

# ENABLING SWITCH 

3-POSITION SAFETY SWITCH TO
PROTECT THE OPERATOR DURING MACHINE OPERATION



## Where is it strongly recommended?

## IDEC'S ORIGINAL ENABLING SWITCH

Also known as "Operator presence detection" or "3-position safety" switches, the enabling switches allow the operator to work safely on a machine without disabling operation. The use of an enabling switch stops the device in the event of a catastrophic failure or unforeseen problem.

3-position safety switches are used in hazardous environments:

System changeover and maintenance of robots

In teaching pendants for robots and cobots
(collaborative robots)

In belly boxes for special vehicles such as construction vehicles, automated guided vehicles or material handling vehicles

In remote control
for milling units or bridge crane

And many more applications where the absolute attention of the operator is required for a given task.

## How does it work?



The concept is that the operator must keep a light amount of operating force on the switch during the operation of the application.

As soon as the device is released, the machine operation will stop, keeping the operator away from any danger.

The difference between this type of switch and the other safety switches is the third position. When extra operating force is put on
the device by a panicked operator, the switch will also initiate a stop.

Since instinct of danger will affect an operator differently, it is possible that a shock would result in either letting go of the device or causing the body to tense up and clench the device harder. Both will initiate a stop command and could prevent loss of life, injury or machine damage.

## THE WORLD'S SAFEST ENABLING SWITCH

## Every

 second counts!In hazardous situations, every second counts and whichever way the worker reacts, the enabling switch gives the fastest stop signal, compared to the use of a regular Emergency stops.

## Operator safety is our priority

Considering the Enabling switch is needed in all the most critical working modes and situations, all our 3-position switches offer redundancy, meaning that even in the unlikely event of a single switch failure, the second set of contacts safe stopping of the hazard.

This reduces the probability of failure per hour to a very low level ensuring the product meets the highest performances levels: PLe (ISO 13849-1) and SIL3 (EN 62061).

EN 60947-5-8
APPROVED


DIRECT (OR POSITIVE) OPENING ACTION


STANDARD FOR SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

ISO 13849-1 EN 62061

Because the "operator presence detection" function is a matter of life or death, a dedicated standard exists: the ISO 60947-5-8, with its associated logo showing the 3 different positions, ensures the enabling switch meets the international requirements.

## Certification

UL
RECOGNIZED
TUV
SUD
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The Direct (or positive) opening action contacts indicates that the force delivered by the switch is high enough to open the contact, even if welded, thanks to a direct action on the contact.

The Enabling switch are PLe-ready and SIL3-ready to reach the highest possible performance and safety level on a system, helping all machine manufacturers in justifying the CE marking.

| UL | TUV | CE |
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| RECOGNIZED | SUD | MARKING |

## ENABLING SWITCH

IDEC's Enabling switches come in different shapes and sizes to suit all your applications.

Thanks to a thoughtful ergonomic, the force to reach position 2 (enabling function) or position 3 (off function) is adapted to the interacting method: light force for a finger or a higher force for the palm of the hand.

|  | HE2B | HE3B | HE5B | HE6B |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NUMBER OF 3-POSITION CONTACTS | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| EXTRA MONITORING CONTACT | 0,1 or 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 or 2 |
| PANEL CUT-OUT | $\begin{gathered} 70 \times 12,2 \mathrm{~mm} \\ +2 \times \emptyset 3,2 \text { holes } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \varnothing 16,2 \mathrm{~mm} \\ +1 \times \varnothing 3.2 \text { holes } \end{gathered}$ | $\varnothing 16,2 \mathrm{~mm}$ | $\begin{gathered} 29,4 \times 16,2 \mathrm{~mm} \\ +2 \times \varnothing 3,2 \text { holes } \end{gathered}$ |
| IP RATING WITHOUT RUBBER BOOT | IP 40 | IP 40 | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| P RATING WITH RUBBER BOOT | IP 65 | IP 65 | IP 65 | IP 65 |
| ACTUATING FORCE* POSITION 1 ->2 | 4N | Approx. 4N | 3N | 4N |
| ACTUATING FORCE* POSITION 2 -> 3 | 30 N | Approx. 20N | 17N | 17N |
| RUBBER BOOT |  |  |  | Please contact us |
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# GRIP-STYLE ENABLING SWITCH 

IDEC also offers exceptional ergonomic grips pre-equipped with Enabling switches.

The grips come in 2 versions: a thumb-grip and a palm grip, which can be customised with indicators, key selectors or pushbuttons.


CONTACT

| EXTRA <br> MONITORING <br> CONTACT | Optional, 1 | 1 | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E-STOP | Optional, 2NC | Optional, 2NC | No |
| ADDITIONAL <br> SWITCH | Optional, 1 | Optional, max 2 switches, DPDT | No |
| ADDITIONAL <br> PILOT LIGHT | No | Optional (green) | No |
| ADDITIONAL <br> KEY SELECTOR | No | Optional (2 position, DPDT) | No |
| INTERLOCK <br> SWITCHES | HS5 | HS5 | No |

ACCESSORIES

| ACABLE GLAND | Included | Included | Included |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MOUNTING <br> BRACKET | No | Optional, HG9Z-PS1 | No |
| Optional, HE9Z-GH1 | No | Optional, HE9Z-GH1 |  |

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Field-proven and reliable products

## Environment-friendly

Long-lasting and efficient products

## Enhanced safety

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[^0]:    * Approximate force, without the rubber boot

