Safety-Related Guidelines for the User

1 General

This document provides the information required for the intended use of the particular product. The documentation is written for technically qualified personnel such as engineers, programmers or maintenance specialists who have been specially trained and who have the specialized knowledge required in the field of instrumentation and control.

A knowledge of the safety instructions and warnings contained in this document and their appropriate application are prerequisites for safe installation and commissioning as well as safety in operation and maintenance of the product described. Only qualified personnel as defined in section 2 have the specialized knowledge that is necessary to correctly interpret the general guidelines relating to the safety instructions and warnings and implement them in each particular case.

For the sake of clarity, not all details of all versions of the product are described in this document, nor can it cover all conceivable cases regarding installation, operation and maintenance. Should you require further information or face special problems that have not been dealt with in sufficient detail in this document, please contact your local Siemens office.

We would also point out that the contents of this product documentation shall not become a part of or modify any prior or existing agreement, commitment or legal relationship. The Purchase Agreement contains the complete and exclusive obligations of Siemens. Any statements contained in this document do not create new warranties or restrict the existing warranty.

2 Qualified Personnel

Persons who are **not qualified** should not be allowed to handle the equipment/system. Noncompliance with the warnings contained in this document or appearing on the equipment itself can result in severe personal injury or damage to property. Only **qualified personnel** should be allowed to work on this equipment/system.

Qualified persons as referred to in the safety guidelines in this document as well as on the product itself are defined as follows:

- System planning and design engineers who are familiar with the safety concepts of automation equipment;
- Operating personnel who have been trained to work with automation equipment and are conversant with the contents of the document in as far as it is connected with the actual operation of the plant;
- Commissioning and service personnel who are trained to repair such automation equipment and who are authorized to energize, deenergize, clear, ground and tag circuits, equipment and systems in accordance with established safety practices.

3 Danger Notices

The notices and guidelines that follow are intended to ensure personal safety, as well as protect the product and connected equipment against damage.

The safety notices and warnings for protection against loss of life (the users or service personnel) or for protection against damage to property are highlighted in this document by the terms and pictograms defined here. The terms used in this document and marked on the equipment itself have the following significance:

Danger

indicates that death, severe personal injury or substantial property damage <u>will</u> result if proper precautions are not taken.

Caution

indicates that minor personal injury or property damage <u>can</u> result if proper precautions are not taken.

Important

If "Important" should appear in this document in bold type, drawing attention to any particular information, the definition corresponds to that of "Warning", "Caution" or "Note". Warning

indicates that death, severe personal injury or substantial property damage <u>can</u> result if proper precautions are not taken.



contains important information about the product, its operation or a part of the document to which special attention is drawn.

4 Proper Usage

- The equipment/system or the system components may only be used for the applications described in the catalog or the technical description, and only in combination with the equipment, components and devices of other manufacturers as far as this is recommended or permitted by Siemens.
- The product described has been developed, manufactured, tested and the documentation compiled in keeping with the relevant safety standards. Consequently, if the described handling instructions and safety guidelines described for planning, installation, proper operation and maintenance are adhered to, the product, under normal conditions, will not be a source of danger to property or life.

Warning

- After the housing or the protective cover is opened or after the system cabinet is opened, certain parts of this equipment/system will be accessible, which could have a dangerously high voltage level.
- Only suitably qualified personnel should be allowed access to this equipment/system.
- These persons must be fully conversant with any potential sources of danger and maintenance measures as set out in this document.
- It is assumed that this product be transported, stored and installed as intended, and maintained and operated with care to ensure that the product functions correctly and safely.

5 Guidelines for the Planning and Installation of the Product

The product generally forms a part of larger systems or plants. These guidelines are intended to help integrate the product into its environment without it constituting a source of danger.

The following facts require particular attention:



Note

Even when a high degree of safety has been designed into an item of automation equipment by means of multichannel configuration, it is still imperative that the instructions contained in this document be exactly adhered to. Incorrect handling can render ineffective the preventive measures incorporated into the system to protect it against dangerous faults, and even create new sources of danger.

The following advice regarding installation and commissioning of the product should - in specific cases - also be noted.





Caution

- Install the power supply and signal cables in such a manner as to prevent inductive and capacitive interference voltages from affecting the automation functions.
- Automation equipment and its operating elements must be installed in such a manner as to prevent unintentional operation.
- Automation equipment can assume an undefined state in the case of a wire break in the signal lines. To prevent this, suitable hardware and software measures must be taken when interfacing the inputs and outputs of the automation equipment.

6 Active and Passive Faults in Automation Equipment

- Depending on the particular task for which the electronic automation equipment is used, both active as well as passive faults can result in a dangerous situation. For example, in drive control, an active fault is generally dangerous because it can result in an unauthorized startup of the drive. On the other hand, a passive fault in a signalling function can result in a dangerous operating state not being reported to the operator.
- This differentiation of the possible faults and their classification into dangerous and nondangerous faults, depending on the particular task, is important for all safety considerations in respect to the product supplied.

Warning

In all cases where a fault in automation equipment can result in severe personal injury or substantial damage to property, i.e., where a dangerous fault can occur, additional external measures must be taken or equipment provided to ensure or force safe operating conditions even in the event of a fault (e.g., by means of independent limit monitors, mechanical interlocks etc.).

7 Procedures for Maintenance and Repair

If measurement or testing work is to be carried out on an active unit, the rules and regulations contained in the "VBG 4.0 Accident prevention regulations" of the German employers liability assurance association (Berufsgenossenschaften) must be observed. Particular attention is drawn to paragraph 8 "Permissible exceptions when working on live parts". Use only suitable electrical tools.



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