

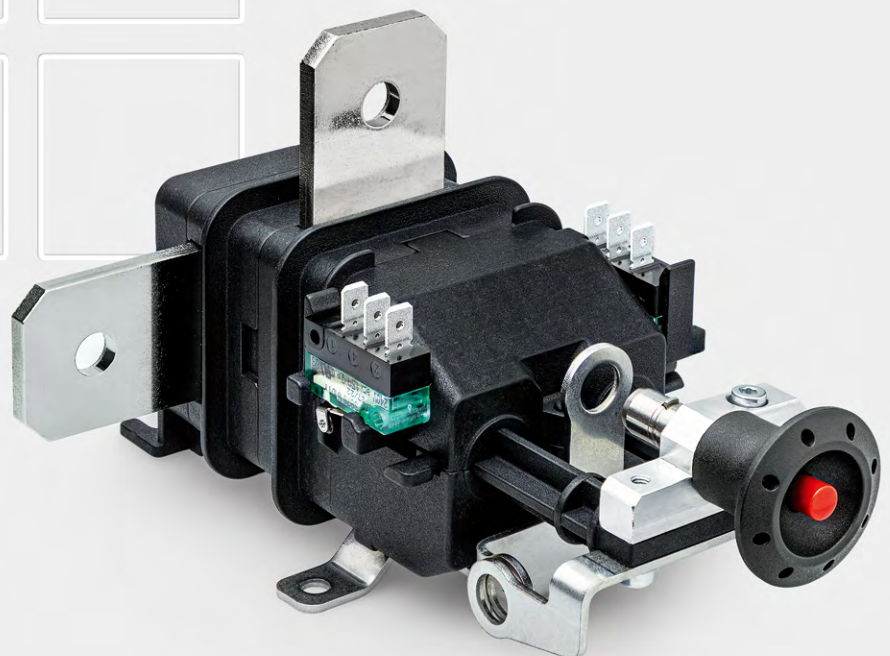
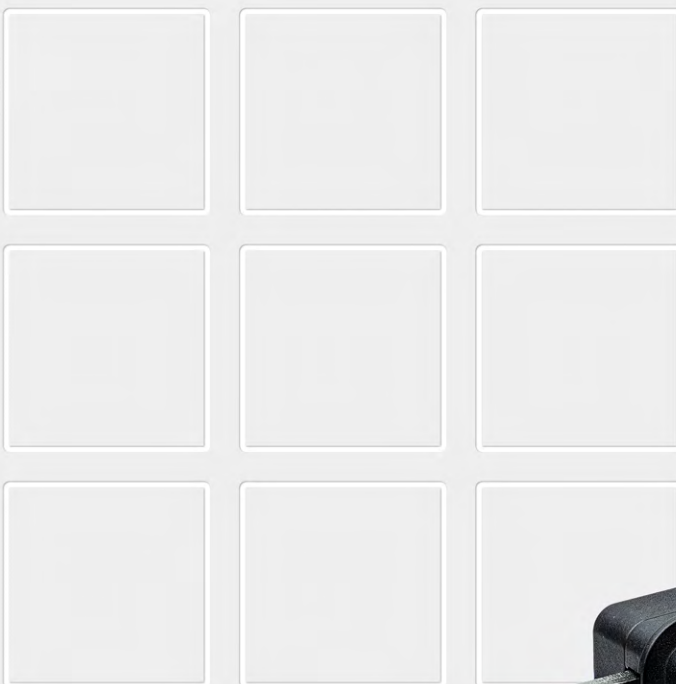
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## Electrics for Rolling Stock

**MD500 series**

1 and 2 pole  
modular, manual disconnectors  
up to 500 amps

**Flyer F191.en**



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## MD500 1-pole and 2-pole manual disconnectors for continuous currents up to 500 amps

With the MD500 series, Schaltbau supplies a new developed manually operated disconnector specifically for the use of high-performance high-voltage battery packs for traction applications in rail vehicles. This technology is increasingly being used in battery and hydrogen-powered vehicles, but also in rail vehicles with storage-hybrid drive systems. In the application, the disconnector can conduct currents of

up to 500 amps – thanks to the new, patented contact system without noticeable power loss. In the event of a fault, the switch's robust contact system is dimensioned for carrying very high short-circuit currents of up to 30,000 amps for a short time. Thus, after the damage event or in case of maintenance, the battery can be disconnected from the circuit without load.

- **Ergonomic hand knob:** Manual actuator with integrated safety catch for secure locking of the operating position; Two positions: ON = operating position, OFF = disconnected position
- **Patented contact system:** An extremely low contact resistance ( $< 100 \mu\Omega$ ) and a very high rated short-time withstand current (30,000 A @ 100 ms) for years of continuous operation. 1- and 2\*-pole versions available.
- **Modularity:** The positions on the right, top, left of the main contacts can be freely configured in relation to each other in 90° steps.

- **Mechanical locking** in the disconnected position by means of an optional padlock against unintentional reconnection
- **2 auxiliary switches:** S870 snap-action switch with silver or gold contacts as well as positive opening for diagnosis and switching status monitoring.

## Ordering code

Example: **MD521-500-15-U2**

### Series, contact configuration

MD52 Manual disconnector, NC,  $U_n = 1,500 \text{ V}$  AC and DC

### Design

1 1 pole  
2 2 pole\*

### Conv. thermal current $I_{th}$

250 250 A  
500 500 A

### Position connections main contacts

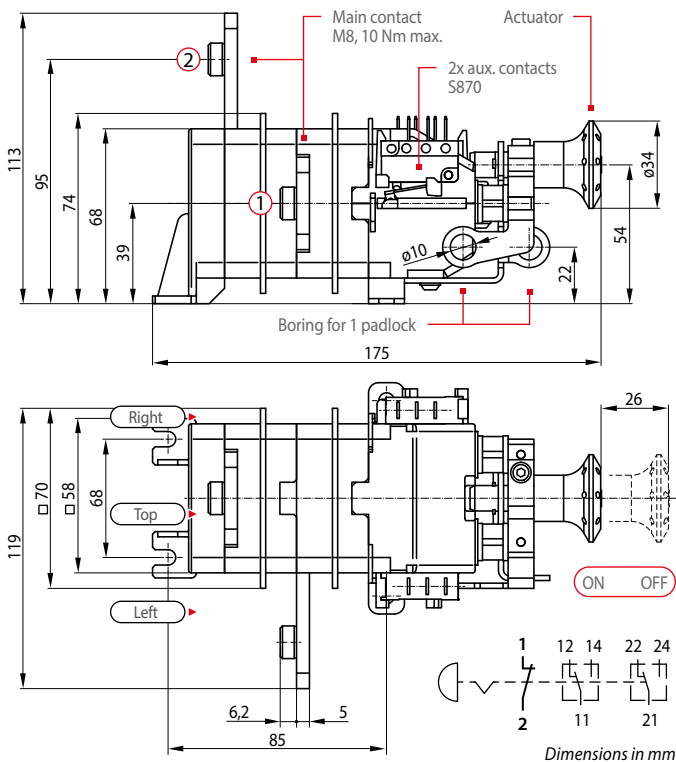
1 Contact 1: left } Other versions available,  
5 Contact 2: top } Description: see dimension diagram

### Aux. switches number, type

w/o 00  
2x snap-action switches S870 W1D1a 012, silver contacts U2  
2x snap-action switches S870 W1D4a 012, gold contacts I2

**i Note:** Only preferred types are shown in this flyer. Minimum order quantities apply for some variants. Please also ask for your customised version.

## Dimension diagram, circuit diagram



## Specifications

Series	MD500	
Type of voltage	DC, AC (f ≤ 60 Hz)	
Main contacts	Number / configuration 1 or 2* / NC Nominal voltage $U_n$ 1,500 V Rated operating voltage $U_e$ 1,800 V Rated insulation voltage $U_{Nm}$ 1,800 V Rated imp. withst. voltage $U_{Ni}/U_{imp}$ 8 kV Pollution degree PD2 Overvoltage category OV2	
Conventional thermal current $I_{th}$	250 A / 500 A	
Component category	B-C1	
Rated short-time withstand current $I_{cw}$	30 kA @ T < 100 ms	
Aux. contacts	Number, configuration	2x max. snap-action switches S870
Utilization category (EN 60947-5-1)		AC-15: 230 VAC/1.5 A; DC-13: 60 VDC/0.5 A
Actuator	Manually operated, integrated safety catch for locking in operating position; mechanical locking option in disconnected position	
Vibration / Shock	IEC 61373	Category 1, class B
Mechanical endurance	5,000 operating cycles	
Mounting position	horizontal, vertical	
Temperatures	-40° C ... +70° C	
Weight	approx. 1.1 kg	
*in planning or on request		