

Instruction Manual for the use and the maintenance of the Radio Remote Control

Original instructions

Part A: Information, instructions and general warnings

AIR SERIES



WARNING

THIS PART OF THE MANUAL CONSISTS OF Part A - Information, instructions and general warnings for the Autec Air Series Radio Remote Control. The Manual consists of Part A – General, Part B – Conformity and Frequencies, Part C – Transmitting Unit, Part D – Receiving Unit and Part E – Battery and Battery Charger, plus the Technical Data Sheet.

THIS MANUAL, INCLUDING ALL PARTS THEREOF, AND ALL INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN, MUST BE READ CAREFULLY AND UNDERSTOOD BEFORE INSTALLING, USING, MAINTAINING OR REPAIRING THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL.

FAILURE TO READ AND COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS OR ANY ONE OF THE LIMITATIONS NOTED IN THIS MANUAL CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR DEATH, AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL IS NOT A STANDALONE PRODUCT AND IS INTENDED ONLY AS A COMPONENT ON A MACHINE:

- **ON WHICH AND WHERE THE USE OF A RADIO REMOTE CONTROL IS APPROPRIATE,**
- **THAT CAN BE OPERATED SAFELY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS BY SUCH REMOTE CONTROL.**

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MACHINE MANUFACTURER ON WHICH THE AUTEC REMOTE CONTROL IS INTENDED TO BE INSTALLED, to perform an in-depth and accurate risk assessment to determine if the Autec Radio Remote Control is suitable for operating a Machine in conditions of safety and operational effectiveness, taking into account the conditions of use, the intended uses and the reasonably foreseeable incorrect ones, so that the installation, maintenance and use of the Autec Radio Remote Control, and all its components, are performed only and entirely in compliance with this Manual and in accordance with all local regulations, safety standards and regulations (referred to herein as "Laws, Regulations and Standards").

With reference to the USA market the Laws, Regulations and Standards include all safety rules and regulations of the Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) (<http://www.osha.gov>), all federal, state and local laws, regulations and building and electrical codes, and all applicable standards, including but not limited to ANSI Standards.

It is also the responsibility of the Manufacturer and of the design professionals of the Machine on which the Autec Radio Remote Control is to be installed and used to be certain that the structure, condition, organization and markings of the Machine as installed at the facility is appropriate for and will allow for the safe and reliable use and control of the Machine through the Autec Radio Remote Control interface.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER AND FACILITY OPERATOR, AND THEIR DESIGN PROFESSIONALS, that the installation, maintenance and operation of the Autec Radio Remote Control and all of its components are done solely and completely in accordance with this Manual, and with all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local. It is also the responsibility of the Manufacturer of the Machine on which the Autec Radio Remote Control is to be installed and used, and their design professionals, to be certain that the structure, condition, organization and markings of the Machine as installed at the facility is appropriate for and will allow for the safe and reliable use and control of the Machine through the Autec Radio Remote Control interface.

ONLY QUALIFIED AND PROPERLY TRAINED PERSONNEL SHOULD BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE OR USE THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL AND THE MACHINE OPERATED BY OR THROUGH THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL. ONLY QUALIFIED AND PROPERLY TRAINED PERSONNEL SHOULD BE PERMITTED TO BE IN THE VICINITY OF MACHINE OPERATED BY OR THROUGH THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL.

FAILURE TO PROPERLY INSTALL, OPERATE, MAINTAIN AND SERVICE THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR DEATH AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. Refer to this Manual and each of its Parts for further assistance or contact Autec. Autec is not responsible for and shall not be held liable for any installation of the Autec Radio Remote Control not performed by Autec or for any use of the Autec Radio Remote Control not in complete compliance with, and/or not maintained in complete compliance with, all Autec instructions and warnings and all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local.

Autec is not responsible for and shall not be held liable for any alteration or modification of the Autec Radio Remote Control, or the use of non-Autec components or products used with or incorporated into the Autec Radio Remote Control.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER AND FACILITY OPERATOR, AND THEIR DESIGN PROFESSIONALS, to be certain that the Autec Radio Remote Control is properly maintained and serviced at all times in compliance with all Autec instructions and warnings, and with all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER AND FACILITY OPERATOR, AND THEIR OFFICERS, MANAGERS AND SUPERVISORS, to be certain that all Users of the Autec Radio Remote Control and that all Persons who are or will be working with or near the Machine operated by or through the Autec Radio Remote Control are fully and properly educated and trained by qualified Personnel in the proper and safe use of the Autec Radio Remote Control and of the Machine, including without limitation complete familiarity with and understanding of Autec warnings and instructions, and all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local, and that such Users and other Persons do in fact at all times operate or work with the Autec Radio Remote Control safely and ONLY in compliance with Autec instructions and warnings and with all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR DEATH AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER AND FACILITY OPERATOR, AND THEIR OFFICERS, MANAGERS AND SUPERVISORS, to be certain that the areas in which the Machine operated by or through the Autec Radio Remote Control is located and operates are clearly delineated and marked in accordance with all Autec warnings and instructions, and all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local, and otherwise sufficient to alert and warn ALL PERSONS that the Machine is operated by or through a Radio Remote Control, and prohibiting any unauthorized access thereto. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR DEATH AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

FAILURE TO OPERATE THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL SAFELY AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH AUTEC INSTRUCTIONS AND WARNINGS AND WITH APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS, EVEN LOCAL, AND/OR PERMITTING USERS OR OTHER PERSONS NOT PROPERLY TRAINED IN THE SAFE AND PROPER USE OF THE SYSTEM, OR THE MACHINE ON WHICH IT IS INSTALLED, CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR DEATH AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

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1 Information on the use of instructions

1.1 Structure of the Instruction Manual

The Manual for the use and maintenance of Autec Air series Radio Remote Controls consists of different parts, that altogether form the Manual; the Manual must be read carefully, understood and applied by the Radio Remote Control's Owner, User and by all those Persons that, for any reasons, may operate with the Radio Remote Control or with the Machine where it is installed. The following table describes the structure of the Instruction Manual for the use and the maintenance of the Radio Remote Control.

Part	Title	Contents
A	General part	- General information regarding the series, - directions for risk assessment of the "Machine+Radio Remote Control" system, - warnings for installation of the Radio Remote Control, - warnings for use and maintenance of the Radio Remote Control, - instructions for correct transportation and storage of Radio Remote Control.
B	Conformity and frequencies	- Operating frequency bands of the Radio Remote Control, - conformity and law references of the Radio Remote Control.
C	Transmitting Unit	Description and instructions concerning the Transmitting Unit, including: - description of operation, - commands, - light signals, - malfunctions, - additional instructions to the general part.
D	Receiving Unit	Description and instructions concerning the Receiving Unit, including: - description of operation, - light signals, - malfunctions, - additional instructions to the general part.
E	Battery and Battery Charger	Description, warnings and instructions concerning batteries and Battery Chargers, including: - description of operation, - light signals, - malfunctions, - instructions for the User.

Usage and maintenance instructions are supplemented by the Radio Remote Control's Technical Data Sheet, that:

- describes the Transmitting Unit's configuration,
- indicates the relation between commands sent by the Transmitting Unit and those available on the Receiving Unit.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE GENERAL PART: The instructions contained in this general part of the Instruction Manual refer to all Autec Air series' Radio remote controls and to their single components and Units, and must be read and understood by their addressees before reading the instructions contained in the manuals of the single Units.

Usage and maintenance instruction as a whole are to be considered as an integral part both of the Autec Radio Remote Control and of the Machine, system, device or Machinery system where the Radio Remote Control is installed.

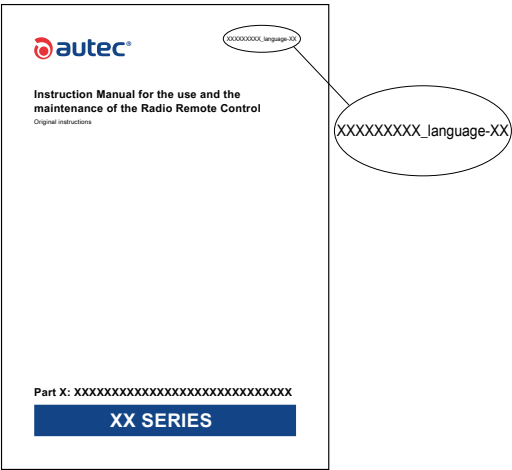
The Manufacturer of the Machine on which the Autec Radio Remote Control is installed, and the Owner and User of the Machine, must make sure that the Instruction Manual and all of its parts are included in the Instruction Manual of the Machine.



The CD attached to each Instruction Manual includes the translations of the Manual.

Act as follows to identify the single Manual parts in the relevant language in the CD:

- identify the correct section depending on the Radio Remote Control serial number,
- choose the desired language,
- select the single parts of the Manual: refer to the code name provided on the cover of each part.



1.2 Caption and terminology



Contact Autec if any of the instructions, symbols, warnings or images are not clear and understandable, or if you have doubts or questions.

The terms listed here below have the stated meaning throughout the entire Manual, including all of its parts:

- **Unit:** the single (Transmitting or Receiving) Units that comprise the Autec Radio Remote Control.
- **Radio Remote Control:** Cableless Control System (CCS) made up of a Transmitting Unit and a Receiving Unit that communicate with each other through a radio link.
- **Transmitting Unit:** portable component (remote station) through which the User interfaces with the Radio Remote Control.
- **Receiving Unit:** component fixed permanently on the Machine (base station); it constitutes an interface between the Radio Remote Control and the other Machine's parts.
- **Machine:** the Machine, as defined in the Directive 2006/42/EC and in any other local regulations, and any other device, Machinery, equipment, Machinery system, application etc., where the Autec Radio Remote Control is installed, or that is controlled by it.
- **Manufacturer:** the Person who plans and/or manufactures a Machine, an appliance, a device or a Machinery system and decides to install a Radio Remote Control on it to control the Machine.
- **Installer:** the Person, qualified technician, who plans and/or performs the installation of an Autec Radio Remote Control on a Machine to act on its commands.
- **User:** the Person who actually uses an Autec Radio Remote Control to act on the commands of a Machine.
- **Maintenance Technician:** the Person, qualified technician, who carries out routine or special maintenance on an Autec Radio Remote Control, to keep it whole and effective.
- **Manual or Instruction Manual:** document consisting of: Part A – General, Part B – Conformity and Frequencies, Part C – Transmitting Unit, Part D – Receiving Unit and Part E – Battery and Battery Charger, plus the Technical Data Sheet.
- **Installation Manual:** the specific manual containing specific instructions for the installation of the Radio Remote Control on the Machine: the Installation Manual is specifically addressed to the Installer.
- **Person:** individual, natural or legal person and/or any entity, however it is considered
- **Owner:** the Owner of the Radio Remote Control.

Functions indicated for the Manufacturer, the Installer, the User and the Maintenance Technician may be performed by a single Person, if he/she has the needed competence and undertakes the resulting responsibilities. Each Person must be aware of the instructions contained in the Manual, depending on the activity they carry out.

For example, if a Manufacturer is also the Installer, and/or Maintenance Technician, he must also know and follow the instructions specifically addressed to those Persons. The same applies, for example, if a User is also the Manufacturer and/or the Installer.

1.3 Symbols



This symbol identifies the parts of text in the Manual that must be read with special attention.



This symbol identifies the parts of text in the Manual containing warnings, information and/or instructions that are particularly relevant with regards to safety; failure in understanding them may cause hazards for People and/or property.

1.4 To whom the instructions are addressed

The Instruction Manual for the use and the maintenance of the Radio Remote Control is addressed to Manufacturers, design engineers, Installers, assemblers, mechanics, electricians, Users, operators, drivers, workers, people responsible for productive activities, Maintenance Technicians and to all the people who, in any capacity and for any reason, work with an Autec Radio Remote Control or with the Machine where it is installed.

The Manual must be read carefully, understood and applied in all its parts by:

- the Owner and/or Person responsible for the Machine and/or for the Autec Radio Remote Control and/or for their operation;
- the Machine Manufacturer, who decides to equip it with a Radio Remote Control;
- the Radio Remote Control Installer or the Person who assembles it on a Machine, device, Machinery system, etc., and/or who has the responsibility for that operation;
- the Person responsible for safety in the workplace where the Radio Remote Control is used;
- Users, that is to say, those who actually, and in any capacity, are qualified/authorised/appointed for the use of a Radio Remote Control, or who work with it;
- Maintenance Technicians;
- those who, in any capacity, work with the Radio Remote Control and/or with the Machine, system, device and/or Machinery system where an Autec Radio Remote Control is installed, or that are controlled by an Autec Radio Remote Control.



The instructions concerning the installation and maintenance of the Radio Remote Control are addressed to qualified Personnel; their implementation requires qualified professional expertise: none of the operation for which qualified Personnel is required can be carried out by Persons or companies that do not have the required specific professional expertise.

1.5 Instruction storage

The Instruction Manual must be stored and made available to all its addressees, Users and technicians, for the whole life time of the Radio Remote Control, in any moment it may need to be consulted.

No part of the Manual shall be altered, modified or damaged.

If the Manual is damaged, a written request of replacement shall be sent to Autec; replacement is at the applicant's expense.

When applying for it, the Radio Remote Control's serial number is required.

1.6 Intellectual property

The Manual, its structure and contents, the images and photos, the drawings, the instructions and all intellectual property rights included in the Manual are and remain exclusive property of Autec s.r.l.

They cannot be reproduced and/or disseminated in any form or by any means (including the internet and photocopying) without authorisation and written consent by Autec.

2 Brief product presentation

2.1 Series, Radio Remote Control and Unit

The object of this part of the Manual is the Autec Air series Radio Remote Control (see chapter 4).

Autec Air series' Radio Remote Controls are designed to be used on Machines and provide a command interface to their command and control system, to be used from an appropriate distance and position.

Air series' Radio Remote Controls are made of a Transmitting Unit and a Receiving Unit: the single Units, their commands and their features are illustrated in the specific parts in the Manual and in the Technical Data Sheet.

2.2 Conformity with standards

The conformity of Radio Remote Controls with standards and with working requirements and conditions in the single Countries is provided in the related specific part "Conformity and frequencies" (Part B) of the Manual.

2.3 Contacts and useful addresses

The Radio Remote Controls are produced by Autec srl – Via Pomaroli, 65 – 36030 Caldogno (VI) – ITALY.

You can find contacts for Autec, its distributors, dealers and authorized service centres on the website www.autecsafety.com.

2.4 Warranty

General warranty conditions are indicated both in the relevant sheet provided together with this documentation, and in the specific page on the website www.autecsafety.com.

2.5 Technical assistance and spare parts

If you need technical services and/or spare parts, please refer to contacts provided in the website www.autecsafety.com.

When applying for technical service to Autec, its distributors, dealers and authorized service centres, the Radio Remote Control's serial number is required; you can find it on the identification plate on the Transmitting Unit and/or on the Receiving Unit.

3 General safety warnings

 WARNING	All the warnings and instructions provided in this chapter are safety-relevant. Failure to follow the instructions contained in the Manual provided by Autec, as well as all applicable safety-related legislations, even local ones, regulations and standards may generate serious damage to people and property. The Machine Manufacturer and/or designer, the Installer, the Maintenance Technician and the people responsible for the use of the Machine and for the working place are responsible to ensure that the installation, maintenance and use of the Autec Radio Remote Control and all its components are carried out in complete accordance with the instructions provided by Autec and in compliance with all the applicable safety-related standards and regulations in force in the countries where the Machine and the Radio Remote Control are used. The Machine Manufacturer takes on the responsibility for the installation and use of the Radio Remote Control on any application.
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The Manufacturer or those who want to use or install an Autec Radio Remote Control on a Machine must first:

- assess whether the Machine where they want to install the Radio Remote Control can be used with a Radio Remote Control safely and effectively;
- carry out an in-depth, accurate risk assessment, taking into account the Machine's manufacturing, functional and/or performance features and characteristics, purpose of the Machine, the location and environment in which the Machine is to be used, the facility in which the Machine is to be or is installed, the interaction between the Machine and other equipment and Personnel, the safety conditions during operation of the Machine, the actual and potential different usage conditions, the conditions that may arise following the installation and use of a Radio Remote Control, and the features and limitations of the Autec Radio Remote Control.

For this purpose, by way of example and by no way of limitation, refer to standards ISO 12100 and ISO 14121, that prescribe the conditions for a correct risk assessment, which includes risk analysis and the adoption of the necessary protection and safeguarding actions.

Without limitation on the Laws, Regulations and Standards it is forbidden to use an Autec Radio Remote Control if the Manufacturer or those who want to install it on the Machine are not able to or do not:

- carry out an appropriate and comprehensive risk assessment in relation to the safety of the Machine, concerning the Radio Remote Control adoption and installation;
- ensure the required professional experience and/or technical competence to carry out the risk assessment correctly;
- ensure the correct installation of the Radio Remote Control in accordance with this Manual and all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local;
- implement all safety conditions, so that the radio remote controlled Machine can be used without creating dangerous situations;
- adopt the appropriate technical solutions and informative actions to create the conditions for the User and the Maintenance Technician to safely operate the radio remote controlled Machine;
- implement all necessary and appropriate action and procedures to remove or reduce risks that may originate from the use of the radio remote controlled Machine



ONLY IF THE COMPREHENSIVE RISK ASSESSMENT SUPPORTS THE INSTALLATION OF THE AUTEC REMOTE CONTROL AS APPROPRIATE, EFFECTIVE AND SAFE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MACHINE AND THE USE OF THE RADIO REMOTE CONTROL ON THE MACHINE IS PERMITTED BY AND IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS, EVEN LOCAL, AND THIS MANUAL, MAY THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL SYSTEM BE INSTALLED AND USED ON SUCH MACHINE.

THE MACHINE MANUFACTURER OR ALL THOSE WHO DECIDE TO INSTALL THE RADIO REMOTE CONTROL ON A MACHINE IS HELD COMPLETELY RESPONSIBLE FOR:

- **THE RISK ASSESSMENT;**
- **THE DETERMINATION TO USE THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL ON THE MACHINE;**
- **TAKING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY OR ADVISABLE TO REDUCE OR REMOVE RISKS OCCASIONED BY THE MACHINE AND, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE USE OF A RADIO REMOTE CONTROL TO OPERATE THE MACHINE;**
- **THE OBSERVANCE OF STANDARDS AND REGULATIONS AIMING AT PRESERVING SAFETY.**



THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL IS NOT A STANDALONE PRODUCT AND IS INTENDED ONLY AS A COMPONENT ON A MACHINE:

- **ON WHICH AND WHERE THE USE OF A RADIO REMOTE CONTROL IS APPROPRIATE,**
- **THAT CAN BE OPERATED SAFELY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS BY SUCH REMOTE CONTROL.**

AUTEC IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR AND SHALL NOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR THE COMPATIBILITY OF THE RADIO REMOTE CONTROL WITH THE MACHINE OR DESIRED APPLICATION, EVEN IF IT IS AMONG THE PERMITTED APPLICATIONS, OR FOR ANY ISSUE RELATING TO THE SUITABILITY OF THE MACHINE AND ITS CONTROL SYSTEM TO BE RADIO REMOTE CONTROLLED.

SIMILARLY, AUTEC IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR AND SHALL NOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR THE RISK ASSESSMENT THAT MUST BE CARRIED OUT WHEN CONSIDERING A RADIO REMOTE CONTROL GENERALLY OR THIS AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL SPECIFICALLY, OR THE SUITABILITY OF OPERATING A MACHINE BY A RADIO REMOTE CONTROL GENERALLY OR THIS AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL SPECIFICALLY, WHETHER WITH REGARD TO THE MACHINE, THE FACILITY IN WHICH THE MACHINE IS TO BE USED OR IS USED, OR THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND/OR WORKING CONDITIONS IN WHICH THE MACHINE WILL BE OR IS USED.

Without limitation on the foregoing, Autec is not responsible for and shall not be held liable for:

- installation that is faulty or in any way not in conformity with this Manual and any other instructions provided by Autec, and with all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local;
- installation on Machines, appliances, devices, equipment and/or Machinery systems on which the use of a Radio Remote Control is not allowed by its Manufacturer or under applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local, or on which the installation and/or the use of a Radio Remote Control may generate safety issues or other risk situations that cannot be adequately removed and/or reduced, in conformity with applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local;
- use of the Autec Radio Remote Control system that is in any way not in conformity with this Manual and any other instructions provided by Autec, and with all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local;
- use of the Radio Remote Control in facilities or environments, or in weather and/or climate conditions, in which the use of the Radio Remote Control is not permitted or advisable under applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local, not permitted according to the instructions contained in this Manual, or that may pose the risk of damage and/or incorrect operation of the Radio Remote Control (by way of example: temperature exceeding the limits indicated in paragraph 8.3, situations where the risk of explosion exists, risk of contact with liquids or fluids);
- use of the Radio Remote Control in those working conditions that do not allow the User to maintain full and continuous observation of the movements of the Machine and, if applicable, of the load;
- use of the Radio Remote Control in a different way or for different purposes from the permitted ones, and/or use not in complete compliance with the instructions for use and the maintenance contained in this Manual;
- inadequate or missing maintenance of the Radio Remote Control, referring to both routine and special maintenance, or failure to repair any damage to, wearing out or malfunction of the Autec Radio Remote Control;
- damage to and/or deterioration of any component or feature of the Autec Radio Remote Control;
- failure to take the Autec Radio Remote Control out of service if there is any damage to or malfunction of the Radio Remote Control or any component thereof;
- use of parts or components in the Autec Radio Remote Control that are not manufactured or supplied by Autec;
- service of the Autec Radio Remote Control system by anyone other than Autec or an Autec authorized service provider.

4 Radio Remote Control features

Air series' Radio Remote Controls are used to control Machines from a distance, without physical connection (by way of example: wires or connecting cables) between the Transmitting Unit handled by the User and the Receiving Unit installed on the Machine, hence between the User and the Machine.

They consist of a portable Transmitting Unit, from which the User can remotely control a Machine, and a Receiving Unit installed on board the Machine itself.

Images of the single Units belonging to the Radio Remote Control can be found in the specific manual that refers to each Unit.

4.1 Description of radio link

The Transmitting Unit communicates with the Receiving Unit through a radio link. Such link must be continuous to promote safety in the use of the Machine. Every time this link is incorrect or interrupted, the Receiving Unit stops the commands and orders the Machine to stop.



The Machine stops only if the wiring between the Receiving Unit and the Machine itself is correct.

The two Units in a Radio Remote Control encode their messages through an address that is unique (produced by Autec only once and non repeatable for other Radio Remote Controls) and univocal (specific for each Radio Remote Control and associated to it).

Each Unit can only decode messages coming from the Unit with the same address.

This prevents messages from other radio equipment from activating any "Machine+Radio Remote Control" system function.

The radio link is interrupted in the following cases:

- stop (see paragraph 4.2.2),
- low battery,
- automatic switch off,
- no power supply in the Receiving Unit,
- exceeded working range (see "Part B" in the Instruction Manual),
- presence of metal obstructions.



WARNING: The maximum working range may vary significantly and unpredictably when special conditions occur in the working environment (by way of example: temporary presence of electromagnetic interference and/or metal obstructions).

When a radio link is interrupted:

- all outputs in the Receiving Unit are disabled,
- it is not possible to enable or disable the Machine commands through the Transmitting Unit until the Radio Remote Control is started up again.

4.2 Control devices

4.2.1 Start up and switch off

Start up and switch off functions are described in chapter "General instructions for operation" included in "Part C" of the Instruction Manual. Therefore, please refer to that part of the Manual.

4.2.2 Stop

The stop is a safety function that brings the Machine to a safe state every time it is necessary to stop it due to a potentially hazardous situation.

The stop function may activate:

- Manually: the User activates the stop function pressing the red STOP pushbutton on the Transmitting Unit.
- Automatically: the Receiving Unit autonomously activates the stop function if the radio link is incorrect or interrupted.



THE USER MUST AT ALL TIMES PAY FULL ATTENTION TO THE SAFE AND PROPER OPERATION OF THE MACHINE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS AND WARNINGS PROVIDED IN THIS MANUAL AND WITH THE MANUAL, INSTRUCTIONS AND WARNINGS FOR THE MACHINE AND WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS, EVEN LOCAL.

ACTIVATING THE STOP PUSHBUTTON OR RETURNING THE ACTUATORS TO THE REST POSITION MAY NOT RESULT IN AN IMMEDIATE STOPPING OF THE MACHINE.

THE STOP PUSHBUTTON MAY NOT ACTIVATE A BRAKE. FURTHERMORE, DIFFERENT MACHINES HAVE DIFFERENT RESPONSE TIMES AND STOPPING DISTANCES. WHILE THE STOP FEATURE IS HELPFUL, THE USER MUST BE FULLY AWARE OF THE MOVEMENTS AND OPERATING ZONES OF THE MACHINE AND MUST ALLOW FOR SUFFICIENT SAFE FUNCTIONING OF THE MACHINE, INCLUDING SUCH RESPONSE TIMES AND STOPPING DISTANCES.

FAILURE TO DO SO CONTINUOUSLY AND CORRECTLY MAY RESULT IN SEVERE INJURY OR DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.



The stop function by means of Radio Remote Control is available only if the Radio Remote Control is started up (see "Starting up the Radio Remote Control" in the "Part C" of the Manual).

 WARNING	Never leave the Transmitting Unit unguarded in order to avoid uncertainty about the availability or unavailability of the stop function. The “life time”, as defined in international standards and requirements, of the stop function is 20 years. In any case, the Radio Remote Control must be replaced within this period. The “life time” must not be considered as a warranty period. After the activation of the STOP on the Transmitting Unit, the Machine is not controlled by the Radio Remote Control any more. Any possible risks that may arise from the activation of the stop function must be taken into account by the Installer of the Radio Remote Control, and by the Manufacturer and the Owner of the Machine where the Radio Remote Control is installed. The Radio Remote Control User must be properly trained about this.
	In some Radio Remote Controls, the stop function may be appointed to a specific actuator, supplied on demand (“Enabling&Stop” pushbutton). The instructions for this actuator, if present, are provided in “Part C” of the Instruction Manual.

4.3 Technical data

Command response time (typical)	140ms
Stop time (typical)	100ms
Max. stop time	0.5s
Performance Level of the "stop protection" in compliance with ISO 13849-1	PL d

The technical data related to the single Units belonging to the Air series are provided in the specific parts of the Manual and in their Technical Data Sheet.

4.4 Identifying the Radio Remote Control

A serial number (S/N) univocally identifies each Radio Remote Control.

The serial number is provided in the identification plate on each Radio Remote Control Unit. This is the only reference to be used for maintenance operations and for any other situation when you need to precisely identify the Radio Remote Control.

The serial number must be mentioned in any communication with Autec, its dealers, Installers, Maintenance Technicians of the Radio Remote Control and with the people who, in any capacity, need information, spare parts or technical data concerning the Radio Remote Control.



Plates on the Units must not be:

- removed from their position (removal voids the warranty),
- altered or damaged (contact Autec for replacement).

5 Radio Remote Control storage before installation or after removal

Radio Remote Controls must always be transported and stored inside their packing until they are installed on the Machine.

The Radio Remote Control system and all components are to be shipped and maintained according to the following environmental parameters and conditions:

	Temperature	Relative Humidity	Air pressure
Transportation	-40°C to +70°C (from -40°F to +158°F) a	95% a	from 70kPa to 106kPa a
Storage	-40°C to +70°C (from -40°F to +158°F) b	from 5% to 95% c	from 70kPa to 106kPa b

- a. Class 2K4 of standard EN 50178.
- b. Class 1K5 of standard EN 50178.
- c. Class 1K3 of standard EN 50178.

6 Installation

The chapter "Installing the Receiving Unit" in "Part D" of the Instruction Manual contains the warnings for the installation that add to those provided in this chapter. Therefore, please refer to that part of the Manual.

6.1 Applications

An Autec Air series' Radio Remote Control can be used for several applications: the Machine's Manufacturer must establish if the Radio Remote Control is suitable for each different application, especially with regards to safety. Autec Air series is most frequently used for hoisting Machines and Machines for the handling of materials, objects, general loads (by way of example: overhead cranes, hoisting cranes) when permitted under the instructions contained in this Manual.



The Autec Radio Remote Control may not be installed on Machines where it is used for applications or functions not permitted under this Manual and applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local. INSTALLATION OF AN AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL ON OTHER MACHINE OR FOR OTHER FUNCTIONS MAY CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

Autec is not and cannot be held responsible if the Radio Remote Control is used in unsafe or poor safety conditions. Assessment shall be made by the Machine Manufacturer to establish possible additional protection measures for the actuators (by way of example: commands requiring two-hand operation, "dead-man" function) if particular environments, equipment and working modes could cause accidental bumps to the actuators.



In addition to the above, Air series' Radio remote controls cannot be installed:

- **On Machines that are intended for the use in environments requiring explosion-proof features or in any usage situation that may pose the risk of explosion.**
- **On Machines for moving, raising and transporting people, if the Machine's characteristics and their related risks and/or the risks related to the use of a Radio Remote Control do not make it possible for the Machine Manufacturer to ensure that all the safety requirements are met. Such requirements must be taken into account when designing and manufacturing the Machine, also bearing in mind that a Radio Remote Control will be used. The Machine Manufacturer may allow the installation and use of the Radio Remote Control on such applications under their own responsibility.**
- **On Machines that create or can create dangerous situations if they stop due to the loss of radio link.**
- **On Machines that do not allow a risk-free installation of a Radio Remote Control, due to their functions or features and/or to the risks related to their use.**
- **On any kind of lifting accessory (by way of example: magnets, grippers, suction cups) whenever the loss of radio link or the deactivation of commands may cause the release of the load, resulting in the risk of damage to people and/or property. The Machine Manufacturer may allow the installation and use of the Radio Remote Control for such applications under their own responsibility.**
- **If the applicable safety-related laws in the country where the Machine is used, regulations and standards (even local ones), even concerning safety in the workplace, do not allow the use of Radio Remote Controls to control the Machines.**

INSTALLATION OF AN AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL ON MACHINES AND IN THE ABOVE-MENTIONED SITUATIONS MAY CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

6.2 Staff training: installation and maintenance

All installation and maintenance operations relating to the Autec Radio Remote Control system must be carried out by ONLY qualified technicians. Without limitation on the foregoing, such technicians must be trained and qualified with respect to:

- the activity to perform;
- warnings resulting from the risk assessment, concerning the Radio Remote Control installation and/or maintenance;
- all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local, including also safety rules;
- operations and requirements of the Machine on which the Radio Remote Control is to be installed;
- instructions and warnings provided in the Manual and any other documents related to the Radio Remote Control and to the radio remote controlled Machine;
- directions by the Machine Manufacturer and by the Person in charge for safety in the workplace where the system "Machine + Radio Remote Control" is used.

General instructions for installation and maintenance are provided in chapter 6 and in chapter 9 respectively.

Instructions for the different Units are described in the specific Manual's parts related to the Units. Therefore, please refer to that parts of the Instruction Manual.

6.3 Classification of commands

This paragraph describes the classification of commands in the Radio Remote Control: such information is useful during installation and maintenance.

6.3.1 Type of command: analogue or digital

Commands sent by the Transmitting Unit can either be analogue or digital.

Analogue commands generate proportional outputs as a function of the position of the corresponding actuator.

Digital commands switch the status of their corresponding output, according to the position of the related actuator. This status can either be on or off.

6.3.2 Name of commands

All commands sent by the Transmitting Unit are identified with abbreviations such as S0, S1, S2, S3, etc.

Those abbreviations are provided in the Technical Data Sheet that must be used when installing the system, and in particular:

- in the drawing of the Transmitting Unit, where commands and their layout are indicated;
- in the wiring diagram of the Receiving Unit.

This is helpful to highlight the relation between the commands sent by the Transmitting Unit and those available on the Receiving Unit.

6.4 Protection against unintended movements from the rest position



Unintended movements of the Machine, that is Machine movements that are not activated by movements of the actuators, may occur due to electrical or mechanical failure or malfunction that may affect the Radio Remote Control.

The Autec Radio Remote Control includes a function that seeks to protect the Machine from such unintended movements by electronically checking the rest position of actuators in the Radio Remote Control. The rest position of the actuators on the Transmitting Unit is the neutral position. When the actuators are in such neutral position, no command from the Transmitting Unit directing a Machine movement is being sent.

Each time one of the actuators is moved, the Transmitting Unit sends both the movement command and the "SAFETY" command through this function. This feature is designed to check whether the actuator is in fact out of the neutral position: if the Radio Remote Control detects that the actuator is in the neutral position, it ignores the command.



UNINTENDED MOVEMENT MAY RESULT IN SEVERE INJURY OR DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. FAILURE TO INSTALL AND WIRE THE SAFETY RELAY CONTACTS ON THE RECEIVING UNIT CORRECTLY WILL CAUSE THIS FEATURE TO NOT OPERATE CORRECTLY AND WILL INCREASE THE RISK AND OPPORTUNITY FOR UNINTENDED MOVEMENT.

MOVEMENT OF THE MACHINE WILL OCCUR WHENEVER THE ACTUATOR IS MOVED FROM ITS NEUTRAL (CENTRAL REST) POSITION ON THE TRANSMITTING UNIT . THIS RADIO REMOTE CONTROL WILL NOT DETECT WHETHER THAT MOVEMENT OF THE ACTUATOR WAS INTENTIONAL OR ACCIDENTAL. INADVERTENT ACTIVATION OF COMMANDS WILL ALSO CAUSE MOVEMENT OF THE MACHINE (SEE PARAGRAPH 7.3).

THE FUNCTION DESCRIBED IN THIS PARAGRAPH IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE WHATSOEVER FOR THE PROPER OPERATION, PROTECTION AND USE OF THE TRANSMITTING UNIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN THIS MANUAL (INCLUDING ALL OF ITS PARTS); THE USER MUST AT ALL TIMES PAY FULL ATTENTION TO THE SAFE AND PROPER OPERATION OF THE MACHINE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS AND WARNINGS PROVIDED IN THIS MANUAL AND IN THE MANUAL FOR THE MACHINE AND WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND STANDARDS, EVEN LOCAL.



IN THE EVENT OF AN UNINTENDED MOVEMENT OF THE MACHINE, THE USER MUST NOT RELY ON THIS FEATURE BUT MUST ACTIVATE THE STOP BUTTON TO CEASE ANY MOVEMENT THAT WAS NOT INTENDED AND NOT WITHIN THE CONTINUOUS AND SAFE CONTROL OF THE USER.

6.5 Warnings for installation

The Installer of the Radio Remote Control must always read, understand and follow all the instructions and warnings contained in this Manual. These instructions and warnings are not exhaustive. In addition, for a correct installation, the Installer must abide and comply with all Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local, including all the technical specifications and standards applicable to the Autec Radio Remote Control to which this Manual applies (by way of example: IEC 60204-1, IEC 60204-32). The Installer of the Radio Remote Control must also observe all the instructions, provisions and technical directions provided by the Machine Manufacturer.



Instructions and warnings provided in this chapter 6 are general. Specific instructions for the installation of the Radio Remote Control are provided in the Installation Manual: please refer to it for this information. The Installer must use and comply with that Installation Manual to complete the tasks for which he is appointed.

6.5.1 General warnings for installation



Always follow the instructions provided in the Technical Data Sheet and respect values given in the technical data to carry out correct installation.

The electrical connection of the Receiving Unit must meet the requirements set by clause 9.1 of standard IEC 60204-1 and/or standard IEC 60204-32.

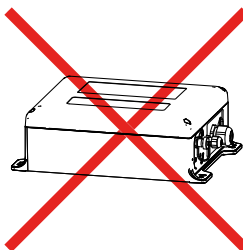
ONLY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL MAY INSTALL THE RADIO REMOTE CONTROL. SUCH PERSONNEL MUST HAVE MASTERED THE TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT THESE PROCEDURES CORRECTLY AND SAFELY AND BE QUALIFIED ACCORDING TO THE APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS AND HAVE ALL NECESSARY CERTIFICATIONS.

FAILURE TO INSTALL THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL CORRECTLY MAY RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

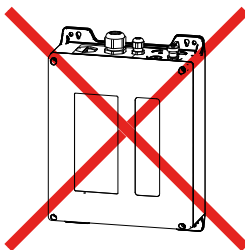
6.5.2 Mounting and fastening the Receiving Unit in the best position

Place the Receiving Unit so that it can be easily reached in case of need.

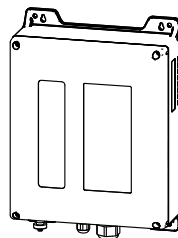
Place the Receiving Unit vertically, with the cable gland or plug facing down.



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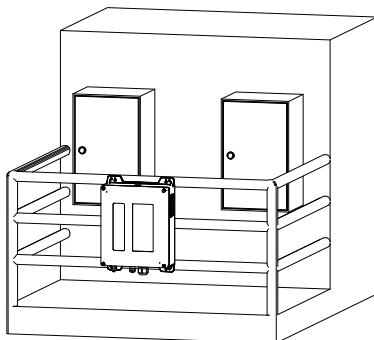
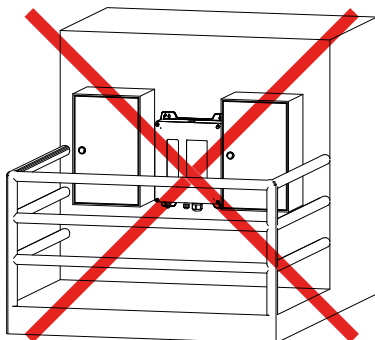
Fix the Receiving Unit in four points, using the specific holes in the housing.

Do not perforate the Receiving Unit in any case.

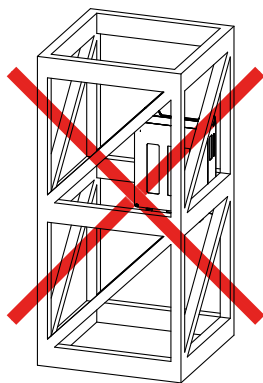
When installing on Machines that are subject to intense mechanical stress (by way of example: vibrations, rough paths, sudden movements), it is recommended to fix the Receiving Unit to the Machine with the appropriate vibration dampers.

6.5.3 Positioning the antenna

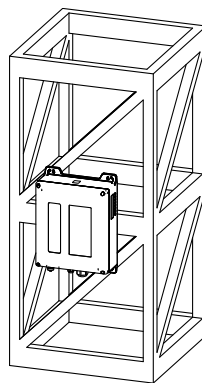
If the antenna is inside the Receiving Unit, install the Receiving Unit in a free and easily accessible area of the Machine: protections, panels, parts, surfaces or anything else should not be present, so that shields, structures or materials do not obstruct the radio link. In particular, the Receiving Unit must be placed at least 50 cm far from metal objects in its surroundings and must never be placed inside closed metal containers.



WARNING



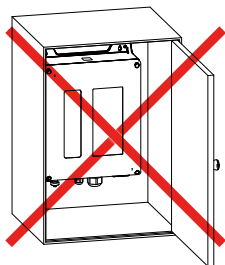
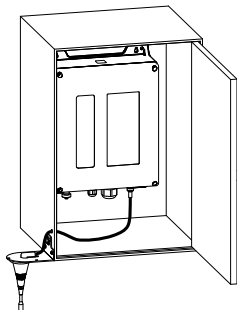
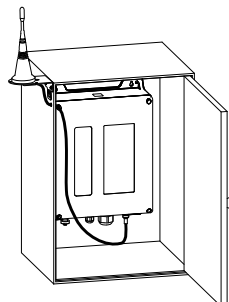
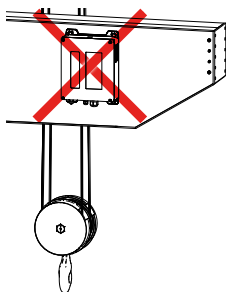
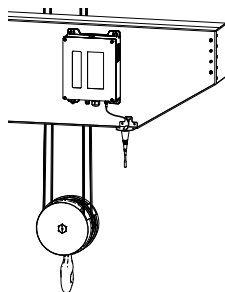
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YES

WARNING: If it is not possible to abide by the above-mentioned indications, use the appropriate extension kit for the antenna. This kit is not available for the HACRP8 (Model RPD) Receiving Unit. If you use the antenna extension kit, stick to the following warning.

Install the antenna vertically as far as possible from the Receiving Unit and from other electrical and electronic devices. The antenna must not be placed inside closed metal containers. Install the antenna at least 50 cm far from metal objects in the surroundings, in a free area of the Machine; protections, panels, parts, surfaces or anything else should not be present, so that shields, structures or materials do not obstruct the radio link.

**NO****YES****YES****WARNING****NO****YES**

6.5.4 Wiring

Wiring is understood as the electrical cable connections that can be found:

- inside the Receiving Unit,
- between the Receiving Unit and the Machine.



ALL ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS MUST BE PERFORMED AND MADE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE AND ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS, EVEN LOCAL. IF INSTRUCTIONS PROVIDED BY AUTEC ARE INCONSISTENT WITH SUCH APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS OR STANDARDS, DO NOT INSTALL THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL WITHOUT CONSULTATION WITH AUTEC. AUTEC IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR AND SHALL NOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY MALFUNCTIONS OR ACCIDENTS THAT MAY OCCUR DUE TO ANY IMPROPER INSTALLATION OR INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN ITS INSTRUCTIONS AND SUCH LAWS, REGULATIONS OR STANDARDS.

FAILURE TO INSTALL THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL CORRECTLY MAY RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

The power supply of the Receiving Unit must be connected using an omni polar switch with a switch-contact gap of at least 3 mm, that allows power supply disconnection during installation, wiring and/or maintenance operations.

The Receiving Unit's power supply must be protected against short circuit by means of an external device (by way of example: fuse, thermal magnetic circuit breaker). Such device must be able to interrupt the maximum fault current (including the short circuit current) allowed in the circuit.

Receiving units powered with AC and exposed to transient overvoltages exceeding those of overvoltage category II, require additional protections that must be provided outside of the Receiving units themselves.

If the Receiving Unit is powered with direct current, the power supply must come:

- from a power supply unit with a safety isolating transformer, or
- from a 12/24V battery.

The Receiving Unit's relay outputs are designed to control high current loads. Contacts of those outputs are protected by means of over-voltage suppressors (varistors), to ensure the maximum lifetime of relays in most applications.

 WARNING	Suppressors connected in parallel with contacts of commands' relays may conflict with the connection to a high-impedance load (by way of example: some PLCs); please contact Autec to perform correct installation. Loads connected to the relay outputs must ensure the minimum power, voltage and current value that the contacts can switch (minimum values are provided in the Installation Manual). Connect an additional load to the outputs if necessary. If a Receiving Unit's output (be it a solid state output or the contact of a relay) is connected to a DC inductive load (by way of example: solenoid valves, relays), it is advisable to connect a freewheeling diode in anti-parallel with the driven load, to reduce the effects of demagnetizing currents. Outputs of solid state commands shall never be connected to a power supply positive or negative pole. Such connection could damage the outputs. A voltage in the range 12 to 24 V$\overline{=}$ must always be applied to the power supply input of the solid state commands. Common wire related to diodes of solid state outputs must be connected with the common of all the Machine's freewheeling diodes. If that is not possible, connect it to the Receiving Unit's power supply negative. Group the wiring away from the radio module, in order to avoid interferences and hazards related to electrical safety. Physically separate the wiring cables with dangerous voltage from the extra-low voltage wiring (ELV) (refer to standards IEC 60950-1 and IEC 60204-32 for the voltage values). Single-insulation wiring cables shall be placed inside the Receiving Unit, in such a way that they do not jeopardize the insulation amongst the circuits. Evaluate the Radio Remote Control's wiring and remember that if the output dedicated to the Machine's horn, siren or blinker is used for another command due to application's and/or functional reasons, some procedures in the "Configuration Menu" may result unavailable later on.
	To wire the terminals corresponding to the commands' outputs, to the STOP outputs and to the SAFETY outputs, it is recommended to use a slot screwdriver with a tip size of 3.5x0.4mm.

6.5.5 At the end of installation

 WARNING	Make sure that during installation the protection measures on the Radio Remote Control and/or in the Machine have not been made ineffective by improper installation works. Look up in the Technical Data Sheet and check that the frequency band set in the Radio Remote Control is permitted in the country of use. Correctly close the Receiving Unit in order to maintain the protection from dust, contaminants and water: - make sure that the gasket is intact and correctly seated, - check that the housing parts correctly fit so that they overlap, - tighten the screws.
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6.5.6 Testing

	The Installer must check and fill in the Technical Data Sheet in all its parts, adding the date in which the radio remote controlled Machine has been put into service, their stamp and signature.
 WARNING	After installing and wiring the Receiving Unit, test the Machine controlled by the Radio Remote Control and verify that the operations carried out correspond exactly to the commands sent, including in particular but not limited to the functionality of the STOP command. In case of malfunction, disable the system “Machine+Radio Remote Control” until the problem has been completely solved and the installation and functionality is confirmed to be correct..

7 Safety

7.1 Risk assessment for radio remote controlled Machines

The Manufacturer of the Machine on which the Radio Remote Control is to be installed shall make a full and proper risk assessment to determine whether the use and installation of the Autec Radio Remote Control is appropriate for the safe and effective operation of the Machine by a Radio Remote Control in the facility and for the purposes intended, also taking into account the reasonably foreseeable misuse, so that the installation, maintenance and operation of the Autec Radio Remote Control and all of its components are done solely and completely in accordance with this Manual, and with all local applicable laws, safety rules and standards (all of the foregoing referred to herein as "Laws, Regulations and Standards"). When carrying out the risk assessment to determine whether the Radio Remote Control may be installed on a Machine, the Manufacturer and/or Installer of the Radio Remote Control must comply with all Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local, regarding safety of the Machine and/or the installation, as well as the following warnings:

- some Machines may not be operated with a Radio Remote Control, such as indicated in paragraph 6.1);
- the radio link between the two Units may be interrupted (see paragraph 4.1);
- all warnings for installation, use and maintenance provided by Autec must be considered (see chapters 6, 8 and 9);
- there is a delay between the release of a command in the Transmitting Unit and the deactivation of the corresponding output in the Receiving Unit (see paragraph 7.2);
- there is a delay between the activation of a command in the Transmitting Unit and the activation of the corresponding output in the Receiving Unit (see paragraph 7.2);
- additional protection measures for the actuators may be necessary (see paragraph 7.3);
- it is possible that a command be enabled or disabled due to electrical and/or mechanical failure (see paragraph 7.4);
- the Machine may be subject to stresses that might generate dangerous situations (by way of example: inertia, swinging load...) if, when a movement is performed, a joystick is released very fast, or the stop function is enabled.

7.2 Delay in command response time



Under normal conditions, the delay between the activation of a command in the Transmitting Unit and the activation of the corresponding output in the Receiving Unit requires the "(Typical) command response time" indicated in the Technical Data (see paragraph 4.3). Under poor radio link conditions (by way of example: EM interference, exceeded working range) such delay may extend up to the "Maximum stop time" indicated in the Technical Data (see paragraph 4.3).

 WARNING	Please consider that, due to the characteristics of radio propagation (by way of example: EM interference, out-of-working-range condition), a delay up to the "Maximum stop time" indicated in the Technical Data (see paragraph 4.3) may occur from the moment a command in the Transmitting Unit is released to the moment its corresponding output in the Receiving Unit is deactivated. The Manufacturer, the Installer, the Owner, the User and/or the Maintenance Technician, must make sure that these delays never lead to a dangerous situation in the specific uses.
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7.3 Inadvertent activation of commands

The User shall operate with the Transmitting Unit in a correct manner, in accordance with the instructions for use and maintenance.

 WARNING	If the Unit is used correctly, accidental contact with the User's body parts or with external bodies does not cause inadvertent activation of the actuators. Any action carried out on the Transmitting Unit, or on part of it, aiming at activating the actuators in a different way from the one indicated in the instructions for use constitutes an improper use of the Radio Remote Control. The User must use the Radio Remote Control in conformity with the instruction for use and maintenance and with all the Laws, the Regulations and the Standards, even local, in force in the country where the Radio Remote Control and the Machine are used; moreover, the User must always have the control of the Radio Remote Control and remain in the usage position, as described in the relevant specific part concerning the Transmitting Unit. The Machine Manufacturer and/or the Installer must assess and adopt possible additional protection measures for the actuators (by way of example: commands requiring two-hand operation, "dead-man" function) if particular environments, equipment and working modes could generate risk situations, and if Laws, Regulations and Standards in force in the country where the Radio Remote Control and the Machine are used should require it.
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7.4 Activation and/or deactivation of commands due to failure

 WARNING	It is possible that a command be activated or deactivated due to electrical and/or mechanical failure, that may affect the Radio Remote Control and/or the Machine. The Machine Manufacturer and/or the Installer of the Radio Remote Control must carefully evaluate the possible consequences of such malfunction. If required by the risk assessment, implement protection measures to prevent, reduce and report potential hazardous situations.
	For further information, see paragraph 6.4 .

If a command is activated and/or deactivated due to electrical and/or mechanical failure:

- press the STOP pushbutton to bring the Machine to a safe state,
- disable the Radio Remote Control and stop using the system "Machine+Radio Remote Control" until the problem has been solved by implementing the necessary technical operations.

8 Instructions for the User

The chapter "Instructions for the User" in "Parts C" of the Instruction Manual contains the warnings and instructions for the use that add to those provided in this chapter. Therefore, please refer to that part of the Manual.

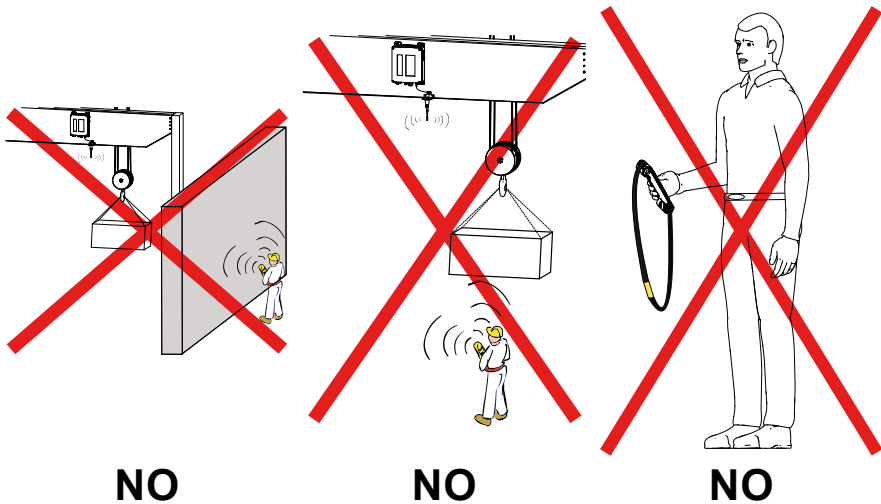
FAILURE TO READ, UNDERSTAND AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS AND WARNINGS CONTAINED IN ALL PARTS OF THIS MANUAL FOR THE AUTEC RADIO REMOTE CONTROL MAY RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

8.1 Staff training: use and working conditions

To ensure the correct use of a Radio Remote Control, the following must always be observed:

- instructions and warnings provided in the Manual and any other documents related to the Radio Remote Control and to the radio remote controlled Machine;
- all current provisions on safety at work and on work accident prevention,
- all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local.

Some drawings illustrating an incorrect use of a Radio Remote Control are provided here, by way of example and by no way of limitation. Those images do not cover all possible dangerous situations or incorrect use of a Radio Remote Control that must be considered and avoided by the Machine Manufacturer and the User.



8.2 Warnings for the User

The User must:

- observe and comply with all instructions and warnings provided by the Machine Manufacturer;
- observe and comply with all instructions and warnings provided by the Installer;
- observe and comply with all instructions and warnings provided by the Person responsible for the Machine commissioning or making the Machine available for work;
- observe and comply with all instructions and warnings provided in the Radio Remote Control Manual;
- observe and comply with all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local.
- operate the Autec Radio Remote Control only in accordance with this Manual and all of its Parts, and with all Autec warnings and instructions, and with applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local;
- operate the Machine operated by or through the Autec Radio Remote Control only in accordance with the Machine Manufacturer's instructions and warnings, and with applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local;
- operate the Machine operated by or through the Autec Radio Remote Control only when he is in a safe condition and can perfectly see the whole Machine's working area;
- immediately inform his supervisors and/or the people in charge for the working place and/or for the Machine about any possible failure, damage, loosening, anomalous wear, detachment and/or any other anomaly that may cause malfunction to the Radio Remote Control and/or to the Machine, or that may cause damage to people and/or property;
- keep the Transmitting Unit secure and out of reach of unauthorized and unqualified Personnel.

The User must not:

- use the Radio Remote Control without Receiving prior complete training by qualified Personnel, and if he does not completely master the instructions and warnings regarding the Radio Remote Control usage;
- use the Radio Remote Control if he suspects malfunction on the Radio Remote Control, the Machine, or one of their components;
- use the Radio Remote Control if the warnings and labels on the Machine or the symbols on the Radio Remote Control cannot be read, are worn or dirty;
- allow the use of the Radio Remote Control to unauthorised and/or untrained Personnel.



ADDITIONAL WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS THAT ARE CONTAINED IN THE OTHER PARTS OF THIS MANUAL MUST BE FOLLOWED.



If the Radio Remote Control User wears electronic devices (by way of example: pacemaker, implantable cardiac defibrillator, hearing aids), the Transmitting Unit must be kept at least 15 cm away from those devices when in use.

8.2.1 Before starting to work



Before starting the Radio Remote Control to work, the User must be positioned in a place that allows him:

- the direct control of the radio remote controlled Machine and of the load movements, and, at the same time,
- a safe position with regard to the operation of the radio remote controlled Machine and/or the load movement, and with regard to other operations and/or activities and/or processes taking place in the working place.

In addition to the above, when the cable control is used, the User must position themselves in a place that prevents them from stumbling on the cable control's cable and from being trapped/blocked by it.

Always check that the mechanical operation of the STOP pushbutton is correct. If it is impossible or difficult to press this pushbutton, do not use the Radio Remote Control.

Never start up or use the Transmitting Unit if the working conditions pose the risk of losing balance or of tripping.

Start up the Transmitting Unit only to use it according to its intended use or for operational needs (by way of example: maintenance, checks): improper use may cause dangerous situations.

Never start up or use the Transmitting Unit in closed spaces, with no or poor visibility, or outside the Radio Remote Control working range: in such cases it is still possible to establish a radio link between the Transmitting Unit and the Receiving Unit, thus causing the risk that unwanted commands be carried out by the radio remote controlled Machine.

Get familiar with the relation between the actuators and the Machine's movements (this is indicated in the attached Technical Data Sheet) and learn symbols on the Transmitting Unit's panel (the used symbols are defined by the Machine Manufacturer and/or by the Installer depending on the effectiveness and the functions the Machine requires).

8.2.2 During normal operation

 WARNING	Pay attention to the entire work area. Immediately press the STOP pushbutton when a hazardous situation occurs. Visually and directly follow all movements of the Machine and its load and remain inside the Radio Remote Control working range. Pay particular attention to warnings and visual and acoustic signals, and take all measurements and steps to avoid that movements of the remote controlled Machine may lead to hazardous situations for people and/or property. In case of malfunction, switch off the Transmitting Unit and disconnect power supply from the Receiving Unit: this way, the system "Machine+Radio Remote Control" is disabled; it must not be used until the problem has been solved by implementing the necessary technical operations. Pay attention to low battery signals: all dangerous operations (by way of example: hanging load) must be concluded before the battery is completely flat. Use the Transmitting Unit with the complements provided with the Radio Remote Control (by way of example: pouch, waist belt, shoulder harness) to avoid that it accidentally falls, or that actuators come into contact with external bodies, or that the Unit is used improperly.
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8.2.3 After using the Radio Remote Control

 WARNING	Switch off the Transmitting Unit when not using the remote control to control the Machine, or when work is otherwise interrupted, even for short periods. Do not leave a load hanging or the Machine in dangerous conditions (even when charging the Unit or changing the battery). Never leave the Transmitting Unit unguarded in order to prevent unauthorised or non supervised use. If the Transmitting Unit has a "Key ID 0-1", always store it in a safe place each time it is removed. If this key is lost, the Radio Remote Control cannot work, since the Transmitting Unit needs the address stored in the key to work with its Receiving Unit. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR DEATH AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.
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8.3 Operational use

The use of Radio Remote Controls is strictly limited to properly trained Personnel.

All instructions for correct use are given in "Part C" of the Manual (related to the Transmitting Unit).

Environmental working conditions are given in the following table.

	Temperature	Relative Humidity	Air pressure
Use of the Transmitting Unit	from -20°C to +55°C (from -4°F to +130°F) ^d	from 4% to 100% ^d	from 70kPa to 106kPa ^d
Use of the Receiving Unit	from -20°C to +70°C (from -4°F to +158°F) ^d		

d. Class 4K4H of standard EN50178.

9 Maintenance

9.1 Radio Remote Control maintenance - general directions

The Maintenance Technician must:

- observe and comply with all instructions and warnings provided by the Machine Manufacturer;
- observe and comply with all instructions and warnings provided by the Installer;
- observe and comply with all instructions and warnings provided by the Person responsible for the Machine commissioning or making the Machine available for work;
- observe and comply with all instructions and warnings provided in the Radio Remote Control Manual;
- observe and comply with all applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local.
- operate the Autec Radio Remote Control only in accordance with this Manual and all of its Parts, and with all Autec warnings and instructions, and with applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local;
- operate the Machine operated by or through the Autec Radio Remote Control only in accordance with the Machine Manufacturer's instructions and warnings, and with applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards, even local;
- operate the Machine operated by or through the Autec Radio Remote Control only when he is in a safe condition and can perfectly see the whole Machine's working area;
- immediately inform his supervisors and/or the people in charge for the working place and/or for the Machine about any possible failure, damage, loosening, anomalous wear, detachment and/or any other anomaly that may cause malfunction to the Radio Remote Control and/or to the Machine, or that may cause damage to people and/or property;
- keep the Transmitting Unit secure and out of reach of unauthorized and unqualified Personnel.



ADDITIONAL WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS THAT ARE CONTAINED IN THE OTHER PARTS OF THIS MANUAL MUST BE FOLLOWED.

All fine-tuning, checking and maintenance actions carried out on the Radio Remote Control shall be verified and recorded by the Person in charge of carrying out maintenance on the Machine.



WARNING

Before any maintenance operation, disconnect the Receiving Unit from the power supply, using the devices and instructions provided by the Machine Manufacturer and by the Installer.

After each maintenance operation, always make sure that all commands sent by the Transmitting Unit activate only the corresponding expected operations.

 WARNING	In case of malfunction, switch off the Transmitting Unit and disconnect power supply from the Receiving Unit: this way, the system "Machine+Radio Remote Control" is disabled; it must not be used until the problem has been solved by implementing the necessary technical operations. After each maintenance operation, if a Unit has been opened, close it correctly, in order to maintain the protection degree from dust, contaminants and water: - make sure that the gasket is intact and correctly seated, - check that the housing parts correctly fit so that they overlap, - tighten the screws.
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9.2 Routine maintenance

Routine maintenance consists of operations needed to preserve the Radio Remote Control normal usage conditions, thus implementing fine-tuning, checks, planned replacement actions that necessarily arise from the normal use of the product.

All given instructions must be followed correctly at each commissioning, that is:

- whenever the Radio Remote Control and/or the Machine is installed or assembled,
- whenever the Machine location/position changes,
- after special maintenance.

Routine maintenance carried out as described in this Manual is fundamental for using the Radio Remote Control safely.

Special applications may require more specific routine maintenance actions to be carried out at different periods (by way of example: if the working environment is particularly dirty, or temperature is very high or very low (see limits provided in paragraph 8.3), or in case of heavy application, or if it is used very frequently, some maintenance actions may be required more frequently depending on the instructions provided by the Machine Manufacturer and/or by the Installer).

 WARNING	When carrying out maintenance on the Machine, always disconnect power supply from the Receiving Unit. In the event of necessary maintenance on the Machine (by way of example: welding), disconnect all the electrical connections of the Receiving Unit.
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9.2.1 Daily routine maintenance

Before starting to work:

- Make sure that the symbols on panel on the Transmitting Unit and on the Receiving Unit are clearly visible and replace the panel if necessary.
- Make sure that the plates on the Transmitting Unit and on the Receiving Unit are readable and intact (refer to the specific part in the Manual concerning the Transmitting Unit and the Receiving Unit).
- Make sure that the mechanical operation of the STOP pushbutton is correct.
- Make sure that the Transmitting Unit and the Receiving Unit are undamaged in all their parts.
- Check the Receiving Unit status and remove any material from it (dust, remnants, object, etc.): never use solvents or flammable/corrosive materials for cleaning, and do not use high-pressure water cleaners or steam cleaners.
- Check that the wiring of the Receiving Unit is intact and connected.

During normal operation:

- Do not damage the Transmitting Unit (avoid falls, bumps, contact with water, fluids or liquids, etc.).
- Pay attention not to let materials (by way of example: concrete, sand, grease, dirt, lime, dust, etc.) deposit on the Transmitting Unit because they can compromise its use and safety.

After using the Radio Remote Control:

- Clean the Transmitting Unit: never use solvents or flammable/corrosive materials and do not use water jet cleaners, or air pressure or steam pressure cleaners.
- Store the Transmitting Unit in clean and dry places.

9.2.2 Three-month routine maintenance

At least every three months:

- Check the correct correspondence between the commands that are sent and the manoeuvres that are carried out by the Machine.
- Check that the contact of the SAFETY relay is open when no movement command has been sent. This is safety critical maintenance: it is necessary to keep a record (date, signature, comments) showing that this check has been regularly carried out. Keep the record together with other installation documents.
- Make sure that all the relay contacts of the Receiving Unit operate correctly, and check that the contact closes when the corresponding manoeuvre is enabled and opens when the manoeuvre is disabled.
- Start up the Radio Remote Control and check in the Receiving Unit that the contacts of STOP relays close. Then, press the STOP pushbutton and check in the Receiving Unit that the contacts of the STOP relays open.



Before testing the STOP relays, make sure that no dangerous situations may arise due to the closing of the STOP relay contacts of the Receiving Unit.

9.3 Special maintenance

Special maintenance consists of repairs needed due to Radio Remote Control failure, damage or malfunction, and their aim is to restore the original usage and working conditions.



Special maintenance may be performed only by qualified Maintenance Technicians, that is to say, by skilled technical Personnel with specific competence and knowledge of Autec Radio Remote Control, belonging to the Autec's service network, or explicitly authorised by Autec.

When performing special maintenance operations, the Instruction Manual for the use and maintenance of the Autec Radio Remote Control must be available and undamaged in all its parts.

Only original Autec spare parts and materials provided by Autec shall be used for the replacement of parts and/or for special maintenance operations.

When seeking assistance or replacement parts from Autec or its authorized distributors or service centres, the following must be provided:

- Radio Remote Control serial number,
- purchase date (written on the certificate of guarantee),
- description of the problem found,
- address and telephone number of the place where the Radio Remote Control is being used (with the name of the Person to contact),
- local Radio Remote Control supplier.

9.4 Additional maintenance operations in environments with corrosive agents

If the Radio Remote Control is used in environments where corrosive agents are present (by way of example: sea water, salt fog, salt...), apply grease to the electrical connections to protect them.

 WARNING	Only use electrically non-conductive, polyalphaolefin and silicate-based grease for electrical contacts. Do not use polyether-, polyolester- and polyphenyl ether-based grease.
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Macon Research's Electric Grease CN 4070 can be used.

Check and replace grease as frequently as shown in the following table:

Type of connection	Grease check frequency	Re-greasing frequency
BNC connector for antenna	every 4-6 months	If dirt and impurities are found
Receiving Unit's plug	every 4-6 months	If dirt and impurities are found
Connectors for Transmitting Unit's and Receiving Unit's cable control ^e	1 month	If dirt and impurities are found, and once a year anyway
Contacts of Transmitting Unit, Battery Charger and battery	weekly	If dirt and impurities are found, and once every three months anyway
Key ID 0-1	weekly	If dirt and impurities are found, and once every three months anyway

- e. It is recommended to disconnect the cable control cable and to store it in a protected place when it is not in use.

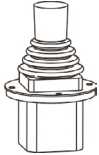
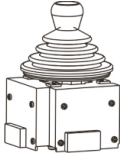
When carrying out this kind of maintenance operations, follow these recommendations:

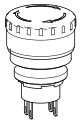
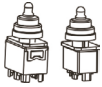
- make sure that the surface of electrical connections is covered with a layer of grease and add it if necessary,
- contact the support service of the Machine's Manufacturer if evident oxidation is detected.

9.5 Preventive replacement of the Radio Remote Control's electromechanical components

9.5.1 Actuators (joysticks, pushbuttons and switches)

As provided by the Manufacturer of each actuator in the corresponding technical specification, each actuator of the Transmitting Unit can be used for a defined “maximum number of operations”, as shown in the table below. The “maximum number of operations” must not be considered as a warranty period.

 WARNING The Maintenance Technician must replace joysticks, pushbuttons and selectors on the Transmitting Unit before they reach the maximum number of operations, even though they are still working. This replacement prevents possible failure and dangerous situations (by way of example: inadvertent activation and/or deactivation of the command activated by the actuator).			
Actuator	Max. operations	Actuator	Max. operations
	5x10 ⁶		5x10 ⁶
	5x10 ⁶		10 ⁶
	3x10 ⁶		6x10 ⁶

Actuator	Max. operations	Actuator	Max. operations
	25×10^4		5×10^4
	10^5		10^6
	10^6		

9.5.2 Relays

 WARNING	Relays are electromechanical components that wear out with use. It is possible to evaluate a relay's electrical endurance, expressed as its number of cycles (one cycle = one activation and de-activation), depending on its load and usage current. When such number of cycles is reached, it is recommended to replace the board that includes the relay. This replacement must be carried out by the Maintenance Technician and prevents possible failure and dangerous situations (by way of example: failed deactivation of a command when the corresponding actuator is released). For AC loads, the relay's electrical endurance varies from a minimum of 10^4 cycles (at the maximum current and voltage indicated in the Technical Data Sheet) to a maximum of 10^6 cycles (at 10% of the maximum current indicated in the Technical Data Sheet). For DC loads, the relay's guaranteed electrical endurance is equal to 10^4 cycles (at the maximum current and voltage indicated in the Technical Data Sheet).
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10 Troubleshooting

If the Radio Remote Control does not work correctly, carry out the following preliminary checks:

- Move all other Transmitting Units in the working area away from the Autec Transmitting Unit in use to avoid possible radio interference.
- Bring the Autec Transmitting Unit closer to the matching Autec Receiving Unit to avoid possible radio interference, always positioning yourself in a safe place and with full view of the Machine, its operational area and the load, if any.
- Determine if the problem lies with the Radio Remote Control or with the Machine: to that purpose, you need to try to control the Machine with another control station (if any), different from the Radio Remote Control. If the problem persists after this attempt, you need to fix the Machine: follow the instructions provided by the Machine Manufacturer. Otherwise, the problem lies with the Autec Radio Remote Control, so you need to carry out further checks (see paragraph 10.3).

10.1 Radio Remote Controls with "Data Feedback" function

It is still possible that the Transmitting Unit sends commands to control the Machine even if the Data Feedback function does not work properly (refer to "Data Feedback function" in "Part C" of the Manual), or if there is no information and/or signals coming from it.



When the display or the LED array does not work, please contact the support service of the Machine Manufacturer, even if none of the problems indicated in paragraph 10.3 has been detected.

10.2 Radio Remote Controls with cable control

Possibly use the wire control to check if radio interference occurs.

On the contrary, if you want to check that the wire control works properly:

- connect the cable to the Transmitting Unit and to the Receiving Unit,
- check that the movement carried out by the Machine correspond to the commands sent by the Transmitting Unit.

10.3 Solutions in case of malfunction

Look up in "Part C" and/or in "Part D" of the Manual to identify the Radio Remote Control malfunction signalled by light signals on the Units.

If the problem persists after attempting the suggested solution, contact the support service of the Machine Manufacturer.

11 Decommissioning and disposal

11.1 Decommissioning

If you want to remove the Receiving Unit from the Machine:

- make sure that the Receiving Unit and the Machine are not powered,
- remove all electrical connections between the Receiving Unit and the Machine.

If you want to store the Radio Remote Control after it has been decommissioned, follow the directions provided in chapter 5.

11.2 Disposal

When disposing of a Radio Remote Control, its components must be managed as separate waste. When disposing of a Radio Remote Control, please comply with the provisions and/or the regulations in force in the country where it is used.



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