

Operating Instructions RC-Z2514 (Order No. 1614590)

4-arbor crimping pliers for machined contacts with digital display and wear monitoring



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General

The RC-Z2514 4-arbor crimping pliers are for crimping the machined crimp contacts in the list below. The pliers may only be used if they are in technically perfect working order and are only to be used for the purpose described in the operating instructions. With this crimping tool, the user is able to check the pliers at intervals he defines himself, and can calibrate them, if necessary. To increase the process reliability for the user, the pliers have wear monitoring. This lets the user know when the tool wear has exceeded a defined range. The settings of the crimping pliers have been calculated based on the withdrawal forces stated in DIN EN 60352-2 and by using a reference conductor. **Depending on the conductor used, the required settings of the crimping pliers can differ from the values stated.**

Procedure

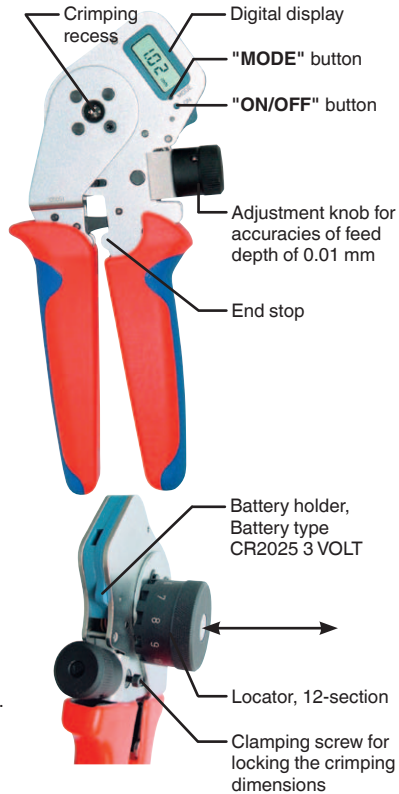
- Switching on/off: The device is switched on/off by pressing the "ON/OFF" button.
- Mode function: The "MODE" button is used to select the display functions in mm or in inches, or the selector positions from 1 – 8 in acc. with MIL 22520. Use the enclosed gauge to press the "MODE" button as often as necessary to select the desired display:



Setting the crimping parameters / crimping operation

- Please refer to the enclosed setting matrix for the crimp arbor and locator settings for the contact to be crimped.
- Loosen the clamping screw (condition when delivered).**
- The crimping dimensions (crimping depth of the crimp arbors) are set by turning the adjustment knob until the digital display shows the required value. Please note that a larger crimping dimension must always be selected than that to be set, e.g. select 1.2 mm and adjust down to crimping dimension 1.0 mm.
- Depth settings clockwise reduce the crimping dimensions, while counter-clockwise increases the crimping dimensions.
- Lock the crimping dimension setting using the clamping screw.
- Lift the locator at the side and turn to set it to the position defined in the setting matrix. Insert the crimp contact as far as it will go into the recess provided. The locator moves the crimp contact to the exact position.
- Insert the prepared cable as far as it will go into the crimp contact in the pliers and close the pliers tightly until the trigger block is unlocked. Open the pliers and remove the crimped contact.

Do not crimp on the gauge or other similar objects to avoid damage to the pliers. Avoid crimping solid materials (e.g. steel) having a hardness greater than 35 HRC.



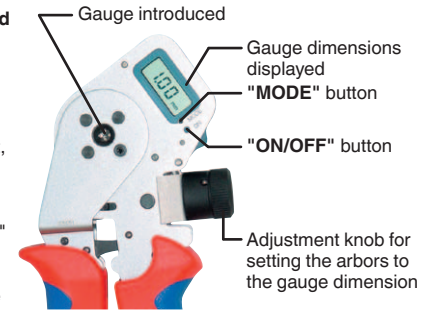
Changing the battery

The service life of the battery for the digital display is approximately one year, depending on how often it is used. To change the battery (type CR2025, 3 VOLT), the battery holder is pulled out so that the battery can be removed and exchanged. Before inserting the battery, **make sure you set the pliers to the stop at the lower setting point.** How to further proceed is described in the section "Calibrating the reference value". Dispose of used batteries at approved recycling centers.

Calibrating the pliers

The crimping pliers may only be calibrated by authorized skilled personnel, since improper calibration can lead to incorrect crimping.

- Adjust the crimp arbors to a setting dimension of 1 mm: Using the adjustment knob, set the crimp arbors so that the enclosed gauge can move between the crimp arbors without play. Please note that a larger gauge dimension must always be selected than that to be set, e.g. select 1.2 mm and adjust down to gauge dimension 1.0 mm.
- Keep the "ON/OFF" button pressed and press the "MODE" button using the gauge. Keep the "MODE" pressed for at least 5 seconds. Release the "MODE" button after 5 seconds and then the "ON/OFF" button.
- The digital display automatically jumps to the gauge value 1.0 mm. The pliers are adjusted and ready for the crimping parameters to be set.



Wear monitoring

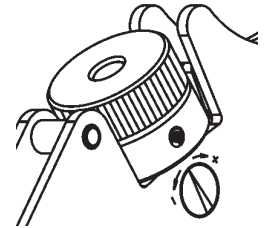
Every tool is subject to wear, even when used as intended. This wear is tolerable within certain limits and is compensated during each calibration. Press the "Mode" button for 10 seconds (range: 8 to 15 s) to call up the current tool status and to display the numerical output on the pliers. The following values are output consecutively:

- Serial number – current wear value – position value of the lower stop of the unworn pliers (fixed value, specific to pliers) – number of previous calibrations carried out.

The mechanical stop at the lower setting point serves as a reference value for calculating the current wear value. The value is permanently stored in the tool memory and cannot be changed. **Every time the battery is changed, calibration must be carried out using this reference value.** To do this, follow this procedure:

Calibrating the reference value

- For preparation, the battery must be removed.
- Open the pliers.
- Turn the adjustment knob to the stop at the lower setting point (turn counter-clockwise; see figure) and leave it there.
- Insert battery; "CAL" appears on the display to prompt you to calibrate.
- Adjust the pliers with the gauge (see also section "Calibrating the pliers").
- Keep the "ON/OFF" button pressed and press the "MODE" button using the gauge. Keep the "MODE" pressed for at least 5 seconds. Release the "MODE" button after 5 seconds and then the "ON/OFF" button.
- The digital display automatically jumps to the gauge value 1.0 mm.
- The pliers are adjusted and ready for the crimping parameters to be set.



Troubleshooting

The 4-arbor crimping pliers reach their wear limit after about 50 thousand crimping cycles. When this limit has been exceeded, the error message "E1" is output to the display. Here, when pressed, the display cyclically switches between the set crimp value and the message "E1", and then shows "E1" permanently.

Displayed	Cause	Solution
E1	After changing the battery, the pliers were not turned to the lower setting point using the adjustment knob.	See the section "Calibrating the reference value"
	Wear limit of tool reached	Contact manufacturer

Maintenance and repair

Unauthorized changes to or unintended use of the manual crimping pliers excludes the liability of the manufacturer for any damage resulting from this. The manual crimping pliers must be clean and in good order before starting work. Any residue from the crimping process must be removed from the crimping jaws and locator. The joints must be lubricated regularly with a light machine oil and protected against dirt. Please ensure that all bolts are secured with circlips.

Repairs to the 4-arbor crimping pliers may only be carried out by the manufacturer of the pliers.

