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Automatic Calf Feeder Stand Alone 2 Plus Powder
with Concentrate and Animal Scales

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1 Introduction

1.1 Icons Used in This Manual

The little graphic pictures that frequently appear in the margin of this book should give you a better overall view on the user's manual.



Attention: The exclamation point within an equilateral triangle is intended to alert you to follow the instructions contained in this manual in order to avoid injury and damage to persons, animals and appliance.



This icon is intended to signal you that here you can find important information and additional explanations on the operation of the automatic feeder.



You will find this icon next to examples in the user's manual.



This icon invites you to enter the figures into the corresponding menu.



Verifications

This icon invites you to turn the program switch to the displayed position, in order e.g. to select the corresponding switch menu.



Icon for measuring cylinder for collecting and weighing the feed components.



Icon for scales used to weigh the feed components during calibration.



Icon for thermometer to measure the body temperature.



Icon for collar with identification system.

1.2 Safety Instructions

Read and understand the instruction manual and all safety instructions before using the equipment.

- Use the equipment only to feed calves.
- The equipment is to be serviced by trained and authorized personnel only.
- To facilitate servicing, store the instruction manual next to the equipment.
- Expert installation, correct handling, as well as careful care and maintenance are the prerequisites to ensure faultless functioning of the equipment.
- Incorrect data input may have serious consequences. Therefore, check the correctness of data input.
- The livestock owner is liable for a regular and scrupulous control of his animals and the functioning of the equipment. If, for any reasons, the system should break down or some calves should not make use of it, the livestock owner is liable for choosing other feeding methods for those animals.
- The manufacturer will not assume liability for injury, loss or damage, direct or consequential, of any kind from the use or inability to use the equipment.
- Remove any projecting objects from the calf house (e.g. pipe ends), because collars might get caught in them.
- You will find further safety instructions in the following chapters.

1.3 Safety Signs on the Automatic Feeder and the Concentrate Feeder



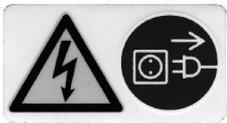
WARNING! Crush and cut hazard.

Moving parts starting automatically can **crush** and **cut**.

Keep hands and fingers clear before operating!

This sign is located on potential danger areas on the automatic feeder, such as the milk powder hopper, the milk powder outlet, the mixer as well as the outlet for powder additives on the additive dispenser. Moreover, this sign is also located on potential danger areas on the concentrate feeder.

Turn off and lock out power **before** carrying out any kind of operations on the above-mentioned parts.



DANGER! Electric shock hazard.

Hazardous voltage!

Contact may cause **electric shock, burn or death**.

This sign is located on potential danger areas on the automatic feeder, such as e.g. the power unit. Moreover, this sign is also located on potential danger areas on the concentrate feeder.

Turn off and lock out power **before** opening the power unit.

The power unit is to be opened and serviced by qualified electricians only.

1.4 Information Signs on the Automatic Feeder



Before connecting the automatic feeder to the **mains supply** and **activating** the **heating** (see chapter 7 „Installing the Automatic Feeder“, page 35), **read and understand** the **instruction manual**.

Any questions about this product? Then feel free to get in touch with us. Before calling us, please write down the information (machine type, machine number) on the nameplate located at the left of the feeder chassis, as well as the program version (refer to chapter „Menu 1-99, Machine data“).

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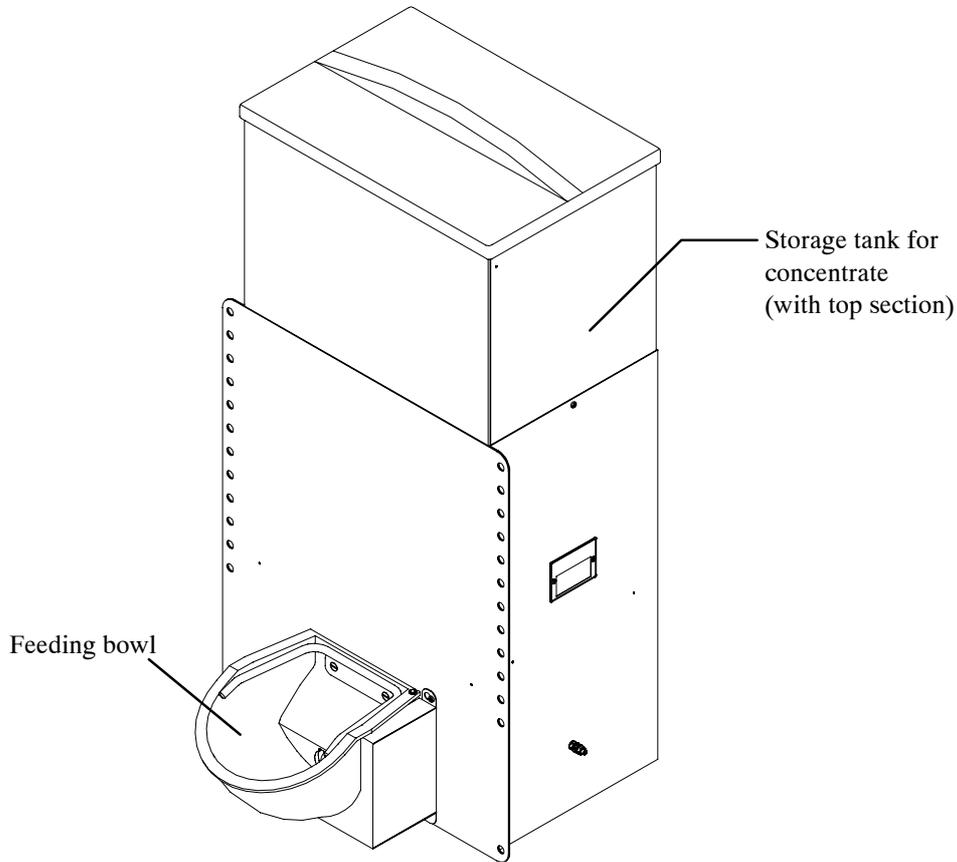
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1.5 Construction Parts Stand Alone Powder

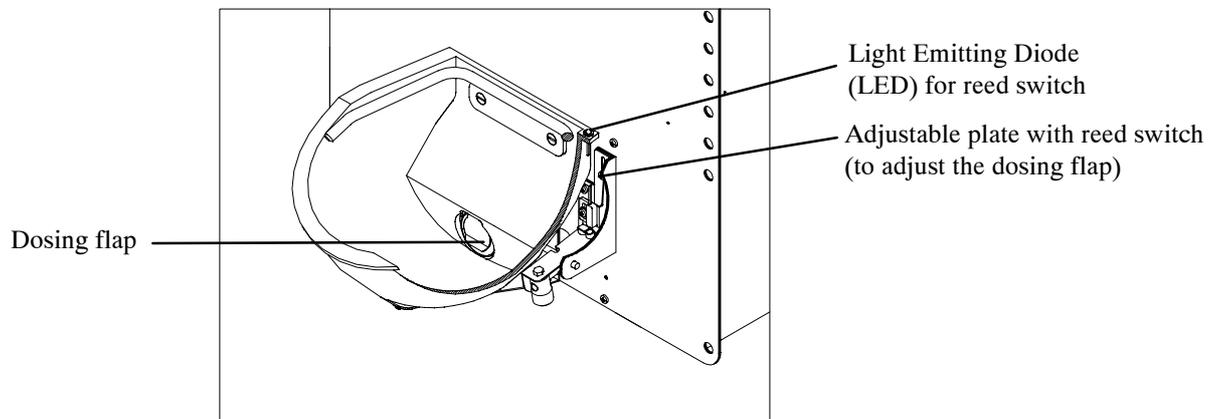


Dimensions of the automatic feeder: Height = approx. 1260 mm, width = approx. 720 mm, depth without additive dispenser = approx. 570 mm, depth with additive dispenser = approx. 660 mm.

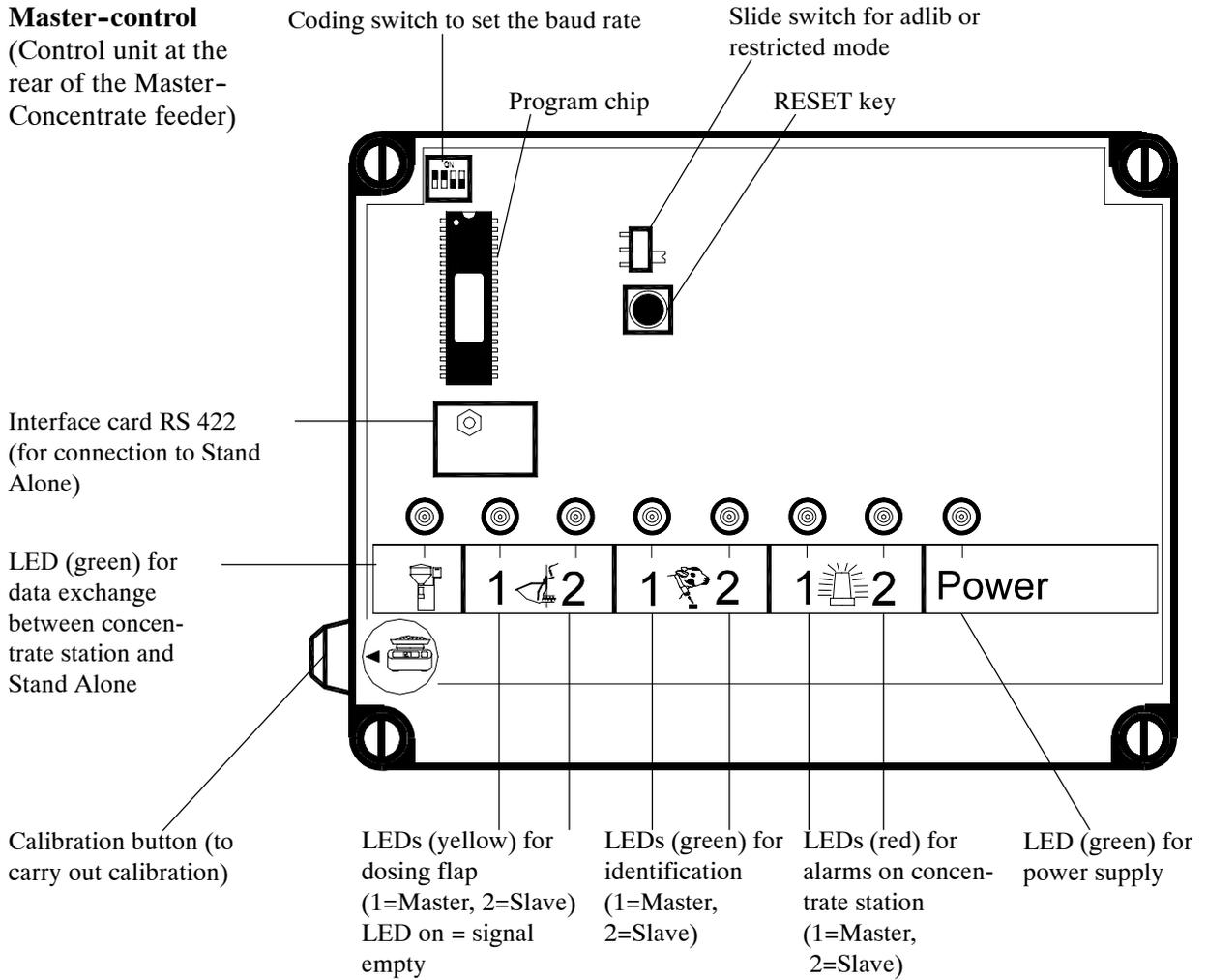
1.6 Construction Parts Concentrate Feeder



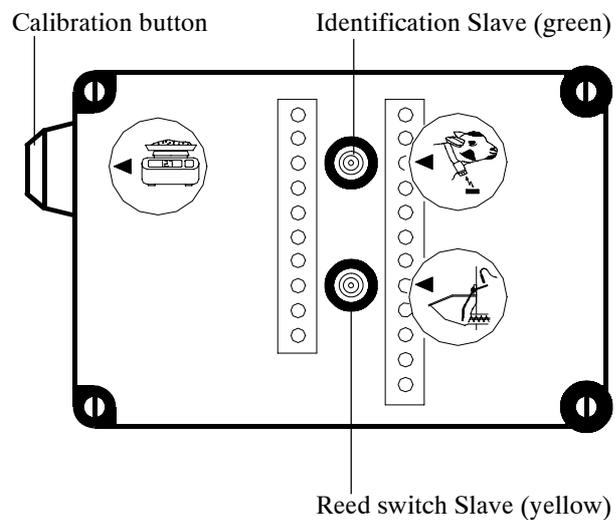
Dimensions of the concentrate feeder: Height = approx. 955 mm, width = approx. 496 mm, depth without feeding bowl = approx. 383 mm, depth with feeding bowl = approx. 650 mm.



Master-control
(Control unit at the rear of the Master-Concentrate feeder)



Slave-control
(at the rear of the Slave-Concentrate feeder which is controlled by the Master)



1.7 Control of the Automatic Calf Feeder

1.7.1 Operating and Control Unit (with Motherboard)

On the operating and control unit are located the following operating elements: program switch, keyboard, manual keys and display.

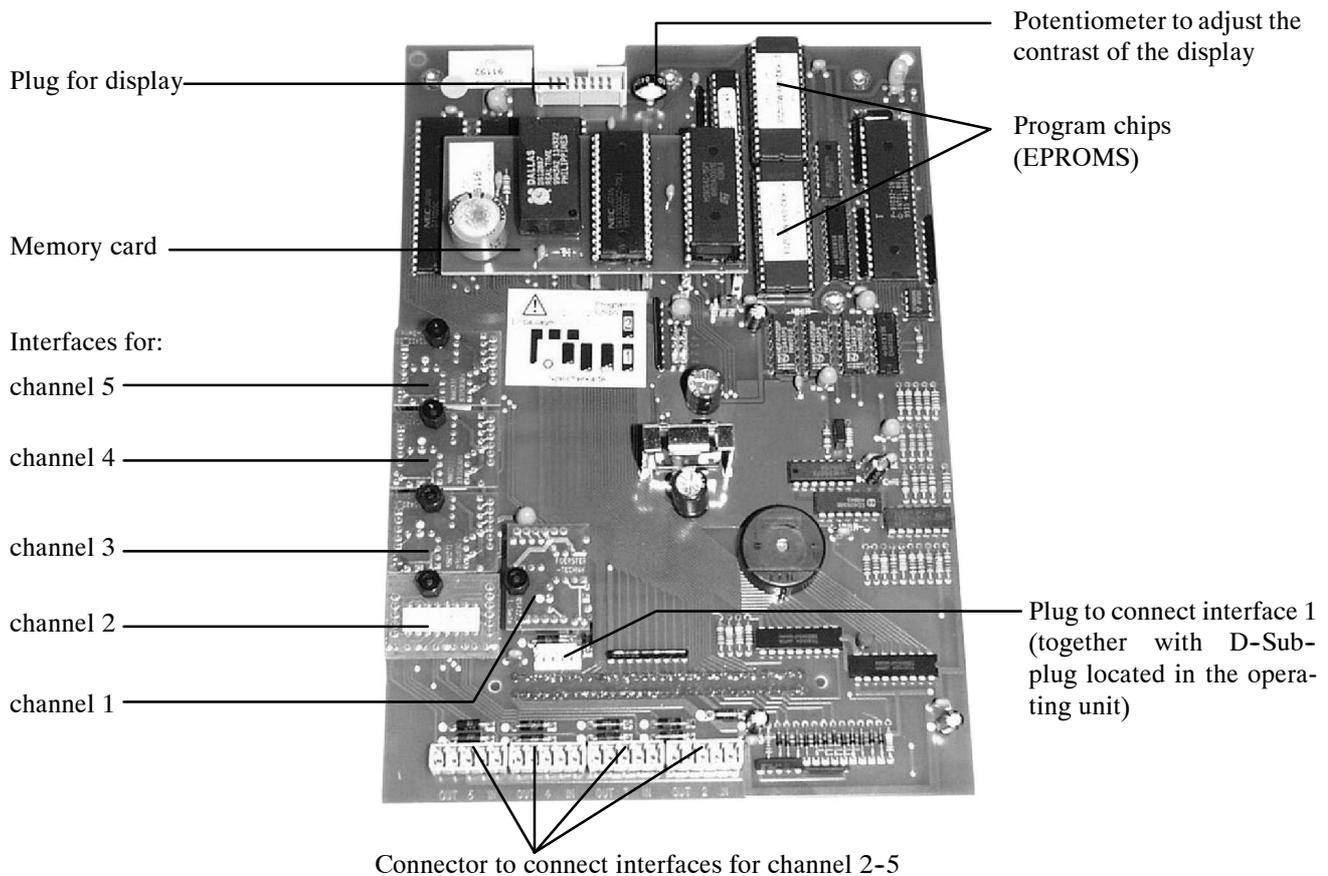
The boards for display, keyboard, distribution as well as the motherboard are located inside the operating and control unit of the automatic feeder. The motherboard represents the processor.



In case you do not use the connections located at the bottom of the operating unit, take care to close them by means of sealing covers.

The motherboard is hard-faced, among other things, with:

- interfaces for external components (PC/printer, animal scales in feeding box 1 + 2, concentrate 1 + 2, option)
- memory card to store all animal data
- 2 program chips

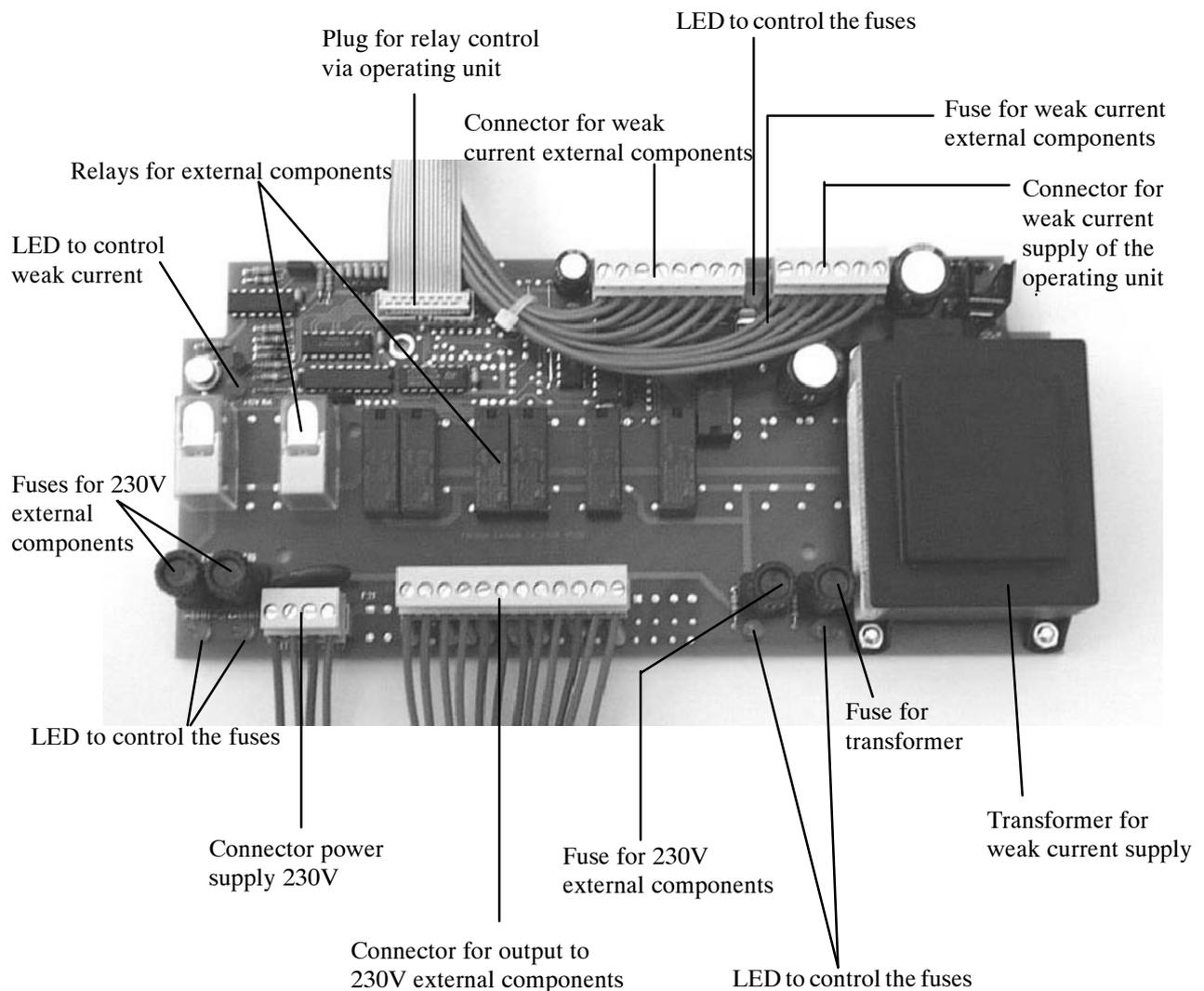


1.7.2 Power Unit Powder

Relay board as well as distribution board are located next to each other inside the power unit.

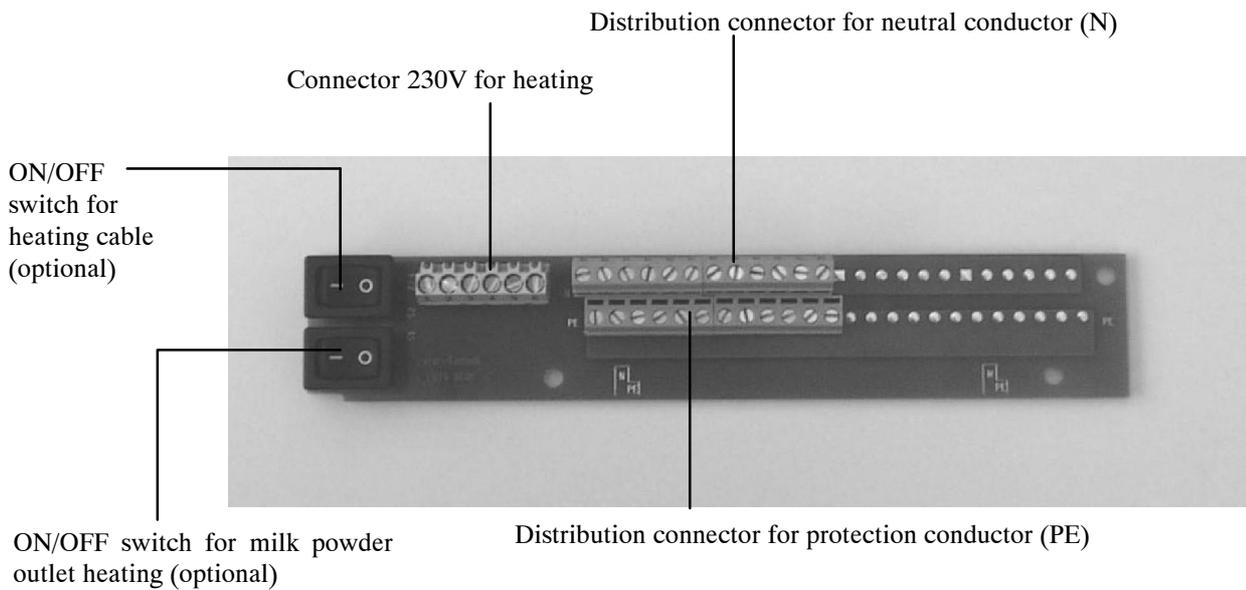
1.7.2.1 Relay Board

On the relay board are located the transformer for weak current supply of the processor control, the relays, the connectors for external components, the fuses and LEDs.

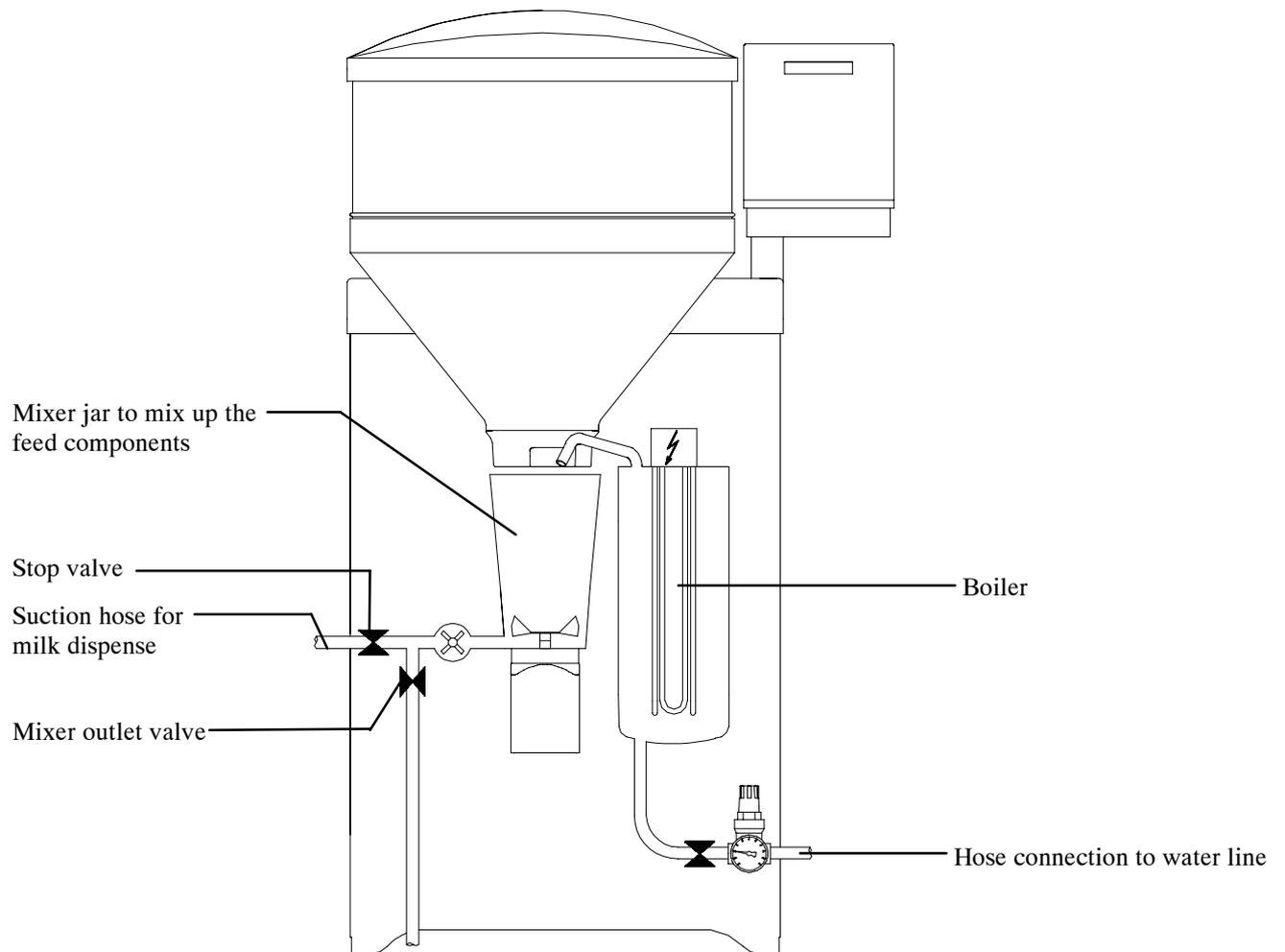


1.7.3 Distribution Board

On the distribution board are located, among other things, two integrated switches. By means of the left switch you can switch on and off the heating of the milk powder outlet (vapour screen). By means of the right switch you can switch on and off the heating cable. See chapter 8.7, page 53, „Heating for Milk Powder Outlet and Protection against Frost“.



1.7.4 Water Heating in the Boiler



1.7.5 Accessories (not illustrated)

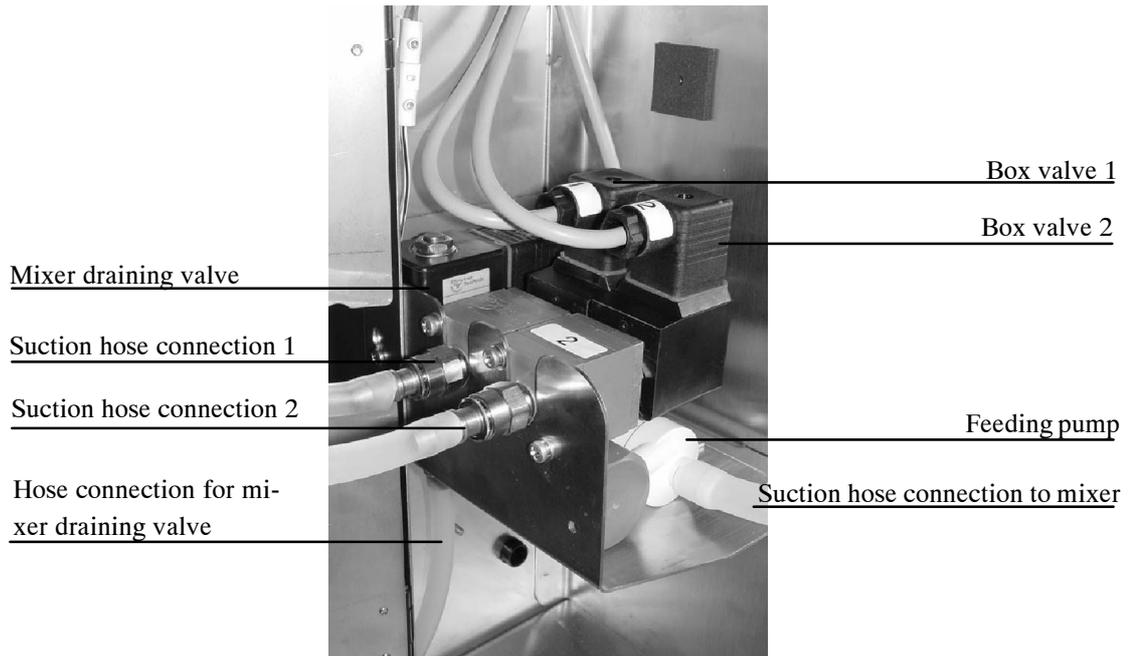
You will find a more detailed description of the accessories in chapter 19, page 142, „Accessories“.

- 2-Group-Valve-Unit
- Additive dispenser for powder or liquid additives
- Electrical vapour screen for milk powder or additive powder outlet
- Detergent dosing pump
- Fly protection door

1.8 Manual Feeding Pump

Thanks to the manual feeding pump calves may get easily accustomed to the teat. The feeding pump is located between mixer exit and feeding station. You can activate it by pushing a button at the lower side of the chassis or at the feeding station. The milk is then delivered directly from the mixer to the teat and into the mouth of the calf.

You can also use the feeding pump e.g. to drain off manually the rinsing water in the mixer jar via the mixer draining valve or the suction hoses.



Never clean the feeding pump by means of the cleaning sponge!

2 Technical Data of the Automatic Feeder

Please observe the information on the nameplate located at the left of the chassis!

Electrical connection

TAP5-SA2-27-F1 (400V)

230V / 400V / 3 / N / PE, 50 Hz, 16 A

TAP5-SA2-27-F1 (230V)

230V / L / N / PE, 50 Hz, 16 A

TAP5-SA2-28-P1 (only for U.S.A. and Canada)

240V / L1, L2 / Grd / 60 Hz, 15 A

TAP5-SA2-30-P1 (only for Japan)

200V / 50/60 Hz, 20 A

Water connection

1/2" hose with 3/4" hose coupling.

The local water pressure has to be between 2,5 and 6 bar.

Boiler

Boiler capacity: approx. 5 liters

Milk powder hopper - storage capacity (with top section)

approx. 35 kg

Number of feeding stations

An automatic feeder can feed 20 - 30 rearing calves or 15 - 20 fattening calves per feeding station. In case of two feeding stations an automatic feeder can provide approx. 50 - 60 rearing calves or 20 - 30 fattening calves or 20 rearing calves and 15 fattening calves with feed.



Technical data are subject to change without prior notice.

3 Specifications Concentrate Feeder

Electrical connection

- Power supply:** Safety transformer according to VDE 0551
Mains voltage: 230 V/50 Hz
Output voltage: safety low voltage 24 V AC
Power: 72 VA safety class IP 54
- Master:** Safety low voltage 24 V AC, power consumption: 48 W
- Slave:** Safety low voltage 24 V AC, power consumption: 36 W
- Note:** The motors of the Master and Slave concentrate feeders never run together (they are mutually blocked), therefore one power supply will do for the Master as well as for the Slave.

Storage capacity of concentrate storage tank

Depending on the type of concentrate used, up to approx. 70 kg. Volume: approx. 95 l.

Number of concentrate feeders and number of animals

The concentrate control unit located on the Master station can control 2 concentrate feeders, according to the Master-Slave-System. The distance between both concentrate feeders is determined by the maximum length of the antenna cable (max. 6 m). Longer distances require an additional Master station. To each Stand Alone you may connect up to 2 Master stations with one Slave station each.

Each concentrate station can provide up to 25 calves with feed. The exact number depends on the quantity of concentrate dispensed per calf.

Distance between concentrate feeder and Stand Alone



The distance between Master station and Stand Alone must not exceed 1200 m.



Specifications are subject to change without prior notice.

4 Locating the Automatic Feeder

4.1 Local Electrical Connection

- The local electrical connection must be installed by qualified electricians.
- Observe local regulations and protective measures. A fault-current circuit breaker (30 mA) in the local power supply is compulsory to operate the automatic feeder.
- The automatic feeder requires its own power supply: *refer to chapter 2, page 19, „Technical Data“.*
- Observe rated voltage and rated frequency. The rated voltage indicated on the nameplate of the automatic feeder must correspond to the one of the mains supply.
- In case of overvoltage risk, an overvoltage protector must be installed in the main distribution frame.

Equipotential bonding

For animals' safety and to prevent electrical interferences, carry out equipotential bonding of all metal parts such as water line, feeding station, race-way and automatic feeder. At the rear of the automatic feeder is located the connection screw for the equipotential bonding. It is imperative to connect this screw to a local earth plate, such as e.g. the earth circuit connector, by means of a short coupling.

Lightning protection

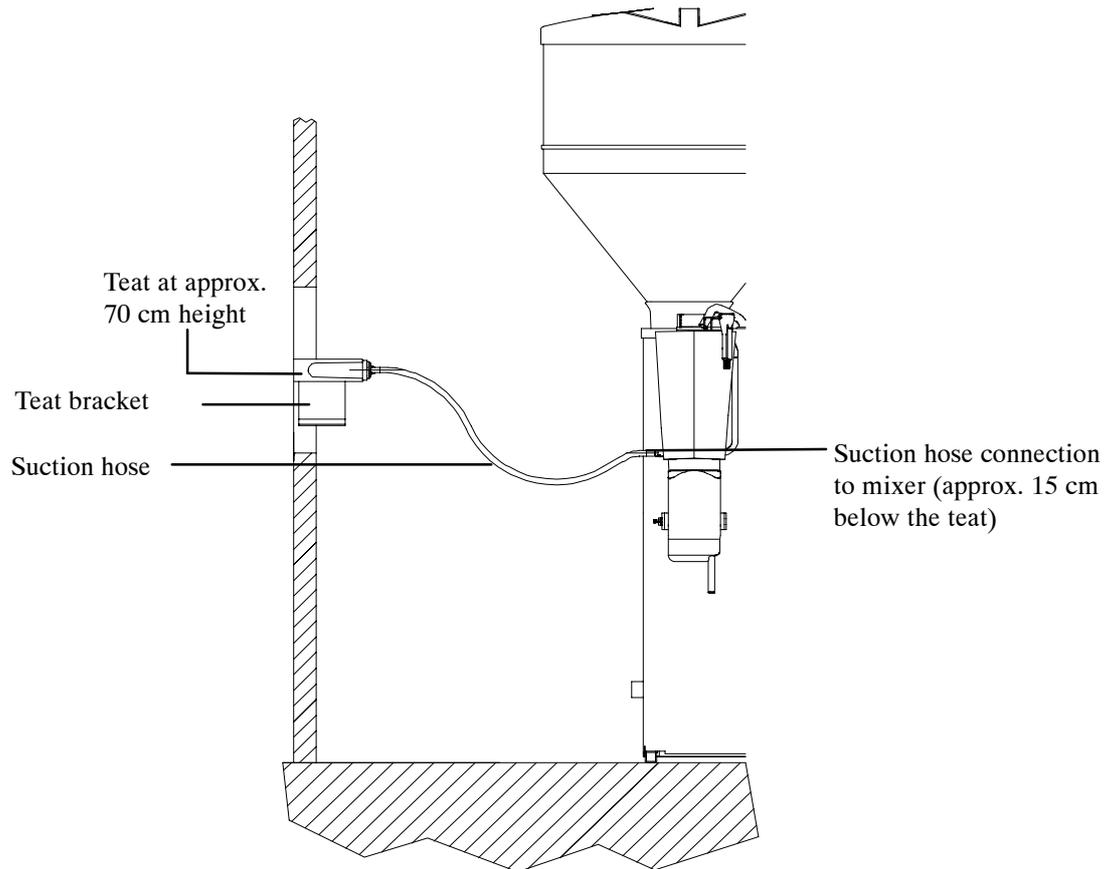
As it is technically impossible to protect the installation against lightning stroke separately, it is to the owner to install an adequate lightning protection, such as e.g. a lightning protection system for the entire building. We recommend to conclude a lightning protection insurance.

4.2 Locating the Automatic Feeder

- The automatic feeder has to be placed in a dry location, if possible not in the animal area (e.g. in the fodder storage or similar detached room).
- Mount a fence of planks to protect the automatic feeder against dirt and flies. In summer, when flies occur with increased frequency, you can use a large fly screen (accessory) to protect the mixer jar. Steam can easily escape through the openings of the fly screen grating.
- Make sure that the water supply of the automatic feeder is reliably constant.
- Frost does not cause any damages to the automatic feeder. In order to ensure a good functioning of the feeding process even in case of frost, you have to equip the automatic feeder with a protection against frost (accessory). The owner is responsible for a reliable water supply.
- The feed pipes can be easily guided through a wall.

4.3 Mounting the Feeding Station

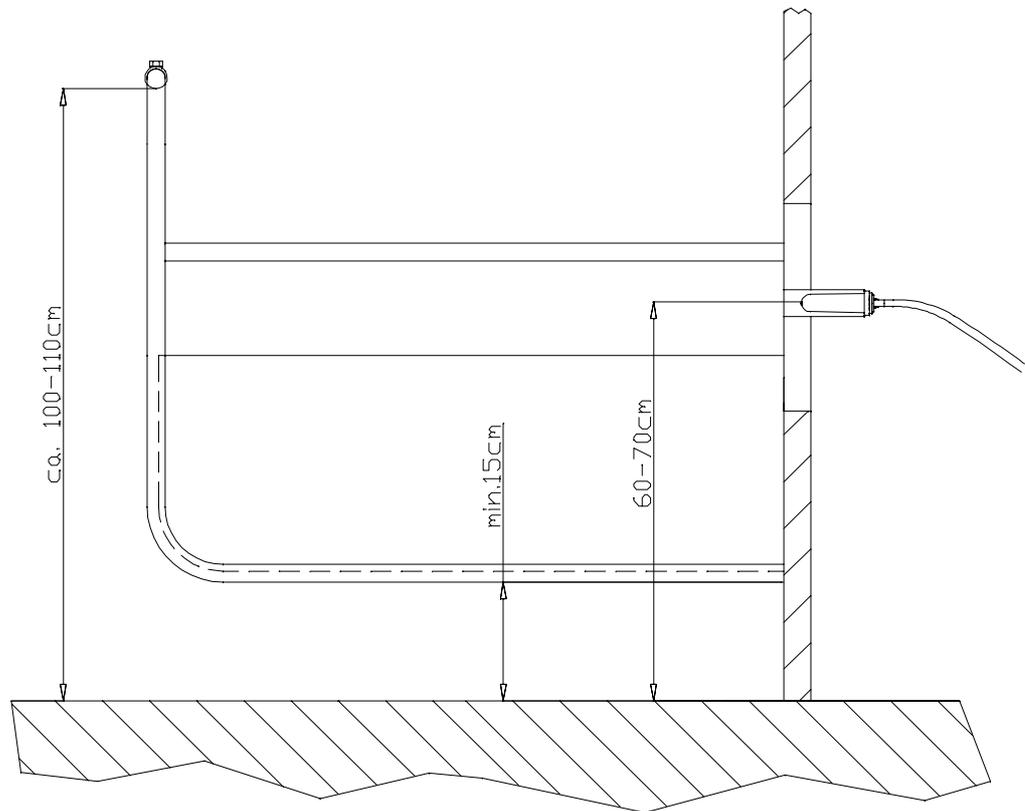
- Install the feeding station max. 70 cm above the calf house ground. Mount the teat approx. 15 cm above the suction hose connection to the mixer.
- Fix the suction hose in such a way, that the mixer jar can be easily tipped in forward direction. The suction hoses should not exceed 2 meters length.
- Mount the teat bracket with splash board towards the bottom.



4.4 Mounting the Race-Way

Mount an appropriate race-way in front of the feeding station resp. concentrate feeder, to protect an animal from being pushed aside by other animals.

- Mount the race-way according to the mounting instructions.



4.5 Connecting the Micro-Identification

- Connect the micro-identification according to the mounting instructions.



Install the cable for the micro-identification in such a way that the animals do not touch it.

4.5.1 Identification „Mikro-Nedap“

- In case of „Mikro-Nedap“: carefully check the wiring as well as the program chip.

Check the identification range of the antennas by means of an antenna test (refer to chapter 8.8.3, page 55 ff, „Automatic Reading of the Responder Number and Antenna Test“).

If identification errors occur with „Mikro-Nedap“, you can set the identification range of the antennas by the Squelch value. If a concentrate feeder is connected, set the Squelch value in „Setup“. See chapter 8.3.1, page 39 ff, „Setup, Activating the Concentrate“.

4.5.2 Identification „Mikro-Tiris“

- In case of „Mikro-Tiris“: carefully check the wiring as well as the program chip.

Check the identification range of the antennas by means of an antenna test (refer to chapter 8.8.3, page 55 ff, „Automatic Reading of the Responder Number and Antenna Test“). In case of double or foreign identifications, install an appropriate screening by means of earthed metal sheet plates.

4.6 Water Supply

- Connect the 1/2“ water hose to the 3/4“ hose coupling at the right of the automatic feeder.

The water pressure supplied by the customer has to be between 2.5 and 6 bar.



Note: To ensure troublefree functioning of the automatic feeder, take care that the water pressure does not fall below 2.5 bar!

Take care that there is no pressure variation of the water pipe.

In case of water pipes with small cross section it may happen that, in the feeding mode or when water is taken out of the same pipe simultaneously, the water pressure will drop.

If the water pressure is below 2.5 bar you have to use a water tank.

Install an additional water valve.

The pressure reducer is factory-set to 1.5 bar.



Do not alter the setting of the pressure reducer!



If you do not observe the above-mentioned notes, there is no guarantee that the automatic feeder will run trouble-free!

5 Locating the Concentrate Feeder

- Connection of the concentrate feeder: refer to wiring diagram.
- Place the concentrate feeder in a location where you can easily fill in the concentrate and carry out service.
- The distance between Master-Station and Slave-Station must not exceed 6 m.

5.1 Mounting the Concentrate Feeder

- Mount the feeding bowl max. 55 cm above the box ground.

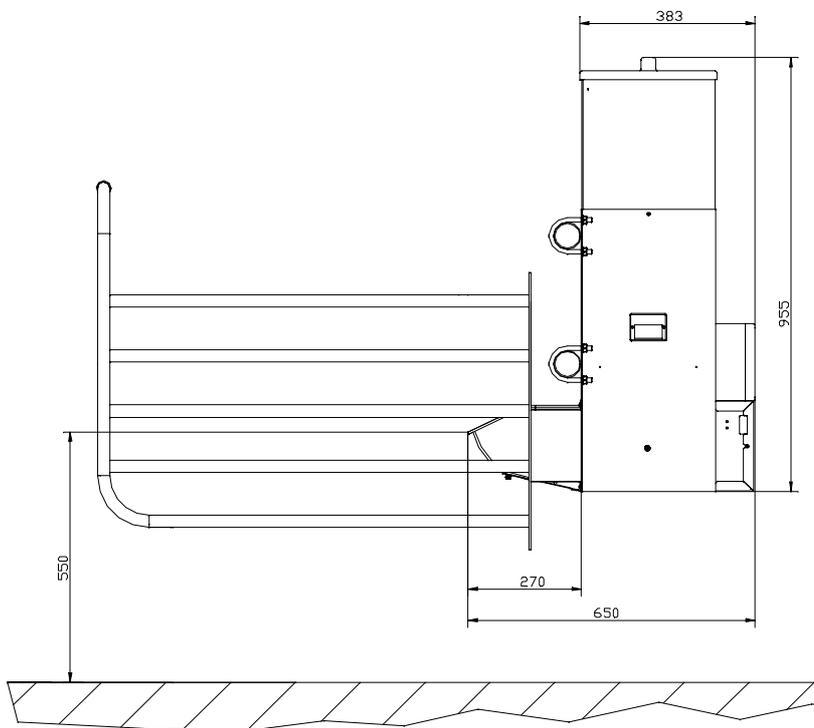


Diagram installation concentrate feeder:
dimensions in mm

- Mounting the race-way: refer to chapter 4, page 21 ff, „Locating the Automatic Calf Feeder“
- Connecting the antennas: refer to chapter 4, page 21 ff, „Locating the Automatic Calf Feeder“
- A calf that wants to drink or is already drinking has to be in the identification field (the green LED on the concentrate feeder control has to light). The distance between transmitter and identification must not exceed 20 cm, depending on the identification system used (ear tags or collars).



Install all cables in such a way that calves cannot touch them.

5.2 Filling the Concentrate Feeder

You can fill the concentrate feeder with pellets, calf flakes and crushed or coarsely milled grain.



Fine-milled fodder or fodder with a high oat content may cause bridging. This can possibly lead to malfunctioning of the concentrate feeder.

Only fill in dry fodder!

5.3 Connecting the Mains Plug

Connect the mains plug of the concentrate feeder according to the electrical connection: refer to chapter 3, page 20, „Specifications“.

5.4 Checking and Adjusting the Dosing Flap

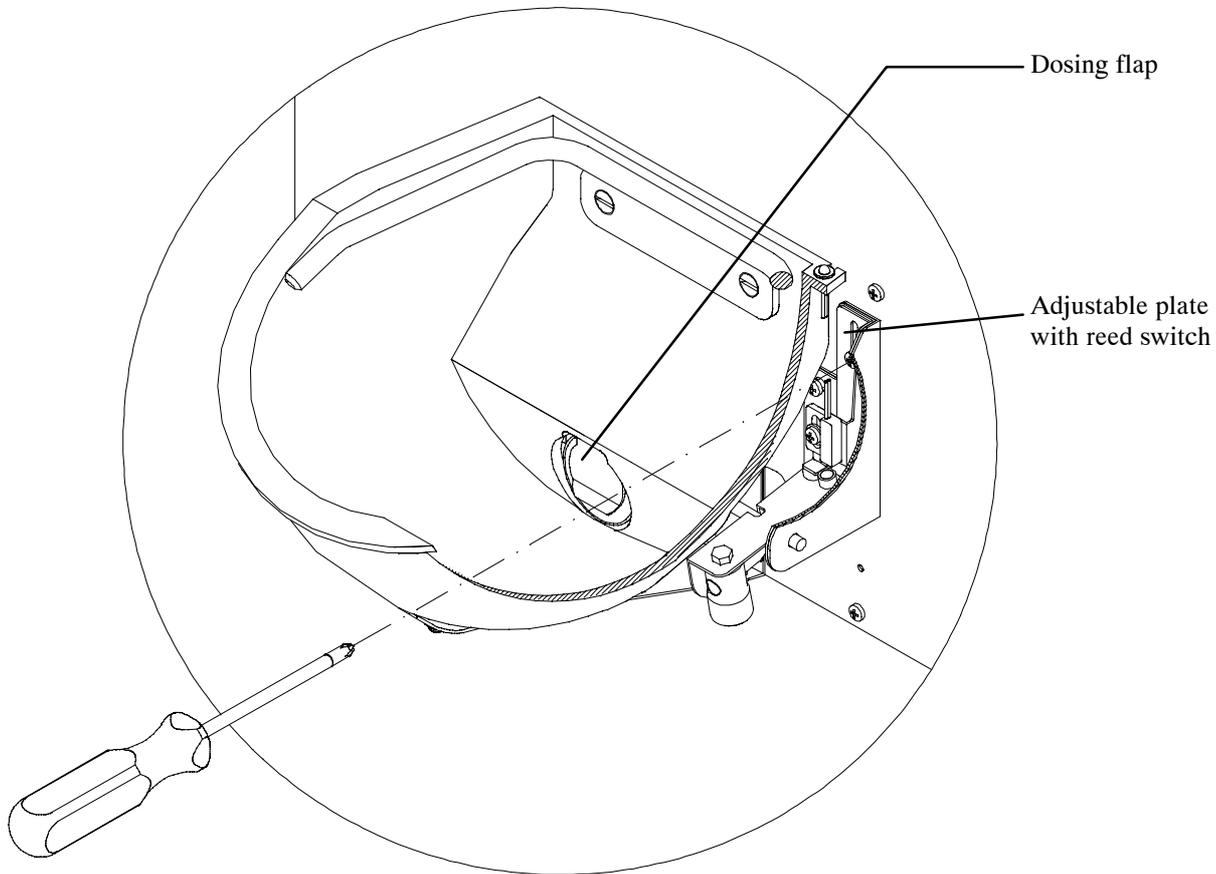
The quantity of concentrate dispensed may vary depending on the type of fodder and its composition. Regulate the position of the dosing flap by means of the adjustable plate to increase (wide opening of the dosing flap) or reduce (small opening of the dosing flap) the feed quantity dispensed.

Checking the distribution of concentrate

- Use a Test-Responder to check the output quantity of concentrate.
- In case the quantity in the concentrate bowl is too large or too small, change position of the adjustable plate with reed switch.
- Make sure that the dosing flap is running well.

Adjusting the dosing flap

- Remove the cover next to the feeding bowl.



- Only loosen the upper screw on adjustable plate with reed switch (refer to above drawing).
- Move the adjustable plate up- or downward to change the position of the dosing flap.
Upward: less fodder in the bowl. Take care that the signal empty is displayed (LED must light).
Downward: more fodder in the bowl. If after approx. 5 - 6 seconds (= 5 rotations of the shaft) the signal empty has not disappeared, the display shows the error message „Idle Shaft“.



The LED lights when the dosing flap signals „empty“.

- Use a Test-Responder to check once again the quantity of concentrate dispensed.
- After regulation of the dosing flap, fasten the screw on the adjustable plate and fix the cover.

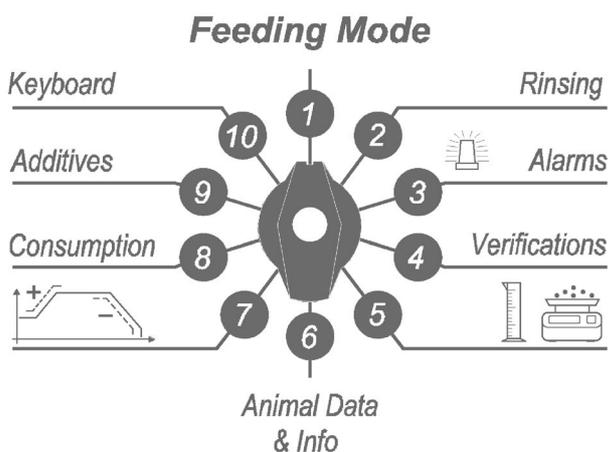
6 Operation and Operating Elements

6.1 Operating Elements

6.1.1 Program Switch and Switch Menu

Turn the program switch to select the switch menus (switch position 1 to 9).

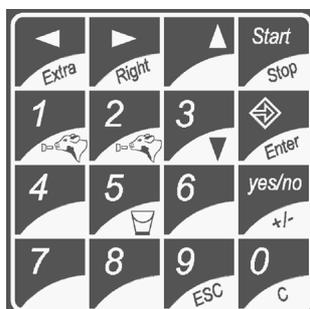
Switch Menu



6.1.2 Keyboard and Keyboard Menu

Turn the program switch to position 10 to select the keyboard menus. If the program switch is on position 2 - 10 the keyboard is active. If you press any active key, a bleep will be emitted.

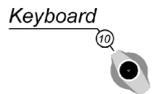
Keyboard



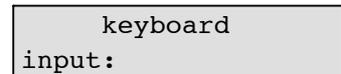
You will find the keyboard menus at the lower part of the operating unit.

10 Keyboard Menu

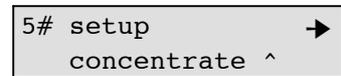
Operating Functions		Verification Functions		Delete Functions	
Machine Data	1	Alarm Levels	20	Feed Delay / Consumption ..	90
Restricted / Ad Libitum	2	List Printing	21	New Installation	99
Milk Functions	3	Total Consumption	22		
Accustoming Aid	4	Power Failures	23		
Setup	5	Scales	25		
Milk Feeding		Concentrate			
Feeding Plan	10	Concentrate 1-Plan	40		
Concentration Plan	11	Concentrate 2-Plan	41		
Quantity Limits	15	Quantity Limits	42		
Entitlement Intervals	16	Entitlement Intervals	44		
		Wean by Concentrate	45		
		Connection Test	49		



Turn the program switch to position 10. The display shows:



Enter the number of the desired menu. The number of the keyboard menu selected appears at the upper left of the screen.



Double-Function Keys:

Double-function keys have two functions. The second function always appears at the lower right of the white area of the key. Depending on the menu, either the first or the second function will be active.

The following section is intended to describe the second functions:



„C“ is the delete key. It is intended to delete e.g. the alarm animals.



The calf symbol on key 1 corresponds to box valve 1.



The calf symbol on key 2 corresponds to box valve 2.



Arrow Down „▼“ is used to scroll through the different submenus.



The bucket symbol corresponds to the mixer outlet valve.

When using simultaneously the feeding pump, you can pump off the liquid in the mixer jar via the box valves and the feeding stations or via the mixer outlet valve.



”Escape“ is intended to bring you back, step by step, to the menu.



”Extra” is used to dose an extra-portion.



”Right” is intended to inform you about drinking right of each individual calf.

The keys below have the following additional functions:



The valves are either open until you close them by pressing the corresponding keys or they close automatically as soon as you turn the switch into another position.

Toggle keys:



Toggle keys reverse their function when you press them. The display shows the function that is active at that moment. „Yes“ turns into „no“, „+“ into „-“. The memory is open or closed.

Horizontal arrow keys:



When the memory is closed (cursor does not flash) you can move to the next screen with Arrow Right and return to the previous screen with Arrow Left.

The little arrow at the lower right of the screen shows you that another screen will follow.



Vertical arrow keys:



When the memory is closed you can recall the available menus with the vertical arrow keys after having previously selected the switch or keyboard menu.

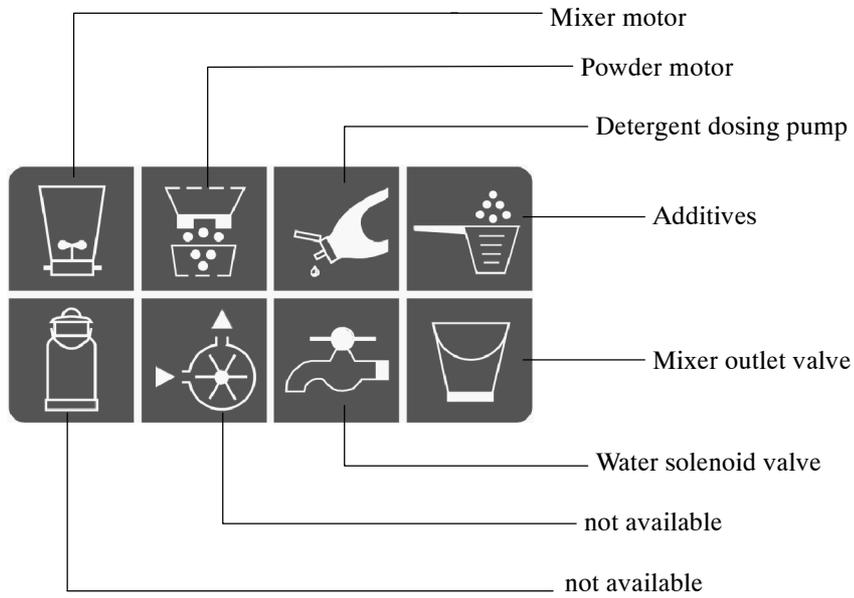
These arrow keys are active when the display shows Arrow Up ▲



Arrow Up ▲ next to the animal number indicates that you can select the one higher or the one lower animal number. The same refers to selection of the animal groups A, B,C and D.

6.1.3 Manual Keys

Press the manual keys in order to activate the corresponding functions regardless of the control.



In order to save the sealing, make sure that the mixer never runs without liquid!

6.2.1 Exercises Concerning the Switch Menus



Turn the program switch to 5 = calibration. The first submenu „Water boiler“ is displayed.

```
calibration →
water boiler ^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to move to further submenus (Water HE, Milk, MP, Additives, Detergent).

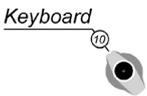
```
calibration →
water boiler ^
```



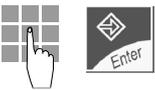
Press Arrow Right to move to the following screen.

```
water targ.:500ml →
measured: ...ml
```

6.2.2 Exercises Concerning the Keyboard Menus



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



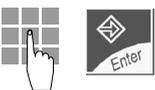
Enter 10 and press ENTER to confirm the inputs.

```
10# feeding plan
group A ^ →
```



Go to the first screen and press ENTER. The cursor starts flashing.

```
10# A per.1 3 days
fr. 6.0 to 6.0 L →
```



Enter the duration of the feeding period. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
10# A per.1 6 days
fr. 6.0 to 6.0 L →
```

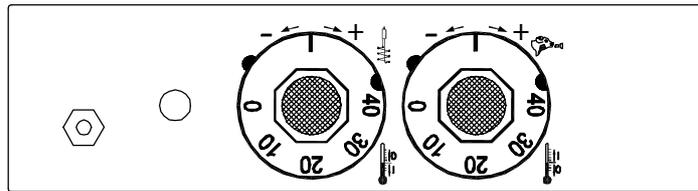
7 Start-Up

7.1 Connecting the Mains Plug



Warning: Before switching the heating on, fill up the boiler, otherwise it will be damaged. There will be no guarantee for a reliable functioning of the automatic feeder.

- Open the door on the right-hand side of the automatic feeder.
- Turn back both thermostats to zero and turn the main switch „ON/OFF“ to position „O“ in order to switch the automatic feeder off.



- Connect the mains plug and switch the automatic feeder on by turning the main switch to position „I“/„ON“.

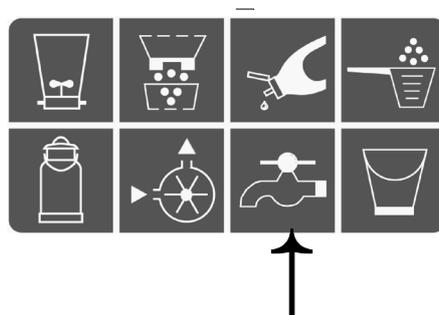
Once you switched the automatic feeder on, the display briefly shows the program version.

7.2 Filling the Boiler with Water



Before switching the heating on, fill up the boiler, otherwise it will be damaged. In this case, there will be no guarantee for a reliable functioning of the automatic feeder.

- Keep the manual key „Water“ pressed until an air-bubble free water jet flows into the mixer jar. This indicates that the boiler is now filled with water.



7.3 Filling the Milk Powder into the Powder Hopper

- Only fill in milk powder that is suitable for calf feeding. Do not put paper or other foreign matter into the powder hopper.

There is no warning when the powder hopper is empty! The automatic feeder continues working in the feeding mode without milk powder.

8 Basic Inputs during Installation

8.1 Checking Date and Time

When installing the automatic feeder first of all you have to check and, if necessary, change date and time in the keyboard menu „Machine Data“. Time goes on, even after the machine has been switched off.

Keyboard



Turn program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 1. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
1# date 17.07.03
time: 08:01:09
```



If necessary, press Enter to set date and time.



Press ENTER again to confirm the input.



After you have changed the date, turn the program switch to position „Feeding Mode“ in order to activate daily calculation (see chapter 9.6, page 74, „Daily Calculation“).

8.2 New Installation



When installing the automatic feeder you have to carry out the function „All new“ in keyboard menu „New installation“ in order to be sure that the memory does not contain any wrong data. The animal data are deleted and the operational data are overwritten by standard values.

Animal data are e.g. group allocation, housing date, feeding days, total consumption etc.

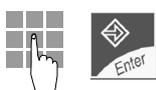
Operational data are all non animal-specific data, like e.g. feeding plan, concentration plan. The standard values for operational data are empirical. You can change them at any time and bring them into line with individual requirements. See chapter 10, page 75, „Altering the Work Data“.

If you select „All New“ all exercises concerning input routine will be deleted.

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 99. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
99#new installation▶
all new ? no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER. All animal data are deleted and the operational data are overwritten by standard values.

```
99#newinstallation▶
all new ? yes
```

The display shows the following message:

```
instruction manual
read ? no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
instruction manual
read ? yes
```

After „New installation“ has been carried out, the message „finished“ appears in the second line of the display.

```
99#new installation
finished
```



In this menu you can move to another screen. If the automatic feeder is running, you may recover the standard values of the automatic feeder at any time. All values modified manually, like e.g. feeding plans are deleted and overwritten by standard values. This process does not concern the animal numbers already entered.



Move to the next screen.

```
99#new installation
operat.data ? no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input. All operational data are deleted and overwritten by standard values.

```
99#new installation
operat.data ? yes
```

8.3 Setup

In Setup you can select the additional functions concerning concentrate, animal scales, heat exchanger and printing and enter the baud rate for the PC and the concentrate feeders. In addition, in this menu you can test the interfaces, register and cancel the feeding stations. In Setup you can also set the draining time.

If the Stand Alone is equipped with a detergent dosing pump or/and a device for compressed air-cleaning, you have to select these functions in Setup, too.

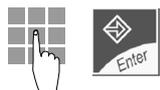
As the program is menu-driven, all non-selected functions are not displayed and cannot be used. If e.g. you do not select the concentrate in Setup, the concentrate menus will not be displayed.

8.3.1 Activating the Concentrate

Keyboard



Turn program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 5 and press ENTER to confirm the input. The display shows the menu „Concentrate“.

```
5# setup      →
concentrate ^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen of submenu „Concentrate“.

```
5# silo 1&2^ →
available no
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the silo .

```
5# silo 1&2^ →
available no
```



Enter „yes“ and press ENTER.

```
5# silo 1&2  →
available yes
```



Select silo 1 and 2 if 1 Master station with a related Slave station are connected to the feeder. Select silo 3 and 4 if 2 Master stations with related Slave stations are connected to the feeder.



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
5# silo 1^   →
  C1
```



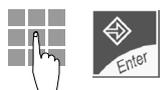
Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the silo .

```
5# silo 1^   →
  C1
```



Press ENTER to select the desired concentrate type.

```
5# silo 1     →
  C1
```



Enter the concentrate type (1 or 2) allocated to the corresponding concentrate feeder and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5# silo 1     →
  C1
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen and select the group.

```
5# dosing code →
  group A^
```



Here you can select whether the concentrate has to be dispensed proportionately to the concentrate plan or the concentrate consumption.

```
5# dosing code A →
   C-plan^ yes
```



Enter the concentrate amount to be dispensed by the screw-conveyor after the dosing flap has been released. You can select „C-plan“ or „C-consumption“.

```
5# dosing code A
of C-plan^ x,x% →
```

C-plan: percentage of the concentrate amount to which the group is entitled at the present day according to the concentrate plan.

C-consumption: percentage of the average concentrate amount consumed during the last three days.



With micro-identification „Mikro-Nedap“, you can set the identification range by means of the antenna-Squelch.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen and set the input and reading sensitivity of the antennas. The higher the Squelch value, the lower the identification range of the antennas. Potential input: 0 to 200.

```
5# antenna-Squelch
concentrate 180 →
```



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



The following table contains the Squelch values and identification ranges for the different Responders. These Squelch values are empirical and have already been factory-set.

Responder	Squelch (Standard values)	Identification range
X-Responder	0	max. 25 - 30 cm
Ear tag-Responder	0	max. 25 - 30 cm



The entered value is active, until you change it manually.

8.3.2 Setting the Baud Rate for PC and Concentrate Feeder



You have to set the same baud rate for the PC, as well as for the concentrate feeder. You can choose among the following transmission speeds: 19200, 9600, 2400 or 1200 baud. The standard value is 19200 baud. In case of electrical interference from the vicinity, it is advisable to reduce data transmission speed.



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select menu „Set baud rate“.

```
5# setup →
set baud rate ^
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
5# baud rate
19200 baud ^ yes
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the baud rate according to the utilized transmission speed.

```
5# baud rate
19200 baud ^ yes
```



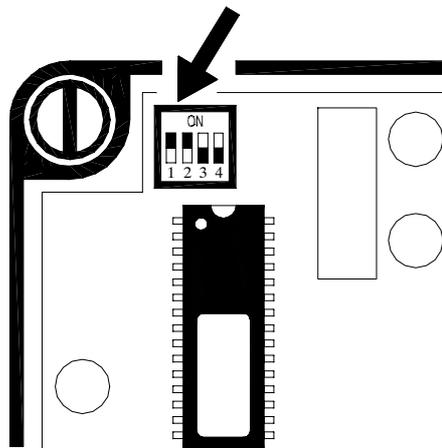
Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5# baud rate
19200 baud ^ yes
```

Standard value for baud rate: 19200 baud

Set the transmission speed at the Master station of the concentrate feeders by means of the DIP switches.

The value entered into the Stand Alone feeder must correspond with the setting of the DIP switches at the concentrate feeder.



Master-Control (section)

Baud	Switch		Switch 1 Switch 2
	1	2	
19200	ON	ON	ON OFF
9600	ON	OFF	ON OFF
2400	OFF	ON	ON OFF
1200	OFF	OFF	ON OFF

8.3.3 Selecting the Printing Function



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select menu „Printing“.

```
5# setup
printing ^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
5# print list →
auto print no
```



Select „yes“, in case the verification list should be printed automatically at midnight. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5# print list →
auto print yes
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
5# switch →
pr.channel 0^ no
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the printer channel for the serial multiplexer (0-8).

```
5# switch →
pr.channel 1^ yes
```



Enter „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5# switch →
pr.channel 1^ yes
```



An input is required only in case one or more Stand Alone feeders that are equipped with the PC-program „Kalb-Manager“ are connected to a printer via a serial multiplexer. In this

case you have to enter the corresponding output of the serial multiplexer that is connected to the printer. Printer channel 0 means that no serial multiplexer is connected.

8.3.4 Selecting the Animal Scales

  Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select menu „Animal Scales“.

```
5# setup →
  animal scales ^
```

 Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
5#anim.scales 1&2^→
  available no
```

  Select the desired half-body scales. Enter „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5#anim.scales 1&2^→
  available yes
```

You can connect one half-body scales (HS) per feeding station.

 Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
5#anim.scales HS1 →
  feeding box 1^ no
```

  Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the feeding station where the animal scales is located.

```
5#anim.scales HS1 →
  feeding box 2^ no
```

  If e.g. a half-body scales (HS) has been connected to feeding station 2, enter „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5#anim.scales HS1 →
  feeding box 2^ yes
```

 Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
5#anim.scales HS1 →
  weight factor 178%
```

  Press ENTER. Enter the weight factor needed to calculate the total weight of an animal. Standard value: 178 %.

 Press ENTER to confirm the input.

 Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. In this menu the tare value is automatically ascertained and set.

```
5#HS1 tare value
440 set ? start
```

The processor will convert the electronic signals of the weighing cell of the animal scales into an indication of weight. This conversion factor (= tare value) is ascertained when putting a weight of approx. 50 kg on the animal scales.

 Press Start/Stop, in order to tare the half-body scales.

```
5#HS1 tare value
tare .....
```

After tare has been carried out, the display shows:

```
5# 50 kg put on
      start
```

  Press ENTER. Enter the weight value used for weighing. Standard value: 50 kg.

 Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Put a weight on the scales (in case of 50 kg e. g. two sacks of milk powder). Press Start/Stop once again. The display shows:

```
5# 50 kg put on
scales.....
```

The tare value is automatically set for the connected half-body scales. For example:

```
HW1 tare value
440 set? start
```



Press ENTER to confirm the indicated tare value.



In case the tare value should be checked once again, repeat the setting-routine for tare value. The ascertained tare value must correspond to the one determined before.

8.3.5 Carrying Out an Interface Test



If there is no communication between the concentrate stations, the printer, the PC or the animal scales, it is advisable to carry out an interface test. This test has to be carried out by Customer Service.

- Put the test connector on the motherboard. *See connecting diagram.*



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select menu „Interface test“.

```
5# setup  →
interface test^
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
interface
test 1^ chann. no
```



Use Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select channel 1-5.

```
interface
test 1^ chann. no
```



Enter „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
interface
test 1^ chann. yes
```

8.3.6 Registering and Cancelling the Feeding Stations

In this menu you can register and cancel feeding stations and enter the draining time (time between release of the electrode at the final portion and closing of the corresponding box valve) for each station.



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select menu „Boxes“.

```
5# setup  →
boxes^
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
5# box no. 1^
available ? yes
```



Select feeding station 1 or 2.

```
5# box no. 1^
available ? yes
```



Enter „no“ to cancel the feeding station and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5# box no. 1^
available ? no
```

Enter „yes“ to register the feeding station and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5# box no. 1^
available ? yes
```

The feeding stations 1 and 2 are registered as a standard (yes).

If the milk is delivered over a long distance, it is useful to prolong draining time. This ensures that the mixer jar is entirely emptied after the last portion has been consumed.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
5# draining time
box 1^: 16 sec.
```



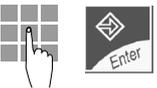
Select feeding station 1 or 2.

```
5# draining time
box 1^: 16 sec.
```



Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5# draining time
box 1^: 16 sec.
```



Enter draining time in seconds and press ENTER.

```
5# draining time
box 1^: 20 sec.
```

Standard value for draining time: 16 seconds. Potential input: 10 to 60 seconds.

8.3.7 Portion

Distribution pause

The distribution pause regulates milk distribution. As soon as the automatic feeder starts to prepare the milk, the stop valve or the two-group valve unit close for the duration of the entered distribution pause. Set a distribution pause only if you utilize not readily soluble milk powders or in case of very high concentrations (> 200 g/L) and extreme drinking speeds (> 2 L/min).

To ensure that the animals are fed as soon as they enter the feeding station, the first milk portion is distributed without taking the distribution pause into account. After the last portion has been distributed to the animal, the valve closes only at the end of the entered draining time.



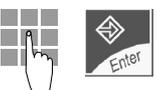
Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select menu „Distribution Pause“.

```
5# setup →
distrib. pause ^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Press ENTER to open the memory.

```
5# distrib. pause
0 sec.
```



Enter the desired distribution pause. Potential input: 0 to 16 seconds.

```
5# distrib. pause
7 sec.
```



Press ENTER to confirm the input.

Mixer run time

In submenu „Mixer run time“ you can extend the standard mixing time by up to 16 seconds. How long and whether mixer run time should be extended depends on milk powder’s solubility.



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select menu „Mixer run time“.

```
mixer run time
                +0 s
```



Enter mixer run time (potential input: 0 to 16 seconds).

```
mixer run time
                +6 s
```

8.3.8 Deactivating the Detergent Pump

If the automatic feeder is not equipped with a detergent dosing pump, you have to deactivate it in Setup.



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select menu „Detergent Pump“.

```
5# setup      ->
detergent pump ^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
5#detergent pump ->
available ? yes
```



Enter „no“ if the automatic feeder is not equipped with a detergent pump. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5#detergent pump ->
available ? no
```



Enter the detergent amount in switch menu 2 = rinsing, submenu „Settings, Cleaning Settings, Detergent“.

8.3.9 Activating Compressed Air-Cleaning

If the automatic feeder is equipped with a device for compressed air-cleaning, make sure that you have activated it in Setup.



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select menu „Air Cleaning“.

```
5# setup      ->
air cleaning  ^
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
5# air cleaning ->
available ? no
```



If the automatic feeder is equipped with a device for compressed air cleaning, enter „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5# air cleaning ->
available ? yes
```

8.3.10 Institute



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select menu „Institute“.

```
5# setup      ->
institute    ^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
5# institute  ->
available ? no
```



Enter „yes“ if a PC for the evaluation program is connected.
Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5# institute →  
available ?  yes
```

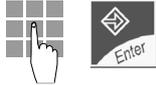
8.4 Connection Test towards the Concentrate Feeder

Carry out a connection test after expert installation of the cable that connects the Stand Alone to the concentrate feeders.

Keyboard



Turn program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 49 and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
49#connection test➔
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
49# silo 1&2 test ➔
connection no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
49# silo 1&2 test ➔
connection yes
```



Move to the next screen.

```
49# silo 3&4 test ➔
connection no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
49# silo 3&4 test ➔
connection yes
```

If the connection e.g. to the silos 1 & 2 is o.k., the display shows:

```
49# silo 1&2 test
connection ok
```



In case of connection fault, check the connecting cable towards the concentrate feeder as well as the power supply of the stations. *See wiring diagram.*

```
49# silo 1&2 test
connection error !
```

If necessary, carry out an interface test. *See chapter 8.3.5, page 43, „Setup, Carrying out an Interface Test“.*

8.5 Calibration

8.5.1 Calibrating Water, Milk Powder (MP) and Detergent

Calibration is defined as the input into the computer of the amount of water, milk powder (MP) and detergent dispensed during a specific time.



Turn the program switch to 5 = calibration.

```
calibration →
water boiler ^
```



Select submenu „Water Boiler“, „MP“ or „Detergent“.

```
calibration →
water boiler ^
```



Hereinafter we will exemplarily describe how to calibrate boiler water:



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
water targ.: 500 ml
measured: ... ml
```



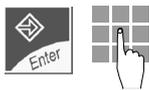
Hold an empty measuring vessel under the discharge.



Press Start/Stop.



Measure or weigh the collected quantity.



Press ENTER and enter the measured or weighed quantity.

```
water targ.: 500 ml
measured: 390 ml
```



Press ENTER once again.



The entered figure disappears as soon as you press Start/Stop. The calibration process is said to be completed as soon as the set quantity is attained.

```
water targ.: 500ml →
measured: ...ml
```



Press Arrow Right. The display shows when the corresponding component has been calibrated last.

```
water last calib.
on 17.07.03
```



Press Arrow Right. The display shows the time needed to dispense the set quantity.

```
water targ.: 500 ml
duration: 4.00 s
```

The warning message „Dosing time too long“ means that the dispensed resp. measured or entered quantity was too small. The set quantity was not attained.

```
dosing time too long
```



Press Arrow Up resp. Arrow Down to move to the following menu:

```
calibration →
MP ^
```

8.5.2 Calibrating Additives

If the automatic feeder is equipped with an additive dispenser, you have to calibrate the additives, too.



Select submenu „Additives“.

```
calibration  →
additives    ^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
calibration  →
prescr. 1 ^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select prescription 1-4 (X1-4) or electrolyte (EL).

```
calibration  →
prescr. 1 ^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
X1 set:      10.0g →
measured:    ., .g
```



Hold a measuring vessel under the discharge.



Press Start/Stop.



Measure or weigh the collected quantity.



Press ENTER. Enter the measured or weighed quantity.

```
X1 set:      10.0g →
measured:    8.0g
```



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Weigh the powder additives by means of a precision scales (e.g. electronic scales). Weighing precision has to be 0.1 g. Hold the measuring vessel under the discharge. Press Start/Stop. Weigh the quantity distributed and enter the figure corresponding to the measured or weighed quantity.



If you do not have a precision scales, repeat the calibration process several times, in order to get a larger additive amount. Then, divide the measured quantity by the number of calibrations and key in the figure.



Measure liquid additives by means of a measuring cylinder. Each additive prescription has to be calibrated.



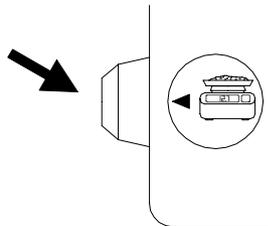
Repeat the calibration process, in order to be sure that the dispensed quantity is correct.

Standard value for the calibration of additives: 0
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8.5.3 Calibrating the Concentrate

The concentrate has to be calibrated separately for each concentrate station.

- Clean the feeding bowl.
- Press the calibration key at the corresponding concentrate station and wait until dosing switches off automatically.



- Remove the entire quantity from the feeding bowl and weigh it.



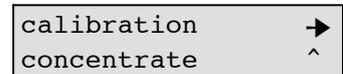
The quantity to be calibrated is distributed only if no animal is staying within the identification range of the feeding station. The slide switch located at the Master station has to be on position „Restricted“. If the slide switch is on position „Ad Lib“, switch over to „Restricted“ and press RESET until both red alarm LEDs light up. Then, release RESET.



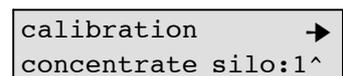
Enter the calibration values into the Stand Alone.
Turn the program switch to 5 = calibration.



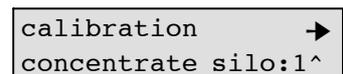
Select submenu „concentrate“. The submenus are displayed only if the concentrate has been selected in Setup.



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.



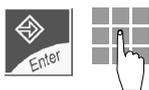
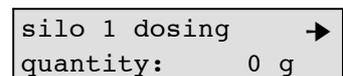
Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the concentrate silo (1-4).



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.
Example for silo 1:



Press ENTER. Enter the quantity dispensed and weighed during calibration.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.

Carry out the same calibration routine for all other registered silos.

Standard value for the calibration of concentrate: 0

8.6 Setting the Heating



It is imperative to fill the boiler with water **before** switching the heating on!

Thermostat for minimum operating temperature and heating:

The thermostat for minimum operating temperature prevents too cold milk or water from being dispensed. If the water temperature in the boiler falls below the set minimum water temperature, the preparation of the milk will be interrupted until the minimum temperature is reached.

If the minimum operating temperature is not attained, the display will show the following message:

check temperature

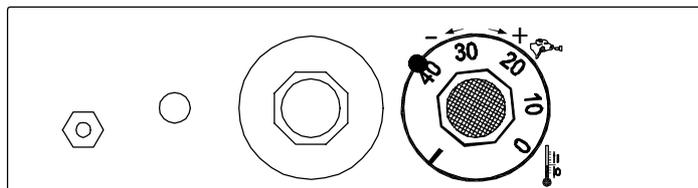
Factory settings:

The minimum operating temperature is factory-set between 38°C and 39°C. The minimum operating temperature should always be set 3°C below the heating temperature, in order to avoid overlaps in the control range.

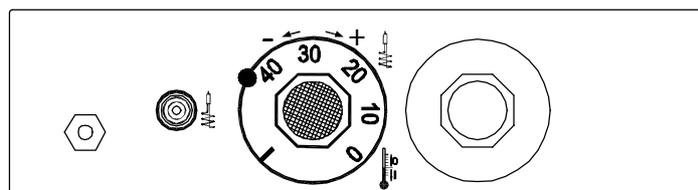
The heating temperature is factory-set between 42°C and 43°C.

8.6.1 Adjusting the Thermostats

- Turn the thermostat for minimum operating temperature (green) so far clockwise, until both green marks coincide.



- Turn the thermostat for boiler heating (red) so far clockwise, until both red marks coincide.



The marks facilitate temperature setting.
Nevertheless, you have to check the settings regularly.

8.6.2 Recommendations for Temperature Settings

The heat exchanger is designed in such a way that also cheaper milk powders with higher fat melting point can be used without problems. In this case, the outlet temperature has to be exactly between 42°C and 43°C.



The temperature has to be set very carefully. When reducing the heating temperature don't forget to reduce the minimum operating temperature accordingly. Too low temperatures may cause indigestion whereas too high temperatures over a long period of time may lead to inflammation of the mucosa in the abomasum. Flatulence may indicate that the drinking temperature is too high.

8.6.3 Measuring the Temperature



The heating regulation is related to the portion size and the drinking speed of the animals. To measure the temperature do not extract more than 0.5 liters. If you want to carry out further measurements, you have to wait until the boiler has restored the temperature. Heat transmission time depends on the input and outlet temperature of the liquid and may vary between 10 and 25 seconds.



Turn the program switch to 5 = calibration.

calibration	→
water boiler	^

- Wait until the orange pilot lamp of the boiler water heating has gone out.



Press Arrow Right to extract 0.5 liters of water.

water targ.:	500ml
measured:	...ml



Hold a measuring vessel under the discharge. Press Start/Stop.



Measure the water temperature in the mixer jar by means of a precision thermometer.



The next portion will be dispensed as soon as heat transfer time has lapsed (approx. 30 seconds). Carry out careful measurement and then alter the temperature, if necessary, in order to reach the desired temperature. If you want to carry out further measurements, you have to wait until the orange pilot lamp for the heating has gone out.

8.7 Heating for Milk Powder Outlet and Protection against Frost



Before opening the power unit you have to make the automatic feeder currentless, in order to avoid electric shocks. To this end, turn the main switch to position „0“/„OFF“ or pull the mains plug.

Inside the power unit is located a distribution board with integrated switches. *See chapter 1.7.3, page 16, „Distribution Board“.* The left switch is used to switch on and off the heating for the milk powder outlet. The right switch is used to switch the heating cable on and off.



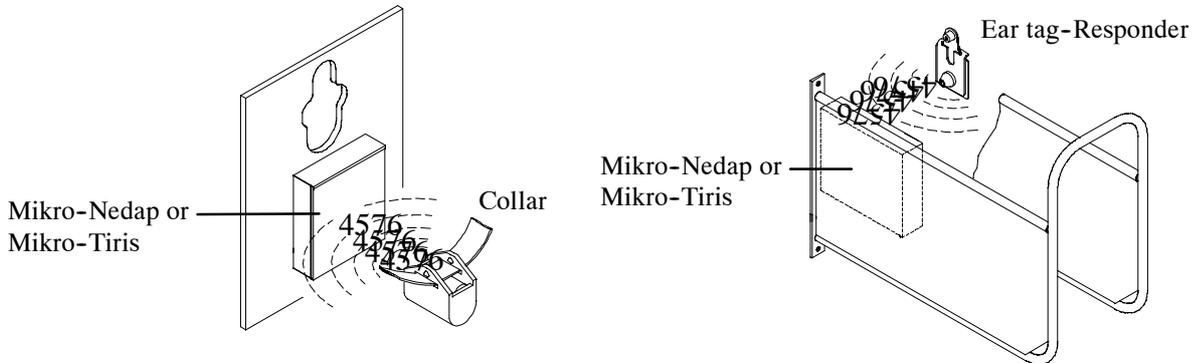
In summer it is imperative to set both switches to „0“ (= OFF)!

The heating for the milk powder outlet prevents creation of condensate on the milk powder outlet.

The heating cable with temperature control is available as an accessory and can be retrofitted at any time. It is active as soon as temperature falls below 3°C and protects hose pipes, solenoid valves and pressure reducer against frost. We recommend to mount a heating cable in case the automatic feeder should be installed in an unprotected location exposed to extreme cold.

8.8 Animal Identification and Responder Number Input

8.8.1 Animal Identification



Each animal has to wear a collar with a Responder or an ear tag Responder in order to be identified. The Responder has a 4-digit number imprinted on it. This number, defined as a Responder number, is transmitted via transmitter signals from the Responder to the antenna in the feeding station.

As the Responder number is not suitable for rapid identification of individual animals, each animal has on its collar or in its ear additionally a large animal number that can be easily read even from a long distance.

The system accepts animal numbers from 1 to 999. However it can manage or store only 99 animals. This means that only 99 out of 999 potential animal numbers can be assigned to Responder numbers for animal identification.

The animal numbers can be splitted up into three categories with the following features:

Before entering the Responder numbers, all animal numbers are marked with a „-“ next to the animal number.

Once you enter the Responder numbers, the animal numbers become available for animal marking. Available animal numbers are marked with an „a“ next to the number.

Once you register the animals, these numbers are not available anymore until you cancel them. The registered animal numbers are marked with a large group letter next to the animal number (A, B, C, D).

12-	Animal number 12 has not been assigned to a Responder number.
12a	Animal number 12 has been assigned to a Responder number. Animal number 12 is available.
12A	Animal number 12 has been registered in group A.

8.8.2 Check Connection between Micro-Identification and Stand Alone

If the micro-identification is connected correctly, in switch position „Feeding mode“ the display will show the symbol \neq in the second line of the screen, as soon as an animal is identified. **No** symbol will be displayed if **no** calf is identified.

8.8.3 Automatic Reading of the Responder Numbers and Antenna Test

The Responder numbers can be read automatically or keyed in. Automatic Responder number reading facilitates start-up of the automatic feeder as it requires less time than manual input. In this way you can avoid misentries.

-  Turn the program switch to 6 = animal data and Info. animal data &Info →
weight, days fed ^
-   3 Select submenu „Transmitter Input“. animal data &Info →
transmitter input ^
-  Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen. animal-No.: 1-^
transm.-No.: 0
-   3 Select the animal number.
-  Hold the Responder of the selected collar within the reach of the antenna.
-  Press Start/Stop. A bleep is emitted as soon as the Responder is read. The cursor starts flashing on zero in case the number could not be read. animal-No.: 1a^
transm.-No.: 1234
-  Press ENTER to confirm the read-in number.
-  Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen. Here you can start the antenna test. The antenna test facilitates detection of overlappings in the identification range. antenna test start →
-  Press Start/Stop. A bleep is emitted as soon as the Responder is read. The Responder number read appears in the text area at the upper right of the screen next to the antenna symbol. \neq 383 \neq 384
-  Two different Responders can be read simultaneously at two antennas. If, for instance, at antenna 1 a Responder is read which is actually assigned to antenna 2, we talk about faulty identification caused by an overlap of reach. Faulty identification also occurs when animals standing beside the feeding station are identified. In case of micro-identification „Mikro-Nedap“ you can set the identification range of the antenna by the antenna-Squelch value. In

case of micro-identification „Mikro-Tiris“, install a screening of the antennas by means of earthed metal sheet plates. If necessary, close off the area beside the feeding station.



Move to the next screen. Set the input or reading sensitivity of the antennas. The higher the entered value, the lower the antenna range. Potential input: 0 to 200.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



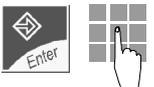
The following table contains Squelch values and identification ranges for the different Responders. These Squelch values are empirical and already factory-set.

Responder	Squelch (Standard values)	Identification range
X-Responder	0	max. 25 - 30 cm
Ear tag-Responder	0	max. 25 - 30 cm

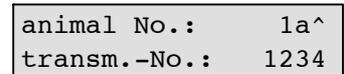


The entered value is active, until you change it manually.

8.8.4 Manual Input of Responder Numbers



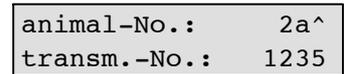
Press ENTER. Subsequently, enter the desired animal number and the corresponding Responder number.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the next animal number.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



After the Responder input has been completed, press ESCAPE to return to the menu.

8.9 Registering the Animals

At animal registration the animals are allocated to several feeding groups according to their animal numbers. You can choose between individual, group or automatic registration. The animals can be allocated to four different groups (A, B, C, D), thus being fed group-specifically. Example:

Group A for heifers (less increase),
 Group B for bull calves (more increase),
 Group C for white veal calves,
 Group D for other calves.

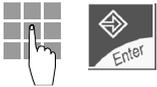
Group assignment is only related to the feeding plans according to which the animals are fed. All animals can be fed at any feeding station irrespective of the group to which they have been assigned.

Only valid for Combi feeders: animals being fed only with milk or only with milk powder+water have to be allocated to different feeding groups.

8.9.1 Registering Individual Animals

If the livestock (gender, age, weight) is not homogenous, you have to register the animals individually in the corresponding group.

 Animal Data & Info	Turn the program switch to 6 = animal data and Info.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> animal data & Info▶ weight, days fed ^ </div>
 	Select submenu „Register“.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> animal data & Info▶ register ^ </div>
	Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen. The display shows the number of available animal numbers.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> 8 anim. numbers ▶ are available </div>
	Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> 1a^ register in A^ </div>
 	Select the animal number.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> 12a^register in A^ </div>
	Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> 12a^register in A^ </div>
 	Select the group (A, B, C, D).	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> 12a^register in B^ </div>
	Press ENTER to confirm the input.	
	If in Setup no scales have been activated, the cursor automatically jumps to the following screen:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> 12B^ weight 55 kg LWG +561 g/day </div>



Enter animal's weight and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
12B^ weight 55 kg
    LWG +561 g/day
```



It is indispensable to key in animals' weight if during the feeding period weight-dependent additive prescriptions are fed. This ensures that the animals automatically get the additive amount corresponding to their weight.

How to correct misentries relating to weight and group:

If an animal has not been allocated to the desired group, in submenu „Change Registration“ you can rectify this manual input as soon as registration has been completed.

If the entered weight is wrong, in submenu „Weight and Feeding Days“ you can rectify this manual input.

Setting housing date:

At registration the current date is automatically taken over as housing date. You cannot change this date.

At registration all animals start on the first day of the feeding plans.

After registration has been completed, the display shows the following message:

```
1A^ is registered
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the proximate available animal number.

```
13a^register in B^
```



Press ENTER. The display automatically shows the group selected last as well as the last weight input. Press ENTER to confirm the input or key in the desired figure.

```
13B^ weight 55 kg
    LWG +561 g/day
```



After the last animal has been registered, press ESCAPE to go back to the menu.

8.9.2 Registering Groups

If the livestock is homogeneous (gender, age, weight) you can register several animals simultaneously in a group.



Turn the program switch to 6 = animal data and Info.

```
animal data & Info▶
weight, days fed^
```



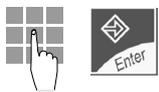
Select submenu „Register groups“.

```
animal data & Info▶
register groups^
```

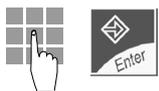


Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Press ENTER.

```
anim. 1 to 999 ▶
register in A^
```



Enter the first animal number required and press ENTER to confirm the input.



Enter the last animal number required and press ENTER to confirm the input.



Select the group.

```
anim. 1 to 999 ▶
register in A^
```

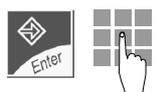


Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
anim. 1 to 25 ▶
register in B^
```

The following screen is displayed:

```
B weight 55 kg ▶
LWG 561 g/day
```



Press ENTER. Enter a representative animal weight.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
25 anim. have been
registered
```

If one or more animal numbers have not been cancelled thus being unavailable, the display will show e.g.:

```
fr. No. 1 to 25
not all available
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
not available anim.
cancel regist.? no
```



Enter „no“ to register only the available numbers.

```
not available anim.
cancel regist.? no
```



Enter „yes“ to cancel the unavailable numbers.

```
not available anim.
cancel regist.? yes
```

The display shows the number of registered animals.

```
23 anim. have been
registered
```

8.9.3 Registering Automatically

Automatic registration shortens and simplifies the registration process of the animals. Contrary to the registration of individual animals or groups, in this menu there is no need to enter animal numbers and animal-specific data, such as e.g. weight and estimated daily weight gain. If an available number is identified in the feeding station, it is automatically allocated to a pre-selected group.



Turn the program switch to 6 = animal data and Info.

```
animal data & Info▶
weight, days fed ^
```



Select submenu „Automatic Register“.

```
animal data & Info▶
automatic register^
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
automatic          ▶
register no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
automatic          ▶
register yes
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Press ENTER.

```
gr. A^ wei. + 55 kg
LWG +561 g/day
```



Select the group.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Enter a realistic housing weight and press ENTER.



Automatic registration is active until you enter „no“.

Each identified and available number is assigned later on to the selected group with the entered weight and the daily weight gain.

If „Automatic Registration“ is still active, all animals to be cancelled

- have to be removed from the feeding station
 - or the Responder has to be taken off,
- otherwise it may happen that they are reregistered.

8.10 Entering the Correction Days

The correction days are intended to shift each animal to any point of the relevant curve of e.g. the feeding plan and the concentration plan. Refer to chapter 10 ff, page 75 ff, „Altering the Operational Data“).

- Positive numbers (with +): Enter positive numbers in order to „make the animals older“ and to shift them to the right of the curve.
- Negative numbers (with -): Enter negative numbers in order to „make the animals younger“ and to shift them to the left of the curve.



Turn the program switch to 6 = animal data and Info.

animal data & Info▶
weight, days fed^



Press Arrow Right to move to the following screen:

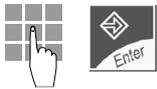
2A^corr. + 0 days
expires in 77days



Select the animal number.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Enter the number of correction days and press ENTER to confirm the input.



At registration the animals start on the first day of the curve. Therefore at housing you cannot enter negative numbers, because no animal can be fed prior to the beginning of the curve. The animals cannot be made younger immediately after housing.

If during concentrate feeding automatic weaning is active and the animal has exceeded the initial value, the display will show in the first line e.g. „weang.+ 5 days“ (weang. = weaning days) instead of e.g. „corr. + 0 days“. In this case the animal will be shifted to the right of the feeding plan by 5 days.

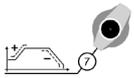
8.11 Entering Deviations

In this menu you can change the milk quantity, the concentration-, the concentrate or the additive amount for each individual animal.



The submenus relating to the additives are displayed only if at least one animal gets an additive.

8.11.1 Deviations of Milk Portions



Turn the program switch to 7 = deviations.



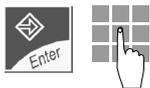
Select submenu „Feeding“.

```
+/- deviation  →
feeding        ^
```



Go to the next screen. The first line contains information on the milk amount of today. In the second line you can raise or reduce the milk quantity for a certain number of days (starting from the feeding plan).

```
14C^ dr.:    6.0 L
for 0 days +0.0 L
```



Press ENTER. Enter the animal number.

```
14C^ dr.:    6.0 L
for 0 days +0.0 L
```



Press ENTER to confirm the input. The following screen e.g. is displayed:

```
14C^ dr. transfer
1.5 L delete no
```



Select „yes“ to clear the carryover. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
14C^ dr. transfer
1.5 L delete yes
```



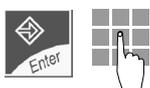
Select „no“ to maintain the carryover. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
14C^ dr. transfer
1.5 L delete no
```



Go to the next screen.

```
14C^ dr.:    6.0 L
for 0 days +0.0 L
```



Press ENTER. Enter the number of days for the duration of addition/reduction.

```
14C^ dr.:    6.0 L
for 3 days +0.0 L
```

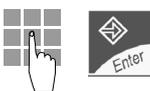


Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Press the „+/-“ key to select „+“ for addition and „-“ for reduction. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
14C^ dr.:    6.0 L
for 3 days -0.0 L
```



Enter the amount of addition or reduction and press ENTER.

```
14C^ dr.:    6.0 L
for 3 days -2.0 L
```



After the entered period of time has lapsed, the corresponding animal appears as expire animal and is set back to the feeding plan.

8.11.2 Deviations of Concentration

		Select submenu „Concentration“.	<pre>+/- deviation → concentration ^</pre>
		Go to the next screen. The first line contains information on the current concentration. In the second line you can raise or reduce the concentration for a certain number of days (starting from the concentration plan).	<pre>14C^ conc: 120 g/L for 0 days +0 g/L</pre>
		Press ENTER. Enter the number of days for the duration of addition/reduction.	<pre>14C^ conc: 120 g/L for 3 days +0 g/L</pre>
		Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>14C^ conc: 120 g/L for 3 days +0 g/L</pre>
		Press the „+/-“ key to select „+“ for addition and „-“ for reduction. Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>14C^ conc: 120 g/L for 3 days +0 g/L</pre>
		Select the amount of addition or reduction and press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>14C^ conc: 120 g/L for 3 days +10 g/L</pre>
		After the entered period of time has lapsed, the corresponding animal is displayed as expire animal and is set back to the concentration plan.	

8.11.3 Deviations of Concentrate

		Select „Concentrate“.	<pre>+/- deviation → concentrate ^</pre>
		Move to the next screen. The first line contains information on the current quantity of concentrate type 1. In the second line you can raise or reduce the quantity of concentrate for a certain number of days (starting from the concentrate plan).	<pre>14C^ C1 0.2 kg for 0 days +0.0 kg</pre>
		Press ENTER. Enter the number of days for the duration of addition/reduction.	<pre>14C^ C1 0.2 kg for 5 days +0.0 kg</pre>
		Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>14C^ C1 0.2 kg for 5 days +0.0 kg</pre>
		Press the „+/-“ key to select „+“ for addition and „-“ for reduction. Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>14C^ C1 0.2 kg for 5 days +0.0 kg</pre>
		Select the amount of addition or reduction and press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>14C^ C1 0.2 kg for 5 days +0.2 kg</pre>
		After the entered period of time has lapsed, the corresponding animal is displayed as expire animal and is set back to the concentrate plan.	
		Go to the next screen. For concentrate type 2 proceed as for concentrate type 1.	<pre>12C^ C2 0.7 kg for 0 days +0.0 kg</pre>

8.11.4 Deviations of Additives

This submenu is displayed only if additive distribution is active.



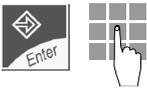
Select submenu „Additives“.

```
+/- deviation  →
additives ^
```



Go to the next screen. In the first line are displayed the number of the active prescription (X 1-4), whether an electrolyte is active or not and the amount of the current day quantity. In the second line you can raise (enter „+“) or reduce (enter „-“) the additive amount for a certain number of days.

```
14C^ X1 8g
for 0 d. +0g/100kg
```



Press ENTER. Enter the number of days for the duration of addition/reduction.

```
14C^ X1 8g
for 4 d. +0g/100kg
```



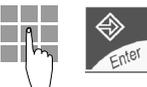
Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
14C^ X1 8g
for 4 d. +0g/100kg
```



Press the „+/-“ key to select „+“ for addition and „-“ for reduction. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
14C^ X1 8g
for 4 d. -0g/100kg
```



Select the amount of addition or reduction and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
14C^ X1 8g
for 4 d. -8g/100kg
```



After the entered period of time has lapsed, the corresponding animal is displayed as expire animal. From then on the animal no longer gets addition/reduction.

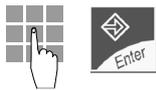
8.12 Accustoming Aid

If the automatic feeder is equipped with two feeding stations, one station can be temporarily blocked in order to allow undisturbed accustoming at the other feeding station.

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 4 and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
4# accustom. aid  →
   feeding box   ^
```



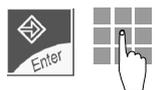
Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
4# box 1^ accustom.
   for 60 min ?  no
```



Select box number 1 or 2.

```
4# box 2^ accustom.
   for 60 min ?  no
```



Press ENTER. Enter the duration of accustoming aid (up to 180 minutes = 3 hours). During this time the identification at the other station is not active.

```
4# box 2^ accustom.
   for 90 min ?  no
```



Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
4# box 2^ accustom.
   for 90 min ?  no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER.

```
4# box 2^ accustom.
   for 90 min ?  yes
```



Go to the next screen.

```
4# warn calves ^  →
   priority ?  no
```



Select „Warn Calves“, „Box 1“ or „Box 2“. You can only privilege warn calves **or** box 1 **or** box 2.



Select „yes“ if you want to privilege warn animals. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
4# warn calves ^  →
   priority ?  yes
```



Go to the next screen.

```
4# box 1 ^  →
   priority ?  no
```



Select box 1 or 2.

```
4# box 2 ^  →
   priority ?  no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
4# box 2 ^  →
   priority ?  yes
```



After the entered duration of the accustoming period has lapsed, the warn animals **or** the feeding station 1 **or** 2 are privileged until you change „priority yes“ into „priority no“.

9 Functioning of Automatic Feeder and Concentrate Feeder

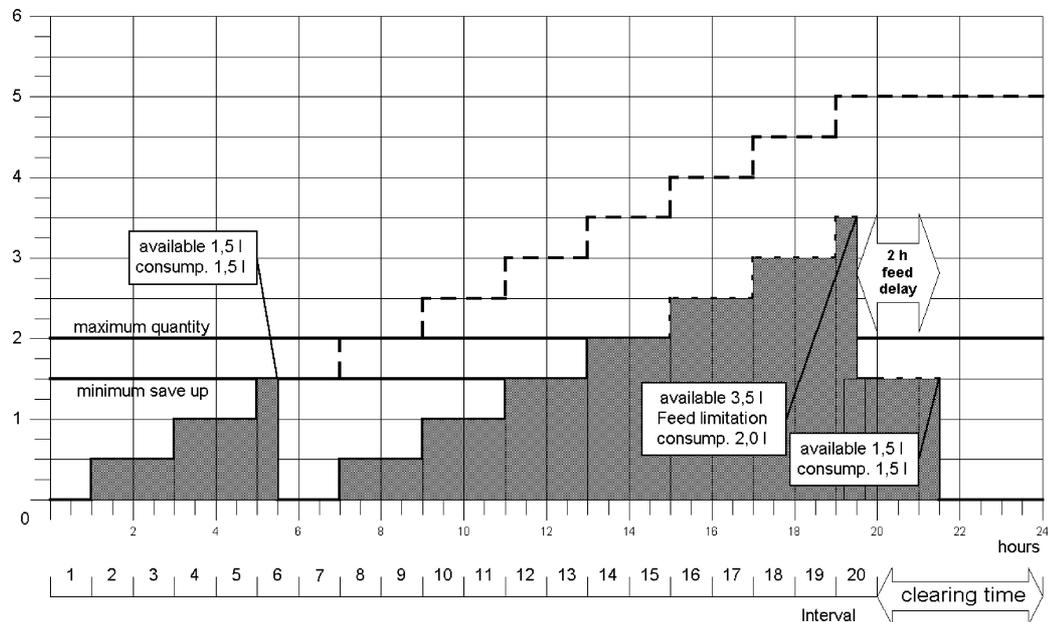
After the animals (A, B, C, D) have been registered in a group, they are fed according to the corresponding plans.

The current drinking or concentrate entitlement is determined in the interval feeding system according to the corresponding plan. The feed requirements are accumulated from interval to interval and demand is possible as soon as the minimum saved quantity is reached. As of 8 p.m. the total amount of non consumed feed will be available until midnight calculation.

Interval Feed System - Basic function

Animal with 5 L milk per day, 1.5 L minimum saved quantity and 2.0 L maximum quantity, 20 entitlement intervals, 1 clearing interval

Save-up amount in litres



Minimum save-up quantity:

The available feed quantity increases continuously from interval to interval. Milk or concentrate are dispensed only after the minimum save-up quantity is attained thus preventing the animals from consuming very small portions. As soon as an animal has attained the minimum save-up quantity during an interval, the feed quantity will be released and can be claimed even on several visits.

Carryover:

If an animal does not entirely consume the available feed quantity until midnight, there will be a quantity left that is carried over to the following day. Consequently, at midnight the value is not zero but it corresponds to the carryover. The quantity exceeding the carryover is not transferred to the next day but it is cancelled.

Maximum quantity:

To avoid excessive milk or concentrate intake due to too high minimum save-up quantity, the animals can only claim limited quantities. Once the maximum quantity is attained, the entitlement is blocked for two hours. The accumulated quantities are not cancelled.

9.1 Preparing the Milk Portions

When the liquid jet hits the supply electrode (short electrode) in the mixer jar, a pre-set milk powder portion falls from the powder hopper into the mixer jar where it is mixed with the liquid. The mixer is connected by a suction hose via a box valve to the feeding station. The milk flows through the suction hose to the teat in the feeding station.

9.2 Distributing the Milk

As soon as the level electrode is free (long electrode), the machine starts preparing the next portion.

9.2.1 In the Restricted Mode

The electrode is free:

If an entitled animal enters the feeding station and is identified, the automatic feeder prepares a milk portion as soon as the mixer jar is empty. The milk in the mixer jar grounds the level electrode (long electrode). As soon as the animal has drunk up the milk and the electrode is free again, the machine starts preparing the next portion in case the calf has still drinking right.

The electrode is covered:

If an entitled animal enters the feeding station and is identified, the remaining portion will be stirred in the mixer jar. After the animal has drunk the remaining portion, i.e. the mixer jar is empty and the electrode is free again, the automatic feeder starts preparing the next portion.

Two feeding stations:

If an entitled animal is identified, the corresponding suction line will open. If the animal is not entitled anymore, the suction line will close as soon as the long electrode is free again and the entered draining time has lapsed (standard value 16 seconds). If the long electrode is still covered, the suction line will close after approx. 2 minutes.

If the animal interrupts feeding, 5 minutes after the portion has been prepared, the remaining quantity in the mixer will be released, i.e. each animal is now allowed to drink it. The remaining portion in the mixer jar will be drained off automatically via the mixer outlet valve after a set period of time. See chapter 14.2.3, page 130, „Cleaning Settings, Remaining Portion“.

9.2.2 In the Ad Libitum Mode

In the ad libitum mode the automatic feeder operates without animal identification. As soon as the level electrode is free, the machine starts preparing the next portion. In case of two feeding stations, both suction lines will open.



If the automatic feeder operates in the ad libitum mode for a long period of time, the 2-group valve unit will heat considerably. Therefore, connect the suction hoses directly to the mixer and remove the plug from the 2-group valve unit.

9.3 Distributing the Concentrate

The concentrate feeder distributes the next portion as soon as the dosing flap in the feeding bowl is not covered anymore.

9.3.1 In the Restricted Mode

A concentrate portion is dispensed as soon as an entitled animal enters the concentrate station and is identified. The next portion will be dispensed as soon as the dosing flap is free and the animal is still entitled to concentrate.

9.3.2 In the Ad Libitum Mode

In the ad libitum mode the concentrate feeder operates without animal identification. The next portion is dispensed as soon as the dosing flap is not covered anymore.

9.4 Releasing an Extra-Milk Portion

9.4.1 The Electrode is Free

If the electrode is free, in switch position „Feeding Mode“ you can manually release any number of milk portions whatever. These milk portions are neither deducted from the feed entitlement nor they are stored by the program.

Feeding Mode



Turn the program switch to position „Feeding Mode“.



Press Arrow Left. The display shows the following message:

```
extra-portion
0.5 L 120g/L start
```



Press Start/Stop to prepare a milk portion of 0.5 L with a concentration of 120 g/L.



The milk portion is dispensed either at the feeding station or into a container (e.g. a bucket).



If the portion is dispensed at the feeding station, you have to select the desired station in order to open the corresponding suction line.

```
extra-portion
box: ?
```

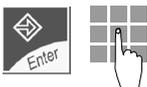


If the portion is dispensed into a container (e.g. a bucket), press „5“. The milk is then delivered via the mixer outlet valve from the mixer into the container. The display shows:

```
extra-portion
box: 5
```



You can also manually enter the output quantity as well as the concentration.



Press ENTER to raise the output quantity and/or to change the concentration of a milk portion. Potential input for the output quantity: 0.5 to 25.5 L (standard value: 0.5 L). Potential input for the concentration: 0 to 255 g/L (standard value: 120 g/L).

```
extra-portion
1.5 L 130g/L start
```



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Press Start/Stop to start the preparation of a drinking portion.

If you enter more than 0.5 L, the drinking portions will be mixed up and dispensed one after another. As soon as the long electrode is free, the machine starts to prepare the next portion.



Therefore never tilt the mixer jar if you want to empty it!



After the first milk portion has been prepared, select the desired box in order to open the corresponding suction line. Press „5“ to dispense the milk portion into a separate container.

```
extra-portion
box: ?
```

If the milk portions have been dispensed into a separate container (e.g. a bucket), after dispense of the last portion the display will show:

```
extra-portion finish.
continue with 0/C
```

To dispense any further milk portion, enter the desired output quantity and concentration and repress „Start“. If no further entries are made, the machine will start operating in feeding mode after a few seconds.



In case of large output quantities (> 1.5 L) and rapid extraction of the portions, the minimum operating temperature ensures that the preparation of the milk portions is interrupted as soon as the boiler has restored the temperature.

The extraction speed of the milk portions is also related to the input temperature of the water (distinction between summer and winter time).

9.4.2 The Electrode is Covered

A milk portion can also be dispensed when the long electrode is covered:

Feeding Mode



Turn the program switch to position „Feeding Mode“.

Press Arrow Left.

release rest portion
box: ?



Enter the box. The remaining portion will be released.

9.5 Feed Delay/Delete Consumption

You can delete feed delay as well as milk and concentrate consumption for each individual animal and for each group.

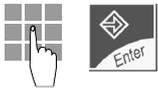
If an animal has already claimed the maximum milk quantity, feed delay will prevent it from excessive milk or concentrate consumption. You can enter the maximum quantity into keyboard menu 15 = Quantity Limits.

Milk or concentrate consumption is automatically set back to 0 as soon as you delete it. The animals are entitled to one milk portion according to drinking time.

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 90 and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
90# delete      →
   feeding      ^
```



Select submenu „Feeding“ or „Concentrate“.

```
90# delete      →
   concentrate   ^
```

9.5.1 Delete Feed Delay



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
90# feed delay A^ →
delete no         ^
```



Select the group.

```
90# feed delay A^ →
delete no         ^
```



Select „yes“. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
90# feed delay A^ →
delete yes        ^
```



Go to the next screen.

```
2A^ feed delay   →
delete no        ^
```



Select the animal.

```
3A^ feed delay   →
delete no        ^
```



Select „yes“. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
3A^ feed delay   →
delete yes       ^
```

9.5.2 Delete Consumption for the Entire Group



Go to the next screen.

```
3A^consum.group A^→
delete no ^
```



Select the group.

```
3A^consum.group A^→
delete no ^
```



Select „yes“. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
3A^consum.group A^→
delete yes ^
```

9.5.3 Delete Consumption for Individual Animals



Move to the next screen.

```
3A^consum/animal →
delete no ^
```



Select the animal.

```
2A^consum/animal →
delete no ^
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
2A^consum/animal →
delete yes ^
```

9.6 Daily Calculation

Daily calculation takes place every day at midnight, thus completing the feeding day.

At daily calculation

- the date, feeding days and remaining days (until the end of the plan) are updated,
- the carryover is transferred to the next feeding day,
- the alarms are calculated,
- the weight is updated,
- the feed entitlement is calculated for the following day according to concentrate consumption.

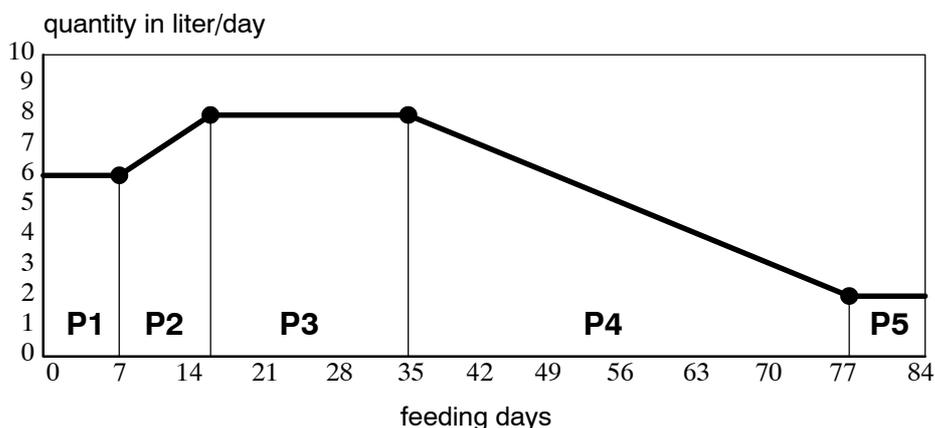
10 Altering the Operational Data

Operational data are defined as those data concerning milk- and concentrate distribution, such as e.g. feeding plans, alarm levels etc. During installation (after „New Installation“) the standard values are used as operational data. These standard values are empirical. You can alter them at any time according to the needs of each individual animal.

10.1 Feeding Plans

10.1.1 Age-Dependent Drinking

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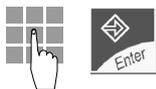


You can enter one feeding plan (P1-P5) with 5 periods for each of the four groups (A, B, C, D). (For feeding plans, see the appendix of this User's Manual). The registration day corresponds to the first day of the feeding plan.

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 10. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
10# feeding plan
group A^ →
```



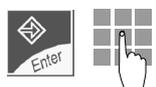
Select the group.

```
10# feeding plan
group A^ →
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
10# A per.1 3 days
fr. 6.0L to 6.0L →
```



Press ENTER. Enter the duration of period 1 in days.

```
10# A per.1 4 days
fr. 6.0L to 6.0L →
```



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Enter the start and end value of period 1 in litres and confirm with ENTER. Enter and confirm separately the figures preceding the decimal point. The cursor starts flashing at the corresponding spots.

10# A per.1 4 days
fr. 5.0L to 6.0L →



Press Arrow Right to move to period 2.

10# A per.2 14 days
fr. 6.0L to 8.0L →



Enter duration of the period in days and the end value in litres. Press ENTER to confirm the input. You do not need to enter the start value of the period. This figure has been taken over from the end value of the preceding period.

10# A per.2 15 days
fr. 6.0L to 9.0L →



Press Arrow Right to move to the periods 3 to 5. Proceed as with the periods 1 and 2.

10# A per.3 18 days
fr. 9.0L to 9.0L →

After the 5th period, the display shows the total duration of the feeding plan:

10# feeding plan
plan lasts 77 days



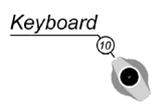
The next screen shows plan requirement for the amount of milk and solid matter, calculated from the feeding and concentration plan. Example with standard values:

10# target consum.
478 L SM: 56 kg

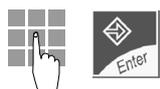
Standard values feeding plan: *(refer also to the annex of this instruction manual)*
 group A: total 478 L = 77 days
 group B: total 384 L = 70 days
 group C: total 316 L = 64 days
 group D: total 346 L = 71 days

10.1.2 Weaning

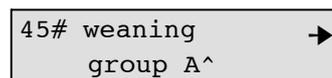
In this submenu you can select whether the individual animal groups are to be weaned according to the feeding plan, to concentrate consumption or to weight (provided that the automatic feeder is equipped with a concentrate feeder or an animal scales previously selected in Setup).



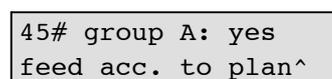
Turn the program switch to position 10 = keyboard.



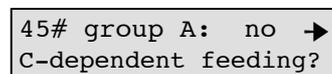
Enter 45. Press ENTER to confirm the input. Select the group that is to be weaned.



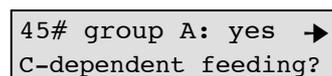
Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. If the group is to be weaned according to the feeding plan, you do not need to modify the standard setting („yes“).



In case of concentrate-dependent weaning and provided that the automatic feeder is equipped with a concentrate feeder previously selected in Setup, press Arrow Up/ Arrow Down to move to the following screen:

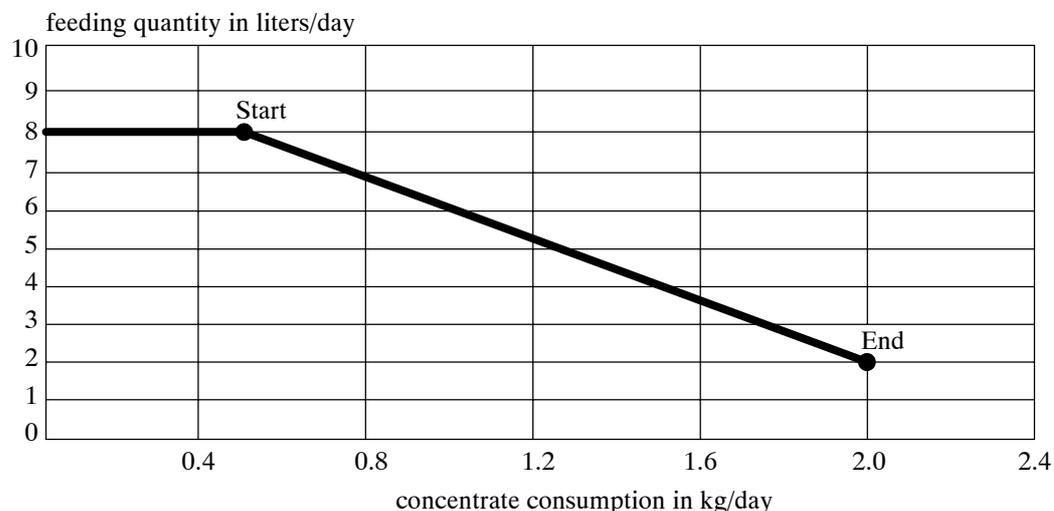


Press the Yes/No-key to change the standard setting (no). Press ENTER to confirm the input.



If the animals are weaned according to concentrate consumption or weight, you can shorten the feeding periods. The beginning of weaning can be controlled by concentrate consumption. If animal's average concentrate consumption of the last 4 days (type 1 and 2 together) exceeds the initial value of concentrate-dependent weaning, the animal will be shifted to the beginning of the weaning period. As soon as the animal reaches the final value of concentrate consumption, it will only get the minimum quantity set in the feeding plan. The minimum quantity is determined by the feeding plan.

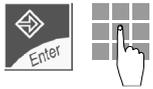
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Go to the next screen.

```
45# A start: 0.5 kg
      end: 2.0 kg
```



Press ENTER. Enter the initial value for the beginning of weaning.

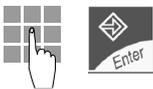
```
45# A start: 0.6 kg
      end: 2.0 kg
```



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



If the initial value is not attained, the animal will be fed according to the feeding plan. If at daily calculation, animal's average concentrate consumption of the last four days exceeds the initial threshold value for weaning, the correction days will be calculated automatically and the animal will be shifted to the beginning of the weaning period. By the correction days, the animal is shifted to the right of the concentrate curve. From now on, the milk quantity is calculated each day anew according to concentrate consumption. However, the milk quantity cannot be increased even if the concentrate consumption decreases.



Enter the final value for weaning. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
45# A start: 0.6 kg
      end: 1.8 kg
```



If an animal has reached or exceeded the set final value over a period of 4 days, it will only get the minimum quantity set in the feeding plan. The feeding plan indicates how long the minimum amount should be fed.

Standard values for weaning by concentrate: start 0.5 kg, end 2.0 kg.



The feeding period can also be shortened by weight-dependent weaning (provided that the automatic feeder is equipped with an animal scales that has been previously registered in Setup). The feed amount is reduced bit by bit as soon as an animal has reached a certain weight.

```
45# group A: no →
weight-dep. feeding?
```



Press the Yes/No-key to modify the standard setting (no). Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
45# group A: yes →
weight-dep. feeding?
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Key in as of which weight, weight-dependent weaning should begin (here: as of 65 kg). Select the weight factor (here: 0.25). Example with standard values: if the weight of an animal in group A is 65 kilograms, 0.25 liters per kilogram weight gain will be deducted from the feed quantity to which the animal is entitled according to feeding plan A.

```
45# A start: 65 kg
      factor: 0.25L/kg
```

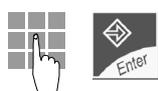
10.2 Concentration Plans

You can enter one concentration plan splitted up into 5 periods (P1-P5) for each of the four groups (A, B, C, D). *See the annex of this instruction manual.* The periods of the concentration plans are not bound to the periods of the feeding plans. If e.g. the concentration is the same for all feeding periods, you only need to enter one period with the corresponding duration.

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 11 and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
11# concentr. plan
group A^ →
```



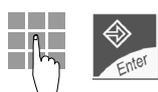
Select the group.

```
11# concentr. plan
group A^ →
```



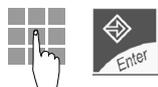
Go to the next screen and press ENTER.

```
11# A per.1 77 days
fr. 120 to 120g/L →
```



Enter duration of the first period. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
11# A per.1 12 days
fr. 120 to 120g/L →
```



Enter the initial and final concentration. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
11# A per.1 12 days
fr. 80 to 110g/L →
```

For the periods 2 - 5, proceed as for period 1. The start value of a period equals the end value of the preceding period and is taken over from it.



After the 5th period, the display shows duration of the concentration- and the feeding plan. Example with standard values:

```
11# plan: 77 days
feed. plan: 77 days
```



If the concentration plan is shorter than the feeding plan, the end of the concentration plan will appear as an expire message. The last concentration is fed until the end of the feeding plan.



The next screen shows plan requirement for the milk amount and the solid matter calculated from the feeding- and the concentration plan. Example with standard values:

```
11# target consum.
478 L SM: 57 kg
```

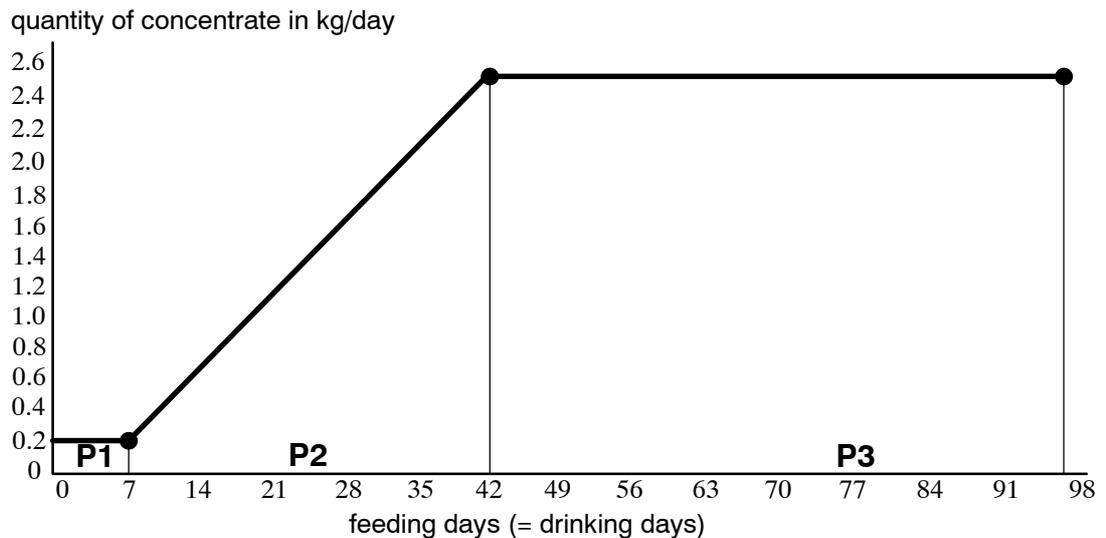
Standard values of the concentration plan:

- group A: total 57 kg MP = 77 days
- group B: total 46 kg MP = 70 days
- group C: total 38 kg MP = 64 days
- group D: total 42 kg MP = 71 days

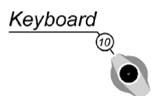
10.3 Concentrate Plans

Two concentrate types (C 1 and C 2), such as e.g. calf starter or farm-derived coarse meal mix can be fed, provided that two concentrate feeders have been installed. *For settings, see chapter 8.3.1, page 39, „Setup, Activating the Concentrate“*). Each of the four groups is divided into 5 periods.

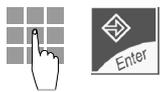
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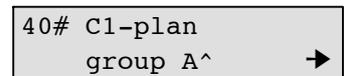
Concentrate plan 1:



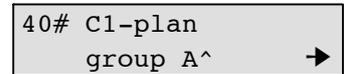
Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



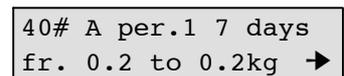
Enter 40 and press ENTER to confirm the input.



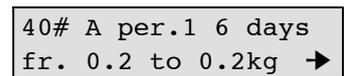
Select the group.



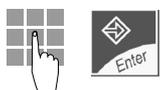
Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.



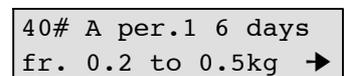
Press ENTER. Enter the duration of period 1.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Enter the start and end value of the concentrate quantity in kg (maximum concentrate quantity per type: 9.9 kg). Press ENTER to confirm the input.





Press Arrow Right to move to period 2.

40# A per.2 42 days
fr. 0.5 to 2.0kg →



Press ENTER and enter the duration of period 2.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Enter the start and end value of the concentrate quantity in kg. Press ENTER to confirm the input. There is no need to enter the start value of a period as this value corresponds to the end value of the preceding period.



Press Arrow Right to go to the periods 3 to 5. Proceed as with period 1 and 2.

After the 5th screen the display shows duration of the concentrate 1-plan and of the feeding plan.

40# plan: 90 days
feed. plan: 77 days

Example with standard values:



The next screen shows plan requirement for the quantity of concentrate 1. Example with standard values:

40# target consum.
C1: 161 kg

Standard values of concentrate plan 1
for all groups :

- period 1: 7 days 0.2 kg
- period 2: 42 days from 0.2 to 2.5 kg
- period 3: 41 days from 2.5 to 2.5 kg
- period 4: not active
- period 5: not active
- duration of the plan: 90 days = 13 weeks

Standard values of concentrate plan 2
for all groups : periods 1 - 5 not active.

Concentrate 2-plan:

Enter 41 in keyboard menu 10 and proceed as with concentrate 1-plan.

10.4 Entitlement Intervals

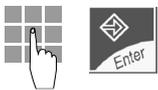
The day quantity of milk or concentrate is divided by the number of entitlement intervals. Example: If an animal is entitled to 10 liters between midnight and 8 p.m., this entitlement (in case you entered 20 entitlement intervals) will increase at each feeding interval (1 hour) by 0.5 L. However the milk is dispensed only in case the minimum saved quantity has been reached. (*Minimum saved quantity, see chapter 10.5, page 84, „Limited Quantities“*).

10.4.1 Feeding Intervals

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 16. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
16# feed. interv.
   for group A^ →
```



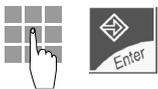
Select the group.

```
16# feed. interv.
   for group B^ →
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Press ENTER.

```
16# A 1. fr. 0 hrs
last till 20 hrs
```



Enter duration of the feeding intervals. After the last feeding interval has lapsed, the total milk quantity will be available as remaining quantity. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
16# A 1. fr. 0 hrs
last till 20 hrs
```

Potential input: 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Standard value: 8 p.m.



Move to the next screen. Press ENTER.

```
16#A feed. interv.
20 entitlem.interv.
```



Enter the number of entitlement intervals. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
16#A feed. interv.
32 entitlem.interv.
```

Potential input: at least 2 entitlement intervals and 40 at most.
Standard value for all four groups: 20 entitlement intervals.

10.4.2 Concentrate Intervals

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 44. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
44# C intervals
for group A^
```



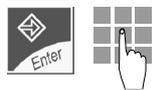
Select the group.

```
44# C intervals
for group B^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Press ENTER.

```
44# B 1. fr. 0 hrs
last till 20 hrs
```



Enter duration of the concentrate intervals. After the last concentrate interval has lapsed, the total concentrate amount will be available as a remaining quantity. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

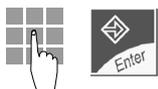
```
44# B 1. fr. 0 hrs
last till 23 hrs
```

Potential input: 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Standard value: 8 p.m.



Move to the next screen. Press ENTER.

```
44#A C-intervals
20 entitlem.interv.
```



Enter the number of entitlement intervals.
Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
44#A C-intervals
32 entitlem.interv.
```

Potential input: at least 2 entitlement intervals and 40 at most.
Standard value for all four groups: 20 entitlement intervals.

10.5 Limited Quantities

The limited quantities control the assignment of milk and concentrate by the entitlement intervals. They are based on standard values with which the automatic feeder operates.

Minimum saved quantity:

The milk quantities are continuously saved during the day according to the interval feeding time system. By the minimum save-up quantity you can determine the number of milk portions to be saved until a milk portion is dispensed. This has an indirect influence on the number of meals.



The minimum save-up quantities may vary depending on the feeding periods, i.e. at the beginning of the feeding plan, little animals can be provided with small portions, such as e.g. 4 portions à 1.5 L/day. Later on, especially in calf rearing, the feeding times should be reduced to one by raising the minimum save-up quantities. The long time intervals between the feeding times increase the consumption of concentrate and raw food considerably thus reducing the tendency to mutual suckling.

The minimum save-up quantity for milk is entered per group and in liters, according to the minimum save-up quantity-plan.

The minimum save-up quantity for concentrate is entered per group as a percentage of the day quantity.



Example: Day quantity of animal 1A = 1.0 kg, day quantity of animal 2A = 2.0 kg. If, for instance, the minimum save-up quantity is 10 %, animal 1A will concentrate only if the save-up quantity is more than or equal to 100 g and animal 2A will get concentrate only if the minimum save-up quantity is more than or equal to 200 g.

Maximum quantity:

The quantity to be claimed is limited in order to prevent excessive consumption of milk or concentrate due to too high minimum save-up quantities. As soon as the maximum quantity is attained, the claim is blocked for 2 hours. The saved quantities are maintained. After the two hours have lapsed, the corresponding animal can claim the remaining quantity, but again only the maximum quantity. The maximum quantity can be set according to the age of the corresponding animal. By default the maximum quantity is always higher than the minimum save-up quantity by 0.5 litres.



Milk: You can enter the maximum quantity for milk per group and in liters according to the maximum quantity plan.

The maximum quantity cannot be smaller than the minimum save-up quantity.

Concentrate: You can enter the maximum quantity for concentrate per group and as a percentage of the day quantity.

Carryover:

If an animal does not consume the total milk- or concentrate amount, the remaining quantity will be carried over to the following day. Consequently, the value at day-shift is not zero but it corresponds to the carryover. The carryover can be bound to the minimum save-up quantity, i.e. the carryover is at most as high as the minimum save-up quantity.

10.5.1 Minimum Save-Up Quantity and Maximum Quantity for Milk

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 15 and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
15# feeding amount limits^ →
```



Select submenu „Amount limits“.

```
15# feeding amount limits^ →
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
15# limits group A^ →
```



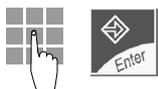
Select the group.

```
15# limits group A^ →
```



Move to the next screen and press ENTER.

```
15# A per.1 14 days min:1.5L max:2.0L →
```



Enter the number of days for period 1. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
15# A per.1 15 days min:1.5L max:2.0L →
```



Enter the milk amount in litres for the minimum save-up quantity and press ENTER.

```
15# A per.1 15 days min:1.7L max:2.0L →
```



Enter the milk amount in litres for the maximum quantity and press ENTER. The maximum quantity cannot be smaller than the minimum save-up quantity. For the periods 2-5, proceed as for period 1.

```
15# A per.1 14 days min:1.7L max:2.2L →
```



The last screen shows the duration of the plan referring to limited quantities as well as the duration of the corresponding feeding plan.

```
15# plan: 77 days feed. plan: 77 days
```

Standard values for minimum save-up quantity and maximum quantity of the groups A, B, C and D:

	Period	Minimum save-up quantity	Maximum quantity
Group A	1: 14 days	1.5 L	2.0 L
	2: 14 days	2.0 L	2.5 L
	3: 49 days	2.5 L	3.0 L
	4 + 5: not active as a standard		
Group B	1: 14 days	1.5 L	2.0 L
	2: 14 days	2.0 L	2.5 L
	3: 42 days	2.5 L	2.5 L
	4 + 5: not active as a standard		
Group C	1: 14 days	1.5 L	2.0 L
	2: 14 days	2.0 L	2.5 L
	3: 36 days	2.5 L	3.0 L
	4 + 5: not active as a standard		
Group D	1: 7 days	1.0 L	1.5 L
	2: 14 days	1.5 L	2.0 L
	3: 14 days	2.0 L	2.5 L
	4: 36 days	2.5 L	3.0 L
	5: not active as a standard		

10.5.2 Carryover of the Milk



Select submenu „Carryover“.

15# feeding
carryover^ →



Go to the next screen.

15# carryover
Gr.A^: no →



Select the group.

15# carryover
Gr.A^: no →



Select „yes“ or „no“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.

15# carryover
Gr.A^: yes →



„Carryover, yes“ means that the carryover is bound to the minimum save-up quantity.
„Carryover, no“ means that the remaining quantity is not carried over to the following day.

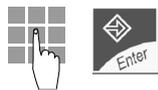
Standard value: „Carryover, no“

10.5.3 Limited Quantities for Concentrate

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 42 and press ENTER.

```
42# concentrate →
minimum save up^
```



Select submenu „Minimum Save Up“.

```
42# concentrate →
minimum save up^
```



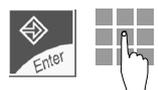
Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
42# save up →
group A^ 10%
```



Select the group.

```
42# save up →
group A^ 10%
```



Press ENTER. Enter the minimum save-up quantity as a percentage of the day quantity.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.

Standard value: minimum save-up quantity for all four groups 10 %.



Select submenu „Maximum quantity“.

```
42# concentrate →
max. quantity^
```

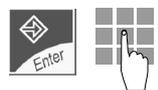


Move to the next screen.

```
42# max. quantity →
group A^ 50 %
```



Select the group.



Press ENTER. Enter the maximum quantity as a percentage of the day quantity.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.

Standard value: maximum quantity for all four groups 50 %.

10.5.4 Carryover of the Concentrate

 	Select submenu „Carryover“.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> 15# concentrate → carryover ^ </div>
	Move to the next screen.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> 15# carryover → Gr.A^: no </div>
 	Select the group.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> 15# carryover → Gr.A^: no </div>
 	Select „yes“ or „no“. Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> 15# carryover → Gr.A^: yes </div>
	„Carryover, yes“ means that the carryover is bound to the minimum save-up quantity. „Carryover, no“ means that the remaining quantity is not carried over to the following day.	

Standard value: „Carryover, no“

10.6 Warning Levels

The warning levels determine the warning threshold, i.e. the time or the value when a warning is triggered. All warning levels are fixed per group.

Chapter 13 „Warnings“, page 110 contains more detailed information on the different types of warnings.

Milk There are milk-related warning levels for consumption, feeding speed and breaks.

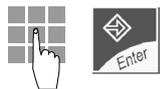
Concentrate There are concentrate-related warning levels for warning today, day warning and 3-day warning. You can suppress the concentrate warning for a certain time because at the beginning little animals do not reliably consume concentrate.

10.6.1 Warning Levels for Milk

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 20 and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
20# warning level →
feeding^
```



Select submenu „Feeding“.

```
20# warning level →
feeding^
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
20# warning level →
for group A^
```



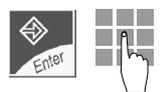
Select the group.

```
20# warning level →
for group A^
```



Move to the next screen and press ENTER.

```
20# A consum. 80% →
feeding speed 70%
```



After „Consumption“ press ENTER again. Next to „Feeding Speed“ enter the corresponding warning level.

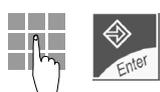


Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Go to the next screen and press ENTER.

```
20# A breaks →
no additives 2
```

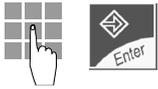


Enter the warning level for breaks without additive. Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Move to the next screen and press ENTER.

```
20# A breaks →
with additives 2
```



Enter the warning level for breaks with additive. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

Standard values for all four groups:
 Consumption 80 %
 Feeding speed 70 %
 Breaks without additive 2
 Breaks with additive 2

10.6.2 Warning Levels for Concentrate



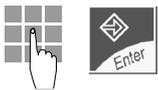
Select submenu „Concentrate“.

20# warning level →
concentrate^



Go to the next screen and press ENTER.

20# A for 40 days →
warning suppression

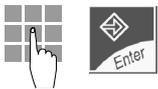


Enter the number of days for warning suppression at the beginning after housing. Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Move to the next screen. Press ENTER.

20# A C1 8 hrs →
warning today 70 %



For concentrate type 1, enter the beginning of warning today. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

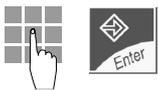


Enter the warning level. Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Go to the next screen and press ENTER.

20# A C1 →
day warning 70 %

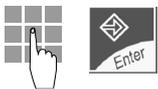


Enter the warning level for day warning for concentrate type 1. Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Move to the next screen. Press ENTER.

20# A C1 →
3-days-warning 40 %



Enter the warning level for 3-day warning for concentrate type 1. Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Enter the warning level for concentrate type 2 into the next three screens.

Standard values for all four groups:
 Warning suppression: 40 days
 Warning today as of 8 o'clock: 70 %
 Day warning: 70 %
 3-day warning: 40 %

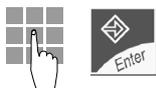
10.7 Machine Data: Station Number

The station number is an internal company designation of the automatic feeders for plants with more than one automatic feeder. It facilitates identification of each individual automatic feeder connected to the PC-program „KalbManager“ or in case one printer is used for several feeders. As automatic feeders are factory-delivered with station number „1“, as of 2 feeders you have to change this number accordingly.

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.

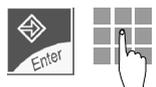


Enter 1 and press ENTER to confirm the input.



Go to the second screen. The display shows the abbreviation „ME“ in the second line.

1# station-No.: 1
PY2-099-MEIVUS-0.16



Press ENTER. Enter the station number (potential input: 1 to 25).



Press ENTER to confirm the input.

Standard value: 1

Version: The display shows the designation of the program version in the second line.

Meaning of the characters:

PY2 = Powder with double priority control

099 = max. 99 animals or collars can be managed

ME = Mikroerkennung = Micro-Identification

IV = Intervall = Interval Feeding Time System

US = English Language

0.16 = Version number

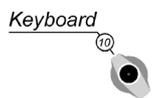
10.8 Restricted/Ad Libitum Mode

By standard the automatic feeder operates in the restricted mode. Yet you can also commute to the ad libitum mode.

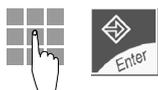
Restricted In the restricted mode the automatic feeder operates with animal identification, i.e. the animals are fed individually and in a restricted way and all data are recorded per animal.

Ad Libitum In the ad libitum mode the automatic feeder operates without animal identification. In feeding mode, a new portion is prepared each time the electrode in the mixer jar is free. If the automatic feeder is equipped with two feeding stations, both box valves are open. The concentrate feeders dispense the next portion each time the feeding bowl is empty.

10.8.1 Restricted/Ad Libitum Mode (Automatic Feeder)



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 2 and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
2# restricted yes
   ad lib      no
```



Select „yes“ for restricted mode or „no“ for ad libitum mode. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
2# restricted yes
   ad lib      no
```



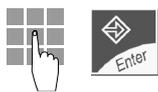
Go to the next screen. The display shows the milk amount prepared yesterday and today.

```
2# today: 12 L →
   ad lib yest.: 234 L
```



Move to the next screen and press ENTER.

```
2# ad lib →
   concentration120g/L
```

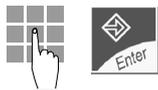


Enter the concentration for the ad libitum portion and press ENTER to confirm the input.



Go to the next screen. Press ENTER.

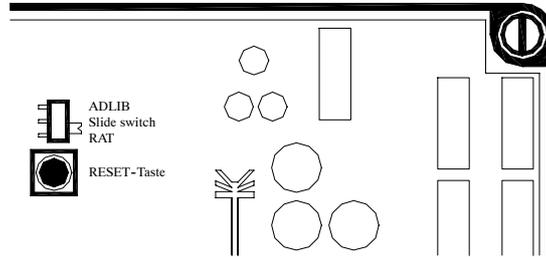
```
2# ad lib →
   additive 0g/L
```



Enter the additive amount for the ad libitum portion. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

10.8.2 Restricted/Ad Libitum Mode (Concentrate Feeders)

- Set the slide switch located on the Master board to the desired position.



- Press the RESET-key.

11 Additives

Two additive dispensers are available: one for powder and another for liquid additives. Please note that you cannot utilize both dispensers simultaneously.

In addition, a special electrolyte program allows you to prevent or treat scours.

Electrolyte and milk can be fed alternately. On the one hand this ensures that the animals are provided with the vital nutriment of the milk, on the other hand the electrolyte compensates for the loss of liquid thus stabilizing the mineral balance.



Do not administer the electrolyte solution together with the milk. This may limit its effectiveness.

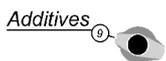
The switch menu „Additives“ contains the following submenus:

- Distribute medicine
- Distribute electrolyte
- Make out medicine prescriptions
- Make out electrolyte prescriptions
- Block remaining portion with additive
- Additives Info

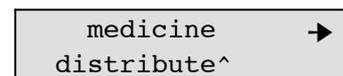
Below you will find the description of all steps that have to be taken to activate a prescription or to allocate it to individual animals or groups. Please observe the package insert. Discuss the dosage with the veterinary, if necessary.

11.1 Making Out Medicine Prescriptions

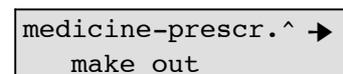
You have to make out a prescription before storing it and before starting to administer an additive to the animals. The prescription is then kept up until you change it.



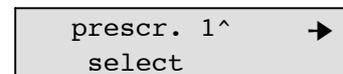
Turn the program switch to 9 = additives. The display shows:



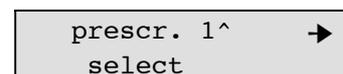
Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to move to menu „Make Out Medicine Prescriptions“.



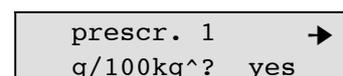
Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the prescription that has to be made out. You can enter up to 4 prescriptions.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.



Select the desired distribution (g/100 kg, g/day, g/L).



Enter „yes“ to select the desired distribution. Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Medicine distribution is either milk-dependent in grams per liter (g/L) or weight-dependent in grams per 100 kg animal weight (g/100 kg) or it is related to the day-quantity per animal and day (g/day).

Drink-dependent additive distribution:

Each milk portion contains the same additive amount, i.e. animals getting more milk will get more additive than animals getting less milk. Example: a 50 kg animal gets 8 L milk per day, a 100 kg animal 2 L milk per day. In case the entered medicine amount is 2 g/L, the 50 kg animal will get 16 g additive per day, whereas the 100 kg animal will only get 4 g per day.

Weight-dependent additive distribution:

The distributed additive amount depends on animals' weight, i.e. heavy animals get more additive than light-weight animals. If no animal scales is connected, the weight entered at registration will be updated by a special factor corresponding to animals' natural weight development. If an animal scales is connected, the weight and the daily weight gain will be determined automatically.

Additive distribution in grams per day:

If the additive is distributed in grams per day, the additive amount will correspond to the amount per animal and day. The additive amount will neither depend on the milk amount nor on animal's weight.

If the additive is distributed in g/100 kg and g/day you may choose how often the additive should be distributed. Choose between the following settings: 1 time (once)/day, 2 times (twice)/day or distribution to all portions.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
distribution →
2 times/day^? yes
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the desired distribution (1 time/day, 2 times/day, distribution to all portions).



If you choose 1 time/day and 2 times/day, distribution will depend on the minimum save-up quantity.

- distribution 1 time/day: If an animal is entitled to e.g. 3 liters with a minimum save-up quantity of 2 liters, the entered medicine amount will be added to the first 4 milk portions prepared in the morning.
- distribution 2 times/day: the medicine amount is splitted up, half of the medicine amount is added to the first milk portions prepared in the morning, the remaining quantity is added to the first milk portions prepared in the afternoon (in accordance with the minimum save-up quantity). First half of the day: 0 - 12 a.m., second half of the day: 12 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- distribution to all portions: the medicine is added to each milk portion.



Enter „yes“ to select the desired distribution. Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
period 1    0 days
fr.  0 to   0 g →
```

The prescription plans can be splitted up into 5 periods like the feeding- and the concentration plans (P1 - P5). This ensures e.g. that the additive amount is distributed and raised over a long period of time or reduced at the end of treatment.



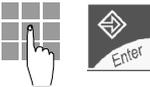
Press ENTER. Enter the duration of period 1 in days.
Example:

period 1	3 days
fr. 0 to	0 g →



Press ENTER to confirm the input.

period 1	3 days
fr. 0 to	0 g →



Enter the initial and the end quantity of period 1 in grams and press ENTER to confirm each. Example:

period 1	3 days
fr. 10 to	20 g →



The portion size of the additive amount has to be between 2 g/L and 20 g/L. If the additive is distributed to all portions per day, you have to consider the largest and the smallest day quantity. If the portion size is below 2 g/L, add glucose or milk powder to the additive in order to get larger portions.



Move to the next screen. For the periods 2 to 5, proceed as with period 1.

Unlike the feeding plans, after pressing ENTER, the final value of the preceding period is not automatically taken over as initial value. You can enter each period individually.



The prescriptions are **not** bound to animal's housing date. Before starting additive distribution, you have to activate a prescription in Menu „Distributing the Medicine Prescription“ or „Distributing the Electrolyte Prescription“. After a feeding plan has lapsed, the milk will nevertheless be distributed to the corresponding animal (according to the last day quantity) for the duration of additive distribution.

11.2 Making Out the Electrolyte Prescription

You can distribute powder electrolyte only via the dispenser for powder additives. Make out a prescription before starting electrolyte distribution. After you made out the electrolyte prescription, it will be stored and kept up until you change it. The day quantity and concentration (g/L) of electrolyte drinking is related to animal's weight and the severity of scours.



Turn the program switch to 9 = additives. The display shows:

```
medicine  →
distribute^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to move to the menu „Make Out Electrolyte Prescription“.

```
electrolyte-prescr →
make out^
```



Go to the next screen.

```
electrolyte
for 0 days 0 g/L →
```

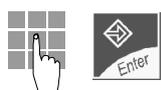


Press ENTER. Enter the number of days for electrolyte distribution.

```
electrolyte
for 5 days 0 g/L →
```



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Enter the electrolyte amount to be daily fed (in grams per liter). Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
electrolyte
for 5 days 20 g/L →
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
per visit 1.5L
0 days without milk
```



Press ENTER. Enter the maximum quantity of electrolyte drinking to be fed per visit. Potential input: up to 9.5 liters.

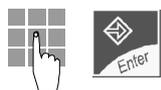
```
per visit 1.0L
0 days without milk
```



We recommend to make 1.0 to 1.5 liters electrolyte drinking available to the animal each time it visits the feeding station.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.

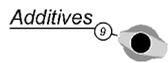


Enter the number of days for electrolyte distribution. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
per visit 2.5L
3 days without milk
```

11.3 Distributing the Medicine

After you have made out a prescription, you have to activate it resp. allocate it to individual animals or to a group. The medicine can also be fed to the animals as a prophylaxis. If this prophylaxis is active, in the future, after housing, each animal will automatically be fed with medicine according to the selected prescription.



Turn the program switch to 9 = additives.
The display shows:

```
medicine →
distribute^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
animal-specific →
distribution^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select whether the medicine has to be distributed to individual animals, to a group or to all animals as a prophylaxis.



Press Arrow Right. The display shows the duration and the dosage of medication.

```
*X1^ g/100kg 5 d. →
from 5 to 5 g
```



Select the desired prescription (1-4) according to which the animals should get their medicine.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
1A^ X1
apply no
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the animal to be treated with medicine.



Enter „yes“ if the animal has to be treated with medicine according to the entered prescription. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
1A^ X1
apply yes
```

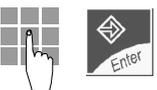
Enter „no“ if the animal should not get any medicine. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

If you enter „yes“ and an animal scales is connected, the display shows:

```
1A anim. weight
correct 50 kg
```

If no animal scales is connected, the display shows:

```
1A^ weight 50 kg
LWG + 500 g/day
```



Key in the estimated animal weight and press ENTER to confirm the input.



If the additive has to be dispensed in accordance with weight, make sure that the entered animal weight is correct. Heavy animals get more additive than light-weight ones.

After you have confirmed animal's weight, the display will show the number of the animal that is entitled to the additive next.

The animals can only be fed according to one powder additive prescription. If you try to select another prescription, the display will indicate that one or more animals are already being treated. Check these animals. Change the medicine in the additive dispenser if you want to activate another prescription.

```
X1 active
adjust treatment →
```



Move to the next screen in order to change the additive.

```
change additives
X2 ? no
```

Enter „yes“ to change the prescription. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

The prescription being fed to an animal or to a group is marked by an asterisk *.

```
*prescr. 1^ →
select
```

If a group or an animal are already being treated with medicine, the display shows:

```
in group A^ →
is already applied
```



Note: the animals being already treated at that time are shifted to the beginning of the prescription!

If an animal has not been registered yet in none of the groups, the display will show:

```
in group D^ →
no anim. registered
```

If no animal is treated anymore, the display will show:

```
no further →
animals with X1
```

For „Medicine Distribution to Groups“, proceed as with „Animal-Specific Medicine Distribution“.



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to move to menu „Automatic Prophylaxis“. Here you can activate the automatic prophylaxis.

```
automatic →
prophylaxis^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
prescr. 1^ →
select
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the desired prescription (1-4).



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
R1 beginning
when registr. no
```



Enter „yes“ to start distribution of the prescription at housing. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
R1 beginning
when registr. yes
```

If another prescription is already being distributed, the following message will be displayed:

```
treatment with
X2 see additives
```



In case medicine distribution (as a prophylaxis) to an individual animal or to a group should be completed later on, you have to set distribution back to „no“. Whereas if in menu „Make Out Prescription“ you reduce the duration of an ongoing treatment, the treatment of an an-

imal will be interrupted automatically as soon as its duration has lapsed. In switch menu „Alarms“ you can view as an expire message that the plan relating to additive distribution has lapsed.

If the treatment has been completed according to the entered prescription, an expire message for the corresponding animal or group will be displayed in switch menu „Alarms“.

If you try to select a prescription that has not been made out yet, the display will show:

```
X1
not yet made out
```

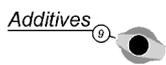
In this Menu you cannot make out a prescription. The display shows:

```
input only in
menu 'make out'
```

11.4 Distributing the Electrolyte

After you have made out the prescription for electrolyte distribution, you have to activate and assign it to individual animals or to a group. The additive amount can be dispensed automatically to all animals as a prophylaxis according to the prescription. Once this prophylaxis is active, in future, after housing, each animal will automatically get the entered electrolyte prescription.

The electrolyte can also be fed alternately to the milk. In this case, after an animal has claimed the milk amount to which it is entitled, feeding will be blocked for 2 hours. After the 2 hours have lapsed, the animal will be entitled to the available electrolyte drinking. Feeding is then blocked once again for 2 hours. After the 2 hours have lapsed, the animal may drink the available milk. If the animal only gets electrolyte drinking, the pause between the different electrolyte drinkings has to be 4 hours.



Turn the program switch to 9 = additives. The display shows:

```
medicine →
distribute^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to move to the menu „Distribute Electrolyte“.

```
electrolyte →
distribute^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
animal-specific →
distribution^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select whether the medicine has to be distributed to individual animals or to a group or to all animals as a prophylaxis.



Press Arrow Right. The display shows once again the duration of distribution as well as the concentration of the electrolyte solution.

```
*EL g/L →
for 5 days 20 g/L
```



In the next screen you have to activate electrolyte distribution:

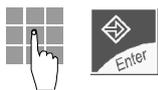
```
5B^ EL
apply no
```



Enter „yes“ if you want to distribute electrolyte to an individual animal.

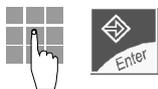
```
5B^ EL
apply yes
```

Enter „no“ if you do not want to distribute electrolyte to an animal.



If you select „yes“, here you can enter the maximum quantity that is available for each individual animal each time it visits the feeding station (max. 9.5 L). Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
5B^ per visit 9.5L
      with milk^
```



If, for a certain period of time, you want to feed only electrolyte solution, change the default setting „with milk“ into „x days without milk“. Then, enter the number of days and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
per visit 2.5L
3 days without milk
```

The following display appears (ex.):

```
5B^ dr.: 6.0L
for 3 days -0.5L
```

Here you can decrease the feed amount. In addition, you can enter the duration of this reduction.

You can also decrease the feed amount per group:

```
gr.:A dr.: -50%
+/- delete: no
```

If a reduction/supplement (deviations) is already active for an animal of the selected group, in the second line you can enter whether it should be maintained or whether this animal should get the same reduction like the rest of the group.

The menu succession for group distribution is identical to the one for individual distribution. For menu succession relating to electrolyte prophylaxis, refer to chapter 11.1, page 94, „Making out Medicine Prescriptions“.

In case electrolyte distribution to an individual animal or to a group should be completed later on, you have to set distribution back to „no“. Whereas, if in menu „Making Out Electrolyte Prescription“, you reduce the duration of an ongoing treatment, the treatment of an animal will be interrupted automatically as soon as its duration has lapsed. In switch menu „Alarms“ you can view as an expire message that the plan relating to additive distribution has lapsed.

If the treatment has been completed according to the entered prescription, an expire message for the corresponding animal or group will be displayed in switch menu „Alarms“.

If you try to select a prescription that has not been made out yet, the display will show:

```
X1
not made out yet
```

In this Menu you cannot make out a prescription. The display shows:

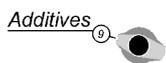
```
inputs only in
menu 'make out'
```

11.5 Blocking the Remaining Portion with Additive

In this menu feeding can be blocked for those animals that under no circumstances should get additive. If an animal getting additive breaks off the visit to the feeding station thus leaving a remaining portion in the mixer jar (the long electrode is covered), the box valves leading to the feeding stations will close. This may last until an animal entitled to additive enters the feeding station and drinks up the liquid in the mixer jar or the remaining portion is drained off automatically via the outlet valve after a pre-set time. Refer to chapter 14.2.3, page 130, „Cleaning Settings, Remaining Portion“.



The electrolyte solution cannot be blocked.



Turn the program switch to 9 = additives. The display shows:

```
medicine  →
distribute^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to move to menu „Block Remaining Portion with Additive“.

```
remain. port. with →
additive block^
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
11A^rem. port. with
additive block no
```



Select the animal number.



Enter „yes“ to block the remaining portion with additive for an animal that should not get any additive.

```
11A^rem. port. with
additive block yes
```

Enter „no“ if you don't want to block the remaining portion with additive.

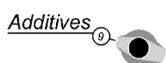
Enter the number of the animal that should be blocked or for which blocking should be cancelled.



If too many animals are blocked, it may happen that feeding mode will cut off over and over.

11.6 Additives Info

In menu „Additives Info“ you can view all information about additive feeding. The display only shows animals getting some additive.



Turn program switch to 9 = additives. The display shows:

```
medicine  →
distribute^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to move to menu „Additives Info“.

```
additives  →
info^
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
21C^ X1      20 g →
consumed      10 g
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the desired animal. The first line shows the day quantity of additive and the second line the additive amount already consumed.

```
21C^ X1      20 g →
consumed      10 g
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. The first line displays the day quantity of additive available yesterday and the second line the additive amount actually consumed yesterday.

```
21C^ X1      20 g →
yesterday     15 g
```

If no additive is active for the selected animal, the following message will be displayed:

```
21C^R1  yesterd. →
no application
```

If no additive is active for none of the animals, the following message will be displayed:

```
no additive active!
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. The display shows the number of breaks with additive today and yesterday.

```
21C^breaks, w.add.→
today 0 yesterd. 0
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen. Here you can view the number of remaining days till the end of additive distribution as well as the number of feeding days till the end of the plan.

```
21C^X1    rest
13d., feed 64 d. →
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. The display shows whether the corresponding animal gets a decreased or increased additive amount.

```
21C^X1    5g
+0 g/100kg = 5g →
```

If electrolyte is dispensed, the abbreviation X (= prescription) will be replaced by EL.

12 Check Functions

12.1 Switch Position „Feeding Mode“

Feeding station without animal:

The display shows the number of warnings or expire periods:

```
MP mode
dr-warn: 0 exp: 0
```

The display shows whether the machine operates in the ad libitum mode and how many litres have been dispensed yesterday and today:

```
ad lib yest. 250 L
today 27 L
```

The display shows which animal is identified at present:

```
123A feeding
45.0kg 1.5 L
```

The display shows the current entitlement of the identified animal:

```
123A feeding
45.0kg 1.5 L
```

The current animal is displayed only in case the animal scales have been selected in Setup:

```
123A feeding
45.0kg 1.5 L
```

The display shows whether the sensor is free or covered:

□ Sensor free / Mixer jar empty

≡ Sensor covered / Mixer jar at least partly filled

```
123A
□
```

The display shows whether an animal has been identified and at which feeding station:

≠ = Symbol for identification

1 = Feeding station 1

2 = Feeding station 2

```
123A
≠ 1
```

The display shows whether animal's entitlement is limited by the maximum quantity:

```
123A limit. feeding
45.0kg 2.5 L
```

After the animal has claimed the maximum quantity, feed entitlement will be blocked for two hours.

The display shows whether animal's feed entitlement has been blocked because the animal has already consumed the maximum quantity:

```
123A feeding
blocked
```

The display shows whether the animal has to wait (2-4 hours) or not until it is fed again after having consumed electrolyte or milk. *See chapter 11.4, page 100, „Distributing the Electrolyte“.*

```
123A feeding blocked
wait.time electrol.
```

The display shows whether the milk in the mixer jar should be blocked or not because the identified animal is in waiting

```
123A blocked
feed in the mixer
```



time after having consumed electrolyte. *See chapter 11.4, page 100, „Distributing the Electrolyte“.*

12.2 Animal Verification

Menu „Animal Verification“ in switch position 4 contains all information about animals' feeding behaviour, the concentrate feeder and the animal scales. While menu „Alarms“ in switch position 3 only displays the warning animals, menu „Verification“ in switch position 4 shows all check functions for all animals.

Menu „Animal Verification“ contains the following submenus:

- Feeding behaviour
- C1 and C2
- C1
- C2
- Visits
- Animal scales
- Number of animals

12.2.1 Feeding Behaviour

Submenu „Feeding Behaviour“ displays the values concerning today's and yesterday's feed entitlement, the breaks and the feeding speed. You will find more detailed information on „Breaks“ and „Feeding Speed“ in chapter 13 ff, page 110 ff, „Alarms“.



Select submenu „Feeding behaviour“.

```
Calves with right →
feeding behaviour ^
```



Go to the next screen. The upper line shows release time of the milk and the current feed entitlement. The lower line shows in which feeding station the animal has been identified last (if no number appears but a dot instead, the animal has not been identified in none of the feeding stations), today's milk quantity and today's real consumption in litres (in brackets).

```
12A^fr. 14.25 1.5L →
1(5.5) consu. 2.0L
```

Feed delay

If an animal is in a temporary feed delay after having claimed the maximum quantity, the display will show the following information:

```
1A^ block 110min →
1(6.0) consu. 1.5L
```

The upper line indicates the remaining time until the end of feed delay. (*For the lower line, refer to the previous screen.*)



Go to the next screen. The upper line indicates the milk quantity of yesterday. The lower line first shows the number of the feeding station where the animal has been identified last as well as the real consumption as a percentage and in litres.

```
12A^  yest.  5.5 →
2/consu. 100%=5.5L
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. The second line indicates the number of breaks without additive.

```
12A^breaks,no add.→
today 0 yest. 0
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. The second line indicates the number of breaks with additive.

```
12A^breaks,w. add.→
today 0 yest. 0
```



Go to the next screen. The second line shows today's feeding speed compared to the average of the last 3 days as a percentage and in litres per minute.

```
12A^dr.speed L/min
today 98% = 1.32 →
```



Move to the next screen. The second line shows yesterday's feeding speed compared to the average of the last 3 days as a percentage and in litres per minute.

```
12A^dr.speed L/min
yest. 103%=1.39 →
```

12.2.2 C1 and C2

This submenu contains all information on concentrate type 1 and 2.



Select submenu „C1 + C2“.

```
animal verific. →
C1 + C2
```



Move to the next screen. The first line indicates the available C1- and C2-quantity. The second line shows in brackets the day quantity of concentrate and the concentrate amount actually consumed.

```
5B^ avail. 0.23 →
(0.50) consu.0.09kg
```



Move to the next screen. The first line shows yesterday's day quantity of concentrate. The second line shows the concentrate amount actually consumed as a percentage and in kilograms.

```
5B^ yest. 0.50 →
consu. 90% =0.45kg
```

12.2.3 Animal Verification C1

This submenu contains information on consumption, deviation from average consumption and on dosing quantity for concentrate type 1.



Select submenu „C1“.

```
animal verific. →
C1 ^
```



Go to the next screen. The first line shows the available quantity of C1. The second line indicates in brackets the day quantity and the real consumption in kg.

```
5B^ avail. 0.12 →
(0.30) consu.0.10kg
```



Go to the next screen. The first line indicates yesterday's day quantity. The second line shows yesterday's real consumption as a percentage and in kilograms.

```
5B^ avail. 0.30 →
consu. 90% = 0.27kg
```



Move to the next screen. The second line displays the quantity consumed today by the animal compared with its average in kilograms and as a percentage.

```
5B^ C1 today →
cons. 0.12kg=85% of φ
```



Go to the next screen. The second line indicates the quantity consumed yesterday by the animal, compared with its average of the last 3 days, in kilograms and as a percentage.

```
5B^ C1 yesterday →
cons. 0.13kg=93% of φ
```



Move to the next screen. The display shows information on the dosing amount per portion.

```
5B^ dosing amount
1 g
```

12.2.4 Animal Verification C2

This submenu displays the information about consumption, deviation from average consumption and dosing quantity for concentrate type 2. The screens for C2 correspond to those for C1.

12.2.5 Visits

This submenu contains information on the number of visits to the feeding station and to the concentrate station.



Select submenu „Visits“.

```
animal verific. →
visits ^
```



Go to the next screen. The second line indicates the number of entitled visits (today and yesterday) to the feeding station.

```
12B^ visits fed →
today 3 yest. 4
```



Move to the next screen. The second line shows the number of non entitled visits (today and yesterday) to the feeding station.

```
12B^visits not fed →
today 4 yest. 7
```



Go to the next screen. The second line indicates the number of entitled visits (today and yesterday) to the concentrate station.

```
12B^visit with C →
today 6 yest. 9
```



Move to the next screen. The second line shows the number of non entitled visits (today and yesterday) to the concentrate station.

```
12B^visits none C →
today 3 yest. 6
```

12.2.6 Animal Scales

In submenu „Animal Scales“ you can view all information on the animal scales.



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to move to the menu „Animal Scales“.

```
animal verific. →
animal scales^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
3A^ anim. weight →
examine in list
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the animal whose weight has to be checked.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. The first line shows the number of visits to the feeding station of the selected animal. The second line indicates the number of weighing used to calculate the animal weight, as well as the weight of the corresponding animal resulting from it. The display always shows the last visit with the current animal weight.

```
3A visit today 2^
num:6 w: 38.0kg →
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to check the weight determined during the relevant visit.



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen. The display shows the day weight of yesterday or the day before yesterday of the corresponding animal. The day weight is always the average weight resulting from all visits of that day.

```
3A day weight
yesterd^ w:151.0kg
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to view by turns the day weight of yesterday and the day before yesterday.

12.2.7 Number of Animals

This submenu shows the number of registered animals, the numbers still available and the number of registered animals per group.



Select submenu „Number of animals“.

```
animal verific. →
number of animals
```



Go to the next screen. The display indicates the number of registered animals as well as the numbers still available.

```
registered: 24 →
available: 5
```



Move to the next screen. The display shows the number of registered animals per group.

```
registered calves
group A^: 12
```



Select the group. After a short calculation time, the display indicates the number of animals registered in the selected group.

13 Alarms

The automatic feeder and the concentrate feeder are continuously monitored by the processor control. In switch position 3 = alarms you can view all those alarm messages relating to the failures of the automatic feeder or to animals' drinking behaviour.

The failures that interrupt the feeding mode are immediately displayed in program switch position 1 = „Feeding Mode“.

13.1 Machine Alarms

Menu „Machine Alarms“ contains all alarm messages referring to the failures of the automatic feeder. A bleep is emitted at regular intervals. The error message disappears as soon as an animal is identified.

In case failures relating to the concentrate feeder and/or the animal scales should occur, the feeding mode will be kept up. In case of failures in the feeding mode due e.g. to water shortage, the concentrate mode will be kept up.

If failures occur, the display will show:

```
machine alarms
see alarms
```



Turn the program switch to 3 = alarms to view the error messages.

13.1.1 Connection Error concerning Animal Scales or Concentrate Feeder

If the connection between the Stand Alone and the concentrate feeder is interrupted, the display will show the following error message:

```
silo 1&2
connectioninterrup.
```

Potential corrective action:

- Check connection cable to the concentrate feeders.
- Check power supply of the concentrate feeders.

If the connection between the Stand Alone and the animal scales is interrupted, e.g. the following error message will be displayed:

```
anim. scales 1&2
number errors: 1
```

After 11 connection errors to the animal scales an alarm is triggered.

Potential corrective action:

- Check connection cable to the animal scales.
- Check power supply of the animal scales.



The number of connection errors is automatically set to 0 during daily calculation. The automatic feeder retries to establish a connection to the concentrate feeder or to the animal sca-

les. Press „C“ to manually set back the connection errors to 0.

13.1.2 Checking the Calibration Values for Concentrate

If an animal enters a concentrate station where the concentrate has not been calibrated and is identified, the display will show an error message. The alarm-LED on the concentrate feeder starts flashing.

```
machine alarms
see alarms
```

In menu „Machine Alarms“ you are asked to calibrate the concentrate of the corresponding silo.

```
silo 2
please calibrate !!
```

The alarm message disappears as soon as calibration has been completed.

13.1.3 The Shaft is Blocked

If the shaft is blocked, the following error message will be displayed:

```
silo 1^
shaft blocked
```

The concentrate feeder is out of action and the alarm-LED on the concentrate feeder starts flashing.

Potential corrective action:

- Check whether some foreign matter has got caught in the shaft and remove it, if necessary.
- The motor sensor resp. motor/gear may be defective. In this case, contact Service.

13.1.4 Idling of the Shaft on the Concentrate Feeder

As soon as an animal consumes its concentrate portion, the dosing flap starts moving after approx. 5 - 6 seconds (= 5 revolutions of the shaft). If the flap does not move due e.g. to bridging of the feed, distribution will cut off without being deducted. After the animal has left the feeding station, dosing will be checked. If the dosing flap still does not move, an alarm will be triggered. The alarm-LED on the concentrate feeder starts flashing but the concentrate feeder does not switch off. As soon as the next animal enters the concentrate station, the feeder retries to dose the concentrate.

The error message indicates e.g. that 2 idlings of the shaft occurred in silo 1. The first line shows the date of last deletion of this error message.

```
silo1^14.07.03
idling shaft: 2
```

Potential corrective action:

- Check whether the dosing flap is easily moving.
- Change position of the adjustable plate with reed switch.

- Check feed for bridging.



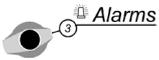
Press „C“ to delete the message. The date is then updated automatically.

13.1.5 Mixer Outlet

If during automatic mixer cleaning, heat exchanger cleaning or automatic calibration, the water in the mixer jar is not drained off within 2 minutes (the long electrode is not free), an alarm for mixer outlet will be triggered.

The display shows:

```
machine alarms
see alarms
```



Turn the program switch to 3 = alarms.

```
messages:^      →
mach. alarm:    1
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
al. mixer outlet
to delete press 0/C
```

Potential corrective action:

- Empty the mixer jar, if necessary.
- Check the mixer outlet valve and clean it, if necessary.
- Check whether the feeding pump intakes some liquid.



Press „0/C“ to delete the error message after the mixer jar has been emptied.

13.1.6 Remaining Detergent

If during the cleaning processes with detergent (in case the automatic feeder is equipped with a detergent pump that has been previously activated in Setup) power failure occurs before the remaining detergent could be removed from the system, an alarm for remaining detergent will be displayed as soon as the automatic feeder reboots.

Feeding mode is blocked until the alarm message disappears.

The display shows:

```
remaining detergent
remove?           yes
```



If you want to remove the remaining detergent during the rinsing process, press ENTER to confirm „yes“. The rinsing process starts running automatically.

13.2 Animal Alarms

Menu „Animal Alarms“ contains all data referring to animals' drinking behaviour that may lead to alarm messages as a result of the alarm levels. All alarms are animal-specific.

In switch position 4 = verifications you can view all animal data.

13.2.1 Drinking Alarms

Warning today If an animal does not consume the available milk amount within 3 hours after release, it will be displayed in Warning Today.

Press „C“ to delete warnings today temporarily. They will reappear in feeding mode as the reason for the warning is still existing.

Warning today disappears automatically as soon as the animal has consumed the shortfall quantity.

Warning yesterday Warning yesterday is determined during daily calculation. It is displayed for all animals having reached the alarm levels.

Press „C“ to delete warning yesterday. Warning yesterday is deleted automatically at the next daily calculation.

Warning yesterday will be displayed in case the milk has been released less than 2 hours before day change (0.00 h) and the animal has not claimed this amount until then.



Turn the program switch to 3 = alarms.

```
messages:^ dr: 2 →
C:0          exp:0
```



Select submenu „Warning Animals“.

```
warning animals^ →
feeding:      2
```



Move to the next screen.

```
1A^ fr. 9.30 2.0L →
1(6.0) cons. 0.0L
```

Warning today In case of warning today, in the first line the display shows the time of release and the saved quantity in liters. The second line shows the number of the feeding station where the animal has been identified (when no number is displayed but a dot instead, the animal has not been identified at none of the feeding stations) as well as the day quantity of milk and the actual consumption in liters.

```
1A^ fr. 9.30 2.0L →
1(6.0) cons. 0.0L
```

Feed delay If a warning animal is temporarily in feed delay after having consumed the maximum available quantity, the display will show the time left until the end of delay.

```
1A^ block 110min →
1(6.0) cons. 1.5 L
```

Warning yesterday In case of warning yesterday the upper line shows yesterday's milk amount. The lower line shows the number of the feeding

```
2B^ yest. 6.0 →
2/consu. 50% = 3.0L
```

station where the animal has been identified followed by the actual consumption in % and in liters. This animal appears e.g. in Warning Yesterday because yesterday it consumed only 50% of its day ration.

13.2.2 Break

A break occurs either when an animal leaves the feeding station before having emptied the mixer jar or when an animal does not drink up its portion within 2 minutes. Breaks indicate whether an animal has consumed its day ration or not.

We distinguish between breaks with additive and breaks without additive in order to find out whether the animals have not drunk up their milk portion because of the additive.

When a break occurs, the remaining quantity in the mixer jar will be released 5 minutes after the portion has been prepared, i.e. each animal can drink up the milk.

The lower line shows the number of warnings today and yesterday. The displayed animal appears as a warning animal because yesterday 2 breaks and today 1 break without additive occurred.

```
1A^ breaks,no add.->
today 1 yest. 2
```

13.2.3 Drinking Speed

If animals do no longer drink the available milk, their general state of health has already deteriorated considerably.

A decreasing drinking speed may indicate that the general state of health of the animal is deteriorating. If the drinking speed of many or all animals deteriorates, the following may be the reason for it: the suction hose is clogged, the milk is getting sour, the milk temperature has changed, a new teat is being utilized, etc.

The drinking speed is measured for each individual animal. The current drinking speed is compared with the average value of the last 3 days. The 3-day average is 100 %. As it takes 3 days to ascertain the 3-day average, no warning message relating to drinking speed will be displayed during the first 3 days after registration.

Warning today

The second line indicates the current drinking speed (today) as a percentage compared with the 3-day average as well as the corresponding figure in liters per minute. The displayed animal e.g. is a warning animal because it has drunk slower than usual and the drinking speed is below the alarm level of e.g. 80 %.

```
1A^ dr.speed L/min
today 72% = 0.82 ->
```

Warning yesterday

The second line indicates yesterday's drinking speed as a percentage compared with the 3-day average as well as the value in liters per minute.

```
12A^dr.speed L/min
yest. 78% = 0.94 ->
```

13.2.4 Additive Alarm

If an animal drinks up the milk portion in the mixer jar before the total additive amount has been added to the milk, the following warning message will be displayed:

```
17C^ additive alarm
long dosing time..s
```

If the dispensed additive amount falls below the minimum value of 1 gram per portion, the display will show the following warning message:

```
17C^ additive alarm
dos.quant. only ..g
```

13.2.5 Unknown Transmitters

If a Responder number that could not be allocated to none of the animal numbers (collar number) is read, it will be automatically registered. The same applies to a Responder number that has been allocated to a non registered animal number.

Example: Responder number 1234 has been read and allocated to collar number 100. The animal number is available now but the animal has not been registered yet. If only the Responder number is displayed, it could not be allocated to none of the animal numbers.

```
unknown transmitter
No.: 1234      100a
```



If you activate automatic registration, each animal number will be registered automatically.

13.3 Concentrate Alarms

Warning today Warning today is determined by the warning level and is displayed as of a certain time for those animals that have not consumed enough concentrate. Warning today disappears automatically as soon as the animal has consumed the total feed quantity. You can delete warning today only temporarily. It reappears in switch position „Feeding Mode“ as the reason for the alarm message is still existing.

Warning yesterday Warning yesterday is determined for each individual animal. It compares the feed quantity consumed during 1 day with the 3-day average. Warning yesterday is determined during daily calculation. It is displayed for those animals having reached the warning level.

3-day warning If the average consumption of the last 3 days compared with the set value of the concentrate plan is below the warning level, the corresponding animal will appear in 3-day warning.



Press „0/C“ to delete the 3-day warning.



If an animal appears in warning yesterday, the 3-day warning will not be displayed.



Turn the program switch to 3 = alarms.

```
messages:^ dr.: 1 →
C:2          exp.: 0
```



Select submenu „Warning Animals, C“ (C = concentrate).

```
warning animals^ →
C: 2
```



Move to the next screen.

```
1A^C1 today →
cons.0.23kg=62% ofφ
```

Warning today The upper line shows the warning today for concentrate type 1 or 2. The lower line shows the consumed quantity in kilograms and the corresponding percentage of the 3-day average.

```
1A^C1 today →
cons.0.23kg=62% ofφ
```

Warning yesterday The upper line indicates the warning yesterday for concentrate type 1 or 2. The lower line indicates the quantity consumed yesterday in kilograms and the corresponding percentage of the 3-day average.

```
1A^ C1 yesterday →
cons.0.28kg=75% ofφ
```

3-day warning The upper line shows the 3-day warning for concentrate type 1 or 2. The lower line indicates the percentage of the set value.

```
1A^ C1 3-days-warn →
75% fr. plan value▶
```

13.4 Expire Date

In this menu, all animals for which a temporary action has lapsed, like e.g. addition to the feed quantity, are displayed as expire animals for the corresponding action.

Press „0/C“ to delete expire date messages. Expire date messages referring to the feeding and the concentrate plan are always displayed at day-change until the animal is cancelled.



Turn the program switch to 3 = alarms.

```
messages: ^ dr.: 0 →
C: 2      exp.: 2
```



Select submenu „Expiry Plan/Animal“.

```
exp.plan/animal ^ →
number: 2
```



Move to the next screen.

```
23A^ feeding →
expiry date reached
```



Press „0/C“ to delete expire date messages.



Go to the next screen.



Expire date messages relating to the feeding plan are displayed every day until the animal is cancelled.

The following expire date messages may appear:

End of the feeding plan: After the duration of the feeding plan has lapsed, the animals will not get milk anymore. The expire date messages can be deleted for one day only. They reappear the next day until the animal is cancelled.

```
23A^ feeding
expiry date reached
```

End of the concentration plan: After the duration of the concentration plan has lapsed, the animals will be fed according to the last concentration value.

```
23A^ concentration
expiry date reached
```

End of the concentrate plan: After the duration of the concentrate plan has lapsed, the animals will get the concentrate amount according to the last set value. After deletion, the expire date message will be displayed again the next day until the animal is cancelled.

```
23A^ C1
expiry date reached
```

End of the medicine prescription plan: After the duration of the medicine prescription plan has lapsed, the animals will not get additive anymore.

```
11A^ X1
expiry date reached
```

End of the electrolyte plan: After the duration of the electrolyte plan has lapsed, the animals will not get electrolyte drinking anymore.

```
11A^ EL
expiry date reached
```

End of addition/reduction:

The animal is fed according to the feeding plan.

12C^ feeding
+/- deviation exp.

The animal is fed according to the concentration plan.

12C^ concentration
+/- deviation exp.

The animal is fed according to the concentrate plan.

14A^ C1
+/- deviation exp.

17B^ C2
+/- deviation exp.

The animal is fed according to the medicine prescription plan.

13A^ X1
+/- deviation exp.

The animal is fed according to the electrolyte plan.

13A^ EL
+/- deviation exp.

13.5 Animal Data and Info

In switch menu „Animal Data & Info“ you can enter the Responder number and register, cancel and relocate the animals. In addition, you can enter and check the most important animal data, like e.g. weight gain, housing date as well as the days until the end of the feeding plan.

The switch menu „Animal Data & Info“ contains the following submenus:

- Weight, Days Fed
- Ration/Day/Animal
- Cancel Registration
- Register
- Register Groups
- Automatic Registration
- Change Registration
- Transmitter Input

13.5.1 Weight, Days Fed

This menu contains all data concerning weight and daily weight gain, as well as information on feeding days, housing date, correction days and days until the end of the plan.



Turn the program switch to 6 = animal data and Info.



Select submenu „Weight, Days Fed“.

```
animal data &Info →
weight, days fed ^
```



Go to the next screen. Here you can check and, if necessary, alter the animal weight and the current daily weight gain.

```
12A^ weight 50 kg →
LWG 500 g/day
```



If no reliable animal weight has been ascertained, the display will show:

```
12A^weight 50 kg? →
LWG 500 g/day
```



Press ENTER and, if required, alter animal weight and daily weight gain.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Go to the next screen. The display shows the feeding days (days since housing) and the housing date. You can only enter or alter the animal number.

```
12A^ days fed 12 →
reg. date 17.07.03
```



Go to the next screen. The correction days allow you to shift each animal to any point of the corresponding curve.

```
12A^corr. +0 days →
expires in 43 days
```



Press ENTER. Enter the desired correction days.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Positive numbers: Enter positive numbers to „make the animals older“ and shift them to the right of the feeding curve.

Negative numbers: Enter negative numbers to „make the animals younger“ and shift them to the left of the feeding curve. You cannot set an animal at a point preceding the start of the curve, i.e. if the negative number exceeds the number of feeding days, the input will not be accepted.

End of the feeding plan: The days until the end of the feeding plan are always updated. Therefore, the setting changes after the correction days have been keyed in. After the end of the plan has been attained, the milk is no longer dispensed, unless an animal is fed with an additive. The milk is dispensed according to the duration of the prescription. Weaned animals have to be „made younger“ and do **not** have to be registered again!



Go to the next screen.

```
12A^ C1 - plan  →
expires in 55 days
```



Go to the next screen.

```
12A^ C2 - plan  →
expires in 62 days
```

The display shows information on the remaining feeding days until the end of the plan for concentrate type 1 and 2. After the end of the plan has been attained, the concentrate is fed according to the last set value.

13.5.2 Ration/Day/Animal

In this menu you can view the composition of drinking and concentrate per animal and current day.



Select submenu „Ration/Day/Animal“.

```
animal data & Info▶
ration/day/animal^
```



Go to the next screen. The display shows information on the day quantity of the milk and the concentrate amount (C1 and C2 together).

```
12B^ feed. 6.0 L ▶
      C    0.20 kg
```



Move to the next screen. The display shows information on the day quantity and the milk concentration.

```
12B^ feed. 6.0 L ▶
concentr. 120 g/L
```



Go to the next screen. Here you can view the quantity of milk powder in grams per day.

```
12B^ ▶
      MP   250 g
```



Move to the next screen. If a powder additive is fed, the display will show the day quantity for the selected animal and the already consumed quantity.

```
12B^ X1   20 g ▶
consumed  10 g
```



Go to the next screen. If an electrolyte solution is fed, the following message will be displayed.

```
12B^ EL   12 g ▶
consumed   6 g
```



Move to the next screen.

```
12B^ C1 0.23 kg ▶
      (0.19)kg
```



Move to the next screen.

```
12B^ C2 0.48 kg ▶
      (0.35)kg
```

The first line shows the day quantity of concentrate type 1 or 2 with potential carryover. In the second line you will find in brackets the value taken from the plans for concentrate 1 or 2.

13.5.3 Cancel Registration

You have to cancel the animals each time they are removed from the house. The little „a“ displayed next to the animal number means that this number is available again.

In this menu you can cancel individual or all animals (before and after the end of the feeding plan).



Before removing the animals from the house, write down the management data, such as e.g. feeding days and total consumption. Remove all cancelled animals from the feeding station.



If automatic registration is active, remove the animals from the house before they are cancelled, otherwise it may happen that they are registered again.



Select submenu „Cancel Registration“.

```
animal data &Info →
cancel registrat. ^
```



Go to the next screen. In the second line are displayed the remaining days until the end of the feeding plan for the corresponding animal.

```
14A^cancel ? no →
expires in 59 days
```



Select the number of the animal that has to be cancelled.



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input. The following message appears:

```
14a^ is cancelled
```



Go to the next screen. Here you can cancel all animals that have reached the end of the feeding plan.

```
all expired animal →
cancel reg. ? no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input. The display shows the number of cancelled and available animals.

```
animals cancelled:3
numbers available:12
```



Move to the next screen. Here you can cancel all animals.

```
all animals →
cancel reg. ? no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input. The display shows the number of cancelled and available animals.

```
animals cancelled:26
numbers available:35
```

13.5.4 Change Registration

In menu „Change Registration“ each animal can be allocated to another group.



Select submenu „Change Registration“.

```
animal data &Info →
change registrat. ^
```



Go to the next screen. The second line shows the remaining days until the end of the plan.

```
10B^change into A^→
expires in 42 days
```



Select the animal number.



Press ENTER to confirm the input.



Select the desired group.



Press ENTER.

13.6 Consumption

In switch menu „Consumption“ the total requirement for each feed component (MP, additives and concentrate) is calculated per day and appliance.



Go to the next screen. The display shows the calculated milk powder requirement for all animals in kilograms as well as the already consumed quantity (in kg).

MP req.	5.8 kg	→
consumed	0.0 kg	



The following screen is displayed only if powder or liquid additives are dispensed.



Go to the next screen. In the first line the display shows the day requirement for additive of the currently active prescription calculated according to animal's weight. In the second line the display shows the already consumed quantity (in g).

X1 today:	27g	→
consumed	5g	

If an electrolyte prescription is active, the display will show the already consumed quantity.

EL:	15g	→
consumed	5g	



Move to the next screen. The display shows the calculated requirement of concentrate 1 for all animals in kilograms as well as the already consumed quantity (in kg).

C1	req 12.5kg	→
consumed	3.6kg	



Go to the next screen. The display shows the calculated requirement of concentrate 2 for all animals in kilograms as well as the already consumed quantity (in kg).

C2	req 19.1kg	
consumed	5.2kg	

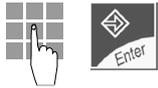
13.7 Total Consumption

In menu „Consumption Totals“ you can view the total quantities of milk powder, concentrate and additives consumed up to now by each individual animal.

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 22. Press ENTER to confirm the input.

1A^			→
	MP	9.8 kg	



Select the animal. The display shows the total milk powder consumption of the corresponding animal.

2A^			→
	MP	8.6 kg	



The next screen shows the total additive consumption (X1 + X2).

2A^	X1	25 g	→
	X2	0 g	



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. The display shows the total additive consumption (X3 + X4).

2A^	X3	25 g	→
	X4	0 g	



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. The display shows the total electrolyte consumption.

2A^	EL	15 kg	→
-----	----	-------	---



Go to the next screen. Here you can view the total concentrate consumption (type 1 + 2).

2A^	C1	12.5 kg	→
	C2	21.2 kg	

14 Cleaning

The automatic feeder has to be cleaned regularly. You can choose between the following options:

- Mixer
- Compressed air-cleaning
- Cleaning settings for: mixer, suction hoses, remaining portions, detergent and compressed air-cleaning.



You can activate the keys 1 and 2 (feeding station 1 + 2), the mixer outlet valve (key 5) as well as the feeding pump even in program switch position 2 = rinsing, but only if no cleaning process is running. The water in the mixer jar is then drained off by means of the feeding pump either via the suction line or the mixer outlet valve.

If the automatic feeder is equipped with a detergent dosing pump, you have to select it in „Setup“. In this case, the detergent is added automatically to all cleaning processes.

14.1 Mixer

14.1.1 Automatic Mixer Cleaning (Time-Controlled)

The mixer can be cleaned automatically up to nine times/day with detergent - on the condition that the automatic feeder is equipped with a detergent dosing pump that has been previously activated in Setup (see Menu „Cleaning, Settings“).

Make sure that there is a water discharge next to the automatic feeder. If not, put the outlet hose of the mixer into a bucket.



Empty the bucket regularly. Make sure that the outlet hose of the mixer does not hang in the rinsing water.

Functioning:

If the long electrode is free, a water portion will be delivered into the mixer jar (for pre-cleaning) where it is quickly mixed up and then pumped out via the mixer outlet valve. After that, two further portions will be dispensed. If the automatic feeder is equipped with a detergent dosing pump that has been previously activated in Setup, some detergent will be added to the water.

```
cleaning mixer
3:00 min
```

After the mixer has run for 3 minutes (the time runs backwards from 3 to 0 minutes), the liquid in the mixer jar will be drained off via the mixer outlet valve. The display shows:

```
emptying mixer
```

After a short time two water portions are delivered again into the mixer jar. After that, the rinsing process takes place in shortened form. The display shows:

```
post-clean mixer
```



If the water cannot be drained off via the mixer outlet valve within 2 minutes (the long electrode is still covered), an alarm message will be displayed (see chapter „Alarms, Machine Alarms“). You can view and delete the alarm message in menu „Alarms“ (program switch position 3). If necessary, check whether the suction hose or the mixer outlet valve are blocked. Remove the rinsing water from the mixer jar.



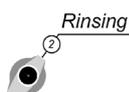
If the detergent has been added automatically to the rinsing water, the feeding mode will be interrupted until the problem has been solved.

If no detergent has been added automatically to the rinsing water, the fault message displayed on the screen will disappear as soon as an entitled animal enters the feeding station. The animal will then get the liquid in the mixer jar. The bleep accompanying an alarm message stops sounding as soon as you clear the alarm message in menu „Alarms“ (program switch position 3).

If the long electrode is covered, automatic mixer cleaning will be deferred for 1 hour at most so that an animal has the opportunity to drink up the liquid in the mixer jar. If the animal does not drink up the liquid within this time (the electrode is still covered), the liquid will be drained off via the mixer outlet valve and the cleaning cycle starts running.

14.1.2 Calling Up Automatic Mixer Cleaning Manually

You can activate automatic mixer cleaning manually at any time in menu „Cleaning“.



Turn the program switch to 2 = rinsing.

```
cleaning      →
mixer^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
mixer
cleaning ?   start
```



Press Start/Stop.

If you do not activate the detergent dosing pump in Setup, during the automatic cleaning cycle the detergent will not be added automatically to the water. If necessary, manually add some detergent to the water.

If you have activated the detergent dosing pump in Setup, press Start/Stop to move to the next screen.

```
cleaning mixer
detergent 0 g/L
```



Change or maintain the pre-set detergent amount and press ENTER to confirm the input. Automatic cleaning starts running.

If the level electrode is covered, the remaining portion in the mixer jar will be pumped out via the mixer outlet valve before cleaning starts running.



If you turn the program switch to another position while the mixer is running, the third portion will be distributed only after you turn the program switch back to position „Rinsing“ or „Feeding Mode“.

Feeding Mode



After the automatic cleaning has been completed, turn the program switch back to position 1 = Feeding Mode.



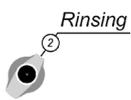
Turn the program switch back to position „Feeding Mode“ only if no detergent has been utilized or after you have verified that the system does not contain any water with detergent.

14.1.3 Compressed Air-Cleaning

Compressed air facilitates suction hose cleaning up to the top of the teat without detergent. In order to ensure accurate cleaning, make sure that air pressure is between 2 and 3 bar. **Please note:** Air pressure over 3 bar may damage the diaphragm inside the milk solenoid valves.

In this menu you can activate compressed air cleaning manually at any time, provided that the automatic feeder is equipped with a device for compressed air cleaning that has been previously registered in Setup.

Proceed as follows:



Turn the program switch to position 2 = cleaning. The display shows:

```
cleaning      →
mixer^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select submenu „Air cleaning“.

```
cleaning      →
air cleaning^
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen. Enter the number of the feeding station where compressed air cleaning should take place. Press Start.

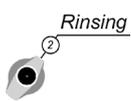
```
air cleaning
box:1^      start
```

14.2 Cleaning Settings

Menu „Cleaning, Settings“ contains all settings needed to carry out mixer-, suction hose- and compressed-air cleaning. In addition, the remaining portions in the mixer jar can be drained off after a pre-set time.

14.2.1 Cleaning Settings Mixer

In Menu „Cleaning Settings, Mixer“ you can enter the frequency of automatic mixer cleaning per day. You can enter up to 9 times per day. We recommend to clean the mixer 3 times per day, i.e. every 8 hours. After the cleaning process has been completed, the liquid in the mixer jar is drained off automatically via the suction hoses resp. the teat.



Turn the program switch to 2 = rinsing.

```
cleaning      →
mixer^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select submenu „Settings“.

```
cleaning      →
settings^
```



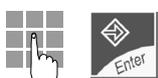
Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
cleaning settings →
mixer^
```



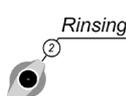
Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.

```
cleaning mixer  →
automatically  yes
```

	Enter „no“ if the mixer must not be cleaned automatically. Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>cleaning mixer → automatically no</pre>
	If you select „yes“, press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Press ENTER.	<pre>cleaning mixer 1 time / day</pre>
	Enter the frequency of cleaning processes. Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>cleaning mixer 3 times / day</pre>
	Move to the next screen. If more water is needed for mixer cleaning, here you can enter the corresponding quantity.	<pre>mixer → cl. water: 0 ml</pre>

14.2.2 Cleaning Settings Suction Hose

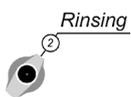
In menu „Cleaning Settings, Suction Hose“ you can activate suction hose cleaning for those animals of a certain group and as of a certain age (weeks after housing). After an animal has drunk the last available portion, a 0.25 liter water portion is delivered into the mixer jar after draining time has lapsed. Usually an animal stays a little bit longer in the feeding station suckling at the teat and facilitating in this way suction hose cleaning.

	Turn the program switch to 2 = rinsing.	<pre>cleaning → mixer^</pre>
	Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select submenu „Settings“.	<pre>cleaning → settings^</pre>
	Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.	<pre>cleaning settings → mixer^</pre>
	Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select submenu „Suction Hose“.	<pre>cleaning settings → suction hose^</pre>
	Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.	<pre>clean hose pipe → group A^ yes</pre>
	Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the group for which the suction hose should be cleaned.	<pre>clean hose pipe → group B^ yes</pre>
	Enter „no“ if for group B the suction hose should not be cleaned automatically (standard setting: „yes“). Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>clean hose pipe → group B^ yes</pre>
	If you select „yes“, press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>group B^ fr.14th day of the feeding plan</pre>
	Enter as of which day of the feeding plan the suction hose has to be cleaned. Press ENTER to confirm the input.	<pre>group B^ fr.14th day of the feeding plan</pre>

Potential input: 1 to 99 days. Standard value: as of 14th day of the feeding plan (= 2 weeks)

14.2.3 Cleaning Settings Remaining Portion

If an animal does not consume the available milk amount, there is some liquid left in the mixer jar. This remaining portion can be drained off automatically via the outlet valve after the pre-selected time has lapsed, particularly if individual animals get some medicine or if only a few animals have been housed. As soon as the mixer is empty, a 0.25 liter water portion is delivered into the mixer jar and subsequently drained off via the mixer outlet valve.



Turn the program switch to 2 = rinsing.

```
cleaning      →
mixer^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select submenu „Settings“.

```
cleaning      →
settings^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
cleaning settings →
mixer^
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to go to submenu „Remaining Portion“.

```
cleaning settings →
remaining portion^
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
remaining portion →
empty ?           yes
```



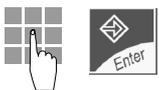
Enter „no“ if the remaining portion has to be drained off automatically (standard setting: „yes“). Press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
remaining portion →
empty ?           no
```



If you select „yes“, press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Press ENTER.

```
remain.portionafter
30 min empty
```



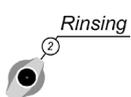
Enter after which time the remaining portion should be drained off. Press ENTER to confirm the input. Potential input: up to 99 minutes.

```
remain.portionafter
25 min empty
```

Potential input: 0 to 99 minutes. Standard value: 30 minutes.

14.2.4 Cleaning Settings Detergent

This menu is only displayed if the automatic feeder is equipped with a detergent dosing pump that has been previously selected in Setup.



Turn the program switch to 2 = rinsing.

```
cleaning      →
mixer^
```

	Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select submenu „Settings“.	<code>cleaning settings^</code>
	Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.	<code>cleaning settings mixer^</code>
	Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select submenu „Detergent“.	<code>cleaning settings detergent^</code>
	Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.	<code>detergent 0 g/L</code>
	Enter the detergent amount and press ENTER to confirm the input. For dosage refer to the package insert.	<code>detergent 15 g/L</code>

14.2.5 Cleaning Settings Compressed Air-Cleaning

	Turn the program switch to position 2 = cleaning. The display shows:	<code>cleaning mixer^</code>
	Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select submenu „Settings“.	<code>cleaning settings^</code>
	Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.	<code>cleaning settings mixer^</code>
	Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to move to submenu „Air Cleaning“.	<code>cleaning settings air cleaning^</code>
	Press Arrow Right to go to the next screen.	<code>air cleaning automatically no</code>
	If compressed-air cleaning has to be carried out automatically, enter „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.	<code>air cleaning automatically yes</code>
	Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Select the feeding station where the compressed air has been installed.	<code>air cleaning box 1^</code>
	In the next menu you can select the cleaning intensity (weak, medium= Standard, strong). Press Yes/No and then ENTER to confirm the input. If the automatic feeder is equipped with a servo control, we recommend to select „strong“.	<code>box:1 air cleaning medium^yes</code>
	Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. „No“ means that compressed-air cleaning will not cut off if an animal wi-	<code>break air cleaning when calf visit no</code>

thout feed entitlement is identified in the feeding station. „Yes“ means that compressed-air cleaning does not cut off until an animal without feed entitlement is identified in the feeding station. An entitled animal immediately gets the feed to which it is entitled. If an animal without feed entitlement is identified in the feeding station, compressed-air cleaning will restart 2 minutes after break-off. If an entitled animal leaves the feeding station where it has been identified, the following compressed-air cleaning will not start until the pre-set time in submenu „remaining portion empty after...minutes“ has lapsed. Press ENTER to confirm „Yes“ or „No“.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. By default, compressed-air cleaning starts as soon as the mixer jar is empty and waiting time has lapsed (30 minutes).

```
air cleaning after
feed in 30 min
```



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. Select the operating mode in accordance with the season.

```
operating mode: →
summer^yes
```

For the **winter operating mode** we suggest to shorten the time until the remaining portion is pumped off (see chapter 14.2.3 „Cleaning settings, Remaining portion“, page 130) as well as the time until compressed-air cleaning starts running. Example: Pump off the remaining portion after 10 minutes/Compressed-air cleaning after 10 minutes.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen. If you want to reduce the water amount needed for compressed-air cleaning, here you can enter the corresponding figure.

```
air cleaning →
clean.water: 100%
```

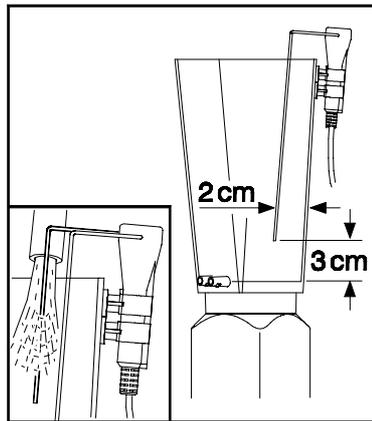
15 Service and Maintenance

15.1 Service and Maintenance of the Automatic Feeder

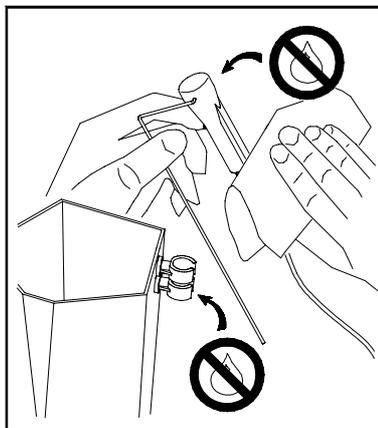
- Always keep the automatic feeder clean and dry. Never spray it with water!



- Take care that the electrode is in the correct position.



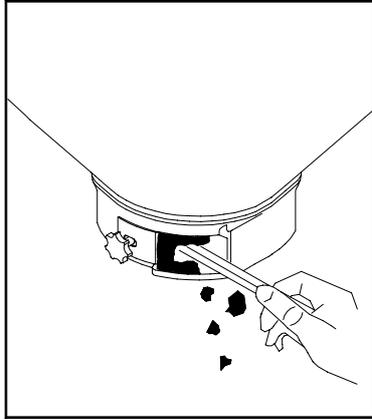
- Keep the electrode shaft and the clamps clean and dry. Moisture causes earthing of the electrode preventing preparation of the next milk portion.



- Carry out daily check of the powder outlet and, if necessary, remove incrustations. Incrustations impair dosing precision.



Because of injury risks, always remove incrustations of the powder outlet by means of a small piece of wood or similar. Never use your fingers!



- Clean the mixer jar every 1 - 2 days.

15.1.1 The Day after Start-Up

- General function check:
 - Check the calibration values.
 - Measure the milk temperature.
 - Check the control of the external components by means of the manual keys.
 - Make sure that the animals are reliably identified.
 - Check the operational data (feeding plans, concentration plans, maximum/visit, alarm levels).
 - Check the input in Prescriptions. Check the activation of additive dispense.
 - Check the input of weight and daily weight gain.

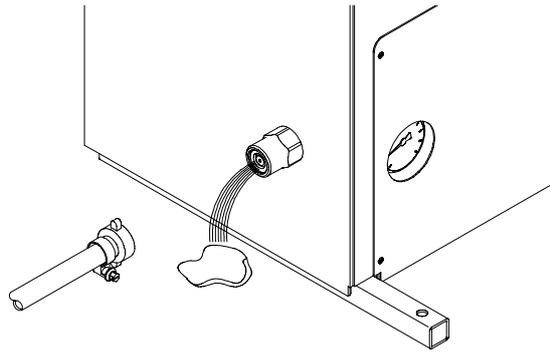
15.1.2 Carrying Out a Regular Check Routine

- Measure the milk temperature by means of a precision thermometer.
- Check the calibration of the milk powder at least after each new delivery.
- Check the water calibration.

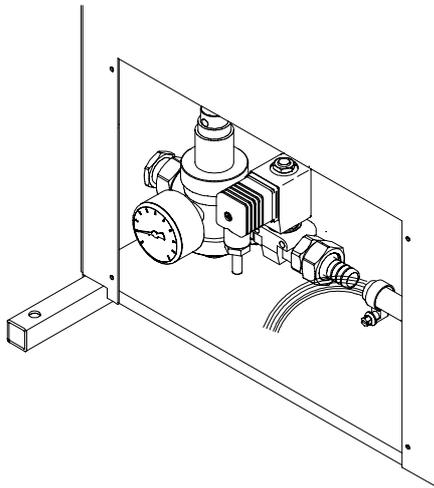
15.1.3 Shutdown

Before shutdown:

- Turn the thermostat for minimum operating temperature and the heating thermostat entirely counter clockwise.
- Turn the main switch „ON/OFF“ to position „O“ and pull the mains plug to switch the automatic feeder off.
- If you shut down the automatic feeder, the nonreturn valve located at the water intake will not prevent the water from flowing out of the boiler.

**In case of frost risk:**

- Take off the boiler hose and drain the water out of the boiler.
- Drain the water out of the solenoid valves and the pressure reducer. Remove the pressure reducer completely and drain the water out. Then, remount the pressure reducer and reconnect the boiler hose.

**After shutdown:**

- The automatic feeder has to be in a dry location.
- Keep the connections on the control unit closed by means of closing caps. If not, moisture may penetrate the control unit.

New installation:

- In case of new installation, check whether there is enough water in the boiler. If necessary, fill it up.
- Proceed as for start-up.

15.2 Service and Maintenance of the Concentrate Feeder

Daily:

- Check the feed level of the concentrate feeder. Fill up the concentrate feeder, if necessary.

- Check whether there is remaining feed in the feed bowl and remove it, if necessary.
- Keep the dosing flap clean and free from feed rests.
- Check whether the LED of the feed contact lights up when the feed bowl is empty.

Regularly:

- Calibrate the concentrate regularly.
- Check the calibration of the concentrate at least each time the concentrate is delivered or crushed or rolled.

Shutdown:

- Empty the concentrate feeder and remove feed rests.
- Place the concentrate feeder in a dry and clean location.
- For commissioning, proceed as for start-up.



Never spray the electrical parts with water!

16 List Printing

In keyboard menu 10 = print list you can activate printing of a warning list and a verification list at any time. The annex of this instruction manual contains more detailed information on how to connect the printer to the automatic feeder.

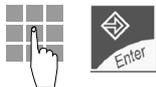
Warning list The Warning list contains all warning animals with the corresponding warning messages. Two lists are printed: the one for milk warnings and another for concentrate warnings.

Verification list The Verification list contains information about feed entitlement, milk consumption as well as drinking speed for all animals.

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 21 and press ENTER to confirm the input.

```
21# print list  →
warning list no
```



Press Arrow Right to go to the screen of the desired list.

Example:

```
21# print list  →
verific. list no
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input. The will be printed immediately.

17 Error Messages

The automatic feeder and the concentrate feeder are continuously monitored by the processor control. Errors caused are displayed on the screen.

17.1 Checking the Calibration Values of the Milk

If one or more calibration values are missing, the display will show:

```
calibration values
adjust !!!
```

- Carry out calibration again.

17.2 The Feeding Mode Cuts Off

If the feeding mode cuts off because the temperature has fallen below the minimum operating temperature, the display will show:

```
check temperature
```

- Check the position of the thermostats.
- Check the heating.

17.3 The Data Are Deleted

If the data are deleted, a bleep will be emitted. This message occurs very rarely and only after extremely intensive interference on the control. As soon as this message appears, carry out „New installation, All New“.

```
data destroyed
press key 0/c
```



Press „0/C“. The display shows „Data destroyed, New Installation, Yes“. Refer to chapter 8.2, page 37, „Basic Inputs During Installation, New Installation“.

```
data destroyed
new installationyes
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input. The following message will be displayed:

```
instruction manual
read?          yes
```



Select „yes“ and press ENTER to confirm the input.



All data are deleted and the operational data are overwritten by standard values!

- For programming, proceed as for start-up.

17.4 Water Shortage

If the short electrode is not hit in water mode, the automatic feeder will start a water check. The repeat switching mechanism checks up to 5 times whether the water really does not

come out. After 5 vain attempts, the preparation of milk portions as well as animal identification are switched off.

In feeding mode the display shows:

```
water shortage
```

- Check whether the short electrode is hit by the water jet.
- Check the water supply to the automatic feeder.

17.5 Power Failures / Backups / Water Checks

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 23 and press ENTER to confirm the input. In this menu you can view the number of reboots of the automatic feeder (e.g. after power failure). The displayed date is the date of last deletion.

```
23# power failure →
since 17.07.03 2
```



Press „0/C“ to set the number of power failures to 0 and to update the date.



Go to the next screen. The display shows the number of power failures for the concentrate feeders 1 and 2.

```
23# silo 1&2 →
mains interr.: 0
```



Move to the next screen. The display shows the number of power failures for the concentrate feeders 3 and 4.

```
23# silo 3&4 →
mains interr.: 0
```



Go to the next screen. After a data error has been detected in memory, the computer can fall back on an internal backup. Each backup is counted.

```
23# restore
since 17.07.03
```



Press „0/C“ to set the backups to 0 and to update the date.



If backups occur regularly, search for the cause of the error!



Go to the next screen. The display shows the number of water checks that have been carried out since the indicated date. A water check will be carried out if the short electrode has not at all or not long enough been hit by the water jet.

```
23#water check-up →
since 17.07.03 4
```



Press „0/C“ to set the number of water checks to 0 and to update the date.

18 Animal Scales

For connection, see Connection Plan.



Make sure that animal scales 1 is connected to feeding station 1 and animal scales 2 to feeding station 2. On the motherboard, scales 1 corresponds to channel 4 and scales 2 to channel 5.

In keyboard menu „Animal Scales“ (program switch position 10), enter 25 to carry out the following:

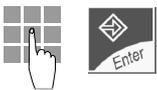
- Test the connected animal scales. The display shows the animal weight that has just been ascertained.
- Tare the animal scales and carry out weighing.
- Check whether communication has been established to the connected animal scales.

18.1 Testing Connection, Taring Animal Scales, Carrying Out Weighing

Keyboard



Turn the program switch to 10 = keyboard.



Enter 25. Press ENTER to confirm the input. The automatic feeder briefly tests automatically whether communication to the animal scales has been established or not.

```
25# test   box:2
please wait..... →
```

The display shows:

```
25# test   box: 2^
connection start →
```



Press Arrow Up or Arrow Down to select the box to which communication has to be tested.



Press Start/Stop to start the connection test.

If there is no connection to the animal scales, the display will show the following error message:

```
anim.scales 1&2
connection error!
```

If the connection is o.k., the display will show the following message:

```
anim.scales 1&2
connection ok!
```



After 11 connection errors to the animal scales, an alarm will be triggered and the animal scales will be deactivated.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
25#HS1 at   box:2 →
tare       start
```



Press Start/Stop to tare the scales.

```
25#HS1 at   box:1
tare.....
```

After tare has been carried out the display shows:

```
25#HS1 at   box:2 →  
tare finished
```



The scales will be tared automatically every 15 minutes if no animal is identified or less than 10 kg weight are on the scales.



Press Arrow Right to move to the next screen.

```
25#HS1 at   box:2 →  
scales      start
```



Put a weight on the scales (50 kg e.g = two sacks of milk powder) and start the weighing process.

```
HS1 at   box:2  
weigh.....
```

The display indicates the ascertained weight of the two milk powder sacks. You cannot change this figure manually.

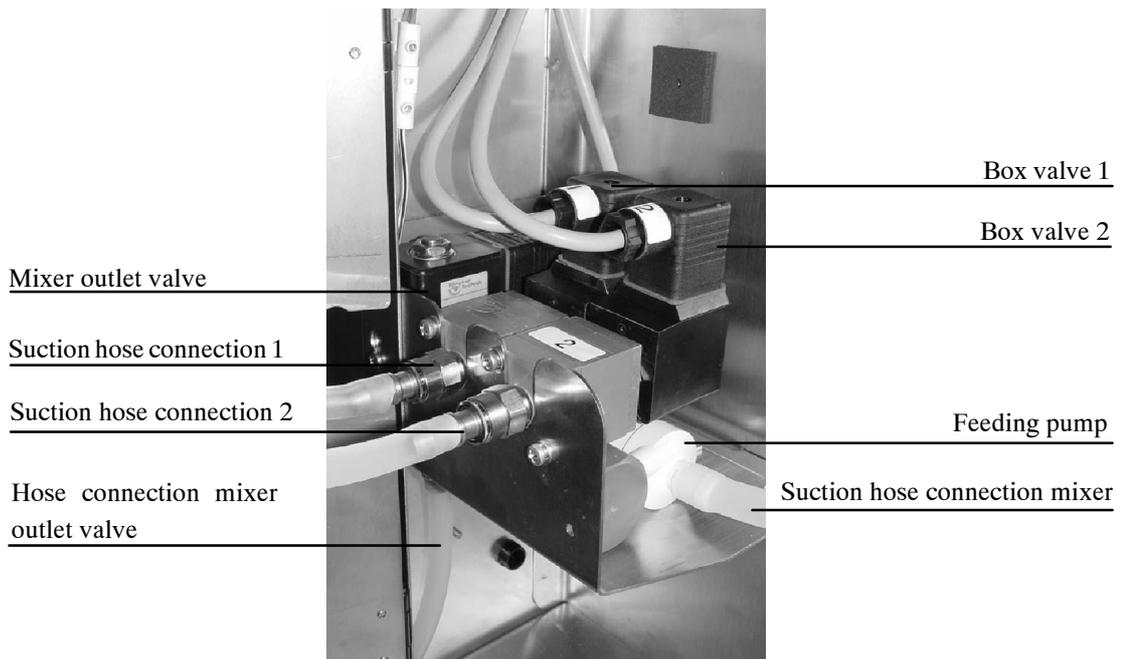
```
HS1 at   box:2  
W at HS = 55.5 kg
```

19 Accessories

19.1 Two-Group-Valve-Unit

Thanks to the priority control with two-group-valve-unit, the automatic feeder can provide, in succession, two feeding stations with milk, i.e. as soon as an entitled animal enters the feeding station the available milk amount for this animal will be distributed without interruption while the other feeding station is blocked during this time. Change-over to the other feeding station takes place via the two-group-valve-unit located in the left interior of the automatic feeder.

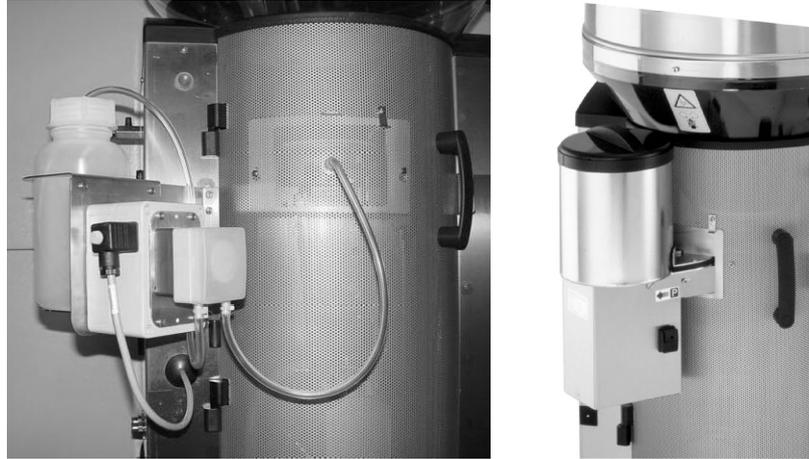
The milk hose leads from the mixer to the feeding pump and from there to the solenoid valves. If you open the lateral left door, you will find the connections from the box valves to the teat at the front side of the corresponding solenoid valves. The milk is conveyed to the corresponding feeding stations via the suction hoses. The hose connection from the mixer outlet valve to the teat is located below the outlet valve. The liquid in the mixer jar is conveyed to the outside via the suction hose that runs through an opening in the chassis of the automatic feeder.



Make sure that suction hose connection 1 leads to feeding station 1 (antenna 1) and suction hose connection 2 to feeding station 2 (antenna 2). If you do not observe this order, the animal that claims its milk portion at feeding station 1 will get no milk because the milk portion will be dispensed at feeding station 2 instead.

19.2 Additive Dispenser Powder and Additive Dispenser Liquid

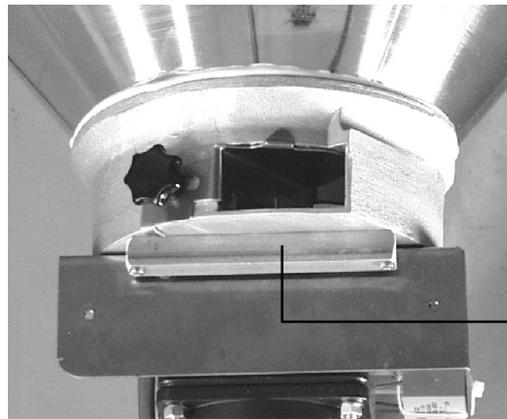
You can connect only **one** dosing device (Powder or Liquid) to Stand Alone II Plus.



Installation: For installation and start-up refer to the mounting instructions „Additive Dispenser Powder“ resp. „Additive Dispenser Liquid“.

19.3 Electrical Vapour Screen for MP- and Powder Additive Outlet

The electrical vapour screen consists of a heating element located right below the milk powder- resp. powder additive outlet. In case of bad weather conditions, such as e.g. too high atmospheric humidity, the electrical vapour screen should prevent the milk powder and the powder additive from sticking to the outlet.

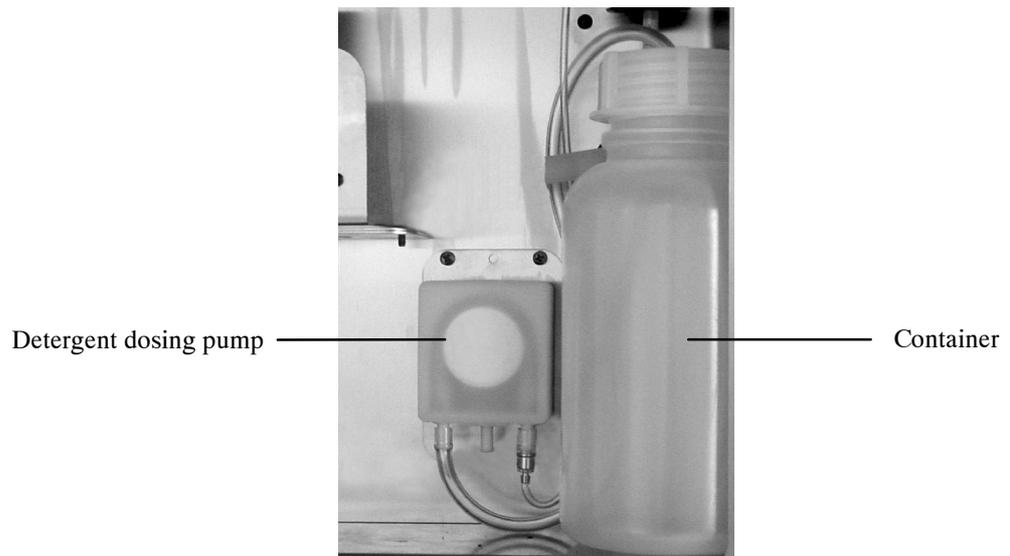


electrical vapour screen for
milk powder outlet

19.4 Detergent Dosing Pump

Thanks to the detergent dosing pump, liquid additives are added automatically to the water during the different cleaning cycles. There is no need anymore to add the detergent manually.

The detergent dosing pump is located in the left interior of the automatic feeder below the two-group-valve-unit. The detergent is taken from a container with a storage capacity of 1.5 liters and is conducted via a thin hose into the mixer jar. The detergent dosing pump has to be calibrated.



19.5 Fly Protection Door

In case of fly infestation occurring particularly in summer, we recommend to protect the mixer jar by a large fly protection door. Water vapour can easily escape through the openings of the fly protection door. The fly protection door can be mounted together with the dispenser for powder additives.



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EN 292-2 / 06.95	Basic concepts of general design of machines, part 2
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EN 349 / 6.93	Minimum clearance for avoiding crushing upper limbs
EN 50081-1 / 3.93	Norm concerning electromagnetic emissions on residential areas, business districts and industrial areas
EN 50082-1 / 11.97	Norm of the resistance to jamming against line directed disturbances, induced by highfrequency fields above 9 kHz
EN 563 / 08.94, 01.95	Temperatures of touchable surfaces
prEN 1070 / 6.93	Safety of machines, terminology
EN 60204-1 / 11.98	Electrical components of machines

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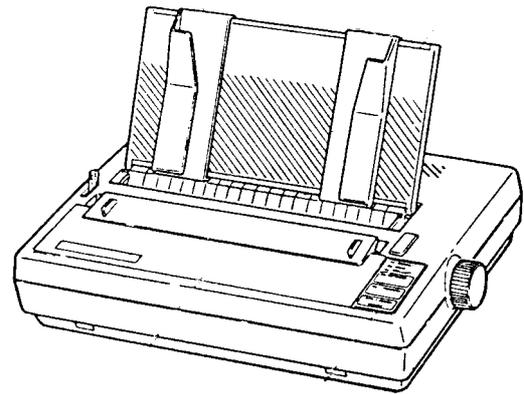
Connection between Printer and Stand Alone



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Printer connected to Stand Alone

A printer can be connected to the automatic feeder „Stand Alone“. The alarm list, the verification list and/or the transmitter list can be printed either manually or automatically after midnight calculation.



The printer has to be equipped with a

serial interface port RS 232

with the following configuration:

**1200 baud rate
8 data bit
1 stopbit
without parity
standard ASCII-character table
and standard IBM character table**

The configuration can be set by DIP-switches or by software. For further information consult the instruction manual for the printer.

Standard - Feeding Plan Group A

Stand Alone Standard-Feeding Plan Group A

Standard-Feeding Plan

- P1: 3 days from 6 to 6 L
- P2: 14 days from 6 to 8 L
- P3: 18 days from 8 to 8 L
- P4: 42 days from 8 to 2.5 L

total: 77 days = 478 L

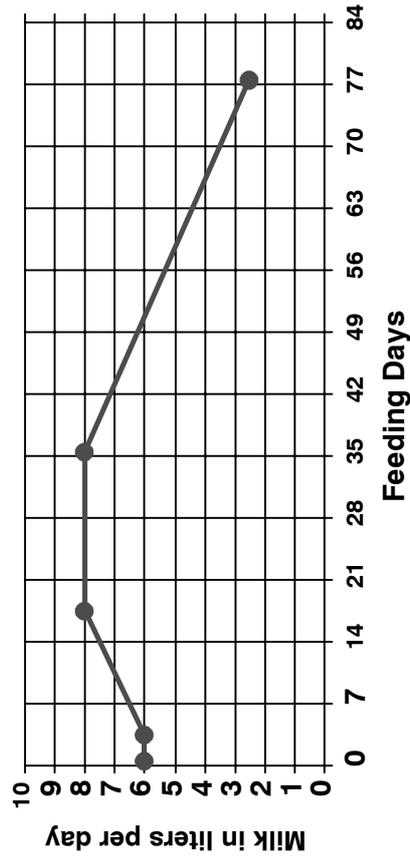
Standard - Concentration Plan

- P1: 77 days from 120 to 120 g/L

total: 77 days = 57 kg MP

Standard-Limited Quantities

- P1: 14 days: 1.5 L (Min) 2.0 L (Max)
- P2: 14 days: 2.0 L (Min) 2.5 L (Max)
- P3: 49 days: 2.5 L (Min) 3.0 L (Max)



Standard - Feeding Plan Group B

Stand Alone Standard- Feeding Plan Group B

Standard -Feeding Plan

- P1: 14 days from 5 to 7 L
- P2: 21 days from 7 to 7 L
- P3: 30 days from 7 to 2.5 L
- P4: 5 days from 2.5 to 2.5 L

total: 70 days = 384 L

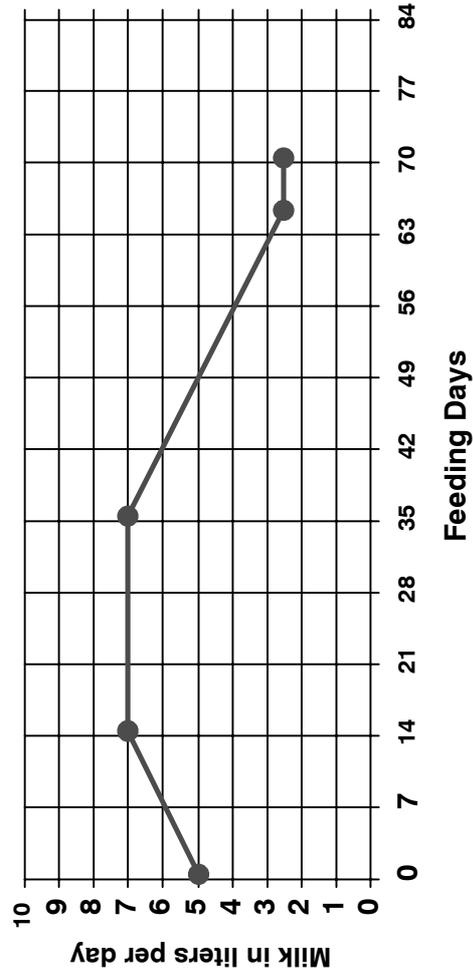
Standard-Concentration Plan

- P1: 70 days from 120 to 120 g/L

total: 70 days = 46 kg MP

Standard-Limited Quantities

- P1: 14 days : 1.5 L (Min) 2.0 L (Max)
- P2: 14 days : 2.0 L (Min) 2.5 L (Max)
- P3: 42 days : 2.5 L (Min) 3.0 L (Max)



Standard - Feeding Plan Group C

Stand Alone Standard-Feeding Plan Group C

Standard-Feeding Plan

- P1: 2 days from 5 to 5 L
- P2: 6 days from 5 to 6 L
- P3: 21 days from 6 to 6 L
- P4: 35 days from 6 to 2.5 L

total: 64 days = 316 L

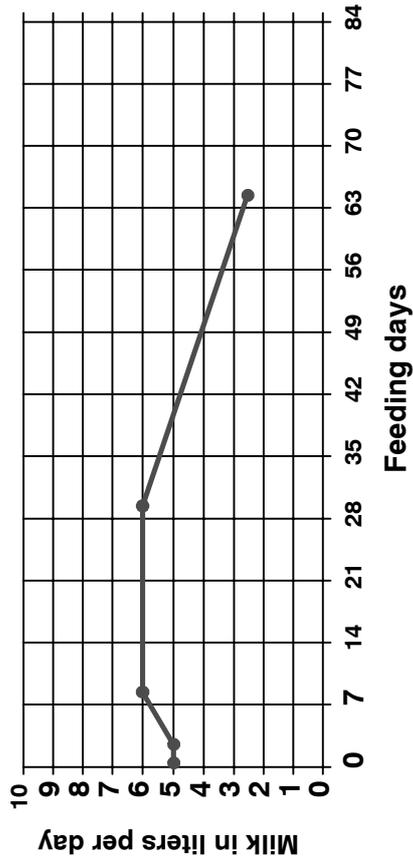
Standard-Concentration Plan

- P1: 64 days from 120 to 120 g/L

total: 64 days = 38 kg MP

Standard-Limited Quantities

- P1: 14 days: 1.5 L (Min) 2.0 L (Max)
- P2: 14 days: 2.0 L (Min) 2.5 L (Max)
- P3: 36 days: 2.5 L (Min) 3.0 L (Max)



Standard - Feeding Plan Group D

Stand Alone Standard- Feeding Plan Group D

Standard-Feeding Plan

- P1: 2 days from 4 to 4 L
- P2: 13 days from 4 to 6 L
- P3: 21 days from 6 to 6 L
- P4: 35 days from 6 to 2.5 L

total: 71 days = 346 L

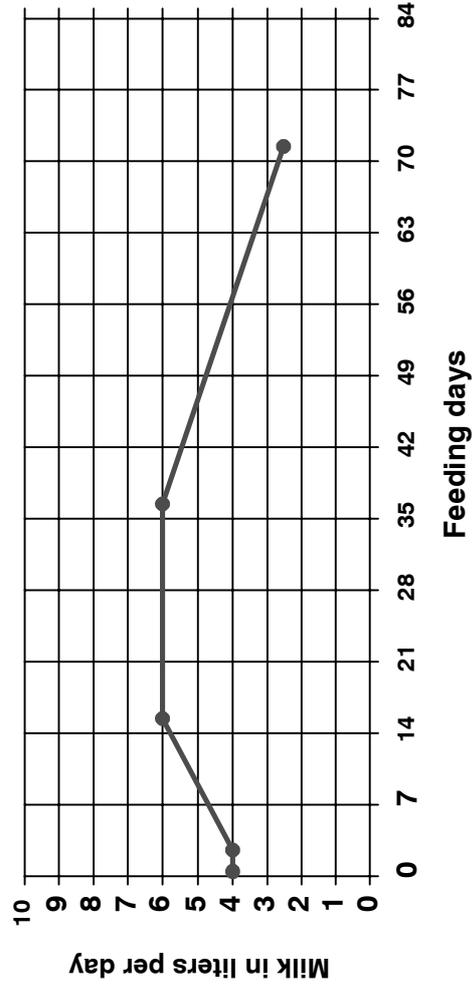
Standard-Concentration Plan

- P1: 71 days from 120 to 120 g/l

total: 71 days = 42 kg MP

Standard-Limited Quantities

- P1: 7 days: 1.0 L (Min) 1.5 L (Max)
- P2: 14 days: 1.5 L (Min) 2.0 L (Max)
- P3: 14 days: 2.0 L (Min) 2.5 L (Max)
- P4: 36 days: 2.5 L (Min) 3.0 L (Max)



Form: Concentration plan

concentration plan

