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# 1. APPLICATION

NIVOSWITCH RF□-2/3□□- series vibrating forks are designed for detection of level of powder, and granules. When they are used as high or low fail safe switches overfilling and emptying of silos or vessels can be prevented. The RF fork series (basic type insertion length = 125mm) with casted forks are recommended for small granules, while the RR fork series (basic type insertion length = 137mm) with welded forks are recommended for larger granules. The R-300 forks with aluminium housing are also available in dust Ex version.

## 2. TECHNICAL DATA

MODEL			R-300	R-200			
Wetted parts			Casted fork DIN 1.4404, welded fork DIN 1.4571				
Process connection			According to the order code				
Housing material			Aluminium: Powder paint coated	Plastic: PBT fibre-glass reinforced, flame-retardant			
Temperature ranges Medium Ambient		Medium	-40 °C to +130 °C PP flange: -20 °C to +90 °C				
		Ambient	-40 °C to +70 °C				
Maximum pressure			Max. 4 MPa (40 bar) (with PP flange 6 bar) See 2.4 Derating Diagrams				
Insertion length			125 to 3000 mm				
Minimum medium density			$\geq$ 0.01 kg/dm <sup>3</sup>				
Response time	Getting in	mmersed	≤ 0.5 sec				
	Getting free		≤1 sec at high density setting ( ≥ 0.5 kg/dm³)				
			≤ 2 sec at low density setting ( < 0.5 kg/dm³)				
Operation mode indicator			Bi-colour LED				
Operation mode selection			Switch for selection of HIGH or LOW fail safe mode				
Density adjustment			Switch for selection of HIGH or LOW Density				
Output			1 or 2 SPDT relays Relay 1: 250 V AC, 8 A, AC 1 Relay 2: 250 V AC, 6A, AC 1				
Electrical connections			2x M 20 x 1.5 cable gland; Ø 6 to 12 mm cables 2 x NPT (thread terminal block for 0.25 to 1,5 mm² wire cross section)				
Supply voltage			20 255 V AC and 20 60 V DC				
Consumption			AC: 1.2 17 VA; DC: < 3 W				
Electrical protection			Class I.				
Mark of explosion protection			⟨Ex⟩ II 1/2 D IP 67 T160°C	_			
Ingress protection			IP 67 (NEMA 6)				
Mass			1.3 kg + 1.2 kg/m	0.95 kg + 1.2 kg/m			



USER'S MANUAL





Manufacturer

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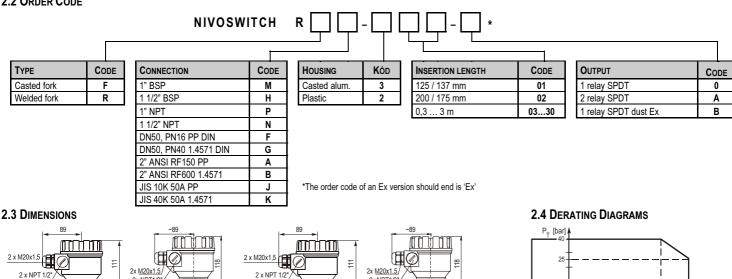
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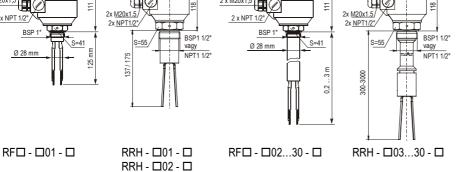
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# 2.1 ACCESSORIES

- User's Manual
- Declaration of Conformity
- Certificate of Warranty
- Sealing 2 mm thick made of KLINGER OILIT (for 1" BSP process connection only)
- Plug-in type, 3-pole terminal block (2 pcs for standard and 3 pcs for models with 2 relays)
- Cable gland M 20 x 1.5 (2 pcs)

## 2.2 ORDER CODE





for all models (except PP flanged)

PT [Dar]

-20 0 50 100 150 T<sub>M</sub> [°C]

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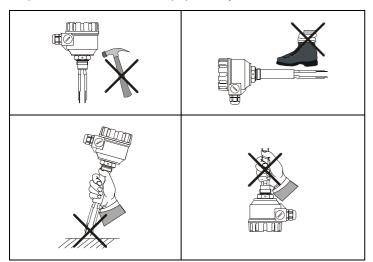
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for models with Polypropylene flange

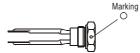
#### 3. INSTALLATION

Prevent the unit from being damaged!

Before installation it is advised to try the operation of the level switch in a small sample of material in order to set the proper density.



**Positioning:** the plane of the fork-tines is perpendicular to the marked plane of the hexagonal neck



If directional positioning of the fork-tines is needed (side mounting), use the TEFLON (PTFE) tape to seal the thread and position the fork-tines to the desired direction. In this case vertical positioning of the fork-tines is suggested.

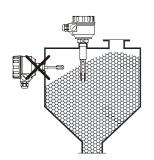
Do not use housing to screw the unit into the process connection.

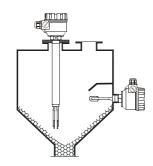
Do it by means of the SW = 41/55 mm hexagonal neck.

After screwing the device tight, the housing can be rotated by hand (max. 300°), to adjust cable glands to the required position.

The recommended mounting position for detecting light, free flowing solids is vertical (top) mounting. Side mounting is recommended only in case the fork-tines are easily freed from the process medium. In case of side mounting, NIVOSWITCH must be mounted with the fork-tines standing vertically. To determine optimal location of installation, possible caving or arching of the material in the tank should also be taken into consideration.

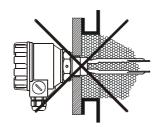
The fork should be protected against falling materials. This is to be done so that material could not clog between the fork and the protection plate.





Recommended and false installations

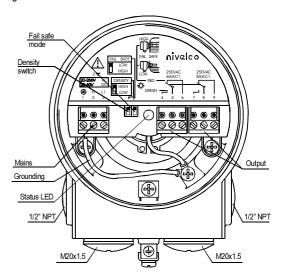




### 4. ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS

Use 6  $\dots$  12 mm diameter cables with 0.25  $\dots$  1.5 mm<sup>2</sup> wire cross section and tighten cable glands as well as housing cover after installation, to ensure IP 67 sealing.

Use the external or internal grounding screw terminal for grounding the unit. Common cables must not be used for AC and DC voltage, as well as for low and mains voltage.



## **A**DJUSTMENT

Power		Switch	Operation mode			
supply	Fork	pos.	Fail safe	Status LED	Output	
Yes			HIGH	RED	4 5 6 7 8 9	De- energised
	Immersed		LOW	GREEN	4 5 6 7 8 9	Energised
			HIGH	GREEN	4 5 6 7 8 9	Energised
	Free		LOW	RED	4 5 6 7 8 9	De- energised
No	Free or immersed	HIGH or LOW		NOT LIT	4 5 6 7 8 9	De- energised

Operation mode display is visible even after closing the lid.

After connection and adjustment the sealings should be checked and the lid closed carefully.

# 5. MAINTENANCE

The NIVOSWITCH vibrating forks do not require maintenance on a regular basis. In some instances, however, the vibrating section may need to be cleaned from deposited material. This must be carried out carefully.

# **6. STORAGE CONDITIONS**

Ambient temperature: -25 to +60 °C Relative humidity: max. 98%

### 7. WARRANTY

All NIVELCO products are warranted free of defects in materials or workmanship for a period of two years from the date of purchase, as indicated in the Certificate of Warranty.

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