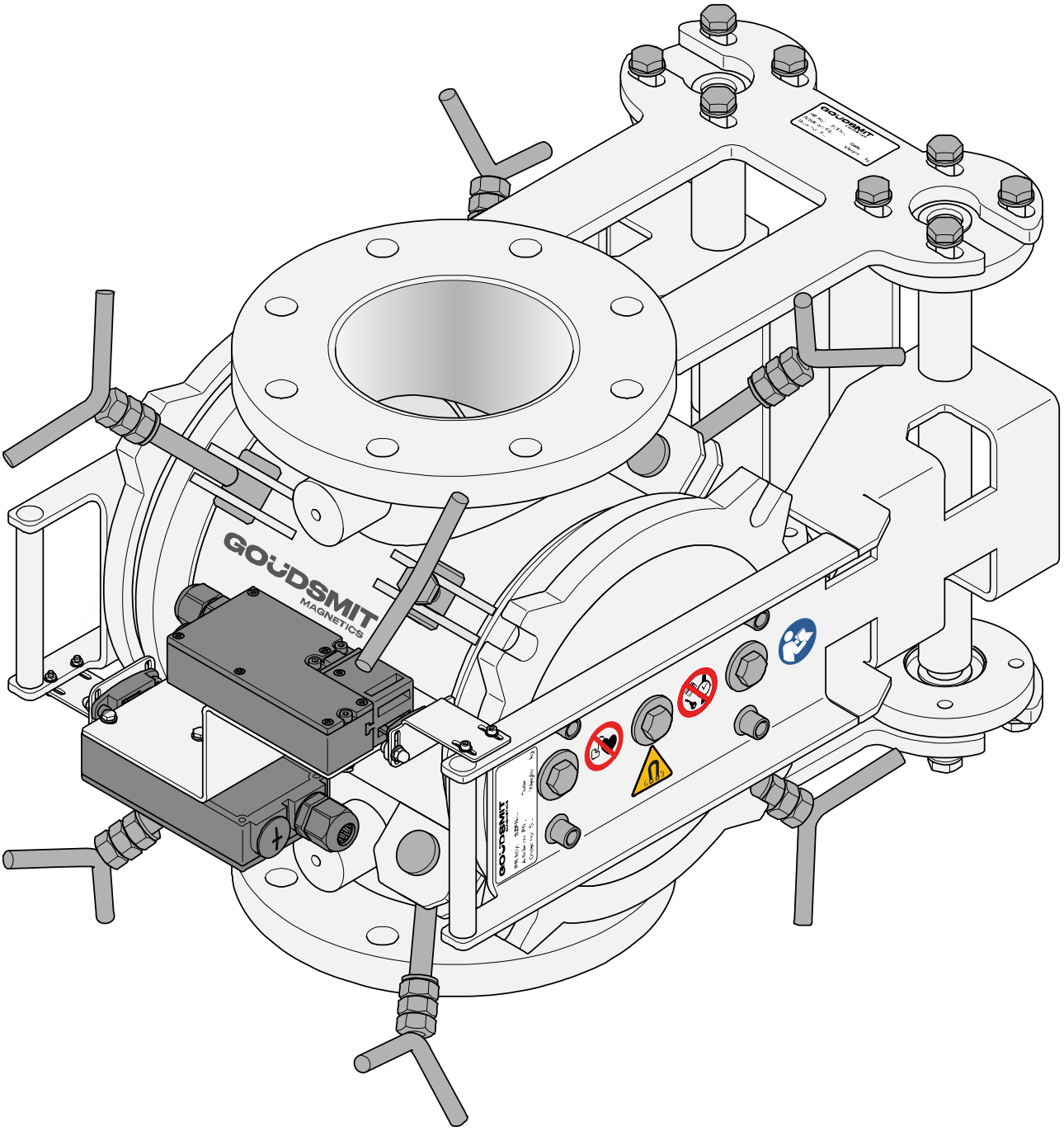
GOUDSMIT MAGNETICS

Installation and user manual

Industrial external pole magnet filters, SZFN series

Permanent magnetic filter for liquids and powders in pressure pipes.



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1 Introduction

This manual contains information about correct use and maintenance of the device. The manual contains instructions that should be followed to prevent injury and serious damage and to ensure safe and problem-free operation of the device. Read this manual thoroughly and ensure that you fully understand everything before using the device.

If you need more information or still have questions, please contact Goudsmit Magnetic Systems B.V.. The contact details are provided on the title page of this manual. Additional copies of the manual can be ordered by providing the device description and/or article number as well as the order number.

In this manual, the SZFN external pole magnetic filter is further referred to as “device”.

NOTICE

Read this manual carefully before installation and commissioning!

The descriptions and figures in this manual, provided for explanatory purposes, may differ from the descriptions and figures of your version.

NOTICE

This manual and manufacturer’s declaration(s) are to be considered part of the device.

Both documents must remain with this device if it is sold.

The manual must be available to all operating personnel, service technicians and others who work with the device throughout the life of the device.

2 Safety

2.1 Safety risks

This chapter describes the safety risks of the device. Where necessary, warning pictograms have been affixed to the device. These pictograms are explained later in this document.

NOTICE

Observe the following measures:

- ► Read the warning pictograms on the device carefully.
- ► Check that the pictograms on the device are present and legible at regular intervals.
- ► Keep the pictograms clean.
- ► Replace pictograms that have become illegible or that have been removed with new pictograms in the same locations.

2.2 General safety instructions

- The instructions in this manual must be complied with. If they are not, there is a risk of material damage, personal injury and even a danger of death.
- The device may only be used for filtering large ferrous contaminants of 1-50 mm from coarse or high-capacity pressurized product flows. Any other use is inconsistent with the regulations. Any resulting damage is not covered by the factory warranty.
- Ensure that people who work on the device or in its immediate vicinity wear adequate protective equipment.
- Impose additional safety measures and use additional warning pictograms if the device remains easily accessible to people. If this is not possible, ensure that clear instructions are provided for the entire system in which this device is integrated.
- Work on the device may only be carried out by qualified personnel. Ideally, maintenance work on the magnets should be carried out by Goudsmit Magnetic Systems B.V. personnel.
- Always take locally applicable safety and environmental regulations into account.

2.3 Damage due to magnetic field

The magnets generate a powerful magnetic field that attracts ferromagnetic particles. This also applies to ferrous materials that may be carried on the person, including keys, coins and tools. When working within the magnetic field, use non-ferromagnetic tools and workbenches with a wooden worktop and non-ferromagnetic base.

WARNING

Strong magnetic field

There is a risk of personal injury when carrying out work and measurement checks on the device. Do not place the fingers or other body parts between the magnetic components.

2.4 Other remarks/warnings

Rectify all faults before operating the device. If the device is used whilst exhibiting a fault, after having completed a risk assessment, warn operating and maintenance personnel of the fault and the potential risks associated with that fault.

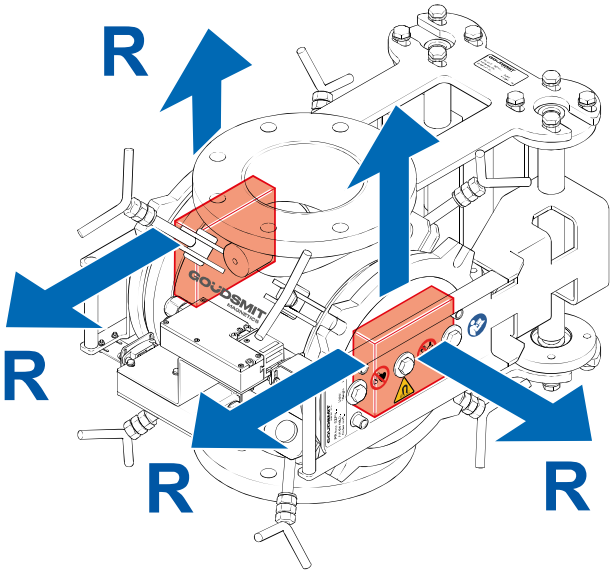
3 Standards and regulations

3.1 Limit values for occupational and public exposure to permanent magnetic and electromagnetic fields

The limit values and magnetic fields are defined in accordance with the EMC Directive 2013/35/EU as follows:

Directive 2013/35/EU *of the European Parliament and of the Council of* 26 June 2013 *on the minimum health and safety requirements regarding the exposure of workers to the risks arising from physical agents (electromagnetic fields).*

Observe the following measures in relation to exposure to magnetic fields in accordance with EN12198-1 (machine category = 0, no restrictions) of the device:



Life-threatening danger to people with implanted medical aids

People with an active implanted medical aid (e.g. pacemaker, defibrillator, insulin pump) may never be present within a radius ‘R’ of 0.25 metre(s) of the device.

Damage to products with sensitivity to magnets

Products that contain ferromagnetic parts, such as debit cards, credit or chip cards, keys and watches, may be rendered permanently damaged if they come within a radius ‘R’ of 0.10 metre(s) of the device.

Employees who are pregnant and the general public may not come within a radius ‘R’ of 0.04 metre(s) of the device.

WARNING

Projectile hazard

Ferromagnetic objects will be attracted if they come within a radius of 0.3 metre of the magnet.

Limit values for occupational exposure (general and for limbs) are not exceeded.

NOTICE

Goudsmit Magnetics offers an annual maintenance inspection, including replacement of the seal(s) and an inspection report with certificate for the magnets.

4 General information

4.1 Ferromagnetism

The device's principle of operation is based on ferromagnetism. Ferromagnetism is a property possessed by certain materials, such as iron, cobalt and nickel. These materials can become magnetized when exposed to an externally applied magnetic field. Materials that remain magnetized after the external magnetic field is removed are called permanent magnets or magnetically hard.

However, most magnetic materials lose their magnetism after the external magnetic field is removed. These are soft magnetic materials. Most alloys of iron, cobalt and nickel are magnetic.

However, some stainless steel alloys, such as AISI304 or AISI316, are only slightly magnetic.

4.2 Warranty conditions

The warranty on the device is void if:

- Service and maintenance are not performed in accordance with the operating instructions or are carried out by personnel not specially trained for this purpose. Goudsmit Magnetic Systems B.V. recommends having service and maintenance carried out by service technicians from Goudsmit Magnetic Systems B.V..
- Modifications to the device are carried out without our prior written consent.
- Parts of the device are replaced with non-OEM or non-identical parts.
- Parts of the device become damaged, because the device was put into production with a malfunction and/or a persistent malfunction.
- The device is used injudiciously, incorrectly, carelessly or in a manner not in keeping with its nature and/or intended use.

NOTICE

All parts subject to wear and tear are excluded from warranty.

4.3 Other remarks/warnings

- Do not use the device if it is damaged.
- Only use the device for the application for which it was designed.
- Ensure that the device is maintained correctly and in accordance with the instructions in this manual.
- Rectify all faults before operating the device.

5 Specifications

5.1 Range of application

The device is suitable for filtering large ferrous contaminants from coarse or high-capacity pressurized product flows, such as pulp in the paper industry.

5.2 Description of function

The device filters ferromagnetic contaminants in the range 1-50 mm from the product flows. The magnets are placed at the outer edge of the product channel. This leaves the passage completely clear, allowing large pieces to pass unobstructed.

5.3 Flow rate

The recommended flow rate of the product material is 1 m/s. A higher flow rate reduces separation efficiency, and therefore fewer ferromagnetic particles will be filtered from the product material.

The exact pressure drop across these filters can be calculated in any situation with powders or liquid products using FEM software from Goudsmit Magnetics. The pressure drop depends on the physical properties of your product flow (viscosity) and its velocity.

5.4 Use in food product flows

The device is supplied in stainless steel with a 3 µm grit-blasted finish on the inside and outside. The device is also suitable for normal food contact applications. All contact materials are compliant with European Framework Regulation (EC) 1935/2004.

5.5 Temperatures

The devices are suitable for the following ambient and product temperatures:

Magnet quality used	Ambient temperature	Max. product temperature
GSN-35	-10 °C to +40 °C	60 °C

The magnetic material must be protected against higher temperatures than those specified on the data sheet as the magnet will permanently lose magnetic force if exposed to higher temperatures.

5.6 Free space

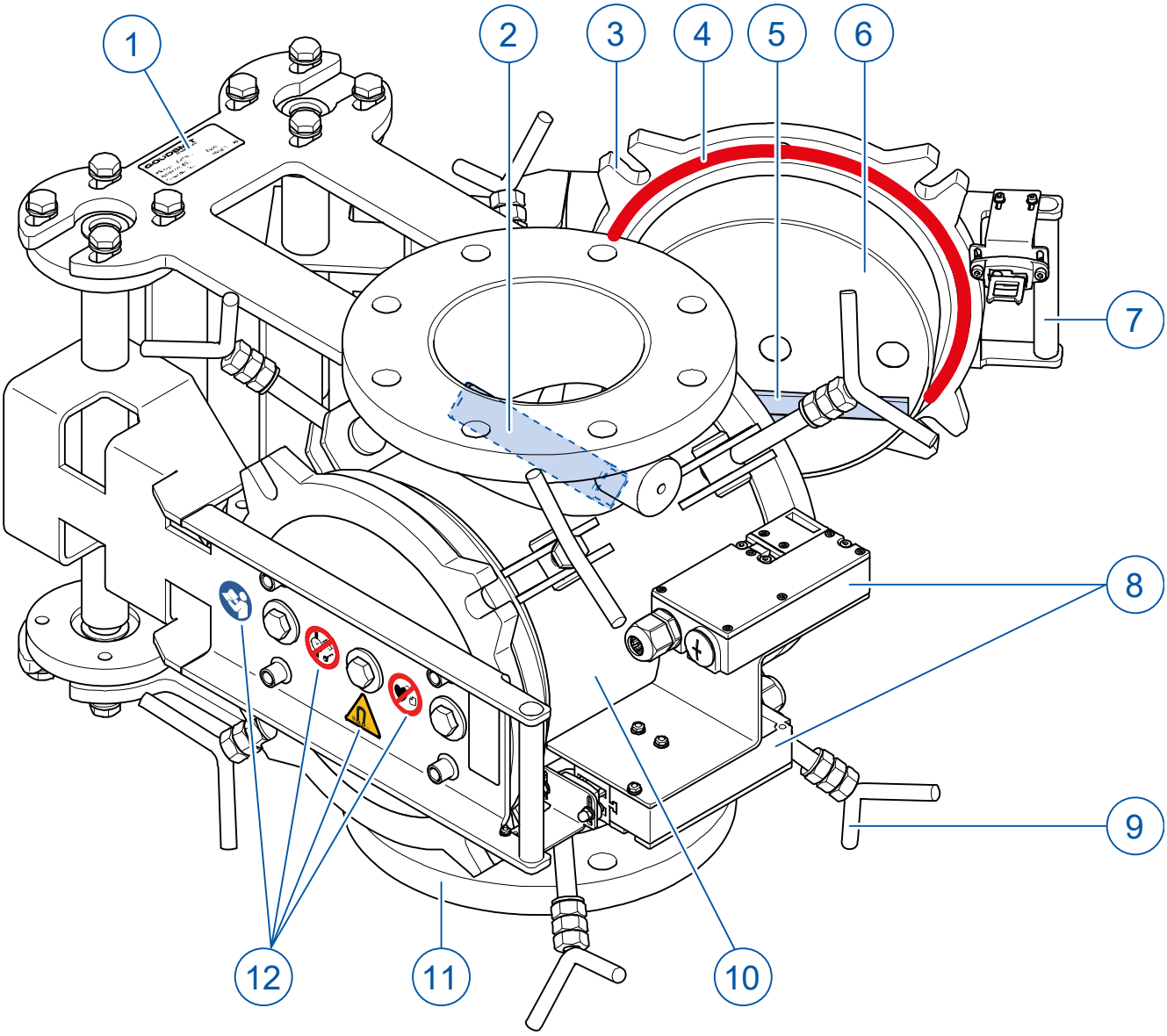
Ensure there is sufficient space around the device for operation and inspection and maintenance work.

5.7 Connection voltage

Connection voltage for an optional door sensor or door safety switch is 24 V_{DC}.

6 Product information

6.1 Construction



[1]	Identification plate	[5]	Boost strip	[9]	Toggle
[2]	Product distributor	[6]	Magnetic plate	[10]	Housing
[3]	Door	[7]	Handle	[11]	Flange
[4]	Seal	[8]	Door safety switch (option)	[12]	Warning pictogram

6.2 Scope of delivery

Check the shipment immediately upon delivery for:

- Possible damage and/or shortcomings as a consequence of transport. In the event of damage, ask the carrier for a transport damage report.

- Completeness.

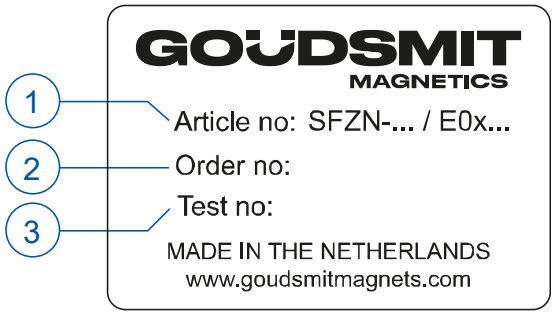
NOTICE

In the event of damage or incorrect shipment, contact Goudsmit Magnetics immediately. The contact details are provided on the title page of this manual.

6.3 Identification plate

The following identification data are shown on the device. The identification data are very important for maintenance of the device.

Always keep the identification data clean and legible. Always provide the article and order numbers when ordering spare parts, requesting service or reporting a malfunction.



[1] Article number

[2] Order number

[3] Pressure-test test number

6.4 Pressure test

All devices with a coupling or flange undergo a pressure test before delivery.

If the device has passed the pressure test, a test number [**3**] is shown on the identification plate.

See the data sheet for the prescribed pressure test.

NOTICE

► Devices with only welding ends do not undergo a pressure test.

6.5 Accessories

Door sensor (optional)

Optionally, the device can be fitted with a door sensor that detects when the door is in the open or closed position.

Because this sensor is used for detection, rather than a safety-related function, it is not necessary to connect it to a special safety relay for contactless sensors, which additionally feature current limitation and short-circuit detection.

In this way it can be ensured that the product flow is stopped when the door is unlocked. This prevents unnecessary loss of product material and its contamination.

Door safety switch (optional)

Optionally, the device can be fitted with an electromagnetic door safety lock. In combination with the controller, this ensures that the door is protected. This switch has a blocking function.

To activate this function, the product flow must first be stopped. Then the lock on the door can be unlocked via the (central) controller. The door can then be opened by unscrewing the toggles.

Coating (optional)

Optionally, the product distributor can be provided with a tungsten carbide coating. This is not suitable for use in the food industry.

NOTICE

On our website you will find a complete overview of all available accessories for these devices.

7 Transport and installation

7.1 Transport

WARNING

Note

The device permanently emits a magnetic force.

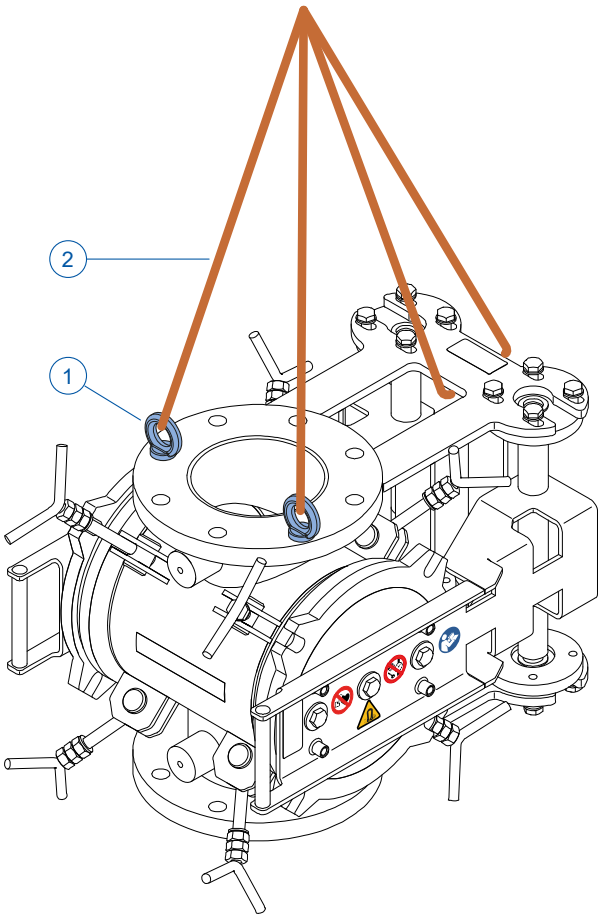
Observe the safety instructions for transport in the Safety risks [▶ 6] section.

WARNING

Note!

- ▶ Lift the device by lifting eyes. Keep in mind the centre of gravity.
- ▶ **Crushing risk:** do not place your hands inside the crate during lifting. Maintain a distance of at least one metre.
- ▶ During transport, make sure the area around the device is clear.
- ▶ During transport, avoid all impact in order to prevent damage, especially to the plate magnets.

The device is delivered in a crate. Fit at least two lifting eyes [**1**] (not supplied) to the flange.



Lift the unit evenly out of the crate as shown. Use a hoisting unit that supports the device.

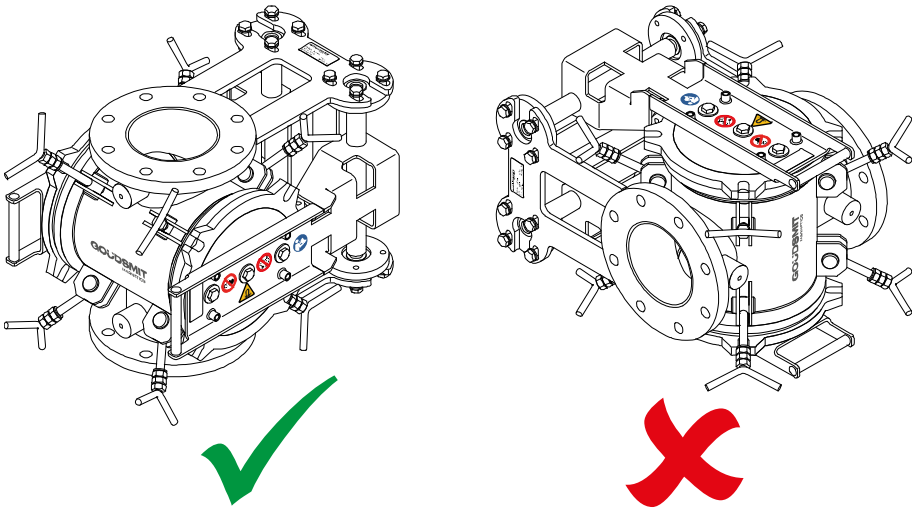
7.2 Installation

NOTICE

Take the following precautions:

- ▶ Work safely, provide ample work space and use dependable scaffolding, ladders and other tools so the device can be installed without any risks.
- ▶ The device permanently emits a magnetic force. See the Safety risks [▶ 6] section for the precautions that must be taken when working on the device.
- ▶ Only qualified personnel should work on the device.
- ▶ Ensure that there is sufficient clearance around the installation to install the device in the installation/structure and for operation, inspection and maintenance work to be carried out.
- ▶ Ensure that no external vibration is transferred to the device, as this can cause permanent loss of magnetic force.
- ▶ Only non-magnetic structural parts are permitted within the range of the magnetic field in order to prevent a negative impact on the removal of ferrous particles. In simple terms, the magnetic field may not be 'short circuited'.
- ▶ Only use lifting/hoisting tools that are in good condition, and do not exceed the lifting capacity of the tools.
- ▶ The supply and discharge channels and structure must be sufficiently strong to bear the weight of the device with the captured ferrous particles.

- Install the device free of mechanical stress and at the correct working height in your product channel for the operating personnel. Mechanical stress on the device can cause deformation and other problems.
- Install the device in the vertical orientation with the doors on the sides (see figure).



- Use a suitable lifting/hoisting arrangement that supports the weight of the device.
- The devices are available with various flanges that conform to the specifications of EN1092-1. Follow the installation instructions in accordance with the relevant standards for the flanges to install the device in your installation. Misalignment or loose mounting can cause leakage.
- Remove the lifting/hoisting arrangement after installation is complete.
- Clean the device thoroughly before commissioning.

7.3 Preventing electrostatic discharges (earthing)

To prevent electrostatic discharge, a provision must be made to prevent potential differences between the installation and the device. This can be done by installing a connection cable to the installation. The electrical resistance must be less than 25 Ω.

8 Working principle

8.1 General

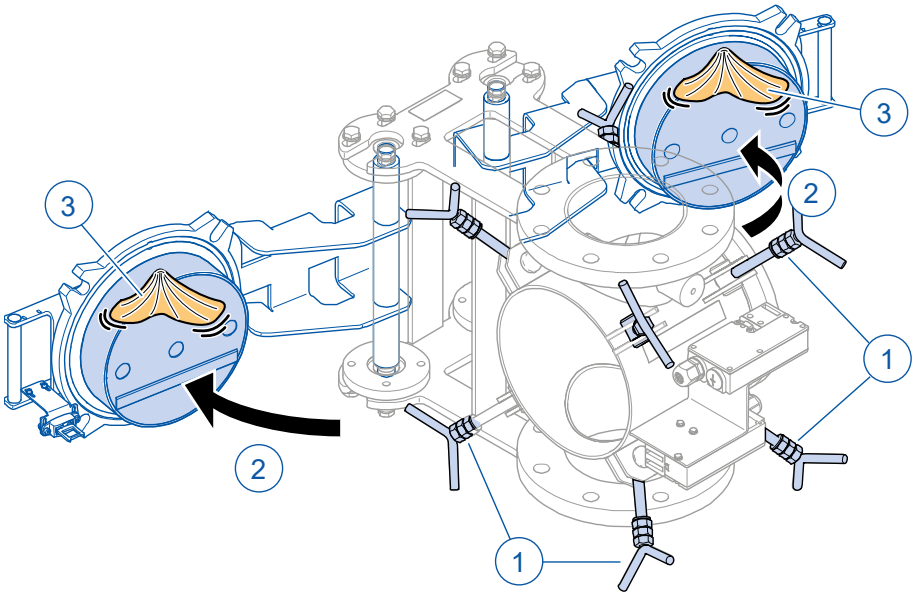
The powerful neodymium plate magnets are placed in the side of the product channel. The product contaminated with ferromagnetic particles passes both plate magnets as it flows through the filter.

A product distributor in the housing distributes the product flow towards the magnets. Inside each door is a permanent plate magnet that creates a deep magnetic field. Ferromagnetic particles are attracted by the magnets and are thus separated from the passing product flow and stick to the plate magnet. A boost strip is welded onto each plate magnet. The boost strips ensure that the separated ferromagnetic particles below the boost strip are not carried away by the passing product flow.

8.2 Cleaning process – removal of ferromagnetic particles

When cleaning the device, wear the requisite protective clothing, such as overalls, gloves, goggles and safety shoes.

Cleaning process – removal of ferromagnetic particles



✓ To clean, proceed as follows:

1 Stop the product flow.
2 Make sure there is no pressure in the system!
3 If the unit is ordered with a door safety switch, the door must be unlocked by the (central) controller.
4 Loosen the toggles [**1**].
5 Open the door [**2**] of the device by pulling the handle.
6 Clean all parts with a soft, clean cloth [**3**] and – if necessary – with a suitable cleaning agent.
7 Collect the ferromagnetic particles that now fall off the plate magnets and dispose of them.
8 Close the door again and secure it with the toggles.
9 If applicable, activate the door safety switch.
10 Production can be safely resumed.

9 Maintenance and inspection

9.1 General guidelines

WARNING

Risk of crushing

In view of the large magnetic forces, replacing the internal magnet components is extremely dangerous as they are difficult to handle. Replacement may ONLY be carried out by appropriately qualified personnel or (ideally) by Goudsmit Magnetics technicians.

If the replacement is carried out by unqualified personnel, the warranty will be void.

Goudsmit Magnetics cannot be held liable for any consequential damage to people and/or materials if this prohibition is ignored.

WARNING

Caution

- ► Perform all work on the device while the product flow is stopped and the compressed air is shut off via the on/off valve.
- ► Be careful with tools and ferrous objects. The magnetic force is permanently present.

Magnetic systems do not only attract ferromagnetic particles, but a small proportion of your product will also continue to ‘adhere’ to the magnet. Remove all captured particles from the magnet at regular intervals. A clean magnet is considerably more effective.

- Always inform operating personnel of scheduled inspections, maintenance, repairs and in the event of faults.
- Check regularly that all warning pictograms are still present in the correct locations on the device. If these are lost or damaged, replace them with new pictograms in the original locations immediately.
- Ensure that the device is externally clean. Remove dust, dirt and particles from the device as appropriate.

9.2 Frequency of maintenance

NOTICE

Goudsmit Magnetics offers an annual maintenance inspection, including replacement of the seal(s) and an inspection report with certificate for the magnets.

Action	Weekly	Monthly	Annually
Clean plate magnets (for maximum performance) (► Cleaning process – removal of ferromagnetic particles [▷ 16]).	•		
Check plate magnets for wear.		•	
Measure flux density of plate magnets (► Flux density measurement of the plate magnets [▷ 18]).			•
Check seal for wear and presence.	•		
Replace seal (► Replacing seal [▷ 19]).			•

The frequency of all the aforementioned operations depends on the capacity of your product flow and the amount of contamination.

9.3 Cleaning instructions

Wet or dry cleaning

If the use of fluids is prohibited in your installation, use disinfectant cloths that are suitable for contact with the processed product, if necessary.

The frequency of cleaning is dependent on the degree of cleanliness required for the processed product. The frequency of cleaning must be increased in applications where sensitive food products are processed. Perform a hygiene risk assessment to determine the requirements in your situation.

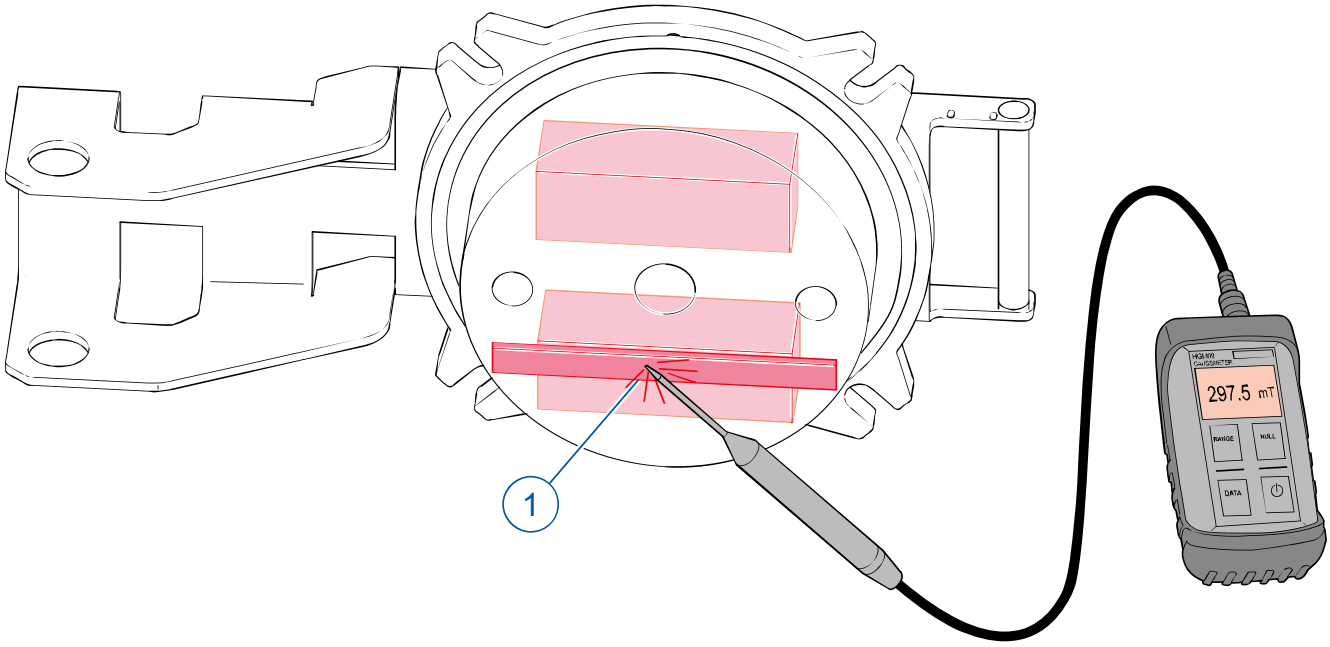
Check with your cleaning agent supplier whether the products are suitable for the material of the chosen seals (silicone).

The device is made of stainless steel or 'food-grade stainless steel' 1.4301/SAE 304L, 1.4401/SAE 316 and 1.4404/SAE 316L.

9.4 Flux density measurement of the plate magnets

The plate magnets must be measured at periodic intervals to check their magnetic flux density and to determine whether the magnetic force has reduced. Use a suitable gauss meter/tesla meter to measure the poles of the plate magnet on the surface (the unit is tesla, gauss, kA/m or oersted).

Goudsmit Magnetics can perform magnet measurements on location, if desired. Proceed as follows:



- Stop the product flow.
- Make sure there is no pressure in the system!
- If the unit is ordered with a door safety switch, the door must be unlocked by the (central) controller.
- Loosen the toggles.
- Open the door.
- Clean the plate magnet with a soft, clean cloth and, if necessary, a suitable cleaning agent.
- Move the gauss meter/tesla meter along the magnetic boost strip [**1**] of the plate magnet.

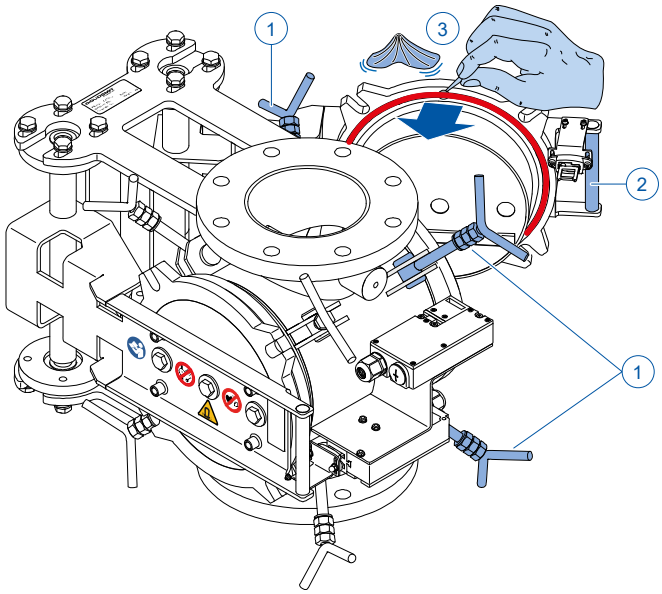
The measured values may fluctuate for various reasons, such as the position (angle) of the probe on the plate magnet, the thickness of the probe and the reproducibility of the measurement.

- Record the highest measured value.
- Using the accompanying data sheet, check whether the measured value falls within the permitted range for the peak value.
- Close the door and secure it with the toggles.
- If applicable, activate the door safety switch.
- Production can now be safely resumed.

9.5 Replacing seal

We recommend replacing the seal at least each year or more frequently, depending on the level of wear.

To replace the seal, proceed as follows:



- Stop the product flow.
- Make sure there is no pressure in the system!
- If a door safety switch is fitted, it can be unlocked by the (central) controller.
- Loosen the toggles [**1**].
- Open the door with the handle [**2**].
- Remove the old seal from the door. In doing so, make use of the notch in the groove [**3**].
- Thoroughly clean the groove in which the seal was seated, and fit a new seal.
- Close the door and secure it with the toggles.
- If applicable, activate the door safety switch.
- Production can now be safely resumed.

If the seals wear out too quickly, e.g. due to excessive temperature or an excessively abrasive product, enquire about alternative seals.

10 Troubleshooting

10.1 Troubleshooting table

Use the following table to search for faults, determine the possible cause and find the remedy. In the event of a fault that is not in the table, contact Goudsmit Magnetics customer service.

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
The device does not separate ferromagnetic particles completely or at all.	The plate magnet is overloaded with ferromagnetic particles.	• Remove the captured particles from the plate magnet (more frequently). • Use a permanent magnet to check whether the separated particles are ferromagnetic.
	Particles that are not attracted are not sufficiently ferromagnetic.	• Check the magnetic behaviour of the installed parts around the magnets by holding a ferrous object close to the magnets. If there are parts that react to the magnet, replace them with non-magnetic parts, such as those made from stainless steel.
Leakage of product material.	Seal is not seated properly in the groove.	• Fit the seal in the groove properly.
	Seal is worn out.	• Replace the seal.
	Door is not properly secured with the toggles.	• Check that the toggles are tightened properly.
	Optional door safety switch is blocking the door.	• Check the power supply to the door safety switch. • Check whether the fork of the door safety switch is crooked or bent.
Door sticks in housing.	Dents in the door.	• Have the door overhauled by Goudsmit Magnetics.

11 Service, storage and disassembly

11.1 Customer service

Have the following information to hand when contacting customer service:

- Data from the identification plate.
- Type and scope of the problem.
- Presumed cause.

11.2 Spare parts

The high quality of the products from Goudsmit Magnetics means that the magnet product is highly reliable in operation.

However, if a particular part needs to be replaced, you can order a new one by providing the type number listed on the identification plate or on the attached drawing(s) and/or the data sheet.

Spare parts are usually parts that are subject to wear. These include:

- seal (various types available)

It is recommended to replace the sealing ring every year.

How quickly the seals wear will depend on your product and how abrasive it is, as well as the capacity of your product flow. Several types of seals are available for this device. See the data sheet for the precise specifications. Please get in touch with us for information on the availability of the seals.

- When ordering, state the article and order numbers that appear on the identification plate.
- For further information, please contact us by +31 (040) 22 13 283 or consult our website.

11.3 Storage and disposal

Storage

If you do not intend to use the magnet product for an extended period of time, we recommend placing the device in a dry, safe place, and applying preservative to the vulnerable parts, if necessary.

Disposal/recycling

When dismantling and/or scrapping the magnet product, keep in mind the materials from which the individual parts are made (magnets, iron, aluminium, stainless steel, etc.). This should ideally be done by a specialized company. Always observe the local regulations and standards pertaining to industrial waste disposal.

Inform those disposing of or storing the magnet material of the hazards of magnetism. To this end, see also the Safety risks [▶ 6] section.

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