

Fill level switch

# Product series WSx

For oil and hydraulic fluid reservoirs  
For use in SKF centralized lubrication systems



Fill level switches monitor the fill level in non-pressurized fluid reservoirs. Different designs are available to suit different requirements.

- Fill level switch with one switching point (WS32) for monitoring of the minimum fill level in a reservoir.



- Fill level switch with two switching points (WS35) for monitoring of the minimum fill level and for early warning of minimum fill level. With this design, a signal is given before a critical oil level is reached so that the oil can be topped up before the machine comes to a standstill. At the time when the signal is given, there is still enough oil in the reservoir for production to continue without stopping the machine or interrupting work.



- Fill level switch with two switching points (WS33) to monitor the minimum and maximum fill levels in the reservoir. The WS33 stops automatic filling of the reservoir when the maximum fill level is reached.

Other fill level switches are available on request, e.g. with three switching points, or for other media such as grease (with capacitive proximity switch).

# Fill level switch

## Note for the use of fill level switches



### Be mindful of oil viscosity

SKF float switches may only be used in mineral and synthetic oils up to a maximum effective viscosity of 1 500 mm<sup>2</sup>/s. Use in media with an effective viscosity > 1 500 mm<sup>2</sup>/s can cause an increase in the shear forces between the float and contact tube, leading to failure of the float switch. This can result in insufficient lubrication and thereby to machine damage.



### Protect contacts from erosion

The switching capacities specified for the individual switches refer to the resistive load. If inductive loads are connected, we recommend the use of a suitable means of spark suppression (e.g. RC element, varistor, free-wheeling or suppressor diode) to limit voltage spikes upon switch-off. This will extend the service life and improve the reliability of the contacts.

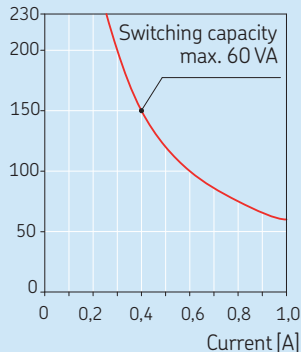


### Be mindful of contact rating

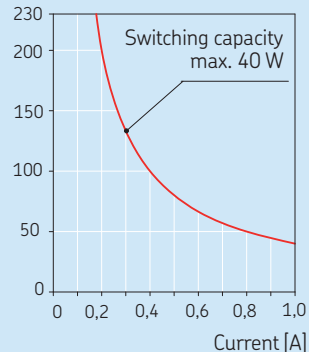
The graphs show the voltage and current function in relation to the max. switching capacity and are valid for the fill level switches with reed contacts WS32-2, WS33-2 und WS35-2.

The maximum permissible AC or DC voltage is 230 V, and the maximum permissible AC or DC current is 1 A.

AC voltage [V]

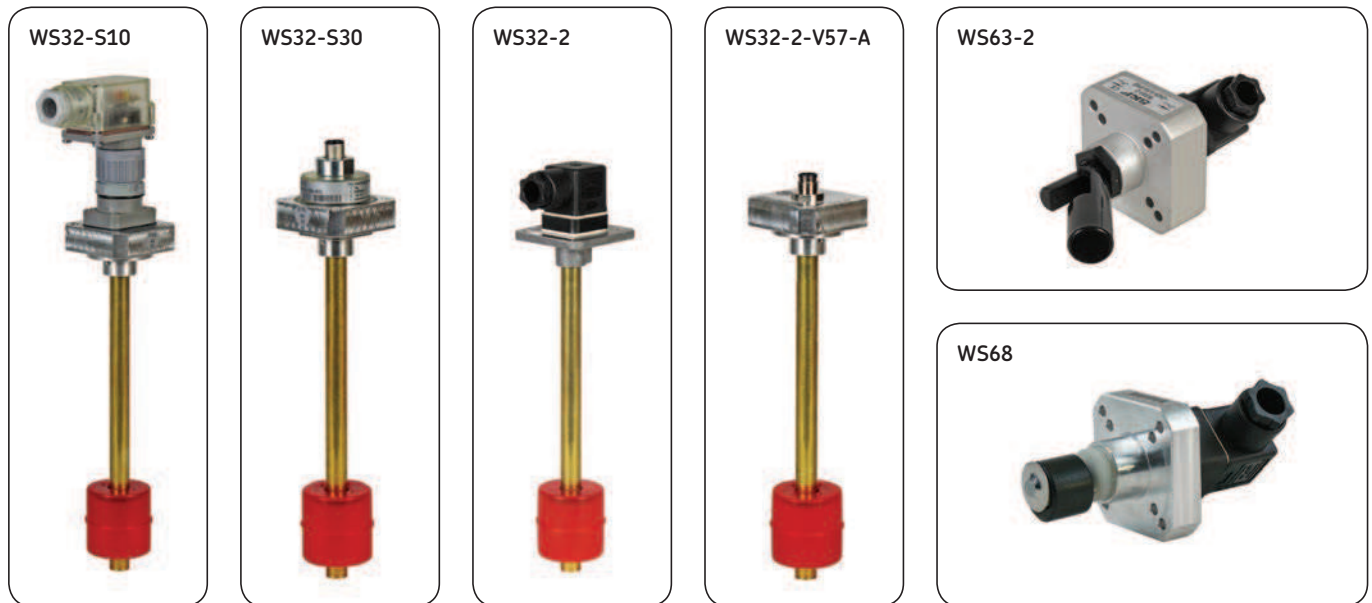


DC voltage [V]



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## Product overview



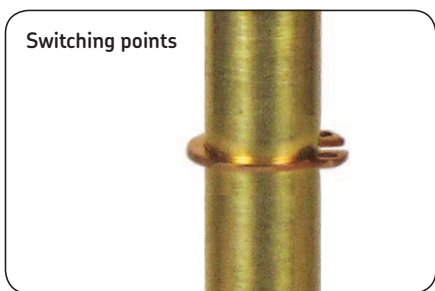
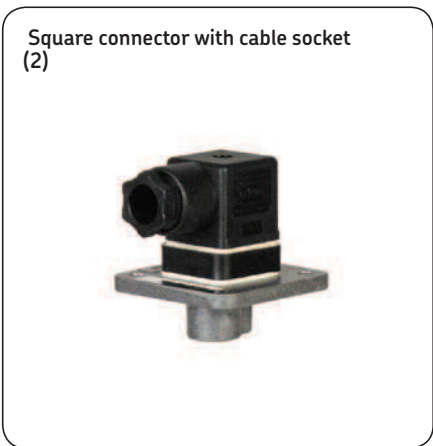
## Productselection table

Series	Switching points	Function / contact type	Plug connector	Voltage, current, switching capacity	Fitting position	Page
WS32-S10	1	min. fill level/1 changeover	Circular connector with LED DIN EN 175201-804	24 V DC/1 A; 24 W <sup>1)</sup>	Vertical	4-5, 6
WS33-S10	2	max. fill level/1 changeover min. fill level/1 changeover	Circular connector with LED DIN EN 175201-804	24 V DC/1 A; 40 W <sup>1)</sup>	Vertical	4-5, 6
WS35-S10	2	early warning/1 changeover min. fill level/1 changeover	Circular connector with LED DIN EN 175201-804	24 V DC/1 A; 40 W <sup>1)</sup>	Vertical	4-5, 6
WS32-S30	1	min. fill level/1 changeover	Circular connector M12×1 with LED	24 V DC/1 A; 30 W	Vertical	4-5, 7
WS33-S30	2	max. fill level/1 NC contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Circular connector M12×1 with LED	24 V DC/1 A; 30 W	Vertical	4-5, 7
WS35-S30	2	early warning/1 NO contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Circular connector M12×1 with LED	24 V DC/1 A; 30 W	Vertical	4-5, 7
WS32-2	1	min. fill level/1 changeover	Square connector DIN EN 175301-803-A	See graph on page 2	Vertical	4-5, 8
WS33-2	2	max. fill level/1 NO contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Square connector DIN EN 175301-803-A	See graph on page 2	Vertical	4-5, 8
WS35-2	2	early warning/1 NO contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Square connector DIN EN 175301-803-A	See graph on page 2	Vertical	4-5, 8
WS32-2-V57-A	1	min. fill level/1 changeover	Circular connector M12×1	24 V AC/1 A; 24 VA <sup>1)</sup> 48 V DC/1 A 40 W <sup>1)</sup>	Vertical	4-5, 9
WS33-2-V57-A	2	max. fill level/1 NO contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Circular connector M12×1	24 V AC/1 A; 24 VA <sup>1)</sup> 48 V DC/1 A 40 W <sup>1)</sup>	Vertical	4-5, 9
WS35-2-V57-A	2	early warning/1 NO contact min. fill level/1 NC contact	Circular connector M12×1	24 V AC/1 A; 24 VA <sup>1)</sup> 48 V DC/1 A 40 W <sup>1)</sup>	Vertical	4-5, 9
WS63-2	1	min. fill level/1 NO or NC contact (depending on mounting pos.)	Plug connector DIN EN 175301-803-A	240 V AC/0,5 A; 100 VA 200 V DC/0,5 A; 50 W	Horizontal	10-11
WS68	1	min. fill level/1 NC contact	Plug connector DIN EN 175301-803-A	48 V AC/DC 0,25 A; 10 VA/10 W	Horizontal	10-11

<sup>1)</sup> Safety measures to be applied for correct operation: "Protective extra-low voltage"  
(PELV) Standards: EN 60204-1 / IEC 60204-1; HD 60364-4-41 / DIN VDE 0100-410 / IEC 60364-4-41

# Fill level switch for vertical installation

## Designs

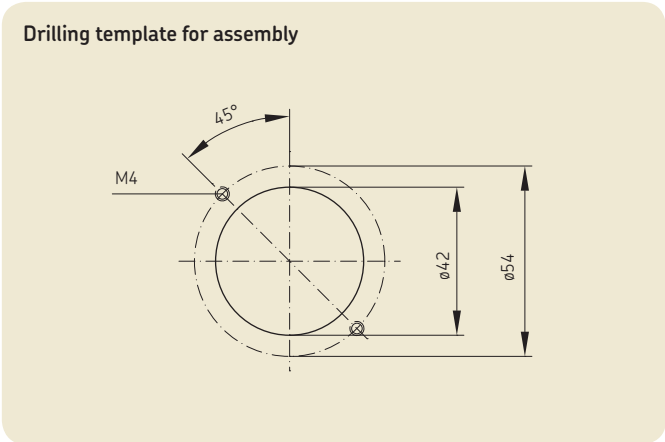


**Note!** This illustration shows possible different designs of the WS32, WS33 and WS35. The product customizer on the following page allows functional assembly of a complete fill level switch including plug connector, immersion depth, and switching points.

## Technical data WS32/WS33/WS35

**Technical data**

Switching element	Reed contact
Protection class according to DIN EN 60529	IP 65
Operating/ media temperature	-10 to + 80 °C
Media	Mineral and synthetic oils with an effective viscosity of max. 1 500 mm <sup>2</sup> /s
Fitting position	Vertical
<b>Materials:</b>	
Flange	Aluminum
Contact tube	CuZn
Seals	NBR
Float	PP



# Fill level switch for vertical installation

## Product customizer

**Order code**

W S - +

Product series

Code for switching points

Code for electrical connection

Code for ordered length

**Switching points and ordered lengths**

Switching points	Minimum fill level		Minimum and maximum fill levels				Early warning and min. fill level	
	Code	32 <sup>1)</sup>	33 <sup>1)</sup>					35 <sup>1)</sup>
Switching point max. fill level (dimension A: see drawing p. 6)		-	50	65	100	150	-	
100	C49	-	-	-	-	-	-	
110	C25	-	-	-	-	-	-	
120	C17	V69	W51	-	-	-	C17	
130	B27	Y72	W80	-	-	-	B27	
140	B97	X16	W31	-	-	-	B97	
150	C08	X41	W05	Z06	-	-	C08	
160	E08	X24	V06	-	-	-	E08	
170	D84	X07	W41	-	-	-	D84	
180	B53	X22	V16	-	-	-	B53	
190	E77	Y91	ZG9	-	-	-	E77	
200	B31	V85	W21	Y87	-	-	B31	
210	D42	ZE7	W06	-	-	-	D42	
220	C52	V86	W29	-	-	-	C52	
230	C81	V27	W18	-	-	-	C81	
240	C79	Z49	V19	-	-	-	C79	
250	B44	X46	W33	V23	ZG4	-	B44	
260	F01	Y69	-	-	-	-	F01	
270	D54	ZL8	X18	-	-	-	D54	
280	C04	X98	W22	-	-	-	C04	
290	D65	X84	W08	-	-	-	D65	
300	B37	X76	W28	V75	-	-	B37	
325	E28	-	-	-	-	-	E28	
350	B46	X86	W36	V21	-	-	B46	
375	D13	-	-	-	-	-	D13	
400	B95	V74	W50	V43	-	-	B95	
425	D56	-	-	-	-	-	D56	
450	L69	Y85	W13	-	-	-	L69	
475	E30	-	-	-	-	-	E30	
500	B28	V49	W37	V17	Y77	-	B28	
550	B48	-	-	-	-	-	B48	
600	B51	-	-	X93	-	-	B51	
650	C65	-	-	-	-	-	C65	
700	F94	-	-	-	-	-	F94	
750	E54	-	-	-	-	-	E54	
800	F29	-	-	-	-	-	F29	
850	F53	-	-	-	-	-	F53	
900	L24	-	-	-	-	-	L24	
1000	B70	-	-	-	-	-	B70	
1100	B84	-	-	-	-	-	B84	
1200	F49	-	-	-	-	-	F49	
1300	F77	-	-	-	-	-	F77	
1400	L06	-	-	-	-	-	L06	
1500	F83	-	-	-	-	-	F83	
1600	L34	-	-	-	-	-	L34	

Ordered length L [mm]

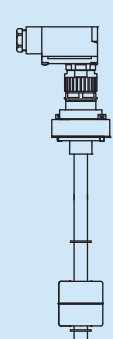
**Plug connector and visual monitoring**

Code	Description
S10	Circular connector with cable socket and LED (DIN EN 175201-804)
2	Square connector with cable socket, without LED (DIN EN 175301-803-A)
S30	Circular connector M12x1 with LED
2-V57-A	Circular connector x1 without LED

**Order example**

**WS35-S10+B37**

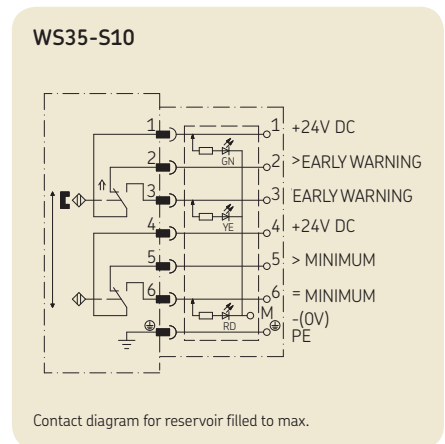
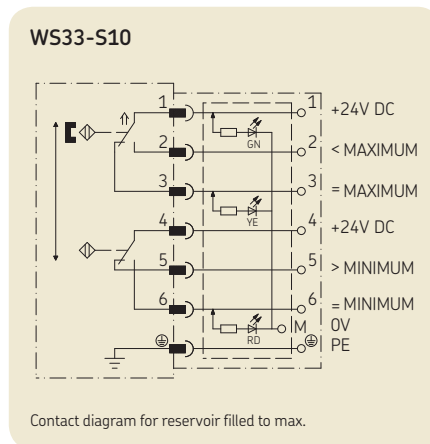
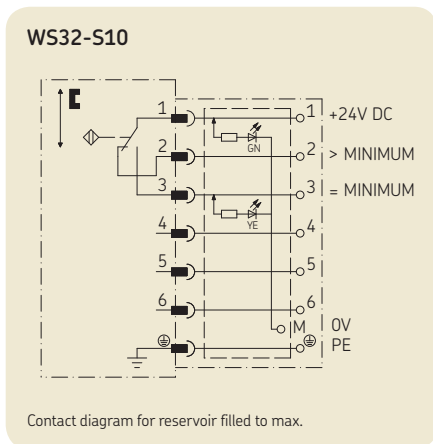
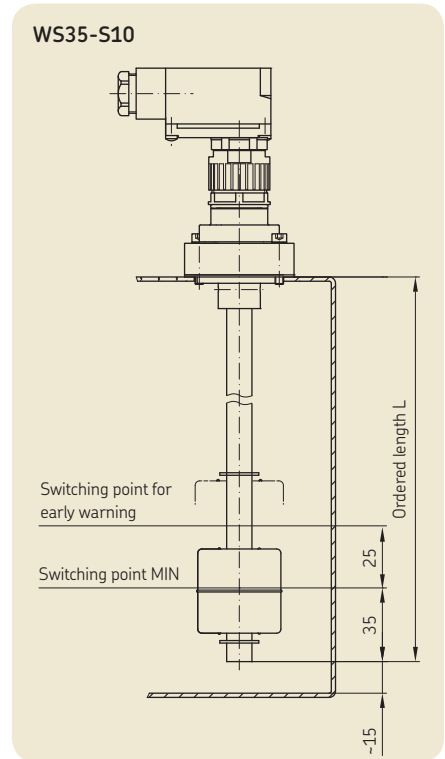
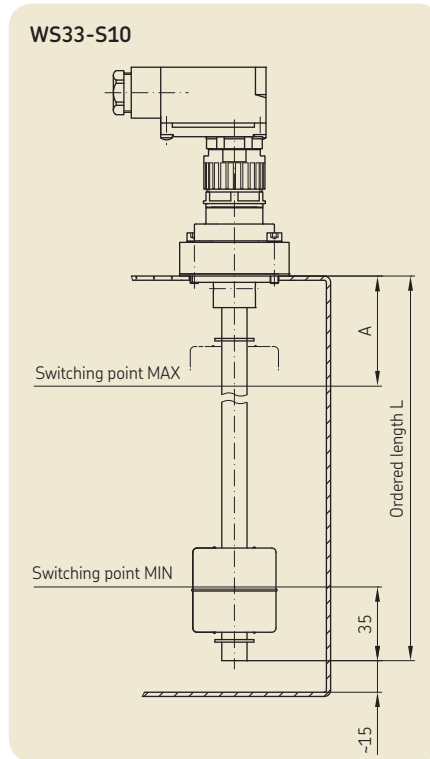
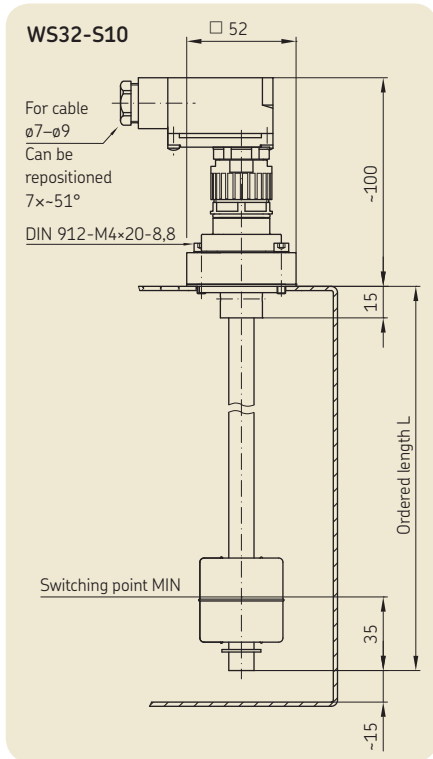
- Fill level switch for minimum level with early warning
- Circular plug with LED and cable socket (DIN EN 175201-804)
- Length 300 mm



<sup>1)</sup> Flat gasket included

# Fill level switch for vertical installation (with LED)

## Dimensions, circuit diagrams and functional descriptions



### Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum fill level. When operating voltage is applied, the green LED lights up. At minimum fill level, contact 1–2 opens and contact 1–3 closes. The yellow LED lights up.

### Functional description

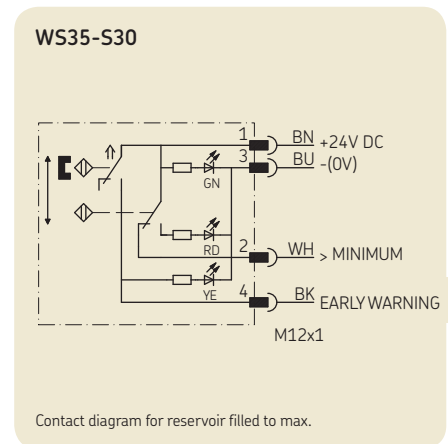
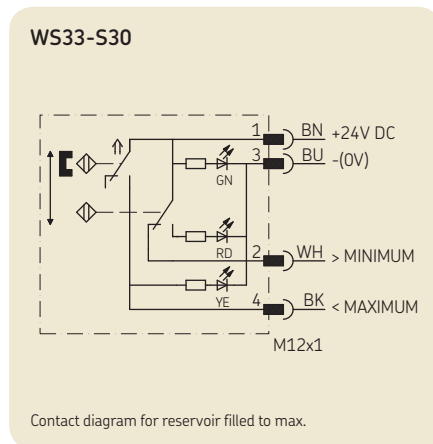
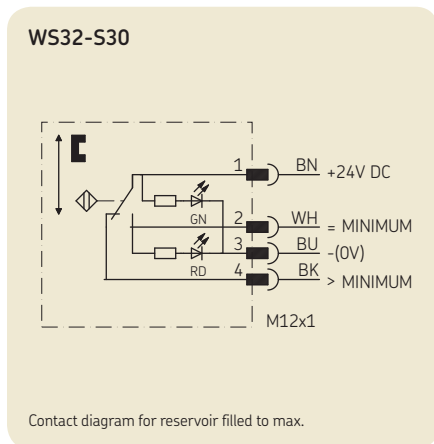
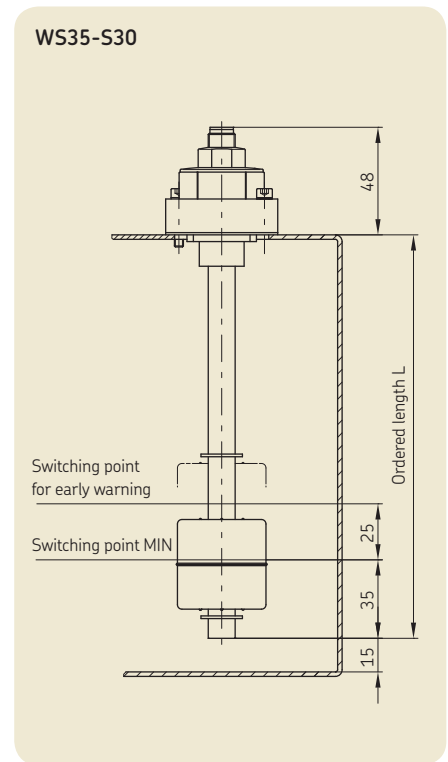
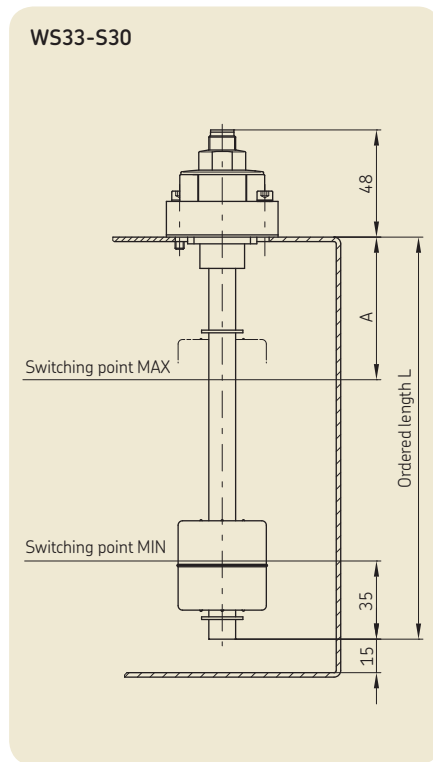
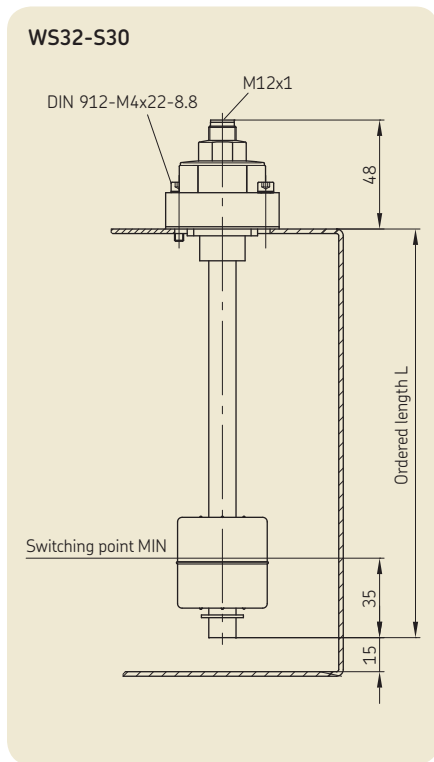
Float switch to monitor the minimum and maximum fill level. When operating voltage is applied, the green LED lights up. When the reservoir is full (max. fill level), contact 1–3 is closed and contact 1–2 is open. The yellow LED lights up. At minimum fill level, contact 4–5 opens and contact 4–6 closes. The red LED lights up.

### Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum fill level with early warning. When operating voltage is applied, the green LED lights up. Contact 1–2 opens and contact 1–3 closes 25 mm before the minimum fill level. The yellow LED lights up. When the minimum fill level is reached, contact 4–5 opens and contact 4–6 closes. The red LED lights up.

# Fill level switch for vertical installation (with LED)

## Dimensions, circuit diagrams and functional descriptions



### Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum fill level. When operating voltage is applied, the green LED lights up. At minimum fill level, contact 1-4 opens and contact 1-2 closes. The red LED lights up.

### Functional description

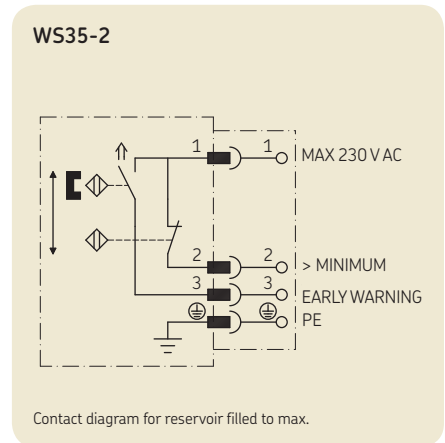
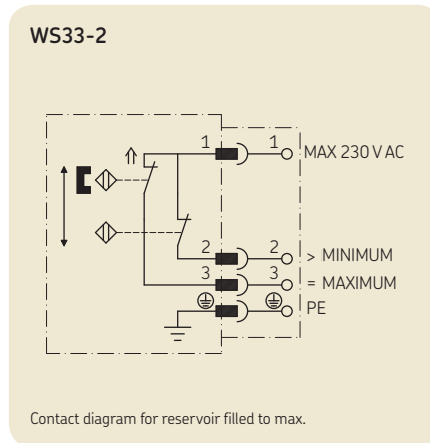
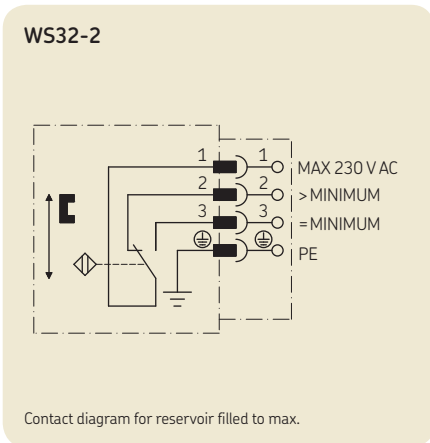
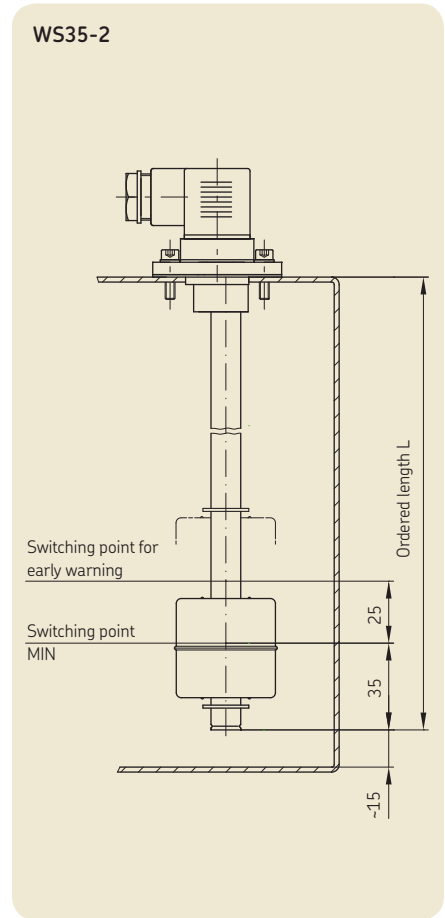
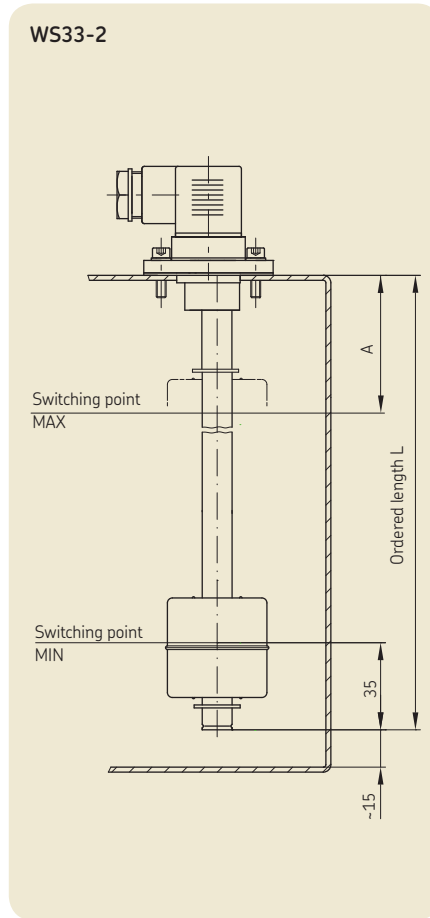
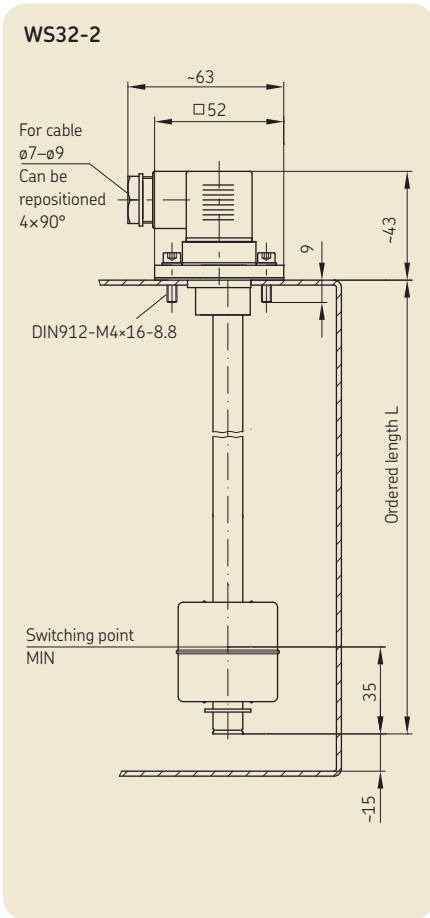
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### Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum fill level with early warning. When operating voltage is applied, the green LED lights up. Contact 1-4 closes 25 mm before the minimum fill level and the yellow LED lights up. When the minimum fill level is reached, contact 1-2 opens and the red LED lights up.

# Fill level switch for vertical installation

## Dimensions, circuit diagrams and functional descriptions



### Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum fill level. At minimum fill level, contact 1–2 opens and contact 1–3 closes.

### Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum and maximum fill level. Contact 1–2 opens at minimum fill level. Contact 1–3 closes at maximum fill level.

### Functional description

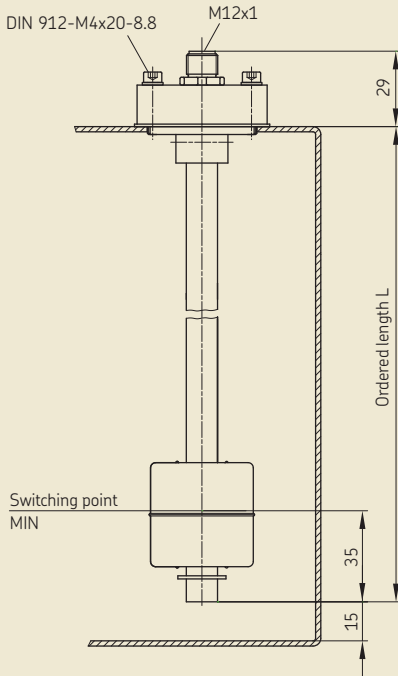
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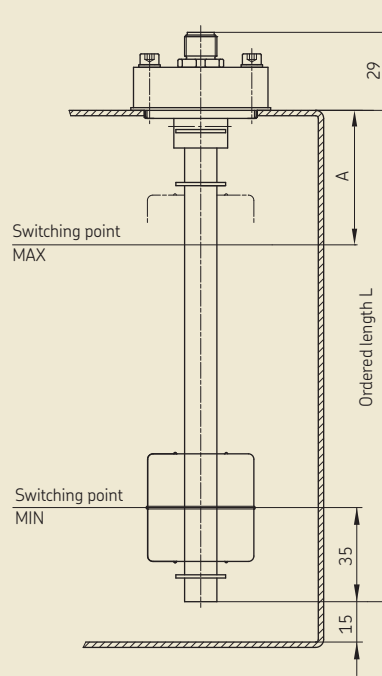
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## Dimensions, circuit diagrams and functional descriptions

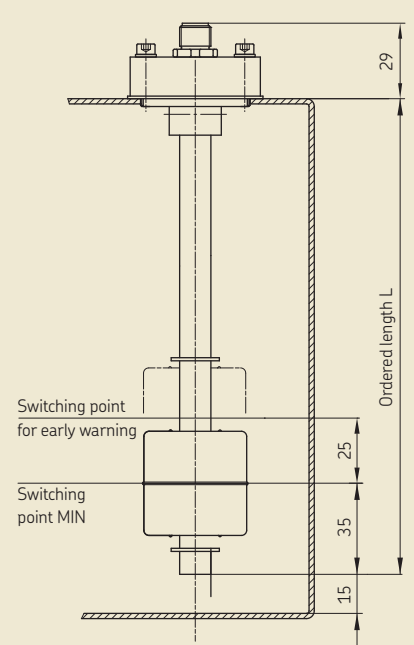
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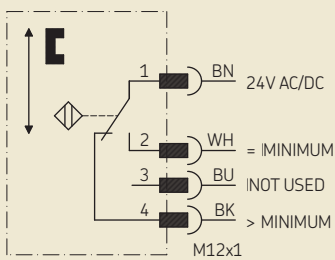
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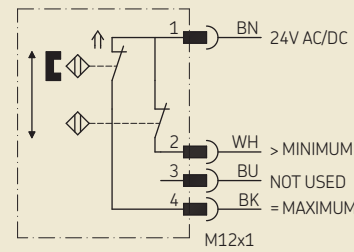


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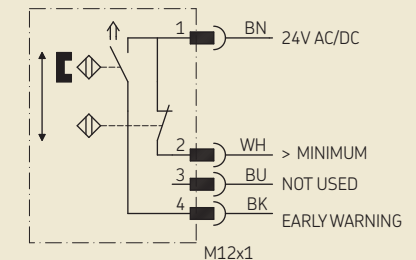
Contact diagram for reservoir filled to max.

WS33-2-V57-A



Contact diagram for reservoir filled to max.

WS35-2-V57-A



Contact diagram for reservoir filled to max.

### Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum fill level. At minimum fill level, contact 1–4 opens and contact 1–2 closes.

### Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum and maximum fill level. Contact 1–2 opens at minimum fill level. Contact 1–4 closes at maximum fill level.

### Functional description

Float switch to monitor the minimum fill level with early warning. Contact 1–4 closes 25 mm before the minimum fill level. Contact 1–2 opens at minimum fill level.

# Fill level switch for horizontal installation

## Different designs and technical data

WS63-2



### Functional description

When the oil level falls, the float drops and opens the contact 1–2. If turned through 180° and installed in that position, the contact function changes. The contact 1–2 then closes when the oil level falls.

WS68



### Functional description

When the fluid level falls, the float drops and opens the contact 1–2.

### Technical data WS63-2

Order number	WS63-2 <sup>1)</sup>
Switching voltage, max.	240 V AC / 200 V DC
Switching capacity, max (resistive load)	100 VA / 50 W
Switching current, max.	0.5 A
Fitting position	Horizontal
Temperature range	-10 to + 80 °C
Media	Mineral and synthetic oils with effective viscosity of max. 1 500 mm <sup>2</sup> /s

#### Materials:

Float	PP
Flange	Aluminum
Gasket	NBR

<sup>1)</sup> Flat gasket included

### Technical data WS68

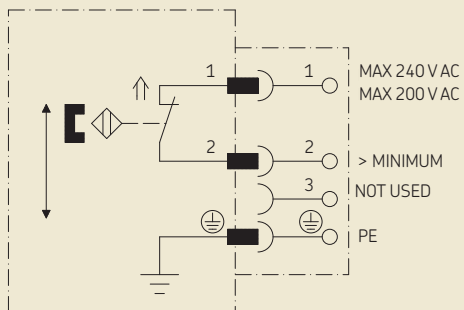
Order number	WS68 <sup>1)</sup>
Switching voltage, max.	48 V AC/DC
Switching capacity, max.	10 VA/10 W
Switching current, max.	0.25 A
Fitting position	Horizontal
Temperature range	-10 to + 80 °C
Media	Mineral and synthetic oils with effective viscosity of max. 1 500 mm <sup>2</sup> /s

#### Materials:

Float	NBR
Flange	Aluminum
Casing	PA
Gasket	NBR

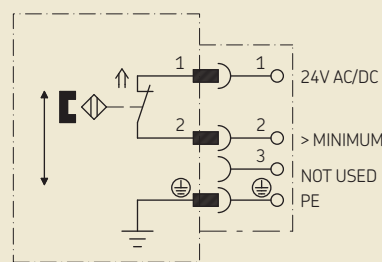
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WS63-2



Contact diagram for reservoir filled to max.

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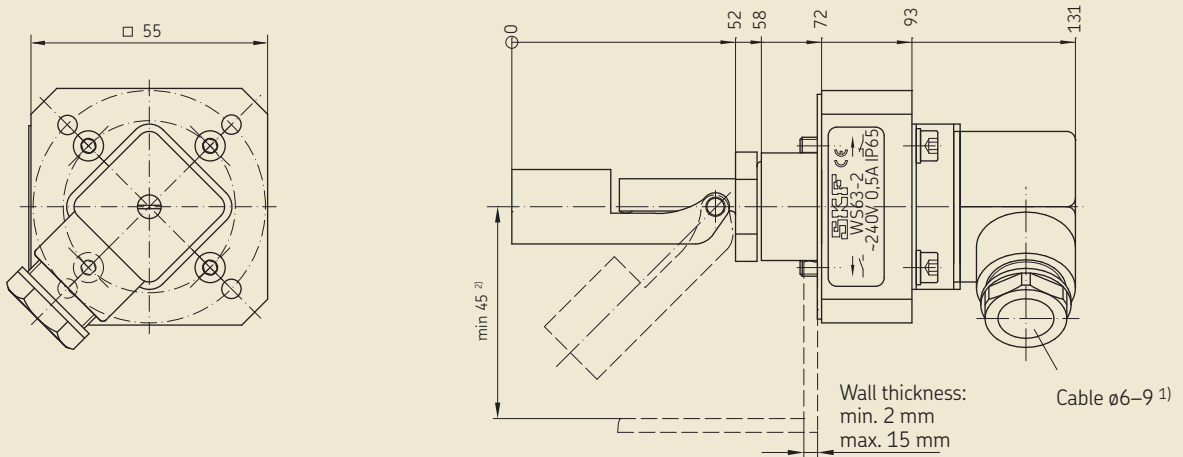


Contact diagram for reservoir filled to max.

# Fill level switch for horizontal installation

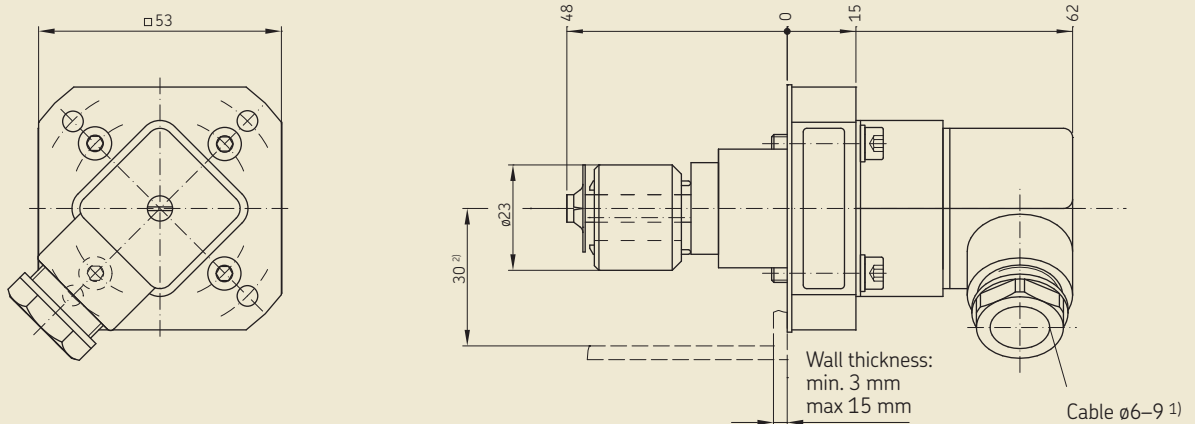
## Dimensions and drilling template

WS63-2



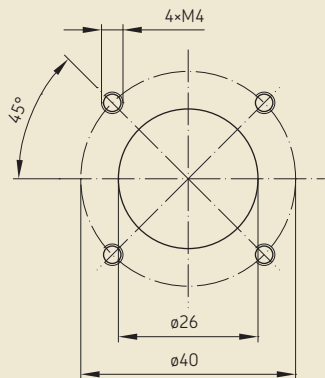
- 1) Connector socket can be repositioned in 90° increments
- 2) Minimum clearance from reservoir bottom

WS68



- 1) Connector socket can be repositioned in 90° increments
- 2) Minimum clearance from reservoir bottom

Drilling template for assembly for WS63-2/WS68



### Note!

These float switches should never be installed in a distorted position. To prevent damage to the switches, they should be subjected to only the static and dynamic loads required by their normal use. To permit optimum functioning, fill level switches WS63-2 and WS68 must always be installed in a horizontal position.



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