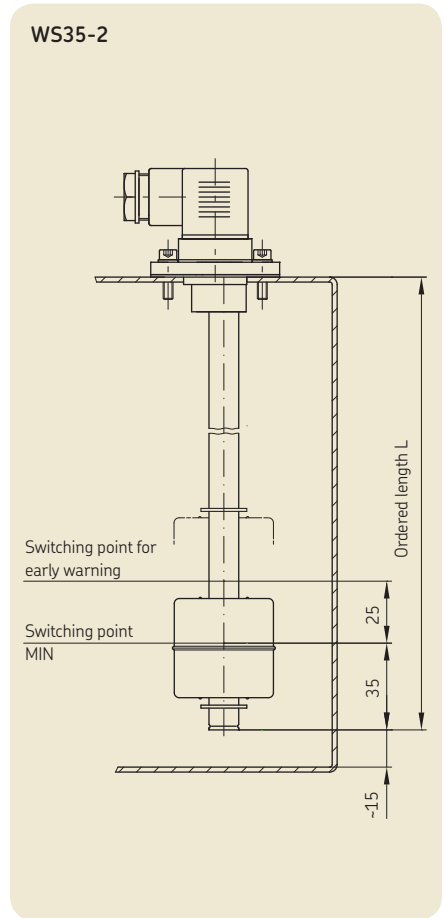
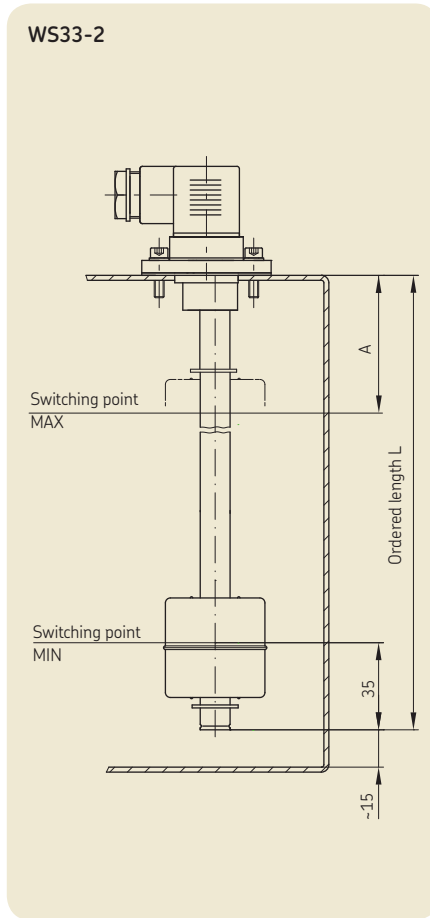
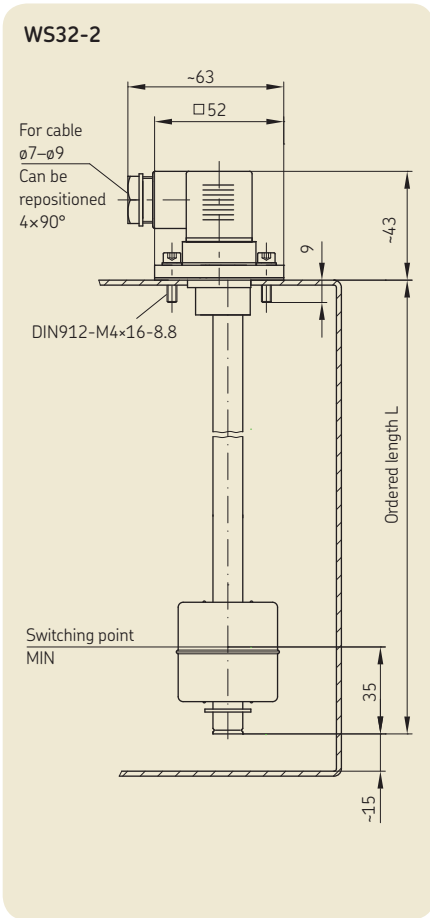
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Fill level switch for vertical installation

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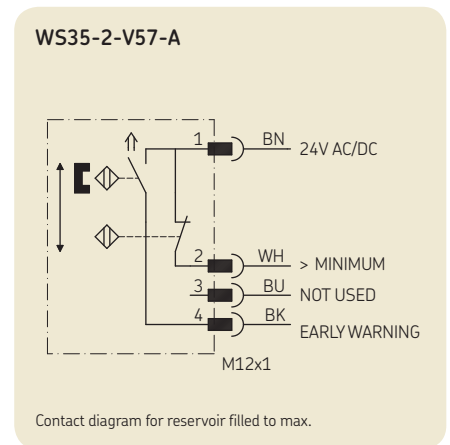
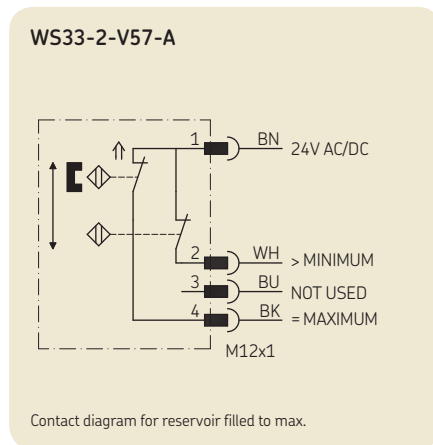
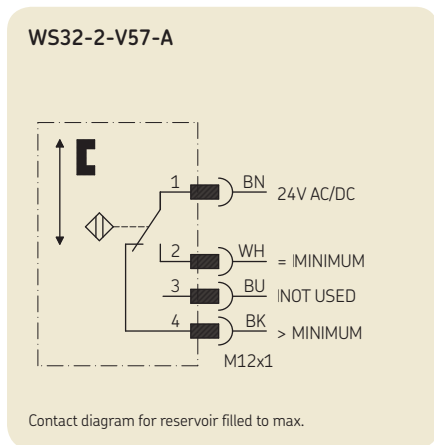
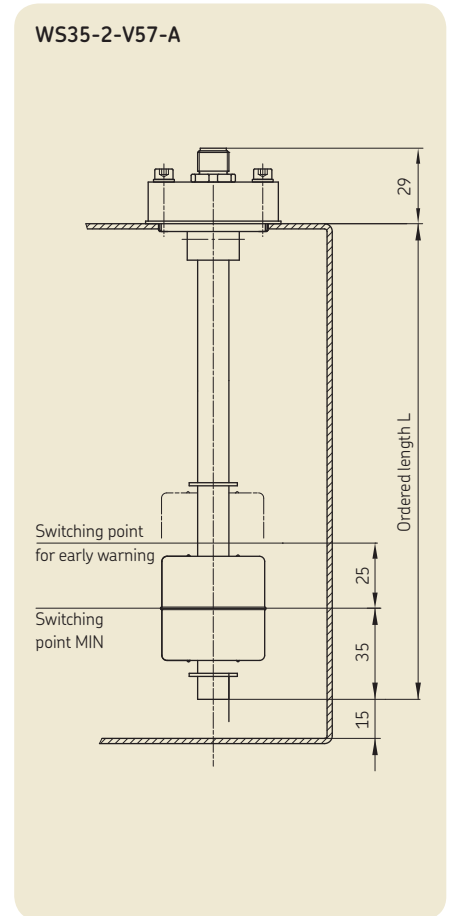
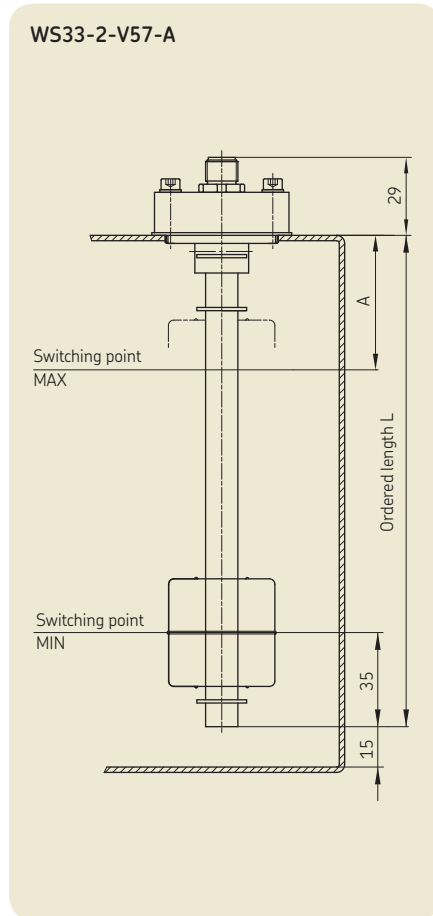
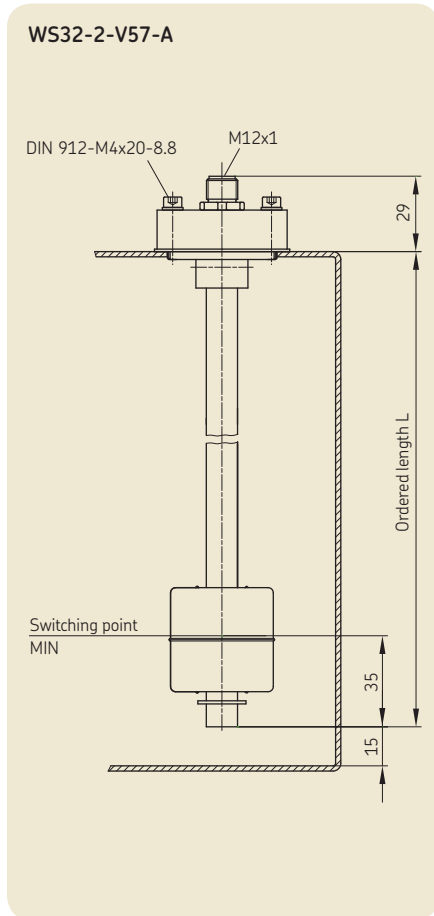
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Fill level switch for horizontal installation

Different designs and technical data

WS63-2



Functional description

When the oil level falls, the float drops and opens the contact 1–2. If turned through 180° and installed in that position, the contact function changes. The contact 1–2 then closes when the oil level falls.

WS68



Functional description

When the fluid level falls, the float drops and opens the contact 1–2.

Technical data WS63-2

Order number	WS63-2 ¹⁾
Switching voltage, max.	240 V AC / 200 V DC
Switching capacity, max (resistive load)	100 VA / 50 W
Switching current, max.	0.5 A
Fitting position	Horizontal
Temperature range	-10 to + 80 °C
Media	Mineral and synthetic oils with effective viscosity of max. 1 500 mm ² /s

Materials:

Float	PP
Flange	Aluminum
Gasket	NBR

¹⁾ Flat gasket included

Technical data WS68

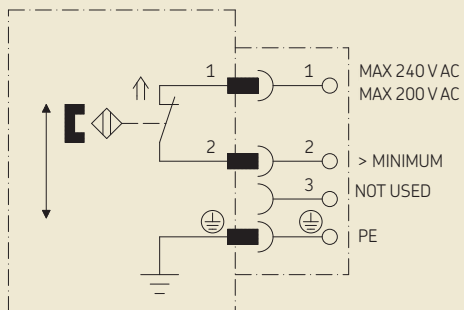
Order number	WS68 ¹⁾
Switching voltage, max.	48 V AC/DC
Switching capacity, max.	10 VA/10 W
Switching current, max.	0.25 A
Fitting position	Horizontal
Temperature range	-10 to + 80 °C
Media	Mineral and synthetic oils with effective viscosity of max. 1 500 mm ² /s

Materials:

Float	NBR
Flange	Aluminum
Casing	PA
Gasket	NBR

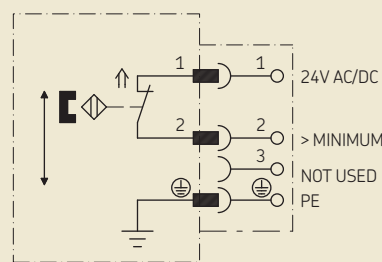
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Contact diagram for reservoir filled to max.

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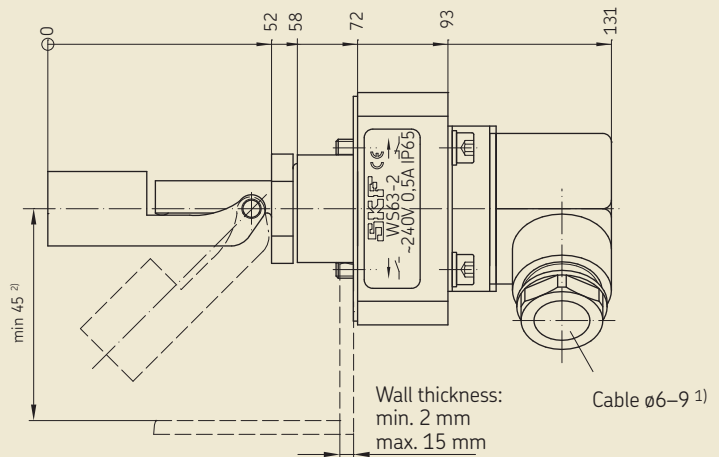
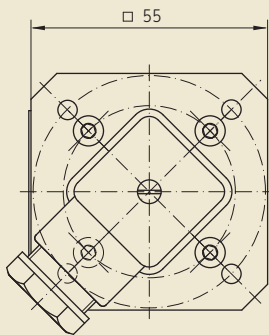


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Fill level switch for horizontal installation

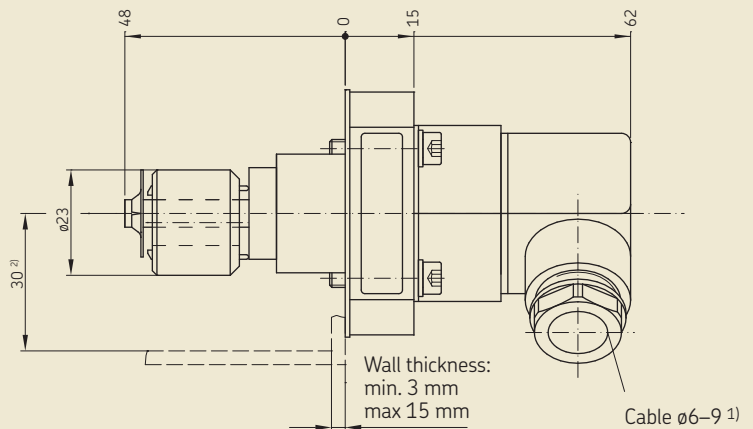
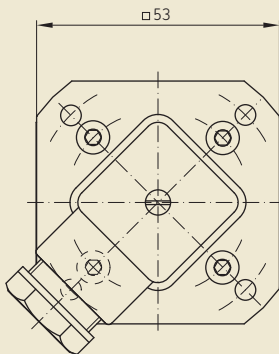
Dimensions and drilling template

WS63-2



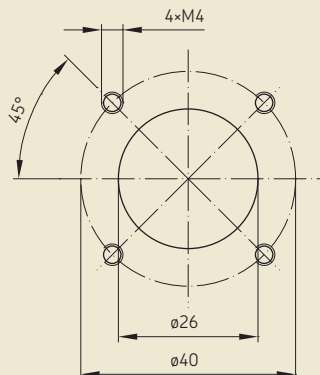
- 1) Connector socket can be repositioned in 90° increments
- 2) Minimum clearance from reservoir bottom

WS68



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- 2) Minimum clearance from reservoir bottom

Drilling template for assembly for WS63-2/WS68



Note!

These float switches should never be installed in a distorted position. To prevent damage to the switches, they should be subjected to only the static and dynamic loads required by their normal use. To permit optimum functioning, fill level switches WS63-2 and WS68 must always be installed in a horizontal position.



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