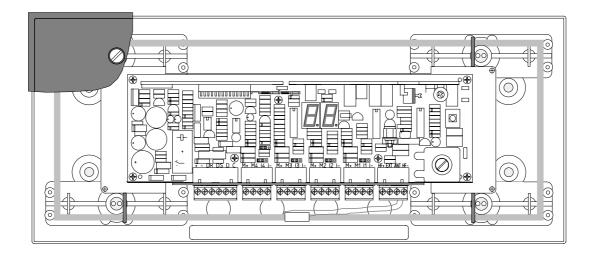
VC4 T/R SF4 ISO FDX/HDX



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1 General

The Transmitter/Receiver Single Feeder 4 (SF4) is a re-design of the SF2 and can be used for identifying of ISO FDX en HDX responders.

SF4 compared to SF2

The SF4 print is based on the SF2. Cable connections are the same as with a SF2. When using HDX and ISO operation a synchronisation cable must be installed.

Most important change is that FDX and HDX responder types can be identified according to the full ISO standard 11784 and 11785.

EPROM on the T/R SF4

Eproms that are suitable for a SF2 can be used on a SF4. Important is that ISO identification in the software is included. If ISO is possible, the ri menu option is available at responder select.

Caution because of pulsating transmitter (HDX)

Although everything is done to minimize, there is a possibility that the magnetic radiation of the antenna, connected to this reader, influences the behavior of a pacemaker.

Users of a pacemaker are advised to avoid close contact between their pacemaker and the antenna of the $\mathsf{SF4}$

In Germany and Denmark the maximum allowed level is 42 dB μ A /m. at 134.2 kHz. For most other countries in Europe this maximum level is 65 dB μ A/m.

2 Operation

See manual as used for a SF2

3 Installation

The Nedap guarantee-regulations are only valid when the SF4 is installed as indicated in this manual. The following is important :

Input voltage	22-42 VDC	
Max. current per output (motors)	3A DC	
Operating temperatures (environment)	-10°C / +45°C	
Transport / storage temperatures	-25°C / +70°C	
Humidity (rh)	45°C / 93%	
	IP65	
Enclosure protection class (cover and cables installed correctly !)	IP65	



Always use a NEDAP SMPS power supply Never change a prom when the power to the T/R is still switched on Install data cables at a safe distance from (high) powered cables

Wiring the SF4

Figure 1 shows an overview of the T/R SF4 cable-connection.

Cable specifications

Cable length at power supply 27V: IB \rightarrow SF4 SF4 \rightarrow motor SF4 \rightarrow antenna Synchronisation (HDX and ISO operation)

Max. 40m at wire- \emptyset = 0.8 mm Standard cable of the motor Standard cable of the antenna Twisted pair minimum 2x0.24mm² shielded. Total max. 500m

IMPORTANT: All cables used for data communication must have shielding!

Hardware motor safeguard

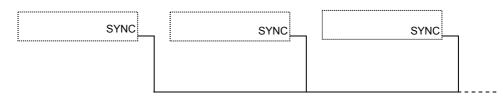
When the micro processor has no control over the T/R anymore and a motor is running uncontrolled and keeps turning continuously, a hardware circuit on the T/R will stop the motor by means of a relay (25 seconds (+/- 5 sec)). This motor safeguard can only be reset by switching off the power from the T/R for a few seconds.

Software motor safeguard

This software function monitors the motor current. If a motor current is detected which is too high (Imotor > 900 mA) for a certain time, the T/R program will try to stop the motor. If the motor can not be stopped, the T/R program will shut off the power supply on all outputs.

Synchronisation for HDX

A synchronisation cable is necessary for HDX to synchronise T/Rs that can influence each other. For FDX only (jumper set to FDX only) synchronisation is not necessary.



The connector at the right hand side (SYNC) contains a synchronisation signal for HDX (SYNC). SYNC has to be connected to all other HDX Single Feeders in the neighbourhood. There is no + or -. Maximum number is 16 that can be connected together for synchronization. If a cable is used with shielding, the shielding must not be connected at the bottom plate of the PCB but left as not connected.

Jumper for FDX / HDX or FDX only

If set to FDX / HDX the red led is blinking during transmitting the synchronisation signal.

When set to FDX only, the red led remains off.

LEDs

The tree leds are used for tuning the antenna. The two leds are for idenfication (green) and synchronisation (red).

Shielding, grounding

In order to protect the SF4 for over-voltages / induction, the cable from the interface bridge to the SF4 must be a shielded cable. Connections:

interface bridge	connected to "-"terminal
Transmitter / Receiver	connected to ground-terminal

N.B. All T/R electronics must be isolated. Also the T/R bottom plate has to be isolated from the T/R ground-terminal.

Warnings

• Due to guarantee-regulations, the entire T/R PCB (incl. metal plate) must be changed.

4 Set Address

For communication the Transmitter / Receiver needs an address. Then the computer knows where to send the information to. At the transmitter / receiver with help of the display and the push button the stations address is configured.

The two segment display and the yellow push-button must also be used for several adjustments of the Transmitter / receiver. A number of different codes will appear on the display when the push-button is pushed, these codes represent the so-called menus. Each menu on its turn is divided into a number of functions. By varying the pushing time of the push-button, you will get access to the different menus and/or functions.

The first time you switch on the power of the T/R, the display will show "**0**-". The Transmitter / Receiver asks now for the first address. When an address is entered the display will blank out and the transmitter / receiver returns to the normal status.

The address setting concerns the following menus and procedures (see figure 3):



- Address menu - Set Address
- display Address

N.B. Remember that the used peripheral-address has to be unique on a channel.

S A

Changing addresses

When the display shows **SA**, the "**S**et **A**ddress procedure" is entered by pressing the button until the display blinks. The procedure is as follows :

set decimal-digit	display scrolls from 0- through 1-
set unit-digit	display scrolls from ${\bf x0}$ through ${\bf x9}$

- to indicate that the "Set Address procedure" has been entered, the display will show "0-"
- by pressing the button short, the next decimal will be displayed ("1-")
- the displayed decimal is entered by pressing the button until the display blinks
- when the decimal has been entered, the display will show "**x0**" (where **x** = entered decimal), the unit-digit now can be entered
- by pressing the button short, the next unit will be displayed ("x1", "x2", ..., "x9")
- the displayed unit is entered by pressing the button until the display blinks

The following points should be noted

- the "Set Address procedure" can be quit by pressing the button until the display blanks. The entered digits then are not stored
- the T/R will restart when the address is changed



Show addresses

When the display shows dA, the "display Address procedure" is entered by pressing the button until the display blinks. The display then shows the T/R address.



5 Adjust antenna

The antenna adjustment has to be done with help of the display, push button, potentio meter (P1) and a coil (L404) on print (or EWA transformer when using external antenna).

Most eproms have following HF-menu :

HF menu

- Responder Select selection of responder type
- Adjust Antenna Adjust Power
- Adjust Squelch
- not used
- adjust transmitter-power by means of potentio meter P1
- adjust receiver-sensitivity (0,1,2,3)
- Identification test
 - test identification

The antenna adjustment-procedure consists of several steps. It is essential that these steps are executed in the sequence as in the manual described.

Responder Select

- rA = not used
- rP = not used
- ri = 134.2 kHz ISO responders

Select rS on the display and then ri, press until display blinks to enter.



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Adjust antenna procedure

The AA-menu option is not used for the SF4. Tuning of the antenna is done with a trimmer on the print (Ct) when using an internal antenna. When using an external antenna the coil on the transformer (Lt) must be used. Three LEDs next to P1 are used as indication for the tuning.

<u>Tuning:</u>

Set the antenna field on with id.

Turn the trimmer (Ct) until the green LED is on.

Antenna correct adjusted
Antenna impedance to high, turn to the left
Antenna impedance to low, turn to the right
LEDs blinking : antenna error or antenna not tuned
LEDs switched off : transmitter not switched on

The next step is tuning the power with AP.



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Power adjustment



After correct processing the antenna adjustment procedure, **P1** (fig1) must be adjusted with help of AP.

Power adjustment is used to set the ID distance. By reducing the power the reading distance will be smaller. Power adjustment is done with a potentiometer (P1).

Changing the power level:

Select with the push button the AP-menu (adjust power) and press untill the display starts to blink. A value appears on the display now. Turn P1 till the desired reading distance of the ID label. Maximum power is 99.

After changing the power level always check if the green antenna tuning LED is still on.



Adjust squelch

The adjusted squelch determines the sensitivity of the receiver in the T/R. In case e.g. animals outside the antenna are identified, the transmitted power can be reduced ("Adjust Power procedure") or the receiver-sensitivity can be reduced by means of the squelch-adjustment.

Normally squelch does not have to be adjusted (automatically set to default)

When the display shows **AS**, the "**A**djust **S**quelch procedure" is entered by pressing the button until the display blinks. The display now shows the actual sensitivity of the receiver, a value from "-0" (most sensitive) "-1", "-2" or "-3" (less sensitive). By shortly pressing the button, the desired squelch can be adjusted. The setting can be entered by pressing the button until the display blinks.



Test identification

The HF-field is now continuously active, switching between HDX or FDX responders, when both types are present at the antenna.

ID-status:

- = no responder identified
- xx = responder identified (xx = last two digits of responder number)

6 Adjust Neutrodynisation

Why using a neutrodynisation unit

When two large antennas are used in a small area, a responder identified in one antenna, is also identified in the other antenna (cross talk). Installing a neutrodynisation unit can solve this problem

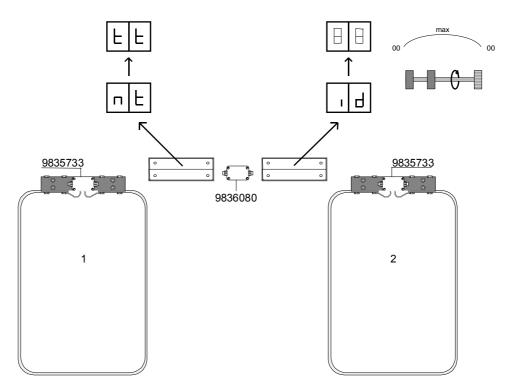


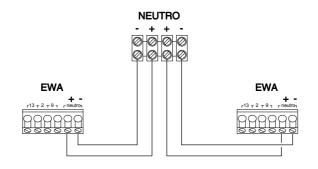
Figure : Single Feeder model 4 with neutrodynisation

Principle of neutrodynisation

The neutrodynisation-unit is a small version of the big antennas. The two coils in the box are connected to the antenna's. By moving the coils the "cross talk problem" between both antennas can be solved.

Tuning principle: one of the T/R is set to transmitting (tt). The other one is set to identification (id). The transmitter will give a very strong signal. The receiver will translate the received signal strength into a display value. A value around 10 means cross talk.

Wiring Neutro - EWA transformer

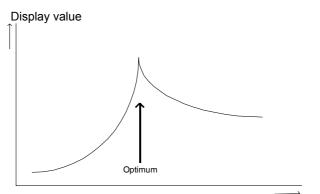


Adjustment of the neutrodynisation unit

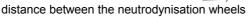
Single Feeder model 4

IMPORTANT : Always use a synchronisation cable between both T/R.

- 1. Switch on the power to the system
- 2. Position both neutrodynisation-coils close to each other, but not touching
- Antenna 1 : Select "An" on the display, then "nt", press until display blinks. The display now shows "tt" (transmitting) Antenna 2 : Select "id" on the display, press until display blinks. The display now shows a numeric value (receiving)
- Using the SF display : Start turning the neutro wheels from each other. The value on the display of antenna 2 will increase. Keep on turning until the highest value appears (see graph).
- The neutrodynisation is now finished. It is important to do a final check. Select the "id" menu. Set both antennas in "id" position. Move a responder in the middle of antenna 1 (about 40-50 cm from the floor). When the display of T/R 2 does not show the responder number, the adjustment is OK.



SF 4 Display neutrodynisation values explained in a graph



Trouble shooting when tuning the neutrodynisation unit

- The display does not reach a peak value when tuning Wiring twisted (when a plus and minus in the antenna system is changed there will be no peak in tuning the neutro)
- The display starts already with a high value and does almost not increase There is almost no cross talk, the receiver can not or almost not detect a signal coming from the transmitter



Display values 6

During operation, the program steps through different program-states which are monitored on the display. This gives information about the state of the T/R and therefore can be used as an extra service tool.

The indication on the display is as follows :

Start process

status	description of the status	
00	start : processor-initialisation	
01	01 wait for valid address, "SA"-menu is started automatically	
02 No communication with a process computer		
03 No communication with a process computer		
04 T/R SF under test		
05 start-up process finished		

Display values during operation See manual as used for a SF2

7 Internal test menu

The Internal test menu is a powerful service tool in case of system-service. The T/R stores registered errors which can be displayed on demand of the trouble-shooter. Also the T/R can execute a complete self test on demand, the test results also are displayed.



Internal test menu

– display Error procedure

- Self test menu : see figure 2



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Display error procedure

The detected errors are stored by the T/R itself and can be monitored on the display. Two types of messages can be displayed by the T/R :

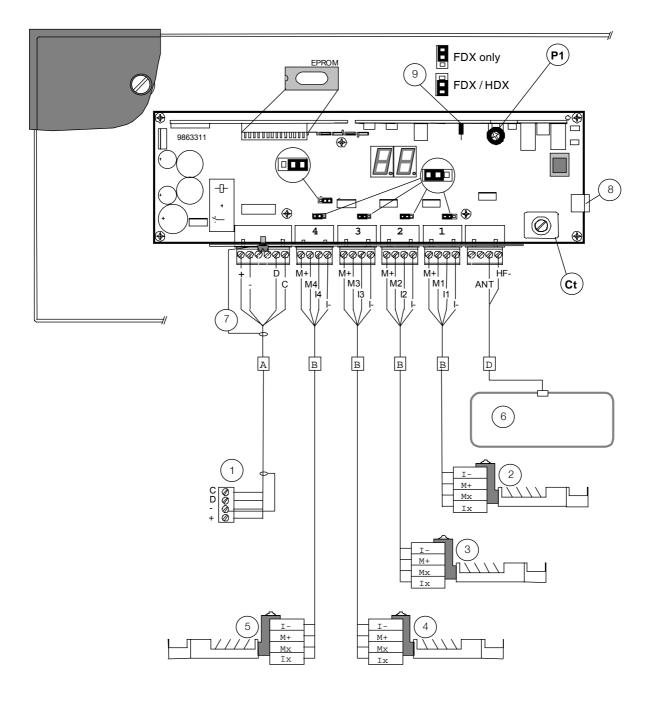
- error-messages (E1)
- warning-messages (E2, not used yet)

The procedure shows all registered errors on the display, one after the other, proceeded by the message-type. First all error-messages will be shown, then all warning-messages.

error	description	how to handle
	no errors	
01	error detected in output 1	perform self test output 1
02	error detected in output 2	perform self test output 2
03	error detected in output 3	perform self test output 3
04	error detected in output 4	perform self test output 4
07	 output hardware error : no outputs were active, yet a output current is detected power supply to outputs then is switched off : if output current remains detected, T/R will restart if output current now is 0, T/R status remains unchanged 	 <u>possible cause(s) :</u> one or more motor-outputs defect uProc A/D-converter defect <u>solution :</u> switch power supply off and on again if any outputs are running unauthorised, outputs are defect, replace T/R PCB if T/R continuously restarts, the A/D-converter is defect. Replace T/R -PCB
08	 output watchdog activated : software detects that output runs > 15 seconds (unauthorised) T/R restarts 	 <u>possible cause :</u> unknown, probably software-error
09	Antenna error : • no or low HF-current detected	 <u>possible cause(s) :</u> antenna not connected or wrong adjusted <u>solution :</u> check antenna / tune antenna check HF-field replace T/R-PCB
11	 <u>RAM error at start up :</u> data written does not match data read 	solution : • replace T/R-PCB
12	 <u>ROM error at start up :</u> calculated checksum does not match checksum of EPROM 	solution : • replace T/R-PCB

8 Trouble shooting

Symptom		cause		solution	
•	T/R SF does not start up, display remains blank	 no power 	•	check wiring	
		prom wrong installed	•	check prom	
•	T/R SF does not start up, display shows "E1", "E2" or "E3"	 RAM, ROM or both failed 	•	replace T/R SF	
•	T/R SF does not start up, display shows "02" or "03"	 T/R SF remains in start- up process, no communication with a process computer 	•	check T/R SF address and other settings check wiring	
•	Poor identification	antenna badly adjusted	•	perform identification self test, check reading- distance and check if green adjustment LED is on if reading-distance constantly poor, readjust antenna or enlarge transmitting-power P 1	
		HDX synchronisation not ok	•	check all jumpers, wiring	
		 disturbance by: computer/monitor television frengency controlled motors tube lamps LW radio transmitters 	•	switch possible disturbance off (when possible) and when the cause is found take action to reduce the disturbance	
•	FDX is working ok, HDX not	one or more jumpers set to FDX only		set jumpers correctly	
		 120 kHz system in the neighbourhood activ 	•	switch 120kHz system off to check	
•	All antenna leds off	HF not switch on	•	switch HF on in the software	
•	Two red antenna leds blinking	 antenna alarm 	•	 antenna defect antenna no adjusted short cicuit or open antenna wire connection 	



Cable nr.	# of wires	L.max. (m)*
A	4	40
В	4	3**
D	2	2

- 1. IB VC4
- 2. Feed motor 1
- 3. Feed motor 2
- 4. Feed motor 3

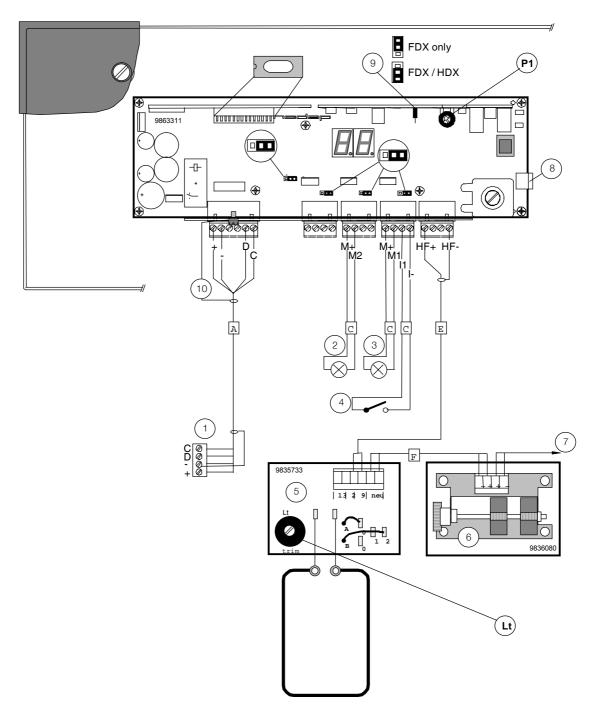
* at wire-D = 0.8mm. (other D's see text) ** Longer cable no problem, but not CE approved

- 5. Feed motor 4 (optional)
- 6. Antenna
- 7. Shielding
- 8. Synchronisation
- 9. Jumper FDX / HDX or FDX only

Feed motor 4 : only with T/R SF2-4M

Antenna : can also be EWA transformer (use HF+ and HF- connection)

Fig. 1 Overview SF4 cable connections (Feed model)



Cable nr.	# of wires	L.max. (m)*
A	4	40
С	2	3**
E	coax RG58	10
F	coax RG58	10

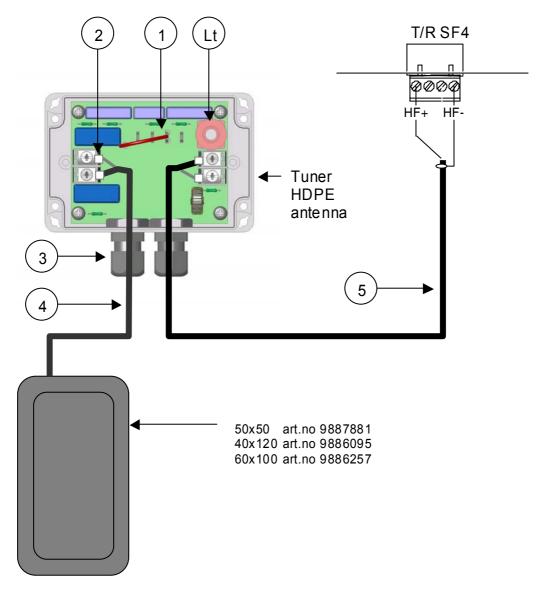
- 1. IB VC4
- 2. Green lamp
- 3. Red lamp
- 4. Gate switch
- 5. EWA-transformer

Gate switch		
gate open	switch closed	
gate closed	switch open	

* at wire-D = 0.8mm. (other D's see text) ** Longer cable no problem, but not CE approved

- 6. Neutrodynisation unit
- 7. To second EWA-transformer
- 8. Synchronisation
- 9. Jumper FDX / HDX or FDX only
- 10. Cable shielding

Fig. 2 Overview SF4 cable connections (Walkthrough model)

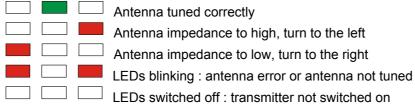


- 1. Antenna type selection (default on 3)
- 2. Always use cable ferrules to connect coax
- 3. Install with swivels downwards
- 4. Standard antenna cable, do not change length of the coax antenna cable
- 5. Coax cable RG 58 max. length 100m

Tuning the antenna

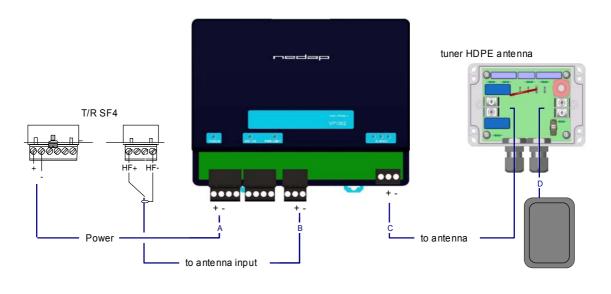
Set the antenna field on with id.

Turn the trimmer (Lt) until the green LED is on.



If the green led does not show up, set the antenna type selector on 2 or 4 and try again.

Fig. 3 Overview SF4 cable connections with walk-by ID



Cable specifications					
A B C D	Min. 0.5 mm ² L.max 20m Coax RG 58 L.max 100m. Shield connected to minus. Coax RG 58 L.max 100m. Shield connected to minus. Standard antenna cable, do not change length of this cable				
	HDPE antenna types	50x50 art.no 9887881 40x120 art.no 9886095 60x100 art.no 9886257			

LED indicators

			vedap VP1002
POWER	А	NT ON PWR LIMIT	
POWER	• •	Green on Off	Power on No power
ANT ON	•	Blue Off	Antenna switch on by the SF4 Antenna switch off by the SF4
PWR LIMIT	•	Red on Off	Antenna power to high, reduce antenna power of the SF4 Antenna power ok
TUNING /ID		Green on Green blinking Red on Red on Red blinking	Antenna ok Antenna ok and tag identified Antenna out of range Antenna out of range Antenna error

Antenna tuning

Set the SF4 in "id" mode. Turn with Lt in the antenna tuner untill the "tuning/id" led is green.

More details about the HDPE antenna tuner see also figure 3.

Fig. 4 Overview SF4 + Booster cable connections with walk-by ID

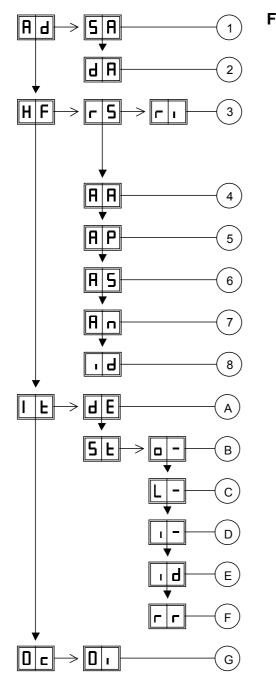


Fig. 5 Display menu

General overview, menu can be different for prom types and versions

- 1. Set Address
- 2. Display Address
- 3. Responder select ri (iso) Prom can not be used when ri is not available
- 4. Adjust Antenna, not used
- 5. Adjust Power
- 6. Adjust Squelch, not used
- 7. Not used
- 8. Test identification
- A. Display errors
- B. o1 motor output 1
 o2 motor output 2
 o3 motor output 3
 o4 motor output 4
- C. L1 output 1 (relais) L2 output 2 (relais) L3 output 3 (relais) L4 output 4 (relais)
- D. i1 input 1 i2 input 2 i3 input 3 i4 input 4
- E. Test identification
- F. ROM/RAM test / reboot E1 ram error E2 rom error E3 ram and rom error
- G. Output installation

\rightarrow	Press button untill blinking	To leave menu:
¥	Press button short	press button untill display is empty