

# **OPERATION MANUAL**



# **NEUTRIX OPERATION MANUAL**

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#### 1. Intended use

The Neutrix WAG40 Tungsten Electrode Grinder is solely intended for the purpose of grinding standard TIG welding electrodes. It must not be used other than in the manner described in this operator manual.

You should read this operator manual thoroughly before starting up the machine. You should also familiarise yourself with how it works and how you should operate it. You must maintain the machine in accordance with the instructions so that it continues to function correctly at all times. The operator manual must be kept close to the machine.

#### 1.1 Specific safety precautions

When using the unit, always observe the local safety regulations to prevent fire hazards, electric shock and injuries. In addition to the specific safety regulations listed below, you must also read the information under Safety precautions.



For your own protection and for the purpose of protecting the machine, must observe any sections of text that are highlighted by means of this symbol.

- Before starting up the equipment, check it for visible signs of damage of deficiencies
- Never operate the unit without a filter cartridge.
- When replacing a filter cartridge, always follow the instructions in the operator manual
- Only operate the unit with the electrode holder located in the admission channel
- On completion of the grinding process, only remove the electrode holder once the unit has run down.
- Correct deficiencies and repair damage immediately
- Work on the electrical equipment must only ever be carried out by a qualified electrical expert
- Never use the unit in a damp environment, in the rain, etc.
- Only ever use original spare parts and accessories
- Always disconnect the mains lug before carrying out maintenance/repair work or replacing filters/grinding discs as well as after use.
- Ensure that the unit cannot be started up unintentionally
- When plugging into the mains, ensure that the switch is set of OFF
- Always wear safety goggles during operation
- You must wear ear protection when using the machine

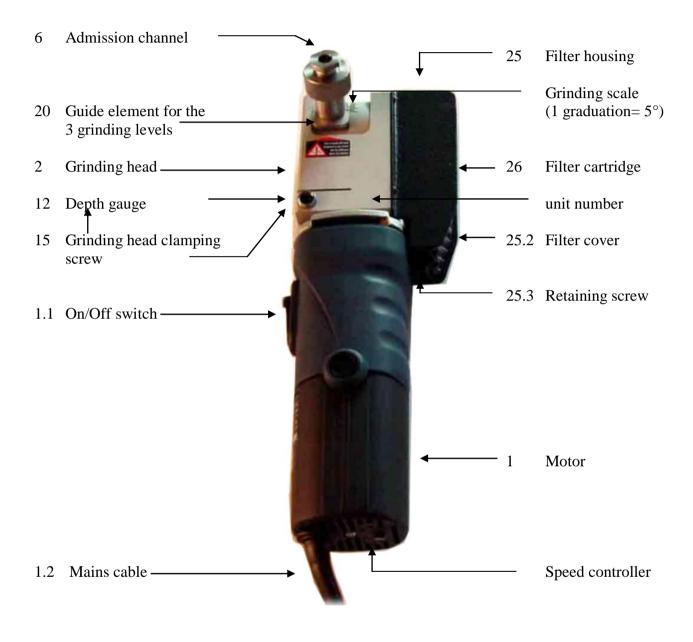
## 2. Meaning of Symbols

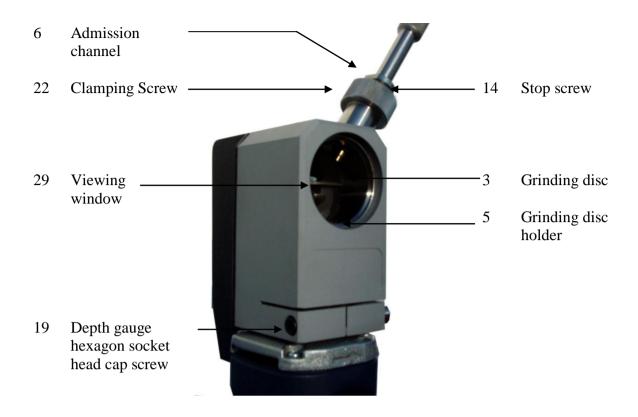


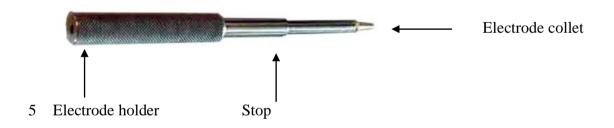
For your own protection and for the purpose of protecting the machine, you must observe any sections of text that are accompanied by this symbol.

- You must read the operator manual before starting up the unit
- Protect your eyes. During operation, wear safety goggle.
- Protect your ears. You must wear ear protection when using the machine!
- **(** This unit has been CE tested.

## 3. Layout and designations







#### Collet Electrode diameter

16.1	for	1.0 mm
16.2	for	1.6 mm
16.3	for	2.0 mm
16.4	for	2.4 mm
16.5	for	3.2 mm
16.6	for	4.0 mm

#### 4. Operational characteristics of the WAG40

The Neutrix WAG40 is intended for the sole purpose of grinding TIG welding electrodes.

When handling thoriated tungsten electrodes, you must observe the relevant health and safety rules issued by the Accident Prevention & Insurance Association (see paragraph 7.3: Handling tungsten electrodes containing thorium oxide within the context of the TIG tungsten inert gas welding method).

- Suitable for electrode diameters of between 1.0 4.0 mm.
- Supports infinitely variable angle adjustment from 15° to 180°.
- Features a depth gauge for minimal electrode wastage.
- Suitable for electrode lengths of up to 15mm.
- Ensures optimal and precise longitudinal grinding.
- Suitable for use as a table-mounted or hand-held unit.
- Features an integrated replacement filter (Type: 8511 K1.H12) for swarf.

## 5. Technical data & scope of delivery

Power P1: 850 Watt

Mains connection: 230V, 50 Hz. Insulation according to EEC 50144. Rpm: Adjustable between 8.000 rpm to 22.000 rpm

Lpa sound pressure

level:  $88.8 \, dB(A)$ 

Vibration value: 5 m/s<sup>2</sup> Weight: 3,8 kg

Filter cartridge: Disposable filter.

Diamond disc: Ø 40 mm

Transport case containing

• Neutrix WAG40 - Grinding head complete with drive motor

• **Accessories** - Electrode holder

Collets for electrodes with  $\emptyset$  of 1,6/2,4/3,2 mm

• **Service tools** - 8mm Allen key

- 4mm Allen key

13/17 open-end wrench13/14 open-end wrench

• Refuse bag for disposable filter

#### 6. Preparatory steps



Read the operator manual:



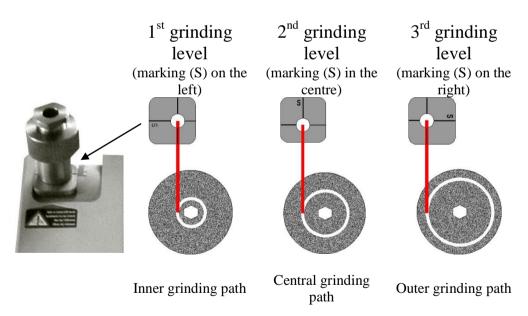
Observe the safety precautions!

#### 6.1 Selecting the grinding path

Depending on how worn the diamond disc is, you have a choice of 3 grinding paths.

- Loosen the clamping screw (22) manually
- Lift up the guide element (20) turn it in the required direction by 90° at a time and press it into the angle guide (grinding angle scale)
- Refasten the clamping screw (22)

# Guide element for 3 grinding levels



Attention: To ensure optimum utilisation of the grinding disc, you should start off by using the inner grinding path (figure 1), then proceed to the central grinding path (figure 2) and finish off with the outer grinding path (figure 3). The manufacturer's basic setting is the inner grinding path.

#### **6.2** Selecting the electrode diameter

Screw the appropriate collet, Ø 1 to 4 mm, (Item 16.1-16.6) into the electrode holder.

The collet for the Ø 2,4 mm electrode is the one, that is fitted into the electrode holder (5) when the machine is supplied. The Ø 1,6 and Ø 3,2 mm collets are also included in the scope of delivery.

#### 6.3 Selecting the grinding angle

- Loosen the clamping screw (22) slightly
- Align the degree mark on the guide element (20) with the desired angle on the grinding angle scale
- Tighten the clamping screw (22).

**Attention:** An angle of 15° corresponds to the smallest angle on the electrode.

An angle of  $180^{\circ}$  corresponds to a rectangular surface on the electrode point (one graduation =  $5^{\circ}$ ).

#### 7. Operation



Always observe the safety precautions and comply with the applicable regulations. When operating the Neutrix WAG40 machines, you must ensure correct ventilation across the entire filter area. If the Neutrix WAG40 is to be operated when stationary in a fixed, clamped support, it must be moved into the horizontal position.

Only operate the tungsten electrode grinder in a level position. This ensures that the swarf settles in the filter cannot get inside the unit.

To make the precise electrode grinding settings use the grinding head clamping screw's (15) depth gauge (12). Whenever you are about to start a new grinding process, you must repeat the setting procedure



• Before you switch on the unit, you must always ensure that the electrode holder (5) is located in the admission channel (6).

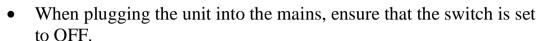


• You must switch off the machine and let it run down before you attempt to remove the electrode holder.

#### 7.1 Starting up



- Before starting up the unit, check that the mains voltage and mains frequency given on the rating plate match your mains supply.
- The unit must only be connected to sockets with an earthing contact. Radio interference suppression conforms to European standard EN 55014.



- Connect the unit to the power supply. Set the speed in accordance with the table
- Insert the tungsten electrode into the electrode holder (5) so that it protrudes by approx. 35mm
- Insert the electrode holder into the depth gauge (12) until the collet (16.1-16.6) makes contact with the grinding head clamping screw (15). In order to clamp the tungsten electrode securely in place, turn the electrode holder (5) to the right.
- Insert the electrode (5) into the admission channel (6) until the tungsten electrode is located over the grinding disc (3). To check this, use the viewing windows (29).
- Switch the unit ON



You should avoid pressing the electrode too firmly onto the grinding disc (3), before the stop (14a) on the electrode holder has been reached. Before you switch on the unit, you must always ensure that the electrode holder (5) is located in the admission channel (6).



You must switch off the unit and let it run down before you attempt to remove the electrode holder (5). Failure to comply with this instruction could result in swarf being released from the admission channel (6)/becoming lodged in the admission channel. Then, the next time the electrode holder (5) is inserted, it will get jammed inside the admission channel (6) because of the swarf deposits.

#### **Noise measurement:**



The A-weighted, equivalent continuous sound pressure level at the work place exceeds 70 dB(A). Measured in accordance with EN ISO 11201.

You must always wear ear protection when using the tungsten electrode grinder!

#### 7.2 Grinding the tungsten electrode

- Move the electrode holder towards the grinding disc at low speed, so that the tungsten electrode does not glow. To check this, use the viewing window (29).
- Grind the electrode by applying a small amount of pressure and turning the electrode holder (5) slowly and evenly.
- The grinding process is complete as soon as the stop (14a) on the electrode holder has been reached and the tungsten electrode is no longer in contact with the grinding disc (3).
- Switch off the unit and let it run down.
- Remove the electrode holder and insert it into the depth gauge (12). To release the tungsten electrode, turn the electrode holder to the left.

Attention: Beads on the tip of the electrode, e.g. as a result of immersing it in the molten metal, must be removed prior to grinding.

Table 1 – Grinding speed guide values

Electrode diameter	1.0 mm	1.6 mm	2.0 mm	2.4 mm	3.2 mm	4.0 mm
Speed adjustment	2	2	2	2	3	3

## 7.3 Safety precautions for tungsten electrodes containing thorium oxide





When grinding tungsten electrodes containing thorium oxide, radioactive dust is released, which is linked to the risk of internal radiation exposure if the dust is inhaled!

#### 1. Only ever use the grinder with the fitted filter

Do not grind any tungsten electrodes containing thorium oxide if the filter housing in not mounted or the filter cartridge has been removed.

2. **Avoid stirring up dust containing thorium oxide at all costs**When carrying out service and maintenance work (e.g. replacing the filter cartridge), make sure that no dust containing thorium oxide is stirring up or inhaled.

# 3. Carry out the following activities outdoors only

Replacing the filter cartridge Replacing the grinding disc Purging the grinding head

Wear a dust mask for this in accordance with EN 149

# 4. Avoid direct contact with the skin with dust containing thorium oxide

Wear gloves when carrying out service and maintenance work

Standardised colour coding for tungsten electrodes containing thorium oxide

Code	Oxide additives % (m/m)	Type of additive	Colour code
WT4	0,35 – 0,55	Thorium dioxide ThO <sub>2</sub>	Blue
WT10	0,80 – 1,20	Thorium dioxide ThO <sub>2</sub>	Yellow
WT20	1,70 – 2,20	Thorium dioxide ThO <sub>2</sub>	Red
WT30	2,80 – 3,20	Thorium dioxideThO <sub>2</sub>	Violet
WT40	3,80 – 4,20	Thorium dioxideThO <sub>2</sub>	Orange

#### 8. Maintenance



Always unplug the unit from the mains socket before carrying out any maintenance work. You will be able to prolong your machine's operation life by having it serviced regularly by a professional.

#### 8.1 **Cleaning**

Clean your machine regularly with a soft cloth.

The grinding head should only be purged via the admission channel or by blowing compressed air.



The filter and grinding disc should be replaced outdoors!

If you do decide to replace them in an enclosed space, then you must wear a dust mask in accordance with EN 149.

The protective earth connection on the motor's front end plate is subject to the test specification laid down by DIN VDE 0702T.1.

#### 8.2 Filter replacement



Before attempting to replace the grinding disc, you must read Section 8 carefully and comply with the information provided.

## **Filter replacement is recommended:**

- When you change the grinding path setting from the inner to the central setting.
- Or when you can no longer observe the grinding process through the viewing window.

#### **Procedure:**

- 1. Undo the retaining screw on the filter housing.
- Lift up the retaining grille and remove. 2.
- Remove the filter cartridge and use the refuse sack to dispose of it in 3. the proper manner.
- Insert the new filter cartridge into the filter housing so that the filter's 4. rubber gasket seals on the grinding head.
- 5. Hook the retaining grille on at the top and fold it down. Tighten the retaining screw.

#### 8.3 Replacing the diamond wheel



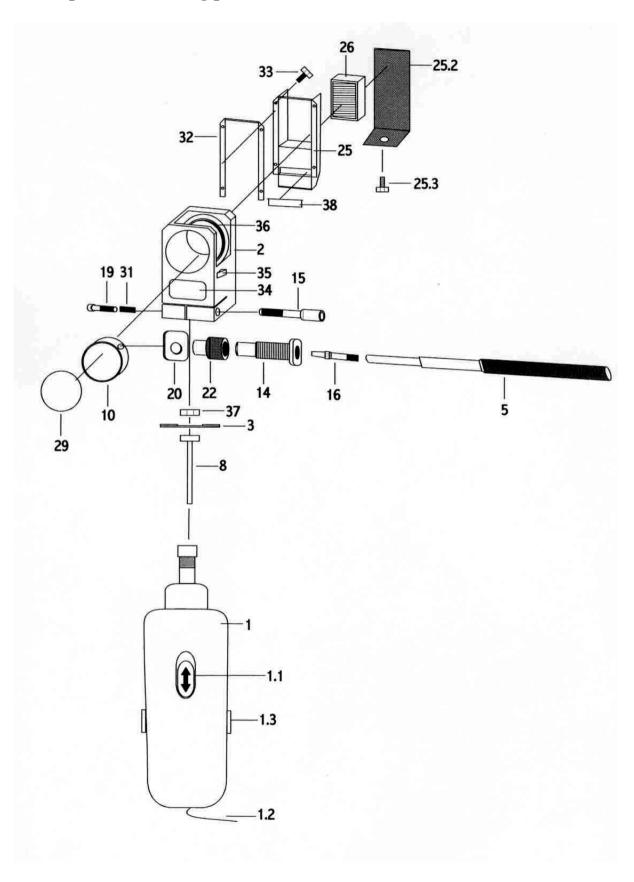
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- 1. Remove the electrode holder (5).
- 2. Use open-end wrench (SW17) to remove the stop screw.
- 3. Remove the link (10) and viewing window (29) by pulling them towards you.
- 4. Use the first open-end wrench (SW14) to move the grinding disc (3) to the left and the second (SW13) to move it to the right and remove.
- 5. Push new grinding disc (3) onto shaft end and tighten.
- 6. Push link (19) and viewing window (29) into grinding head (2).
- 7. Use open end wrench (SW17) to tighten stop screw (14) on link (10).
- 8. Insert electrode holder (5) into stop screw (14)
- 9. Carry out a trial run switch the machine off immediately in the event of any sign of abnormal operation.

#### 8.4 Faults

In the event of faults (e.g. a fault resulting from a worn out part), please contact your local dealer.

# 9. Spare and wearing parts



Pos.	Description		Part No.	
	Name of WAC 40	1	44.07 WAC 40	
0	Neutrix WAG 40	1 piece	44-07-WAG 40	
1.1	Motor On/Off switch	1 piece	44-07-44510010	
	Power cable	1 piece	44-07-44510011	
1.2		1 piece	44-07-44510012	
1.3	Brush for motor	2 pieces	44-07-44510019	
2	Grinding head	1 piece	44-07-44510020	
3	Diamond wheel Ø 40 mm	1 piece	44-07-44510030	
5	Electrode holder	1 piece	44-07-44510050	
8	Spindle for diamond wheel (SW 13)	1 piece	44-07-44510080	
10	Grinding chamber	1 piece	44-07-44510100	
14	Guide for electrode holder (SW 17)	1 piece	44-07-44510140	
15	Allen key to tighten the grinding head	1 piece	44-07-44510150	
16	See below			
16.2	Electrode clamp Ø 1,6 mm	1 piece	44-07-44510162	
16.4	Electrode clamp Ø 2,4 mm	1 piece	44-07-44510164	
16.6	Electrode clamp Ø 3,2 mm	1 piece	44-07-44510165	
19	Allen screw (M5 x 30)	1 piece	44-07-44510190	
20	Eccentric plate to select grinding	1 piece	44-07-44510200	
	position			
22	Screw	1 piece	44-07-44510220	
25	Filter housing	1 piece	44-07-44510250	
25.2	Filter cover	1 piece	44-07-44510252	
25.3	Allen key to fix the filter cover (M 5 x 6)	1 piece	44-07-44510330	
26	Filter cassette	1 piece	44-07-44510260	
29	Inspection cover	1 piece	44-07-44510290	
31	Spring	1 piece	44-07-44510310	
32	Rubber seal big	1 piece	44-07-44510320	
33	Screw to fix filter cassette	4 pieces	44-07-44510330	
34	Sticker "Neutrix"	1 piece	44-07-44510340	
35	Safety sticker	1 piece	44-07-44510350	
36	Degree scale	1 piece	44-07-44510360	
37	Screw to fix diamond wheel (M 8, SW 13)	1 piece	44-07-44510370	
38	Rubber seal small	1 piece	44-07-44510380	
Accessories				
39	Case for machine with foam	1 piece	44-07-45510390	
40	Spanner (SW 13, SW 17)	1 piece	44-07-45510400	
41	Spanner (SW 13, SW 14)	1 piece	44-07-45510410	
42	Allen key 8 mm	1 piece	44-07-45510420	
43	Allen key 4 mm	1 piece	44-07-45510430	
44	Plastic bag for disposal of filter	1 piece	44-07-45510440	
16.1	Electrode clamp Ø 1,0	1 piece	44-07-45510171	
16.3	Electrode clamp Ø 2,0	1 piece	44-07-45510172	
16.5	Electrode clamp Ø 3,0	1 piece	44-07-45510173	
16.7	Electrode clamp Ø 4,0	1 piece	44-07-45510174	
10.7	Electrone clamp to 4,0	i piece	44-07-43310174	

#### 10. Disposal

Only for EU countries



Do not dispose of electric tools together with household waste material!

In observance of European Directive 2002/96/EC on waste, electrical and electronic equipment and it implementation in accordance with national laq, electric tools that have reached the end of their service life must be collected separately and returned to an environmentally compatible recycling facility.

#### 11. Safety precautions

Attention: When using the machine you must observe the following fundamental safety precautions to protect yourself against electric shock, injury and fire hazards.

Read this information carefully and commit it to memory before using the unit. Keep the safety precautions in a safe place!

#### 1. Keep you work area tidy

Untidy work areas can cause accidents.

#### 2. Take environmental factors into account

Never expose the machine to rain. Never use the unit in a wet or damp environment. Ensure a good level of lighting. Never use the machine in the vicinity of combustible liquids or gases.

#### 3. Protect yourself against electric shock

Avoid bodily contact with earthed parts, e.g. pipes, heaters, ovens, refrigerators.

#### 4. Keep children away.

Do not allow other people to touch the machine or cables, keep them well away from the work area.

#### 5. Store your machine safely and securely

When not in use, machines should be stored in a dry, locked area that is not accessible to children.

#### 6. Never overload your machine

You will be able to work more effectively and safely by adhering to the specified performance range.

#### 7. Wear suitable work clothes

Do not wear loose-fitting clothing or jewellery, as the can get caught in moving parts. When working outside, you should wear sensible, non-slip footwear. If you have long hair, you must wear a hairnet.

#### 8. Wear safety goggles

Use a breathing mask whenever dust is likely to be generated.

#### 9. Do not abuse the cable

Do not carry the machine by the cable or use it to pull the plug out of the socket. Protect the cable against heat, oil and sharp edges.

#### 10. Secure the machine

Use work-holding devices or a vice to secure the workpiece. This is a more stable approach than simply using your hand, and also leaves you with both hands free to operate the machine.

#### 11. Do not overextend yourself

Adopt a natural posture. Make sure that you stand securely and maintain your balance at all times.

#### 12. Take proper care of your machine

Keep your machine clean so that it will continue to provide safe and reliable operation. Follow the maintenance instructions and other information relating o maintenance work. Inspect the plug and cable on a regular basis and the get them repaired by a qualified expert in the event of damage. Inspect extension cables regularly and replace if damaged. Keep the machine housing dry and free of oil and grease.

#### 13. Disconnect the mains plug

When the machine is no longer in use, of if maintenance work needs to be carried out.

#### 14. Do not leave tool keys behind

Before switching on the unit, check that all keys and adjusting tools have been removed.

#### 15. Avoid unintentional starting

Keep your finger away from the switch when carrying a machine that is plugged into the mains. When plugging the unit into the mains, ensure that the switch is set to OFF.

#### 16. Outdoor Extension cables

When working outdoors, only used approved extension cables that have been marked as appropriate for outdoor use.

#### 17. Stay alert

Keep a close eye on what you are doing. Proceed with care. Do not use the machine if you feel unable to concentrate.

#### 18. Inspect your unit for damage

Before continuing to use the machine, you must carefully check that any safety equipment or parts that have suffered minor damage are still

capable of operating correctly and in accordance with their intended purpose. Check that all moving parts are in proper working order, that they are not jammed in any way and that no parts have been damaged. All parts must be fitted correctly and all the conditions necessary for ensuring fault-free operation of the unit must be met. Unless otherwise specified in the operator manual, any protective devices or parts that have been damaged must be professionally repaired or replaced by an authorized service workshop. Damaged switches must be replaced at an authorized workshop. Do not use any kind of tool if the switch cannot be turned ON and OFF while they are in use.

#### 19. Attention

For your own safety, only use accessories and additional equipment specified in the operator manual or recommended or specified by the machine manufacturer.

# 20. Repairs must only ever be carried out by a qualified electrical expert

This machine complies with the relevant safety regulations. Repairs must only ever be carried out by a qualified electrical expert; otherwise, the operator is at risk of injury.

#### 12. EC Declaration of conformity

In accordance with Machinery directive 2006/42/EX, Appendix IIA

The machine: Tungsten electrode Grinder

Type: Neutrix WAG40/WAG40S/WAG40SW

Supplied complies with the following applicable regulations:

EC Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC,

EC Low-Voltage Directive 2006/95EC,

EC EMC Directive 2004/108/EC, RoHS2 Richtlinie 2011/65/EU

Manufacturer: Manohr Schweißtechnik GmbH

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#### The following harmonised norms have been applied:

• DIN EN ISO 12100-1

- DIN EN ISO 12100-2
- DIN EN ISO 13857
- DIN EN 50144-1

• DIN EN 61000-6-1 bis 4

Person responsible: Uwe Manohr

Director

Manohr Schweißtechnik GmbH

# 13. Warranty certificate

	User:	
	Street:	
	Zip, City:	
Company	Country:	
Article – No.:		
Description:		
Machine No:		
Date of purchase:		
Error:		
		_
City, date	Signature	

In case of warranty claims please forwards this certificate to:

Manohr Schweißtechnik GmbH Wiesenstraße 24 D-15537 Grünheide/ OT Fangschleuse Fax + 493362/28035

#### 14. Further accessories:

A solid base stabilizes the unit during the grinding process



Stand (S) for Neutrix WAG40 Item No.: 44-07-45510250



Stand (SW) for Neutrix WAG40 With tool holder

Item No.: 44-07-45510252

Notes:

# Die Neutrix - Reihe

