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## EL36xx

Analog Input Terminals (24 bit)





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# 1 Foreword

## 1.1 Product overview Analog Input Terminals

[EL3602 \[▶ 19\]](#) / [EL3602-0020 \[▶ 19\]](#) (-10 V...+10 V, differential input, 24 bits)  
2 channel analog input terminal / with factory calibration certificate

[EL3602-0002 \[▶ 19\]](#) (-200 mV...+200 mV, differential input, 24 bits)  
2 channel analog input terminal

[EL3602-0010 \[▶ 19\]](#) (-75 mV...+75 mV, differential input, 24 bits)  
2 channel analog input terminal

[EL3612 \[▶ 21\]](#) / [EL3612-0020 \[▶ 21\]](#) (0 mA...20 mA, differential input, 24 bits)  
2 channel analog input terminal / with factory calibration certificate

[EL3621-0020 \[▶ 23\]](#) (4 mA...20 mA, differential input, 24 bits)  
1 channel analog input terminal with factory calibration certificate

## 1.2 Notes on the documentation

### Intended audience

This description is only intended for the use of trained specialists in control and automation engineering who are familiar with the applicable national standards.

It is essential that the documentation and the following notes and explanations are followed when installing and commissioning these components.

It is the duty of the technical personnel to use the documentation published at the respective time of each installation and commissioning.

The responsible staff must ensure that the application or use of the products described satisfy all the requirements for safety, including all the relevant laws, regulations, guidelines and standards.

### Disclaimer

The documentation has been prepared with care. The products described are, however, constantly under development.

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## 1.3 Safety instructions

### Safety regulations

Please note the following safety instructions and explanations!  
Product-specific safety instructions can be found on following pages or in the areas mounting, wiring, commissioning etc.

### Exclusion of liability

All the components are supplied in particular hardware and software configurations appropriate for the application. Modifications to hardware or software configurations other than those described in the documentation are not permitted, and nullify the liability of Beckhoff Automation GmbH & Co. KG.

### Personnel qualification

This description is only intended for trained specialists in control, automation and drive engineering who are familiar with the applicable national standards.

### Description of instructions

In this documentation the following instructions are used.  
These instructions must be read carefully and followed without fail!

#### **DANGER**

##### **Serious risk of injury!**

Failure to follow this safety instruction directly endangers the life and health of persons.

#### **WARNING**

##### **Risk of injury!**

Failure to follow this safety instruction endangers the life and health of persons.

#### **CAUTION**

##### **Personal injuries!**

Failure to follow this safety instruction can lead to injuries to persons.

#### **NOTE**

##### **Damage to environment/equipment or data loss**

Failure to follow this instruction can lead to environmental damage, equipment damage or data loss.



##### **Tip or pointer**

This symbol indicates information that contributes to better understanding.

## **1.4 Documentation issue status**

Version	Comment
4.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li> <li>• Update structure</li> <li>• Update revision status</li> </ul>
4.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li> <li>• Update structure</li> </ul>
3.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chapter "Commissioning": addenda subchapter "Basics about signal isolators, barriers"</li> <li>• Update chapter "Configuration of 0/4..20 mA differential inputs"</li> <li>• Update chapter "Operating modes and settings"</li> <li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li> <li>• Update structure</li> </ul>
3.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update chapter " UL notice"</li> <li>• Update chapter "Firmware compatibility"</li> <li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li> <li>• Update structure</li> </ul>
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3.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li> <li>• Addenda chapter "Instructions for ESD protection"</li> <li>• Update chapter "Notices on Analog specification"</li> </ul>
3.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addenda EL3602-0020, EL3612-0020</li> </ul>
3.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update Technical data</li> <li>• Addenda chapter "Installation instructions for enhanced mechanical load capacity"</li> </ul>
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3.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addenda EL3621-0020</li> </ul>
3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li> <li>• Update structure</li> </ul>
3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Migration</li> <li>• Update structure</li> </ul>
2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li> <li>• Update structure</li> <li>• Update "Firmware status"</li> </ul>
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li> <li>• Update structure</li> <li>• Update "Firmware status"</li> </ul>
2.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update structure</li> <li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li> </ul>
1.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update Technical data and connection diagrams</li> <li>• Update chapter "Firmware status"</li> </ul>
1.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update structure</li> <li>• Addenda EL3602-0002</li> <li>• Addenda chapter "Configuration of 0/4..20 mA differential inputs"</li> <li>• Update chapter "Firmware status"</li> </ul>
1.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update chapter "Process data", "Firmware status"</li> </ul>
1.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update technical notes</li> </ul>
1.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update technical notes, trademark hints and chapter "firmware update"</li> </ul>
1.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addenda technical notes</li> </ul>
1.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addenda EL3602-0010</li> </ul>
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1.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Error LED description added</li> </ul>
1.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First public issue, minor corrections</li> </ul>

Version	Comment
0.1	• Provisional documentation for EL3602

## 1.5 Version identification of EtherCAT devices

### 1.5.1 General notes on marking

#### Designation

A Beckhoff EtherCAT device has a 14-digit designation, made up of

- family key
- type
- version
- revision

Example	Family	Type	Version	Revision
EL3314-0000-0016	EL terminal (12 mm, non-pluggable connection level)	3314 (4-channel thermocouple terminal)	0000 (basic type)	0016
ES3602-0010-0017	ES terminal (12 mm, pluggable connection level)	3602 (2-channel voltage measurement)	0010 (high-precision version)	0017
CU2008-0000-0000	CU device	2008 (8-port fast ethernet switch)	0000 (basic type)	0000

#### Notes

- The elements mentioned above result in the **technical designation**. EL3314-0000-0016 is used in the example below.
- EL3314-0000 is the order identifier, in the case of “-0000” usually abbreviated to EL3314. “-0016” is the EtherCAT revision.
- The **order identifier** is made up of
  - family key (EL, EP, CU, ES, KL, CX, etc.)
  - type (3314)
  - version (-0000)
- The **revision** -0016 shows the technical progress, such as the extension of features with regard to the EtherCAT communication, and is managed by Beckhoff.  
 In principle, a device with a higher revision can replace a device with a lower revision, unless specified otherwise, e.g. in the documentation.  
 Associated and synonymous with each revision there is usually a description (ESI, EtherCAT Slave Information) in the form of an XML file, which is available for download from the Beckhoff web site.  
 From 2014/01 the revision is shown on the outside of the IP20 terminals, see Fig. “EL5021 EL terminal, standard IP20 IO device with batch number and revision ID (since 2014/01)”.
- The type, version and revision are read as decimal numbers, even if they are technically saved in hexadecimal.

## 1.5.2 Version identification of EL terminals

The serial number/ data code for Beckhoff IO devices is usually the 8-digit number printed on the device or on a sticker. The serial number indicates the configuration in delivery state and therefore refers to a whole production batch, without distinguishing the individual modules of a batch.

Structure of the serial number: **KK YY FF HH**

KK - week of production (CW, calendar week)

YY - year of production

FF - firmware version

HH - hardware version

Example with serial number 12 06 3A 02:

12 - production week 12

06 - production year 2006

3A - firmware version 3A

02 - hardware version 02



Fig. 1: EL2872 with revision 0022 and serial number 01200815

### 1.5.3 Beckhoff Identification Code (BIC)

The Beckhoff Identification Code (BIC) is increasingly being applied to Beckhoff products to uniquely identify the product. The BIC is represented as a Data Matrix Code (DMC, code scheme ECC200), the content is based on the ANSI standard MH10.8.2-2016.

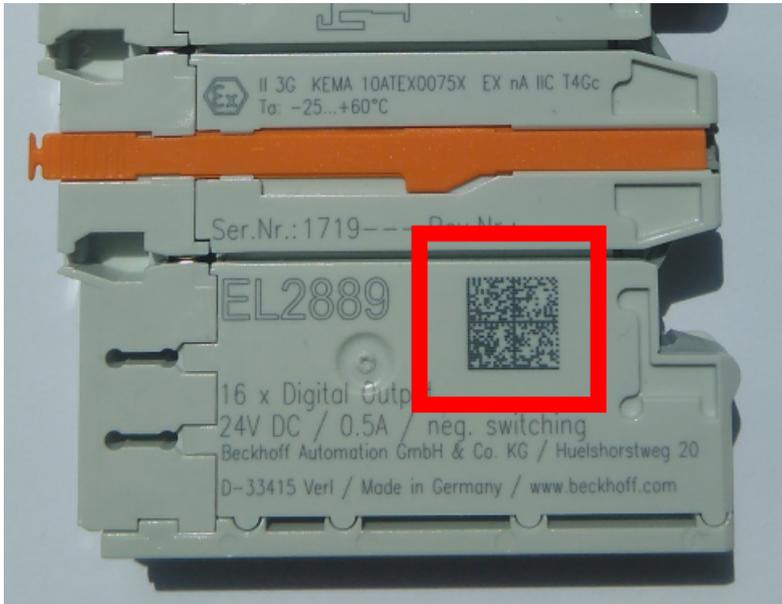


Fig. 2: BIC as data matrix code (DMC, code scheme ECC200)

The BIC will be introduced step by step across all product groups.

Depending on the product, it can be found in the following places:

- on the packaging unit
- directly on the product (if space suffices)
- on the packaging unit and the product

The BIC is machine-readable and contains information that can also be used by the customer for handling and product management.

Each piece of information can be uniquely identified using the so-called data identifier (ANSI MH10.8.2-2016). The data identifier is followed by a character string. Both together have a maximum length according to the table below. If the information is shorter, spaces are added to it.

Following information is possible, positions 1 to 4 are always present, the other according to need of production:

Position	Type of information	Explanation	Data identifier	Number of digits incl. data identifier	Example
1	Beckhoff order number	<b>Beckhoff order number</b>	1P	8	<b>1P</b> 072222
2	Beckhoff Traceability Number (BTN)	<b>Unique serial number, see note below</b>	SBTN	12	<b>S</b> BTNk4p562d7
3	Article description	<b>Beckhoff article description, e.g. EL1008</b>	1K	32	<b>1K</b> EL1809
4	Quantity	<b>Quantity in packaging unit, e.g. 1, 10, etc.</b>	Q	6	<b>Q</b> 1
5	Batch number	Optional: Year and week of production	2P	14	<b>2P</b> 401503180016
6	ID/serial number	Optional: Present-day serial number system, e.g. with safety products	51S	12	<b>51S</b> 678294
7	Variant number	Optional: Product variant number on the basis of standard products	30P	32	<b>30P</b> F971, 2*K183
...					

Further types of information and data identifiers are used by Beckhoff and serve internal processes.

### Structure of the BIC

Example of composite information from positions 1 to 4 and with the above given example value on position 6. The data identifiers are highlighted in bold font:

**1P**072222**S**BTNk4p562d7**1K**EL1809 **Q**1 **51S**678294

Accordingly as DMC:



Fig. 3: Example DMC **1P**072222**S**BTNk4p562d7**1K**EL1809 **Q**1 **51S**678294

### BTN

An important component of the BIC is the Beckhoff Traceability Number (BTN, position 2). The BTN is a unique serial number consisting of eight characters that will replace all other serial number systems at Beckhoff in the long term (e.g. batch designations on IO components, previous serial number range for safety products, etc.). The BTN will also be introduced step by step, so it may happen that the BTN is not yet coded in the BIC.

#### NOTE

This information has been carefully prepared. However, the procedure described is constantly being further developed. We reserve the right to revise and change procedures and documentation at any time and without prior notice. No claims for changes can be made from the information, illustrations and descriptions in this information.

## 1.5.4 Electronic access to the BIC (eBIC)

### Electronic BIC (eBIC)

The Beckhoff Identification Code (BIC) is applied to the outside of Beckhoff products in a visible place. If possible, it should also be electronically readable.

Decisive for the electronic readout is the interface via which the product can be electronically addressed.

### K-bus devices (IP20, IP67)

Currently, no electronic storage and readout is planned for these devices.

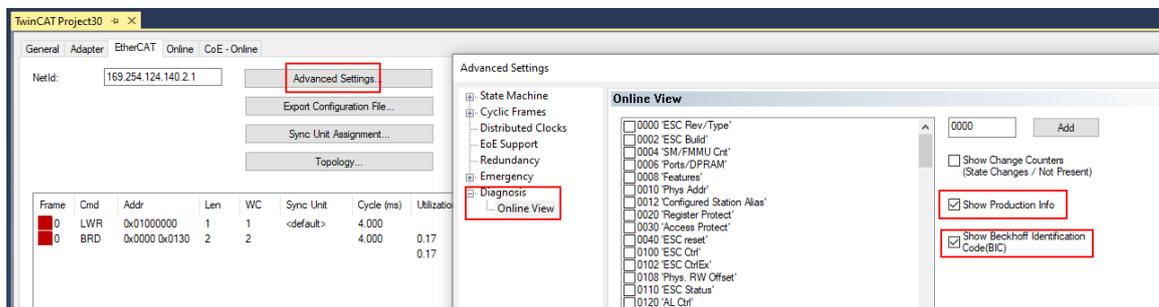
### EtherCAT devices (IP20, IP67)

All Beckhoff EtherCAT devices have a so-called ESI-EEPROM, which contains the EtherCAT identity with the revision number. Stored in it is the EtherCAT slave information, also colloquially known as ESI/XML configuration file for the EtherCAT master. See the corresponding chapter in the EtherCAT system manual ([Link](#)) for the relationships.

The eBIC is also stored in the ESI-EEPROM. The eBIC was introduced into the Beckhoff I/O production (terminals, boxes) from 2020; widespread implementation is expected in 2021.

The user can electronically access the eBIC (if existent) as follows:

- With all EtherCAT devices, the EtherCAT master (TwinCAT) can read the eBIC from the ESI-EEPROM
  - From TwinCAT 3.1 build 4024.11, the eBIC can be displayed in the online view.
  - To do this, check the checkbox "Show Beckhoff Identification Code (BIC)" under EtherCAT → Advanced Settings → Diagnostics:



- The BTN and its contents are then displayed:

No	Addr	Name	State	CRC	Fw	Hw	Production Data	ItemNo	BTN	Description	Quantity	BatchNo	SerialNo
1	1001	Term 1 (EK1100)	OP	0,0	0	0	---						
2	1002	Term 2 (EL1018)	OP	0,0	0	0	2020 KW36 Fr	072222	k4p562d7	EL1809	1		678294
3	1003	Term 3 (EL3204)	OP	0,0	7	6	2012 KW24 Sa						
4	1004	Term 4 (EL2004)	OP	0,0	0	0	---	072223	k4p562d7	EL2004	1		678295
5	1005	Term 5 (EL1008)	OP	0,0	0	0	---						
6	1006	Term 6 (EL2008)	OP	0,0	0	12	2014 KW14 Mo						
7	1007	Term 7 (EK1110)	OP	0	1	8	2012 KW25 Mo						

- Note: as can be seen in the illustration, the production data HW version, FW version and production date, which have been programmed since 2012, can also be displayed with "Show Production Info".
- From TwinCAT 3.1. build 4024.24 the functions *FB\_EcReadBIC* and *FB\_EcReadBTN* for reading into the PLC and further eBIC auxiliary functions are available in the Tc2\_EtherCAT Library from v3.3.19.0.
- In the case of EtherCAT devices with CoE directory, the object 0x10E2:01 can additionally be used to display the device's own eBIC; the PLC can also simply access the information here:

- The device must be in SAFEOP/OP for access:

Index	Name	Flags	Value
1000	Device type	RO	0x015E1389 (22942601)
1008	Device name	RO	ELM3704-0000
1009	Hardware version	RO	00
100A	Software version	RO	01
100B	Bootloader version	RO	J0.1.27.0
1011:0	Restore default parameters	RO	> 1 <
1018:0	Identity	RO	> 4 <
10E2:0	Manufacturer-specific Identification C...	RO	> 1 <
10E2:01	SubIndex 001	RO	1P158442SBTN0008jekp1KELM3704 Q1 2P482001000016
10F0:0	Backup parameter handling	RO	> 1 <
10F3:0	Diagnosis History	RO	> 21 <
10F8	Actual Time Stamp	RO	0x170bfb277e

- the object 0x10E2 will be introduced into stock products in the course of a necessary firmware revision.
- From TwinCAT 3.1. build 4024.24 the functions *FB\_EcCoEReadBIC* and *FB\_EcCoEReadBTN* for reading into the PLC and further eBIC auxiliary functions are available in the *Tc2\_EtherCAT Library* from v3.3.19.0.
- Note: in the case of electronic further processing, the BTN is to be handled as a string(8); the identifier "SBTN" is not part of the BTN.
- Technical background  
The new BIC information is additionally written as a category in the ESI-EEPROM during the device production. The structure of the ESI content is largely dictated by the ETG specifications, therefore the additional vendor-specific content is stored with the help of a category according to ETG.2010. ID 03 indicates to all EtherCAT masters that they must not overwrite these data in case of an update or restore the data after an ESI update.  
The structure follows the content of the BIC, see there. This results in a memory requirement of approx. 50..200 bytes in the EEPROM.
- Special cases
  - If multiple, hierarchically arranged ESCs are installed in a device, only the top-level ESC carries the eBIC Information.
  - If multiple, non-hierarchically arranged ESCs are installed in a device, all ESCs carry the eBIC Information.
  - If the device consists of several sub-devices with their own identity, but only the top-level device is accessible via EtherCAT, the eBIC of the top-level device is located in the CoE object directory 0x10E2:01 and the eBICs of the sub-devices follow in 0x10E2:nn.

### Profibus/Profinet/DeviceNet... Devices

Currently, no electronic storage and readout is planned for these devices.

## 2 Product description

### 2.1 EL3602, EL3602-0002, EL3602-0010, EL3602-0020

#### 2.1.1 Introduction

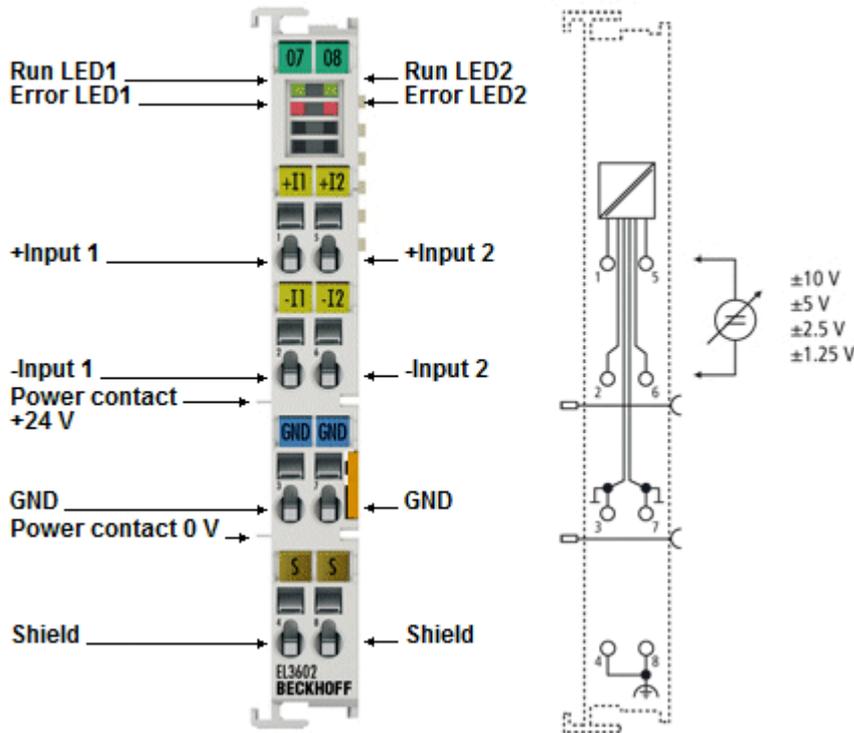


Fig. 4: EL3602

#### 2 channel analog input terminal -10 V... +10 V, -75 mV... +75 mV, -200 mV...+200 mV, differential inputs, 24 bits

The EL3602 (EL3602-00xx) analog input terminal handles signals in the range between -10 V and +10 V. The voltage is digitized to a resolution of 24 bits, and is transmitted, electrically isolated, to the higher-level automation device. The input channels of the EtherCAT Terminal are differential inputs and possess a common, internal ground potential. The signal state of the EtherCAT Terminal is indicated by light emitting diodes.

In addition to the standard versions, the EL3602-0010 with a voltage range from -75 mV to +75 mV and the EL3602-0002 with a voltage range from -200 mV to +200 mV are available; besides the EL3602-0020 with [factory calibration certificate](#) [▶ 41].

#### Quick links

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## 2.1.2 Technical data

Technical data	EL3602-0000	EL3602-0020	EL3602-0010	EL3602-0002
Number of inputs	2			
Resolution	24 bit (including sign)			
Sampling type	Multiplex			
Ground reference	differential			
Signal voltage	- 10 V ... + 10 V (switchable +/- 5 V, +/-2.5 V, +/-1.25 V)		- 75 mV ... + 75 mV (not switchable)	- 200 mV ... + 200 mV (not switchable)
Input filter limit frequency	3 kHz		10 kHz	10 kHz
Conversion time	see <a href="#">table conversion times [► 154]</a>			
Measuring error	< ±0.01 % (Initial accuracy <sup>*)</sup> at 25°C, 50 Hz filter, 10 V range, relative to full scale value)  < ± 0.5% (Initial accuracy <sup>*)</sup> when the extended temperature range is used)		< ±0.05 % (Initial accuracy <sup>*)</sup> at 25°C, 50 Hz filter, relative to full scale value)	
Internal resistance	> 200 kΩ			
Common-mode voltage U <sub>cm</sub>	35 V max.			
Differential dielectric strength - destruction limit	45 V max.			
Crosstalk attenuation	> 60 dB			
Power supply for electronics	via the E-bus			
Current consumption via E-bus	typ. 190 mA			
Supports <a href="#">NoCoeStorage [► 30]</a> function	yes, from firmware 01			
Special features	-	with <a href="#">calibration certificate [► 41]</a>	-	-
Electrical isolation	500 V (E-bus/signal voltage)			
Configuration	via TwinCAT System Manager			
Weight	approx. 60 g			
Permissible ambient temperature range during operation	-25 °C ... +60 °C (extended temperature range)	0 °C ... +55°C	0 °C ... +55°C	
Permissible ambient temperature range during storage	-40 °C ... +85 °C	-25 °C ... +85 °C	-25 °C ... +85 °C	
Permissible relative humidity	95%, no condensation			
Dimensions (W x H x D)	approx. 15 mm x 100 mm x 70 mm (width aligned: 12 mm)			
<a href="#">Mounting [► 43]</a>	on 35 mm mounting rail conforms to EN 60715			
Increased mechanical load capacity	yes, see also <a href="#">installation instructions for terminals with increased mechanical load capacity [► 46]</a>			-
Vibration/shock resistance	conforms to EN 60068-2-6 / EN 60068-2-27			
EMC immunity/emission	conforms to EN 61000-6-2 / EN 61000-6-4			
Protection class	IP20			
Installation position	variable			
Marking / Approval <sup>*)</sup>	CE, EAC, UKCA ATEX <a href="#">[► 38]</a> , cULus <a href="#">[► 40]</a>	CE, EAC, UKCA ATEX <a href="#">[► 37]</a> , cULus <a href="#">[► 40]</a>	CE, EAC, UKCA ATEX <a href="#">[► 37]</a> , cULus <a href="#">[► 40]</a>	

\*) Real applicable approvals/markings see type plate on the side (product marking).

\*\*) Notes concerning ageing effects on request

### Ex marking

Standard	Marking
ATEX	II 3 G Ex nA IIC T4 Gc

## 2.2 EL3612, EL3612-0020

### 2.2.1 Introduction

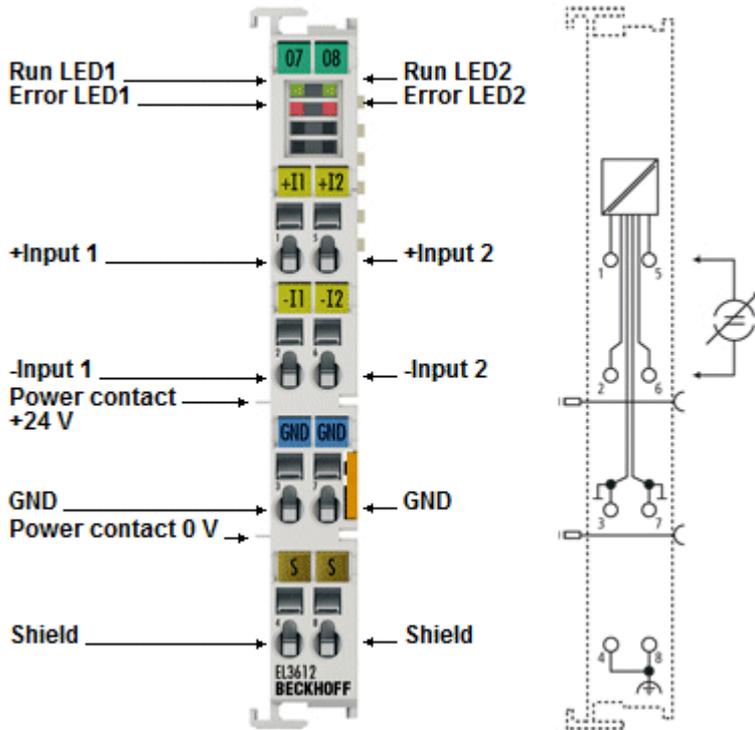


Fig. 5: EL3612

#### 2 channel analog input terminal 0 ... 20 mA, differential inputs, 24 bits

The EL3612 (EL3612-0020) analog input terminal handles signals in the range from 0 to 20 mA. The voltage is digitized to a resolution of 24 bits, and is transmitted, electrically isolated, to the higher-level automation device. The input channels of the EtherCAT Terminal are differential inputs and possess a common, internal ground potential. The signal state of the EtherCAT Terminal is indicated by light emitting diodes.

Additionally the EL3612-0020 is available with [factory calibration certificate](#) [▶ 41].

#### Quick links

- [EtherCAT basics](#)
- [Commissioning](#) [▶ 63]
- [Process data and operating modes](#) [▶ 149]
- [Object description and parameterization](#) [▶ 138]
- [Firmware update](#) [▶ 180]

## 2.2.2 Technical data

Technical data	EL3612	EL3612-0020
Number of inputs	2	
Resolution	24 bit	
Sampling type	Multiplex	
Ground reference	differential	
Signal current	0mA ... 20 mA	
Max. input frequency	3 kHz	
Conversion time	see <a href="#">table conversion times [► 154]</a>	
Measuring error	$< \pm 0.01\%$ (Initial accuracy**) at 25°C, 50 Hz filter, relative to full scale value) $< \pm 0.5\%$ (Initial accuracy**) when the extended temperature range is used)	
Internal resistance	85 $\Omega$ type. + diode voltage	
Common-mode voltage $U_{cm}$	10 V max.	
Crosstalk attenuation	> 60 dB	
Power supply for electronics	via the E-bus	
Supports <a href="#">NoCoeStorage [► 30]</a> function	yes, from firmware 01	
Special features	-	with <a href="#">calibration certificate [► 41]</a>
Current consumption via E-bus	typ. 190 mA	
Electrical isolation	500 V (E-bus/signal voltage)	
Configuration	via TwinCAT System Manager	
Weight	approx. 60 g	
Permissible ambient temperature range during operation	-25 °C ... +60 °C (extended temperature range)	0°C ... +55°C
Permissible ambient temperature range during storage	-40 °C ... +85 °C	-25°C ... +85°C
Permissible relative humidity	95%, no condensation	
Dimensions (W x H x D)	approx. 15 mm x 100 mm x 70 mm (width aligned: 12 mm)	
<a href="#">Mounting [► 43]</a>	on 35 mm mounting rail conforms to EN 60715	
Increased mechanical load capacity	yes, see also <a href="#">installation instructions for terminals with increased mechanical load capacity [► 46]</a>	
Vibration/shock resistance	conforms to EN 60068-2-6 / EN 60068-2-27	
EMC immunity/emission	conforms to EN 61000-6-2 / EN 61000-6-4	
Protection class	IP20	
Installation position	variable	
Marking / Approval <sup>*)</sup>	CE, EAC, UKCA <a href="#">ATEX [► 38]</a> , <a href="#">cULus [► 40]</a>	CE, EAC, UKCA <a href="#">ATEX [► 37]</a> . <a href="#">cULus [► 40]</a>

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\*\*) Notes concerning ageing effects on request

### Ex marking

Standard	Marking
ATEX	II 3 G Ex nA IIC T4 Gc

## 2.3 EL3621-0020

### 2.3.1 Introduction

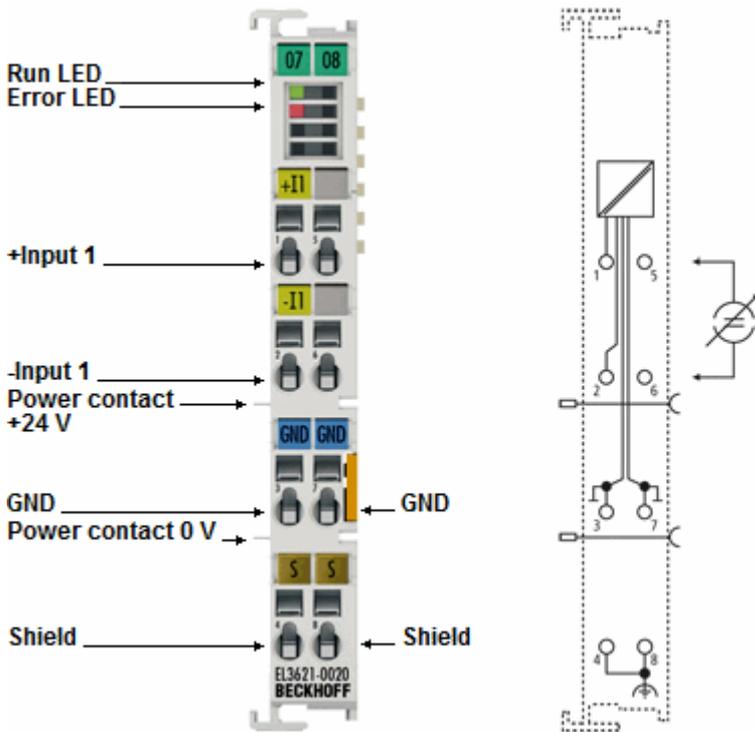


Fig. 6: EL3621-0020

#### 1-channel analog input terminal 4...20 mA, differential input, 24 bit

The EL3621-0020 analog input terminal with [factory calibration certificate \[► 41\]](#) handles signals in the range between 4 and 20 mA. The voltage is digitised to a resolution of 24 bit and is transmitted, electrically isolated, to the higher-level automation device. The terminal has a differential input. The signal state of the EtherCAT Terminal is indicated by light emitting diodes.

#### Quick links

- [EtherCAT basics](#)
- [Commissioning \[► 63\]](#)
- [Process data and operating modes \[► 149\]](#)
- [Object description and parameterization \[► 138\]](#)
- [Firmware update \[► 180\]](#)

## 2.3.2 Technical data

Technical data	EL3621-0020
Number of inputs	1
Resolution	24 bit (incl. sign)
Sampling type	simultaneous
Ground reference	differential
Signal current	4 ... 20 mA
Max. input frequency	3 kHz
Conversion time	1...400 ms configurable
Measuring error	< ±0.01 % (Initial accuracy**) at 25°C, 50 Hz filter, relative to full scale value)
Internal resistance	85 Ω type. + diode voltage
Common-mode voltage $U_{cm}$	10 V max.
Crosstalk attenuation	> 60 dB
Power supply for electronics	via the E-bus
Current consumption via E-bus	typ. 190 mA
Electrical isolation	500 V (E-bus/signal voltage)
Configuration	via TwinCAT System Manager
Special features	various filter times, limit evaluation, high precision, with calibration certificate [▶ 41]
Weight	approx. 60 g
Permissible ambient temperature range during operation	0°C ... + 55°C
Permissible ambient temperature range during storage	-25°C ... +85 °C
Permissible relative humidity	95%, no condensation
Dimensions (W x H x D)	approx. 15 mm x 100 mm x 70 mm (width aligned: 12 mm)
<u>Mounting</u> [▶ 43]	on 35 mm mounting rail conforms to EN 60715
Vibration/shock resistance	conforms to EN 60068-2-6 / EN 60068-2-27
EMC immunity/emission	conforms to EN 61000-6-2 / EN 61000-6-4
Protection class	IP20
Installation position	variable
Marking / Approval <sup>†)</sup>	CE, EAC, UKCA

\*) Real applicable approvals/markings see type plate on the side (product marking).

\*\*\*) Notes concerning ageing effects on request

## 2.4 Start

For commissioning:

- mount the EL36xx as described in the chapter [Mounting and wiring](#) [▶ 36]
- configure the EL36xx in TwinCAT as described in the chapter [Commissioning](#) [▶ 63].

## 3 Basics communication

### 3.1 EtherCAT basics

Please refer to the [EtherCAT System Documentation](#) for the EtherCAT fieldbus basics.

### 3.2 EtherCAT cabling – wire-bound

The cable length between two EtherCAT devices must not exceed 100 m. This results from the FastEthernet technology, which, above all for reasons of signal attenuation over the length of the cable, allows a maximum link length of 5 + 90 + 5 m if cables with appropriate properties are used. See also the [Design recommendations for the infrastructure for EtherCAT/Ethernet](#).

#### Cables and connectors

For connecting EtherCAT devices only Ethernet connections (cables + plugs) that meet the requirements of at least category 5 (Cat5) according to EN 50173 or ISO/IEC 11801 should be used. EtherCAT uses 4 wires for signal transfer.

EtherCAT uses RJ45 plug connectors, for example. The pin assignment is compatible with the Ethernet standard (ISO/IEC 8802-3).

Pin	Color of conductor	Signal	Description
1	yellow	TD +	Transmission Data +
2	orange	TD -	Transmission Data -
3	white	RD +	Receiver Data +
6	blue	RD -	Receiver Data -

Due to automatic cable detection (auto-crossing) symmetric (1:1) or cross-over cables can be used between EtherCAT devices from Beckhoff.

#### Recommended cables

It is recommended to use the appropriate Beckhoff components e.g.

- cable sets ZK1090-9191-xxxx respectively
- RJ45 connector, field assembly ZS1090-0005
- EtherCAT cable, field assembly ZB9010, ZB9020

Suitable cables for the connection of EtherCAT devices can be found on the [Beckhoff website!](#)

#### E-Bus supply

A bus coupler can supply the EL terminals added to it with the E-bus system voltage of 5 V; a coupler is thereby loadable up to 2 A as a rule (see details in respective device documentation). Information on how much current each EL terminal requires from the E-bus supply is available online and in the catalogue. If the added terminals require more current than the coupler can supply, then power feed terminals (e.g. [EL9410](#)) must be inserted at appropriate places in the terminal strand.

The pre-calculated theoretical maximum E-Bus current is displayed in the TwinCAT System Manager. A shortfall is marked by a negative total amount and an exclamation mark; a power feed terminal is to be placed before such a position.

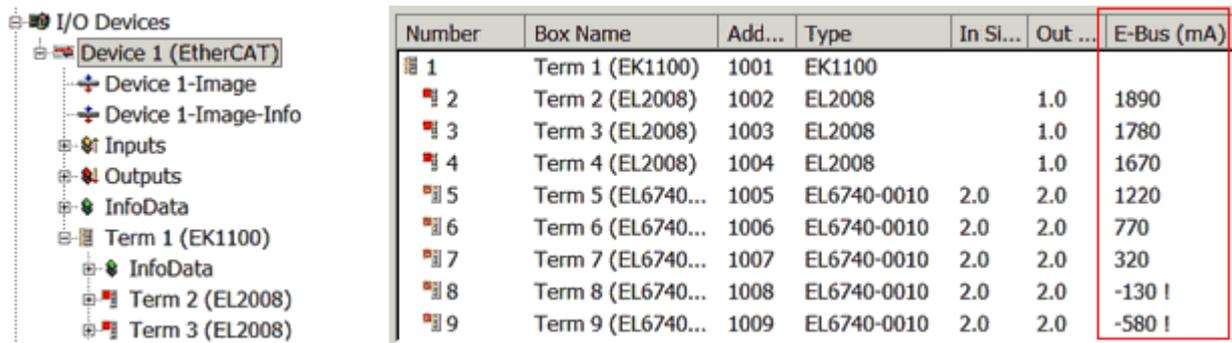


Fig. 7: System manager current calculation

**NOTE**

**Malfunction possible!**

The same ground potential must be used for the E-Bus supply of all EtherCAT terminals in a terminal block!

### 3.3 General notes for setting the watchdog

ELxxxx terminals are equipped with a safety feature (watchdog) that switches off the outputs after a specifiable time e.g. in the event of an interruption of the process data traffic, depending on the device and settings, e.g. in OFF state.

The EtherCAT slave controller (ESC) features two watchdogs:

- SM watchdog (default: 100 ms)
- PDI watchdog (default: 100 ms)

#### SM watchdog (SyncManager Watchdog)

The SyncManager watchdog is reset after each successful EtherCAT process data communication with the terminal. If no EtherCAT process data communication takes place with the terminal for longer than the set and activated SM watchdog time, e.g. in the event of a line interruption, the watchdog is triggered and the outputs are set to FALSE. The OP state of the terminal is unaffected. The watchdog is only reset after a successful EtherCAT process data access. Set the monitoring time as described below.

The SyncManager watchdog monitors correct and timely process data communication with the ESC from the EtherCAT side.

#### PDI watchdog (Process Data Watchdog)

If no PDI communication with the EtherCAT slave controller (ESC) takes place for longer than the set and activated PDI watchdog time, this watchdog is triggered.

PDI (Process Data Interface) is the internal interface between the ESC and local processors in the EtherCAT slave, for example. The PDI watchdog can be used to monitor this communication for failure.

The PDI watchdog monitors correct and timely process data communication with the ESC from the application side.

The settings of the SM- and PDI-watchdog must be done for each slave separately in the TwinCAT System Manager.

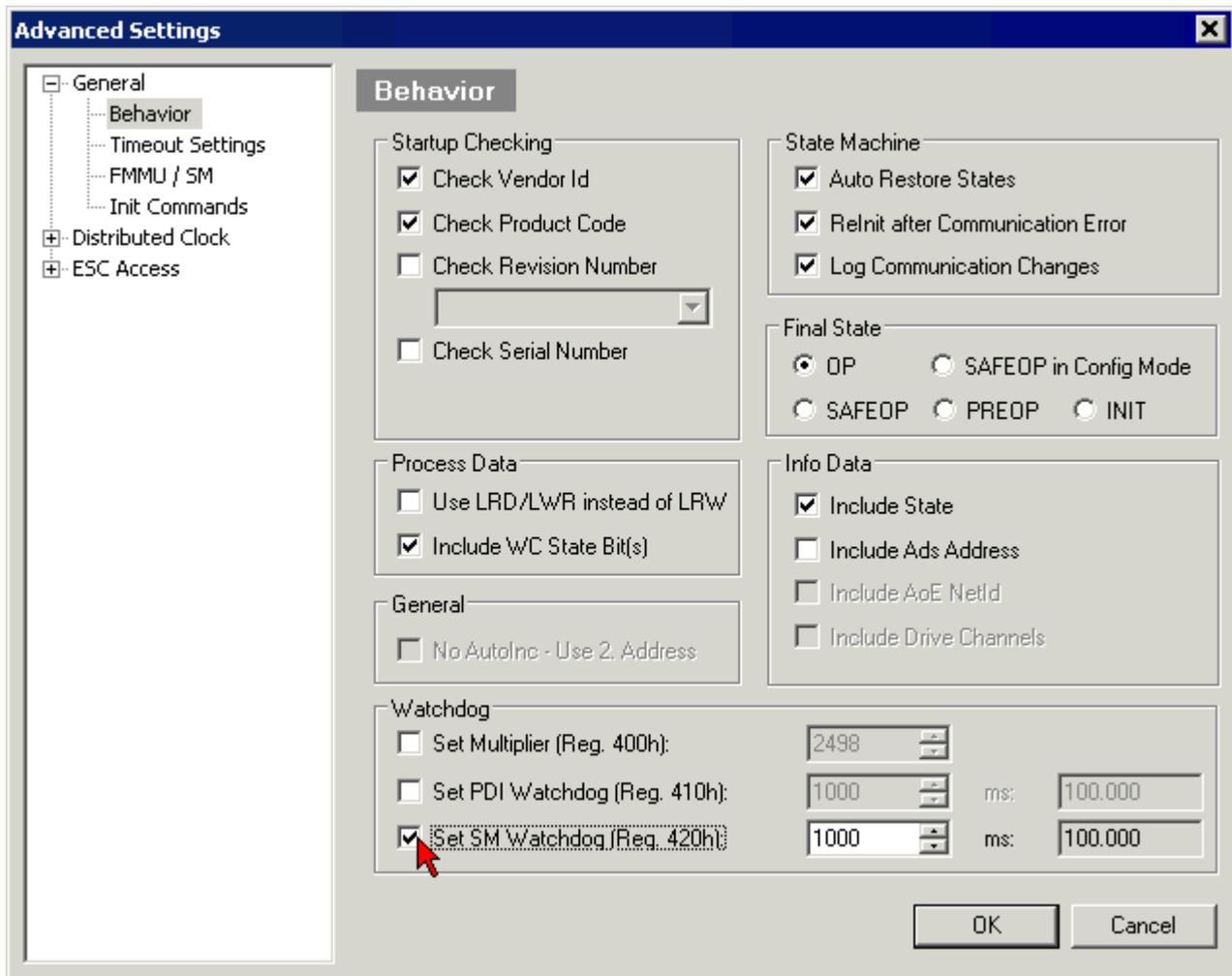


Fig. 8: EtherCAT tab -> Advanced Settings -> Behavior -> Watchdog

#### Notes:

- the multiplier is valid for both watchdogs.
- each watchdog has its own timer setting, the outcome of this in summary with the multiplier is a resulting time.
- Important: the multiplier/timer setting is only loaded into the slave at the start up, if the checkbox is activated.  
If the checkbox is not activated, nothing is downloaded and the ESC settings remain unchanged.

#### Multiplier

Both watchdogs receive their pulses from the local terminal cycle, divided by the watchdog multiplier:

$$1/25 \text{ MHz} * (\text{watchdog multiplier} + 2) = 100 \mu\text{s} \text{ (for default setting of 2498 for the multiplier)}$$

The standard setting of 1000 for the SM watchdog corresponds to a release time of 100 ms.

The value in multiplier + 2 corresponds to the number of basic 40 ns ticks representing a watchdog tick. The multiplier can be modified in order to adjust the watchdog time over a larger range.

#### Example "Set SM watchdog"

This checkbox enables manual setting of the watchdog times. If the outputs are set and the EtherCAT communication is interrupted, the SM watchdog is triggered after the set time and the outputs are erased. This setting can be used for adapting a terminal to a slower EtherCAT master or long cycle times. The default SM watchdog setting is 100 ms. The setting range is 0...65535. Together with a multiplier with a range of 1...65535 this covers a watchdog period between 0...~170 seconds.

**Calculation**

Multiplier = 2498 → watchdog base time = 1 / 25 MHz \* (2498 + 2) = 0.0001 seconds = 100 μs  
 SM watchdog = 10000 → 10000 \* 100 μs = 1 second watchdog monitoring time

**⚠ CAUTION**

**Undefined state possible!**  
 The function for switching off of the SM watchdog via SM watchdog = 0 is only implemented in terminals from version -0016. In previous versions this operating mode should not be used.

**⚠ CAUTION**

**Damage of devices and undefined state possible!**  
 If the SM watchdog is activated and a value of 0 is entered the watchdog switches off completely. This is the deactivation of the watchdog! Set outputs are NOT set in a safe state, if the communication is interrupted.

### 3.4 EtherCAT State Machine

The state of the EtherCAT slave is controlled via the EtherCAT State Machine (ESM). Depending upon the state, different functions are accessible or executable in the EtherCAT slave. Specific commands must be sent by the EtherCAT master to the device in each state, particularly during the bootup of the slave.

A distinction is made between the following states:

- Init
- Pre-Operational
- Safe-Operational and
- Operational
- Boot

The regular state of each EtherCAT slave after bootup is the OP state.

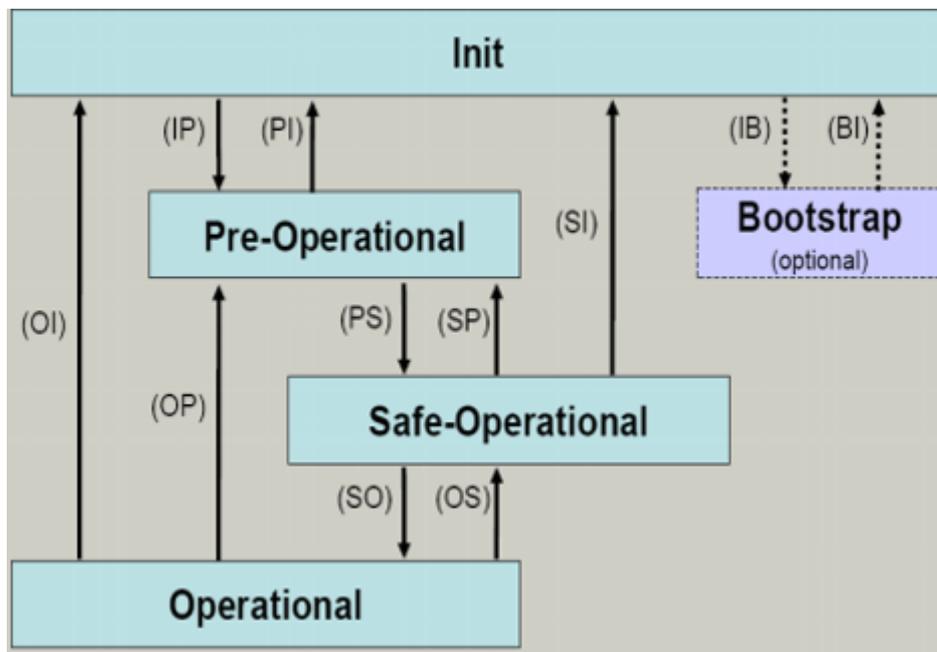


Fig. 9: States of the EtherCAT State Machine

**Init**

After switch-on the EtherCAT slave in the *Init* state. No mailbox or process data communication is possible. The EtherCAT master initializes sync manager channels 0 and 1 for mailbox communication.

**Pre-Operational (Pre-Op)**

During the transition between *Init* and *Pre-Op* the EtherCAT slave checks whether the mailbox was initialized correctly.

In *Pre-Op* state mailbox communication is possible, but not process data communication. The EtherCAT master initializes the sync manager channels for process data (from sync manager channel 2), the FMMU channels and, if the slave supports configurable mapping, PDO mapping or the sync manager PDO assignment. In this state the settings for the process data transfer and perhaps terminal-specific parameters that may differ from the default settings are also transferred.

**Safe-Operational (Safe-Op)**

During transition between *Pre-Op* and *Safe-Op* the EtherCAT slave checks whether the sync manager channels for process data communication and, if required, the distributed clocks settings are correct. Before it acknowledges the change of state, the EtherCAT slave copies current input data into the associated DP-RAM areas of the EtherCAT slave controller (ECSC).

In *Safe-Op* state mailbox and process data communication is possible, although the slave keeps its outputs in a safe state, while the input data are updated cyclically.

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**● Outputs in SAFEOP state**

**i** The default set [watchdog \[▶ 27\]](#) monitoring sets the outputs of the module in a safe state - depending on the settings in SAFEOP and OP - e.g. in OFF state. If this is prevented by deactivation of the watchdog monitoring in the module, the outputs can be switched or set also in the SAFEOP state.

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**Operational (Op)**

Before the EtherCAT master switches the EtherCAT slave from *Safe-Op* to *Op* it must transfer valid output data.

In the *Op* state the slave copies the output data of the masters to its outputs. Process data and mailbox communication is possible.

**Boot**

In the *Boot* state the slave firmware can be updated. The *Boot* state can only be reached via the *Init* state.

In the *Boot* state mailbox communication via the *file access over EtherCAT* (FoE) protocol is possible, but no other mailbox communication and no process data communication.

## 3.5 CoE Interface

**General description**

The CoE interface (CAN application protocol over EtherCAT)) is used for parameter management of EtherCAT devices. EtherCAT slaves or the EtherCAT master manage fixed (read only) or variable parameters which they require for operation, diagnostics or commissioning.

CoE parameters are arranged in a table hierarchy. In principle, the user has read access via the fieldbus. The EtherCAT master (TwinCAT System Manager) can access the local CoE lists of the slaves via EtherCAT in read or write mode, depending on the attributes.

Different CoE parameter types are possible, including string (text), integer numbers, Boolean values or larger byte fields. They can be used to describe a wide range of features. Examples of such parameters include manufacturer ID, serial number, process data settings, device name, calibration values for analog measurement or passwords.

The order is specified in two levels via hexadecimal numbering: (main)index, followed by subindex. The value ranges are

- Index: 0x0000 ...0xFFFF (0...65535<sub>dec</sub>)
- SubIndex: 0x00...0xFF (0...255<sub>dec</sub>)

A parameter localized in this way is normally written as 0x8010:07, with preceding "0x" to identify the hexadecimal numerical range and a colon between index and subindex.

The relevant ranges for EtherCAT fieldbus users are:

- 0x1000: This is where fixed identity information for the device is stored, including name, manufacturer, serial number etc., plus information about the current and available process data configurations.
- 0x8000: This is where the operational and functional parameters for all channels are stored, such as filter settings or output frequency.

Other important ranges are:

- 0x4000: here are the channel parameters for some EtherCAT devices. Historically, this was the first parameter area before the 0x8000 area was introduced. EtherCAT devices that were previously equipped with parameters in 0x4000 and changed to 0x8000 support both ranges for compatibility reasons and mirror internally.
- 0x6000: Input PDOs ("input" from the perspective of the EtherCAT master)
- 0x7000: Output PDOs ("output" from the perspective of the EtherCAT master)

**i Availability**

Not every EtherCAT device must have a CoE list. Simple I/O modules without dedicated processor usually have no variable parameters and therefore no CoE list.

If a device has a CoE list, it is shown in the TwinCAT System Manager as a separate tab with a listing of the elements:

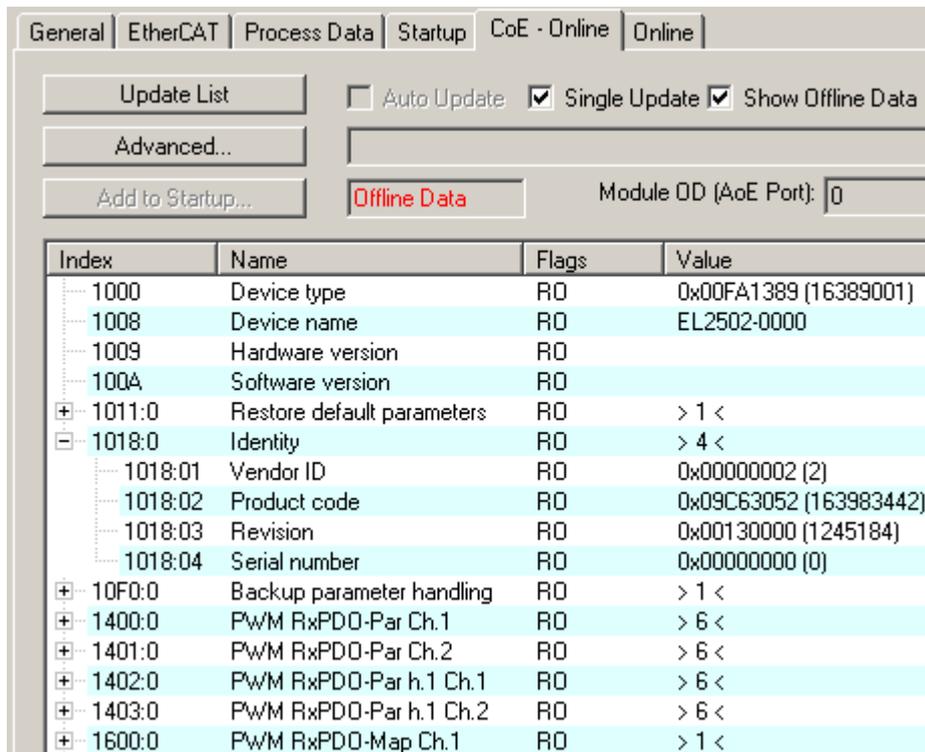


Fig. 10: "CoE Online" tab

The figure above shows the CoE objects available in device “EL2502”, ranging from 0x1000 to 0x1600. The subindices for 0x1018 are expanded.

### Data management and function “NoCoeStorage”

Some parameters, particularly the setting parameters of the slave, are configurable and writeable. This can be done in write or read mode

- via the System Manager (Fig. “CoE Online” tab) by clicking  
This is useful for commissioning of the system/slaves. Click on the row of the index to be parameterized and enter a value in the “SetValue” dialog.
- from the control system/PLC via ADS, e.g. through blocks from the TcEtherCAT.lib library  
This is recommended for modifications while the system is running or if no System Manager or operating staff are available.

#### ● Data management



If slave CoE parameters are modified online, Beckhoff devices store any changes in a fail-safe manner in the EEPROM, i.e. the modified CoE parameters are still available after a restart. The situation may be different with other manufacturers.

An EEPROM is subject to a limited lifetime with respect to write operations. From typically 100,000 write operations onwards it can no longer be guaranteed that new (changed) data are reliably saved or are still readable. This is irrelevant for normal commissioning. However, if CoE parameters are continuously changed via ADS at machine runtime, it is quite possible for the lifetime limit to be reached. Support for the NoCoeStorage function, which suppresses the saving of changed CoE values, depends on the firmware version.

Please refer to the technical data in this documentation as to whether this applies to the respective device.

- If the function is supported: the function is activated by entering the code word 0x12345678 once in CoE 0xF008 and remains active as long as the code word is not changed. After switching the device on it is then inactive. Changed CoE values are not saved in the EEPROM and can thus be changed any number of times.
- Function is not supported: continuous changing of CoE values is not permissible in view of the lifetime limit.

#### ● Startup list



Changes in the local CoE list of the terminal are lost if the terminal is replaced. If a terminal is replaced with a new Beckhoff terminal, it will have the default settings. It is therefore advisable to link all changes in the CoE list of an EtherCAT slave with the Startup list of the slave, which is processed whenever the EtherCAT fieldbus is started. In this way a replacement EtherCAT slave can automatically be parameterized with the specifications of the user.

If EtherCAT slaves are used which are unable to store local CoE values permanently, the Startup list must be used.

### Recommended approach for manual modification of CoE parameters

- Make the required change in the System Manager  
The values are stored locally in the EtherCAT slave
- If the value is to be stored permanently, enter it in the Startup list.  
The order of the Startup entries is usually irrelevant.

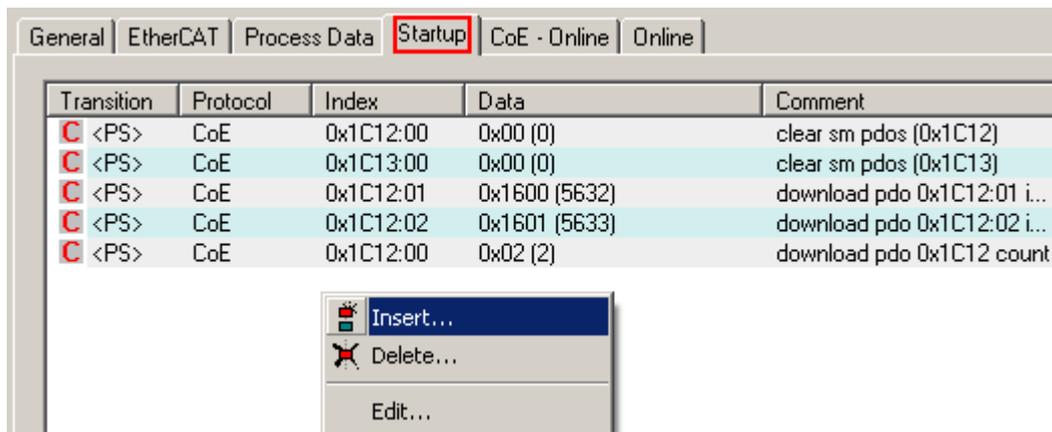


Fig. 11: Startup list in the TwinCAT System Manager

The Startup list may already contain values that were configured by the System Manager based on the ESI specifications. Additional application-specific entries can be created.

**Online/offline list**

While working with the TwinCAT System Manager, a distinction has to be made whether the EtherCAT device is “available”, i.e. switched on and linked via EtherCAT and therefore **online**, or whether a configuration is created **offline** without connected slaves.

In both cases a CoE list as shown in Fig. “CoE online tab” is displayed. The connectivity is shown as offline/online.

- If the slave is offline
  - The offline list from the ESI file is displayed. In this case modifications are not meaningful or possible.
  - The configured status is shown under Identity.
  - No firmware or hardware version is displayed, since these are features of the physical device.
  - **Offline** is shown in red.

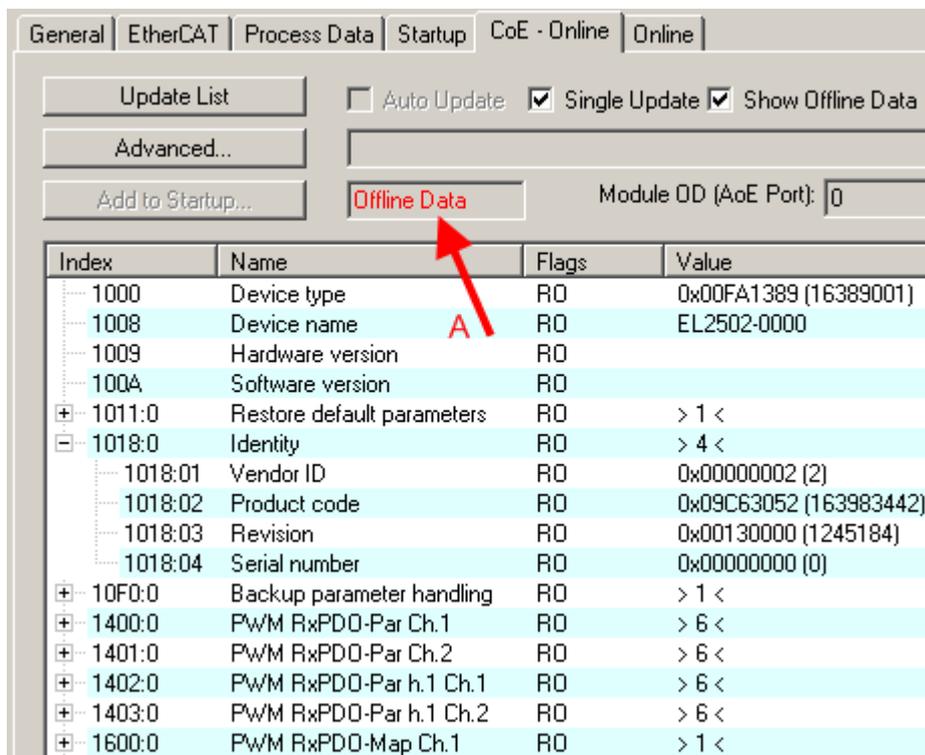


Fig. 12: Offline list

- If the slave is online
  - The actual current slave list is read. This may take several seconds, depending on the size and cycle time.
  - The actual identity is displayed
  - The firmware and hardware version of the equipment according to the electronic information is displayed
  - **Online** is shown in green.

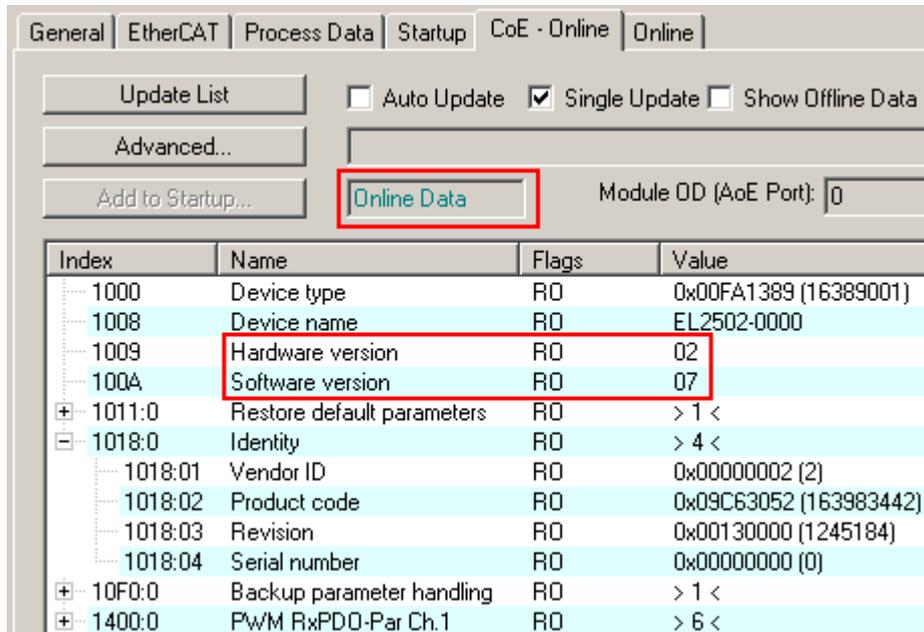


Fig. 13: Online list

### Channel-based order

The CoE list is available in EtherCAT devices that usually feature several functionally equivalent channels. For example, a 4-channel analog 0...10 V input terminal also has four logical channels and therefore four identical sets of parameter data for the channels. In order to avoid having to list each channel in the documentation, the placeholder “n” tends to be used for the individual channel numbers.

In the CoE system 16 indices, each with 255 subindices, are generally sufficient for representing all channel parameters. The channel-based order is therefore arranged in  $16_{\text{dec}}/10_{\text{hex}}$  steps. The parameter range 0x8000 exemplifies this:

- Channel 0: parameter range 0x8000:00 ... 0x800F:255
- Channel 1: parameter range 0x8010:00 ... 0x801F:255
- Channel 2: parameter range 0x8020:00 ... 0x802F:255
- ...

This is generally written as 0x80n0.

Detailed information on the CoE interface can be found in the [EtherCAT system documentation](#) on the Beckhoff website.

## 3.6 Distributed Clock

The distributed clock represents a local clock in the EtherCAT slave controller (ESC) with the following characteristics:

- Unit *1 ns*
- Zero point *1.1.2000 00:00*
- Size *64 bit* (sufficient for the next 584 years; however, some EtherCAT slaves only offer 32-bit support, i.e. the variable overflows after approx. 4.2 seconds)
- The EtherCAT master automatically synchronizes the local clock with the master clock in the EtherCAT bus with a precision of < 100 ns.

For detailed information please refer to the [EtherCAT system description](#).

## 4 Mounting and wiring

### 4.1 Instructions for ESD protection

#### NOTE

##### **Destruction of the devices by electrostatic discharge possible!**

The devices contain components at risk from electrostatic discharge caused by improper handling.

- Please ensure you are electrostatically discharged and avoid touching the contacts of the device directly.
- Avoid contact with highly insulating materials (synthetic fibers, plastic film etc.).
- Surroundings (working place, packaging and personnel) should be grounded probably, when handling with the devices.
- Each assembly must be terminated at the right hand end with an [EL9011](#) or [EL9012](#) bus end cap, to ensure the protection class and ESD protection.

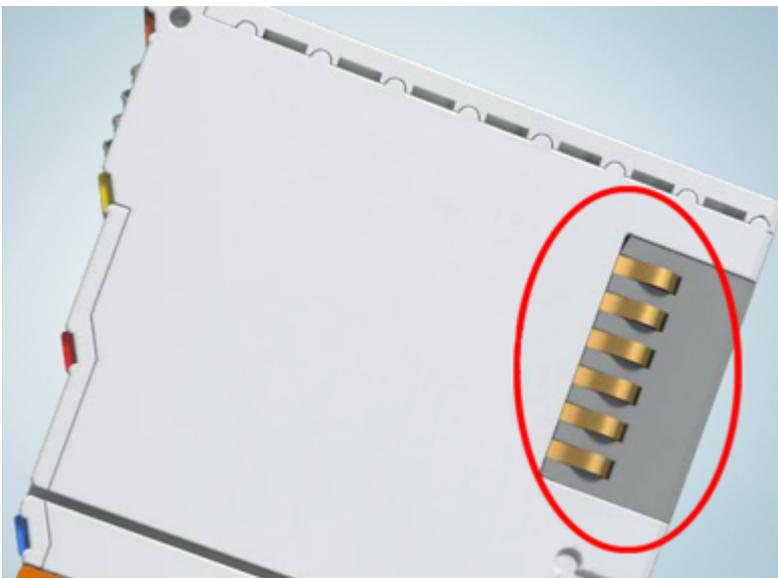


Fig. 14: Spring contacts of the Beckhoff I/O components

## 4.2 Explosion protection

### 4.2.1 ATEX - Special conditions (standard temperature range)

#### ⚠ WARNING

**Observe the special conditions for the intended use of Beckhoff fieldbus components with standard temperature range in potentially explosive areas (directive 2014/34/EU)!**

- The certified components are to be installed in a suitable housing that guarantees a protection class of at least IP54 in accordance with EN 60079-15! The environmental conditions during use are thereby to be taken into account!
- For dust (only the fieldbus components of certificate no. KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Issue 9): The equipment shall be installed in a suitable enclosure providing a degree of protection of IP54 according to EN 60079-31 for group IIIA or IIIB and IP6X for group IIIC, taking into account the environmental conditions under which the equipment is used!
- If the temperatures during rated operation are higher than 70°C at the feed-in points of cables, lines or pipes, or higher than 80°C at the wire branching points, then cables must be selected whose temperature data correspond to the actual measured temperature values!
- Observe the permissible ambient temperature range of 0 to 55°C for the use of Beckhoff fieldbus components standard temperature range in potentially explosive areas!
- Measures must be taken to protect against the rated operating voltage being exceeded by more than 40% due to short-term interference voltages!
- The individual terminals may only be unplugged or removed from the Bus Terminal system if the supply voltage has been switched off or if a non-explosive atmosphere is ensured!
- The connections of the certified components may only be connected or disconnected if the supply voltage has been switched off or if a non-explosive atmosphere is ensured!
- The fuses of the KL92xx/EL92xx power feed terminals may only be exchanged if the supply voltage has been switched off or if a non-explosive atmosphere is ensured!
- Address selectors and ID switches may only be adjusted if the supply voltage has been switched off or if a non-explosive atmosphere is ensured!

#### Standards

The fundamental health and safety requirements are fulfilled by compliance with the following standards:

- EN 60079-0:2012+A11:2013
- EN 60079-15:2010
- EN 60079-31:2013 (only for certificate no. KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Issue 9)

#### Marking

The Beckhoff fieldbus components with standard temperature range certified according to the ATEX directive for potentially explosive areas bear one of the following markings:



**II 3G KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Ex nA IIC T4 Gc Ta: 0 ... +55°C**

II 3D KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Ex tc IIIC T135°C Dc Ta: 0 ... +55°C  
(only for fieldbus components of certificate no. KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Issue 9)

or



**II 3G KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Ex nA nC IIC T4 Gc Ta: 0 ... +55°C**

II 3D KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Ex tc IIIC T135°C Dc Ta: 0 ... +55°C  
(only for fieldbus components of certificate no. KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Issue 9)

## 4.2.2 ATEX - Special conditions (extended temperature range)

### ⚠ WARNING

**Observe the special conditions for the intended use of Beckhoff fieldbus components with extended temperature range (ET) in potentially explosive areas (directive 2014/34/EU)!**

- The certified components are to be installed in a suitable housing that guarantees a protection class of at least IP54 in accordance with EN 60079-15! The environmental conditions during use are thereby to be taken into account!
- For dust (only the fieldbus components of certificate no. KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Issue 9): The equipment shall be installed in a suitable enclosure providing a degree of protection of IP54 according to EN 60079-31 for group IIIA or IIIB and IP6X for group IIIC, taking into account the environmental conditions under which the equipment is used!
- If the temperatures during rated operation are higher than 70°C at the feed-in points of cables, lines or pipes, or higher than 80°C at the wire branching points, then cables must be selected whose temperature data correspond to the actual measured temperature values!
- Observe the permissible ambient temperature range of -25 to 60°C for the use of Beckhoff fieldbus components with extended temperature range (ET) in potentially explosive areas!
- Measures must be taken to protect against the rated operating voltage being exceeded by more than 40% due to short-term interference voltages!
- The individual terminals may only be unplugged or removed from the Bus Terminal system if the supply voltage has been switched off or if a non-explosive atmosphere is ensured!
- The connections of the certified components may only be connected or disconnected if the supply voltage has been switched off or if a non-explosive atmosphere is ensured!
- The fuses of the KL92xx/EL92xx power feed terminals may only be exchanged if the supply voltage has been switched off or if a non-explosive atmosphere is ensured!
- Address selectors and ID switches may only be adjusted if the supply voltage has been switched off or if a non-explosive atmosphere is ensured!

### Standards

The fundamental health and safety requirements are fulfilled by compliance with the following standards:

- EN 60079-0:2012+A11:2013
- EN 60079-15:2010
- EN 60079-31:2013 (only for certificate no. KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Issue 9)

### Marking

The Beckhoff fieldbus components with extended temperature range (ET) certified according to the ATEX directive for potentially explosive areas bear the following marking:



**II 3G KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Ex nA IIC T4 Gc Ta: -25 ... +60°C**  
 II 3D KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Ex tc IIIC T135°C Dc Ta: -25 ... +60°C  
 (only for fieldbus components of certificate no. KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Issue 9)

or



**II 3G KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Ex nA nC IIC T4 Gc Ta: -25 ... +60°C**  
 II 3D KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Ex tc IIIC T135°C Dc Ta: -25 ... +60°C  
 (only for fieldbus components of certificate no. KEMA 10ATEX0075 X Issue 9)

### 4.2.3 Continuative documentation for ATEX and IECEx

#### NOTE



#### **Continuative documentation about explosion protection according to ATEX and IECEx**

Pay also attention to the continuative documentation

#### **Ex. Protection for Terminal Systems**

Notes on the use of the Beckhoff terminal systems in hazardous areas according to ATEX and IECEx,

that is available for [download](#) within the download area of your product on the Beckhoff homepage [www.beckhoff.com](http://www.beckhoff.com)!

### 4.3 UL notice

⚠ CAUTION	
	<p><b>Application</b></p> <p>Beckhoff EtherCAT modules are intended for use with Beckhoff's UL Listed EtherCAT System only.</p>
⚠ CAUTION	
	<p><b>Examination</b></p> <p>For cULus examination, the Beckhoff I/O System has only been investigated for risk of fire and electrical shock (in accordance with UL508 and CSA C22.2 No. 142).</p>
⚠ CAUTION	
	<p><b>For devices with Ethernet connectors</b></p> <p>Not for connection to telecommunication circuits.</p>

#### Basic principles

UL certification according to UL508. Devices with this kind of certification are marked by this sign:



## 4.4 Note on Beckhoff calibration certificates

Basically every Beckhoff analogue device (input or output) will be justified i.e. will be calibrated during production. This procedure won't be documented unique. This documentation as a calibration certificate is only provided for devices that are expressly delivered with a certificate.

The calibration certificate (or German: "Kalibrierschein") entitles the residual error after compensation/adjustment to the used standard (reference device). The calibration certificate (as a PDF document) is to be assigned to the device via a unique number. It is therefore not a statement about a device class such as e.g. an approval, but always only applies to a single, named device. It is available for [download](#).

The calibration certificate documents the measurement accuracy at the time the certificate was issued and contains, among other things, information on the ambient conditions and the reference instrument used. It does not contain statement about the behavior or the change of the measuring accuracy in the future. A calibration certificate acts as a backtracking view to the previous time of usage. By reiterated certification procedures over years (without justification) it allows making conclusions about its ageing behavior, so called calibrate history.

### Performance levels of the calibration certificates

Different "qualities" of a calibration certificate are common:

- Beckhoff calibration certificates  
Such IP20 terminals can be usually identified by the product suffix -0020. The certificate is issued in Beckhoff production as PDF.  
The terminals can be obtained from Beckhoff and recalibrated by the Beckhoff service department.
- ISO17025 calibration certificates  
Such IP20 terminals can be usually identified by the product suffix -0030. The certificate is issued by a service provider on behalf of Beckhoff as part of Beckhoff production and delivered by Beckhoff as a PDF.  
The terminals can be obtained from Beckhoff and recalibrated by the Beckhoff service department.
- DAkkS calibration certificates (German: "Deutsche Akkreditierungsstelle GmbH")  
Such IP20 terminals can be usually identified by the product suffix -0030. The certificate is issued by a accredited service provider on behalf of Beckhoff as a part of Beckhoff production and delivered by Beckhoff as a PDF.  
The terminals can be obtained from Beckhoff and recalibrated by the Beckhoff service department.

### Unique device number

Depending on the device, the following numbers are used for identification:

- EL/ELM terminals up to year of manufacture 2020: the ID number which is lasered on the side.



Fig. 15: ID number

- From year of manufacture 2021 onwards, the BTN number (Beckhoff Traceability Number) will gradually replace the ID number, this is also lasered on the side.

Beckhoff produces a wide range of analog input/output devices as IP20 terminal or IP67 box. A selection of these is also available with factory/ISO/DAkkS calibration certificates. For specific details and availability, see the technical data of the devices or contact Beckhoff Sales.

### **i** Linguistic note

In American English, "calibration" or "alignment" is understood to mean compensation/adjustment, thus a modifying effect on the device. "Verification", on the other hand, refers to observational determination and documentation of the residual error, referred in German language use as "*Kalibrierung*".

## 4.5 Installation on mounting rails

### ⚠ WARNING

#### Risk of electric shock and damage of device!

Bring the bus terminal system into a safe, powered down state before starting installation, disassembly or wiring of the bus terminals!

#### Assembly

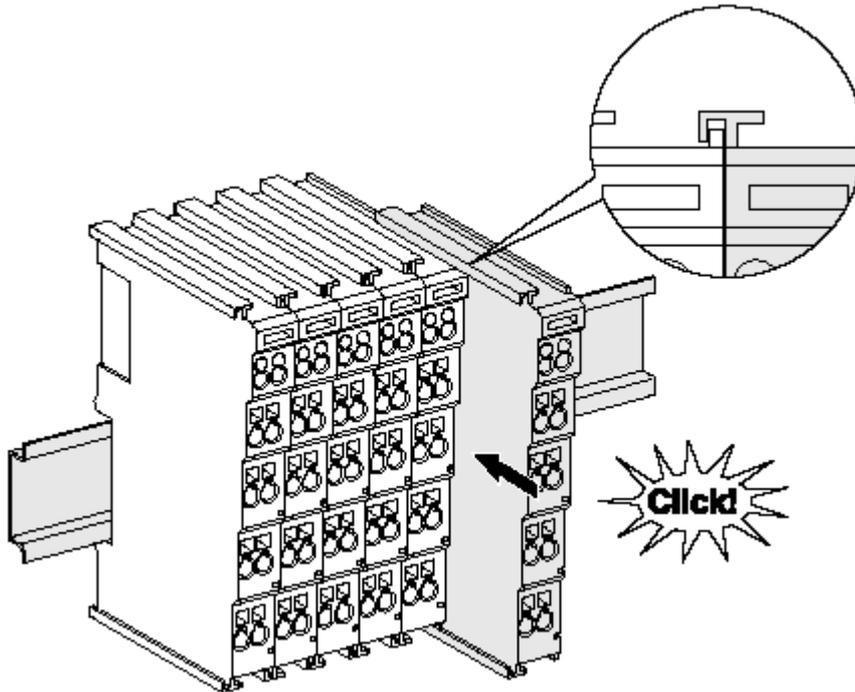


Fig. 16: Attaching on mounting rail

The bus coupler and bus terminals are attached to commercially available 35 mm mounting rails (DIN rails according to EN 60715) by applying slight pressure:

1. First attach the fieldbus coupler to the mounting rail.
2. The bus terminals are now attached on the right-hand side of the fieldbus coupler. Join the components with tongue and groove and push the terminals against the mounting rail, until the lock clicks onto the mounting rail.

If the terminals are clipped onto the mounting rail first and then pushed together without tongue and groove, the connection will not be operational! When correctly assembled, no significant gap should be visible between the housings.

#### **i** Fixing of mounting rails

The locking mechanism of the terminals and couplers extends to the profile of the mounting rail. At the installation, the locking mechanism of the components must not come into conflict with the fixing bolts of the mounting rail. To mount the mounting rails with a height of 7.5 mm under the terminals and couplers, you should use flat mounting connections (e.g. countersunk screws or blind rivets).

## Disassembly

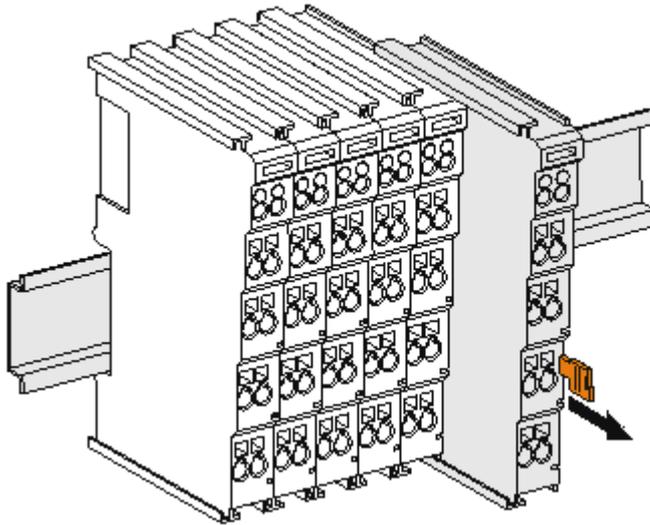


Fig. 17: Disassembling of terminal

Each terminal is secured by a lock on the mounting rail, which must be released for disassembly:

1. Pull the terminal by its orange-colored lugs approximately 1 cm away from the mounting rail. In doing so for this terminal the mounting rail lock is released automatically and you can pull the terminal out of the bus terminal block easily without excessive force.
2. Grasp the released terminal with thumb and index finger simultaneous at the upper and lower grooved housing surfaces and pull the terminal out of the bus terminal block.

## Connections within a bus terminal block

The electric connections between the Bus Coupler and the Bus Terminals are automatically realized by joining the components:

- The six spring contacts of the K-Bus/E-Bus deal with the transfer of the data and the supply of the Bus Terminal electronics.
- The power contacts deal with the supply for the field electronics and thus represent a supply rail within the bus terminal block. The power contacts are supplied via terminals on the Bus Coupler (up to 24 V) or for higher voltages via power feed terminals.

### ● Power Contacts

**i** During the design of a bus terminal block, the pin assignment of the individual Bus Terminals must be taken account of, since some types (e.g. analog Bus Terminals or digital 4-channel Bus Terminals) do not or not fully loop through the power contacts. Power Feed Terminals (KL91xx, KL92xx or EL91xx, EL92xx) interrupt the power contacts and thus represent the start of a new supply rail.

## PE power contact

The power contact labeled PE can be used as a protective earth. For safety reasons this contact mates first when plugging together, and can ground short-circuit currents of up to 125 A.

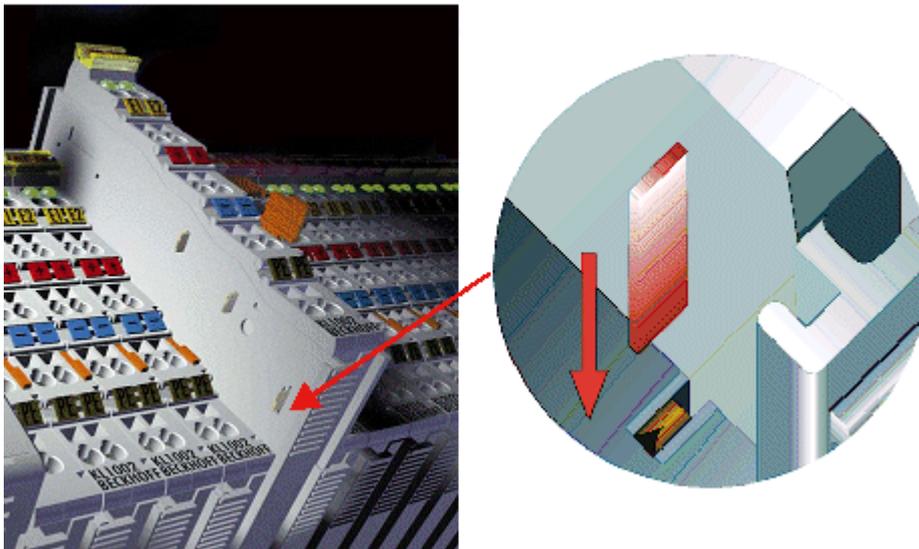


Fig. 18: Power contact on left side

### NOTE

#### Possible damage of the device

Note that, for reasons of electromagnetic compatibility, the PE contacts are capacitatively coupled to the mounting rail. This may lead to incorrect results during insulation testing or to damage on the terminal (e.g. disruptive discharge to the PE line during insulation testing of a consumer with a nominal voltage of 230 V). For insulation testing, disconnect the PE supply line at the Bus Coupler or the Power Feed Terminal! In order to decouple further feed points for testing, these Power Feed Terminals can be released and pulled at least 10 mm from the group of terminals.

### ⚠ WARNING

#### Risk of electric shock!

The PE power contact must not be used for other potentials!

## 4.6 Installation instructions for enhanced mechanical load capacity

### ⚠ WARNING

#### Risk of injury through electric shock and damage to the device!

Bring the Bus Terminal system into a safe, de-energized state before starting mounting, disassembly or wiring of the Bus Terminals!

#### Additional checks

The terminals have undergone the following additional tests:

Verification	Explanation
Vibration	10 frequency runs in 3 axes
	6 Hz < f < 60 Hz displacement 0.35 mm, constant amplitude
	60.1 Hz < f < 500 Hz acceleration 5 g, constant amplitude
Shocks	1000 shocks in each direction, in 3 axes
	25 g, 6 ms

#### Additional installation instructions

For terminals with enhanced mechanical load capacity, the following additional installation instructions apply:

- The enhanced mechanical load capacity is valid for all permissible installation positions
- Use a mounting rail according to EN 60715 TH35-15
- Fix the terminal segment on both sides of the mounting rail with a mechanical fixture, e.g. an earth terminal or reinforced end clamp
- The maximum total extension of the terminal segment (without coupler) is:  
64 terminals (12 mm mounting with) or 32 terminals (24 mm mounting with)
- Avoid deformation, twisting, crushing and bending of the mounting rail during edging and installation of the rail
- The mounting points of the mounting rail must be set at 5 cm intervals
- Use countersunk head screws to fasten the mounting rail
- The free length between the strain relief and the wire connection should be kept as short as possible. A distance of approx. 10 cm should be maintained to the cable duct.

## 4.7 Connection

### 4.7.1 Connection system

#### ⚠ WARNING

##### Risk of electric shock and damage of device!

Bring the bus terminal system into a safe, powered down state before starting installation, disassembly or wiring of the bus terminals!

#### Overview

The bus terminal system offers different connection options for optimum adaptation to the respective application:

- The terminals of ELxxxx and KLxxxx series with standard wiring include electronics and connection level in a single enclosure.
- The terminals of ESxxxx and KSxxxx series feature a pluggable connection level and enable steady wiring while replacing.
- The High Density Terminals (HD Terminals) include electronics and connection level in a single enclosure and have advanced packaging density.

#### Standard wiring (ELxxxx / KLxxxx)



Fig. 19: Standard wiring

The terminals of ELxxxx and KLxxxx series have been tried and tested for years. They feature integrated screwless spring force technology for fast and simple assembly.

#### Pluggable wiring (ESxxxx / KSxxxx)



Fig. 20: Pluggable wiring

The terminals of ESxxxx and KSxxxx series feature a pluggable connection level. The assembly and wiring procedure is the same as for the ELxxxx and KLxxxx series. The pluggable connection level enables the complete wiring to be removed as a plug connector from the top of the housing for servicing. The lower section can be removed from the terminal block by pulling the unlocking tab. Insert the new component and plug in the connector with the wiring. This reduces the installation time and eliminates the risk of wires being mixed up.

The familiar dimensions of the terminal only had to be changed slightly. The new connector adds about 3 mm. The maximum height of the terminal remains unchanged.

A tab for strain relief of the cable simplifies assembly in many applications and prevents tangling of individual connection wires when the connector is removed.

Conductor cross sections between 0.08 mm<sup>2</sup> and 2.5 mm<sup>2</sup> can continue to be used with the proven spring force technology.

The overview and nomenclature of the product names for ESxxxx and KSxxxx series has been retained as known from ELxxxx and KLxxxx series.

### High Density Terminals (HD Terminals)



Fig. 21: High Density Terminals

The terminals from these series with 16 terminal points are distinguished by a particularly compact design, as the packaging density is twice as large as that of the standard 12 mm bus terminals. Massive conductors and conductors with a wire end sleeve can be inserted directly into the spring loaded terminal point without tools.

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#### ● Wiring HD Terminals

**i** The High Density Terminals of the ELx8xx and KLx8xx series doesn't support pluggable wiring.

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### Ultrasonically “bonded” (ultrasonically welded) conductors

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#### ● Ultrasonically “bonded” conductors

**i** It is also possible to connect the Standard and High Density Terminals with ultrasonically “bonded” (ultrasonically welded) conductors. In this case, please note the tables concerning the wire-size width [► 49]!

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### 4.7.2 Wiring

**⚠ WARNING**

**Risk of electric shock and damage of device!**

Bring the bus terminal system into a safe, powered down state before starting installation, disassembly or wiring of the bus terminals!

**Terminals for standard wiring ELxxxx/KLxxxx and for pluggable wiring ESxxxx/KSxxxx**

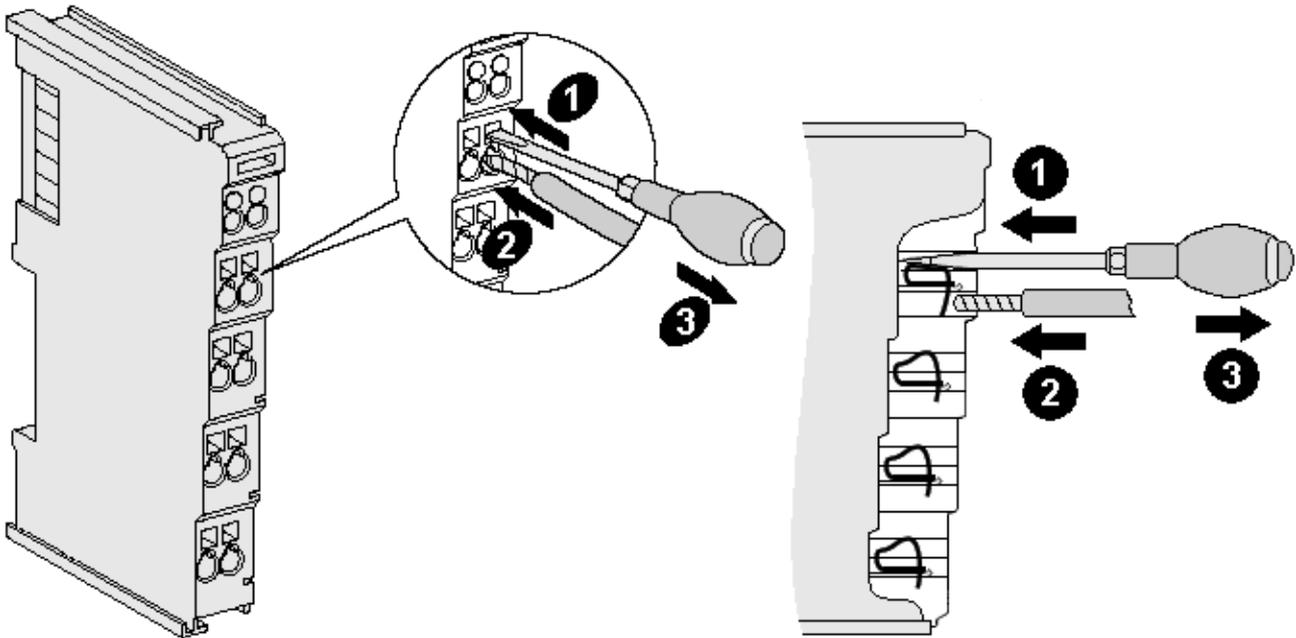


Fig. 22: Connecting a cable on a terminal point

Up to eight terminal points enable the connection of solid or finely stranded cables to the bus terminal. The terminal points are implemented in spring force technology. Connect the cables as follows:

1. Open a terminal point by pushing a screwdriver straight against the stop into the square opening above the terminal point. Do not turn the screwdriver or move it alternately (don't toggle).
2. The wire can now be inserted into the round terminal opening without any force.
3. The terminal point closes automatically when the pressure is released, holding the wire securely and permanently.

See the following table for the suitable wire size width.

Terminal housing	ELxxxx, KLxxxx	ESxxxx, KSxxxx
Wire size width (single core wires)	0.08 ... 2.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	0.08 ... 2.5 mm <sup>2</sup>
Wire size width (fine-wire conductors)	0.08 ... 2.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	0.08 ... 2.5 mm <sup>2</sup>
Wire size width (conductors with a wire end sleeve)	0.14 ... 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	0.14 ... 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup>
Wire stripping length	8 ... 9 mm	9 ... 10 mm

**High Density Terminals (HD Terminals [▶ 48]) with 16 terminal points**

The conductors of the HD Terminals are connected without tools for single-wire conductors using the direct plug-in technique, i.e. after stripping the wire is simply plugged into the terminal point. The cables are released, as usual, using the contact release with the aid of a screwdriver. See the following table for the suitable wire size width.

Terminal housing	High Density Housing
Wire size width (single core wires)	0.08 ... 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup>
Wire size width (fine-wire conductors)	0.25 ... 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup>
Wire size width (conductors with a wire end sleeve)	0.14 ... 0.75 mm <sup>2</sup>
Wire size width (ultrasonically "bonded" conductors)	only 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup> (see notice [▶ 48])
Wire stripping length	8 ... 9 mm

### 4.7.3 Shielding



#### Shielding

Encoder, analog sensors and actors should always be connected with shielded, twisted paired wires.

## 4.8 Note - Power supply

### **WARNING**

#### **Power supply from SELV/PELV power supply unit!**

SELV/PELV circuits (Safety Extra Low Voltage, Protective Extra Low Voltage) according to IEC 61010-2-201 must be used to supply this device.

Notes:

- SELV/PELV circuits may give rise to further requirements from standards such as IEC 60204-1 et al, for example with regard to cable spacing and insulation.
- A SELV (Safety Extra Low Voltage) supply provides safe electrical isolation and limitation of the voltage without a connection to the protective conductor,  
a PELV (Protective Extra Low Voltage) supply also requires a safe connection to the protective conductor.

## 4.9 Installation positions

### NOTE

#### Constraints regarding installation position and operating temperature range

Please refer to the technical data for a terminal to ascertain whether any restrictions regarding the installation position and/or the operating temperature range have been specified. When installing high power dissipation terminals ensure that an adequate spacing is maintained between other components above and below the terminal in order to guarantee adequate ventilation!

#### Optimum installation position (standard)

The optimum installation position requires the mounting rail to be installed horizontally and the connection surfaces of the EL/KL terminals to face forward (see Fig. *Recommended distances for standard installation position*). The terminals are ventilated from below, which enables optimum cooling of the electronics through convection. "From below" is relative to the acceleration of gravity.

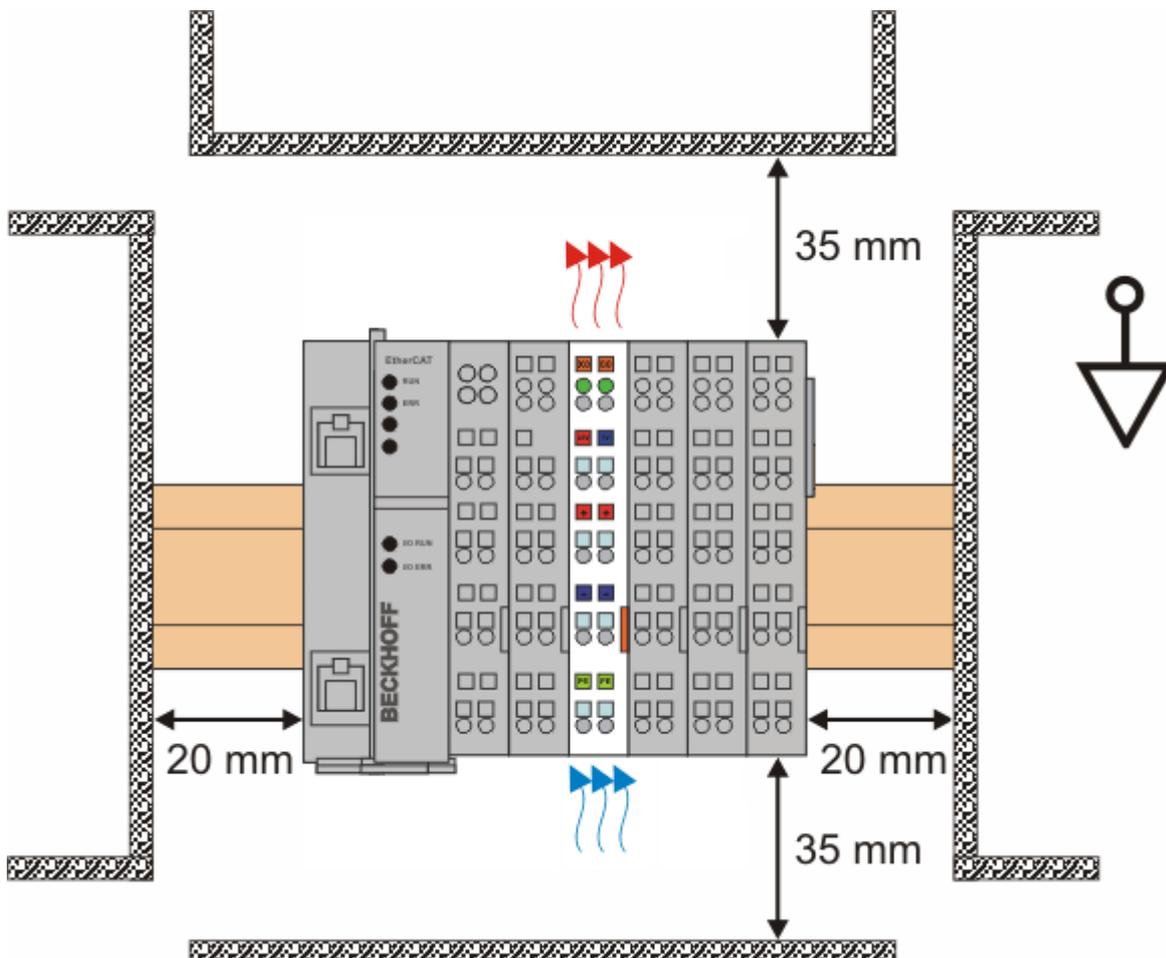


Fig. 23: Recommended distances for standard installation position

Compliance with the distances shown in Fig. *Recommended distances for standard installation position* is recommended.

#### Other installation positions

All other installation positions are characterized by different spatial arrangement of the mounting rail - see Fig *Other installation positions*.

The minimum distances to ambient specified above also apply to these installation positions.

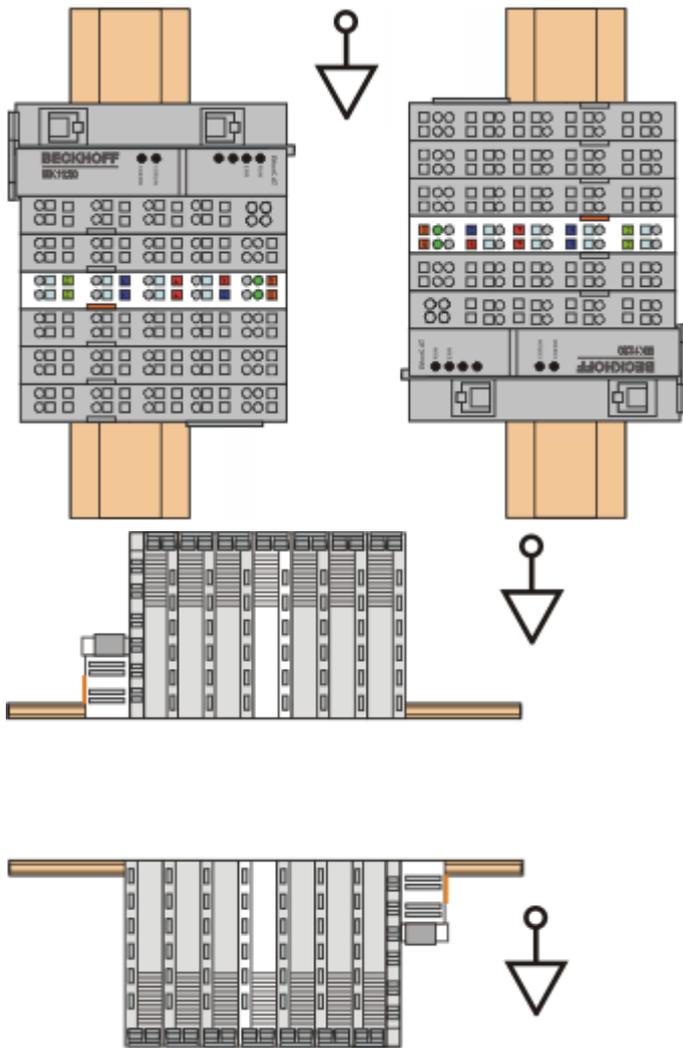


Fig. 24: Other installation positions

## 4.10 Positioning of passive Terminals

**Hint for positioning of passive terminals in the bus terminal block**

**i** EtherCAT Terminals (ELxxxx / ESxxxx), which do not take an active part in data transfer within the bus terminal block are so called passive terminals. The passive terminals have no current consumption out of the E-Bus.  
 To ensure an optimal data transfer, you must not directly string together more than two passive terminals!

**Examples for positioning of passive terminals (highlighted)**

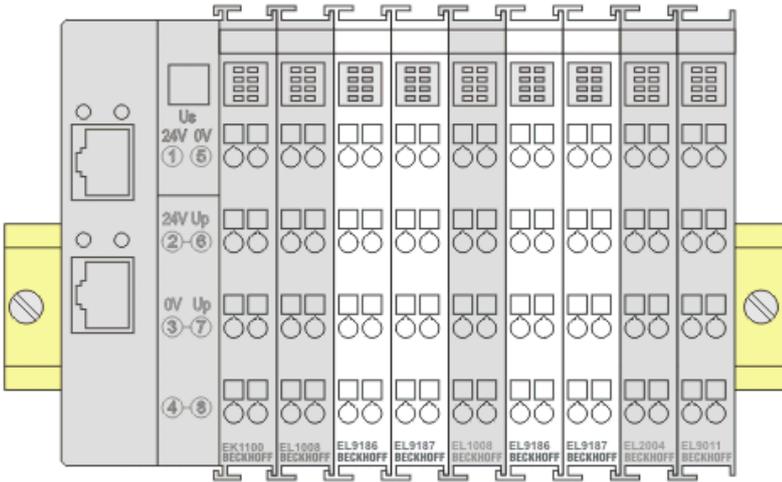


Fig. 25: Correct positioning

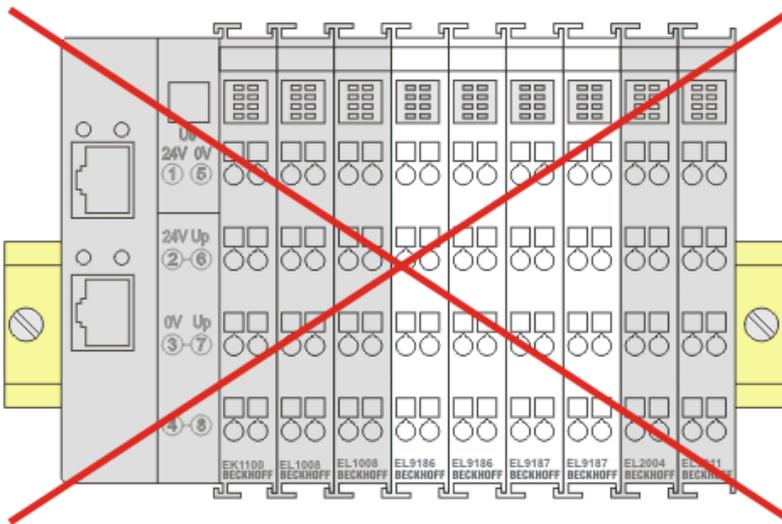


Fig. 26: Incorrect positioning

## 4.11 EL36xx - LEDs and connection

### 4.11.1 LEDs

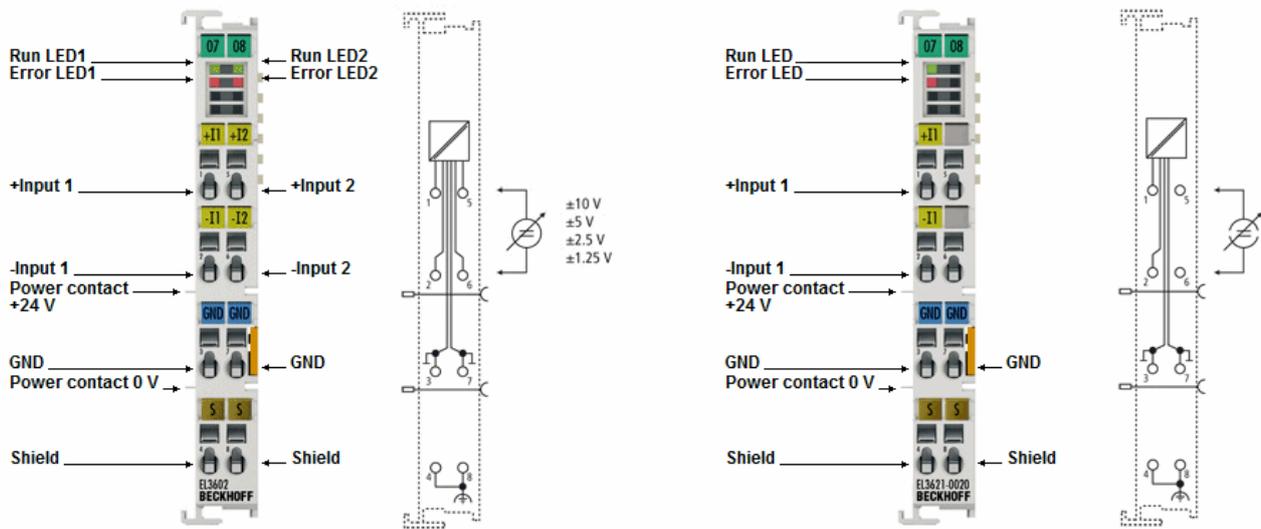


Fig. 27: LEDs, taking the EL3602 as an example for 2 channel, the EL3621-0020 for 1 channel

#### LEDs

LED	Color	Meaning	
RUN	green	These LEDs indicate the terminal's operating state:	
		off	State of the <u>EtherCAT State Machine</u> [► 114]: <b>INIT</b> = initialization of the terminal
		flashing	State of the EtherCAT State Machine: <b>PREOP</b> = function for mailbox communication and different standard-settings set
		single flash	State of the EtherCAT State Machine: <b>SAFEOP</b> = verification of the <u>Sync Manager</u> [► 114] channels and the distributed clocks. Outputs remain in safe state
		on	State of the EtherCAT State Machine: <b>OP</b> = normal operating state; mailbox and process data communication is possible
		flickering	State of the EtherCAT State Machine: <b>BOOTSTRAP</b> = function for <u>firmware updates</u> [► 180] of the terminal
ERROR	red	Under- or overshoot of ADC (measuring range exceeded significantly)	

### 4.11.2 Connection

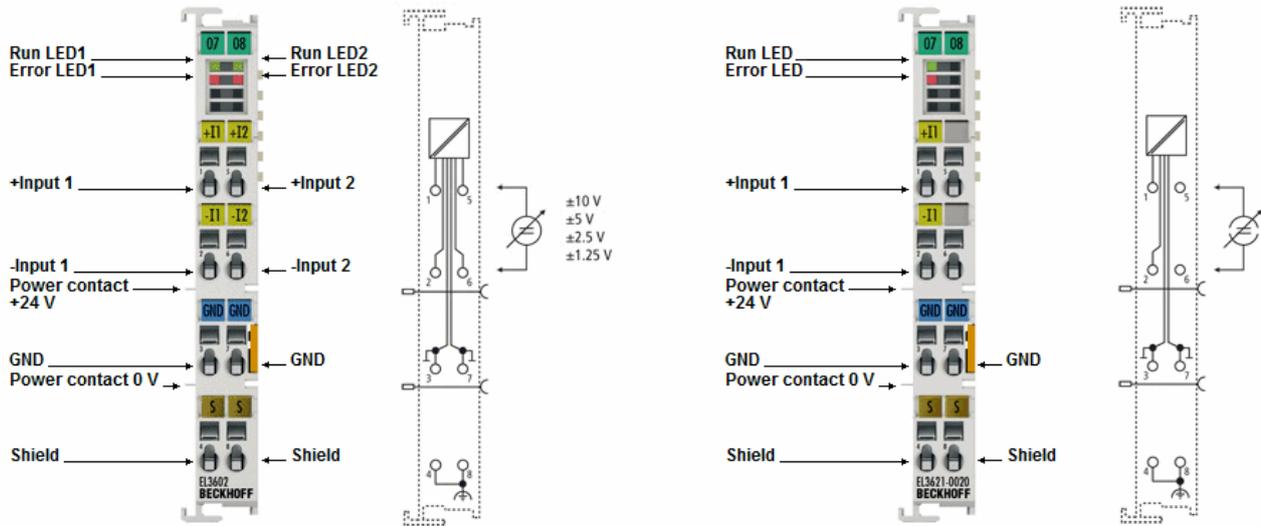


Fig. 28: Connection, taking the EL3602 as an example for 2 channel, the EL3621-0020 for 1 channel

#### **i** Current carrying capacity of the input contacts

The maximum permitted current on the signal-relevant terminal points (inputs, GND) is 40 mA (if applicable).

#### Connection

Terminal point No.	Name		Description	
	1 Channel	2 Channel	1 Channel	2 Channel
1	+ Input 1		+ Input 1	
2	- Input 1		- Input 1	
3	GND		Signal ground for input 1 (internally connected to terminal point 7)	
4	Shield		Shield	
5	-	+ Input 2	n.a.	+ Input 2
6	-	- Input 2	n.a.	- Input 2
7	GND		Signal ground for input 2 (internally connected to terminal point 3)	
8	Shield		Shield	

**Electrical isolation of the inputs**

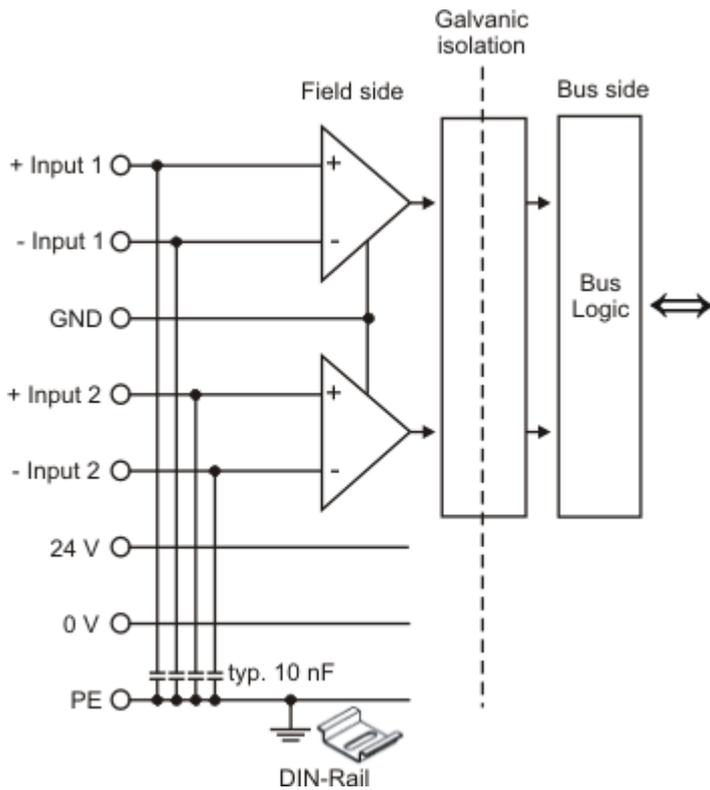


Fig. 29: Electrical isolation of the inputs

**Example: EL3602 wiring**

The variable voltage source (channel 2) shown in fig. *Variable voltage source (equivalent circuit diagram Ch. 2)* is the equivalent circuit diagram of the circuit with a sensor and measuring amplifier (channel 1).

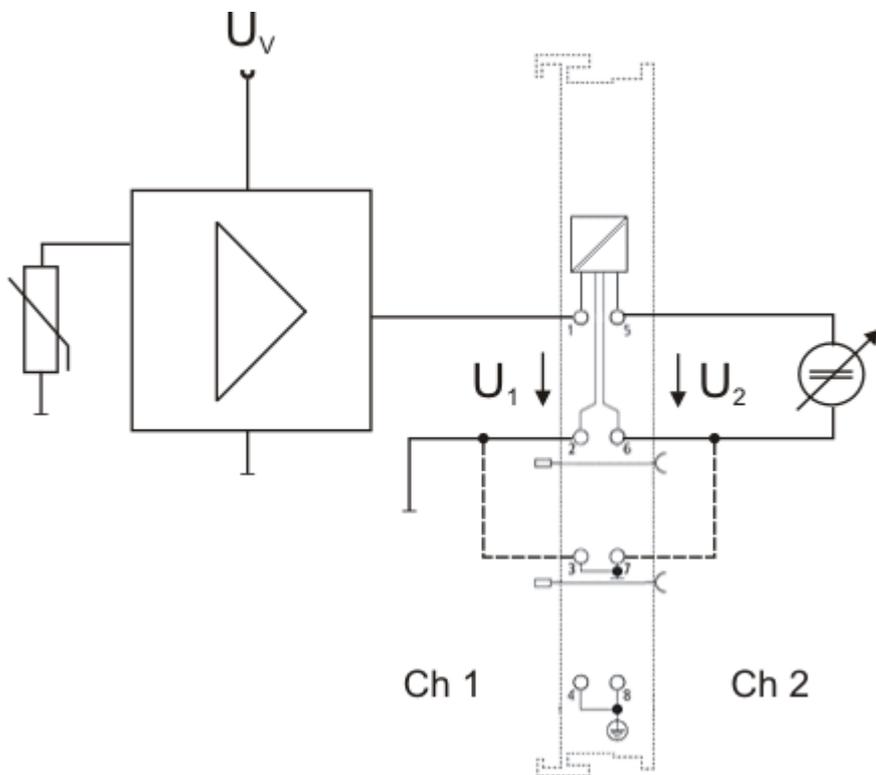


Fig. 30: Variable voltage source (equivalent circuit diagram Ch. 2)

**Example: EL3612 - wiring**

The variable current source (channel 2) shown in fig. *Variable current source (equivalent circuit diagram Ch. 2)* is the equivalent circuit diagram of the circuit with a sensor (channel 1).

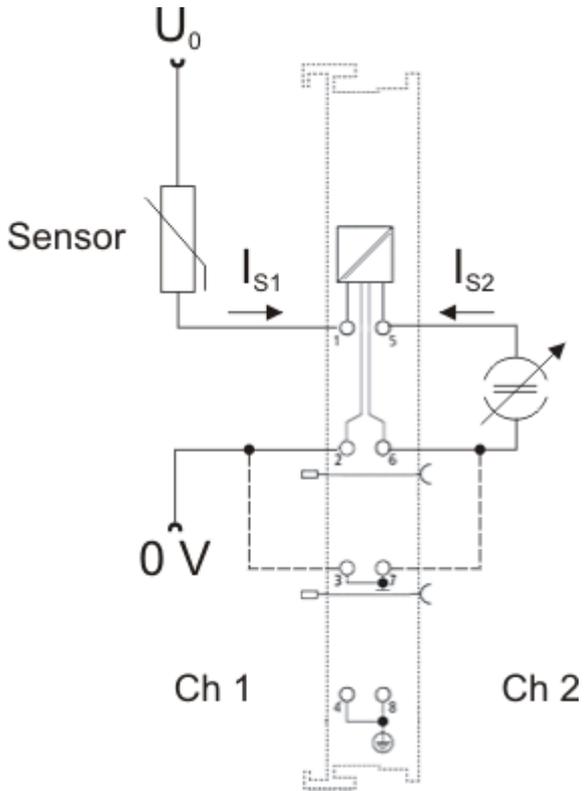


Fig. 31: Variable current source (equivalent circuit diagram Ch. 2)

## 4.12 Configuration of 0/4..20 mA differential inputs

This section describes the 0/4..20 mA differential inputs for terminal series EL301x, EL302x, EL311x, EL312x and terminals EL3174, EL3612, EL3742 and EL3751.

For the single-ended 20 mA inputs the terminal series EL304x, EL305x, EL314x, EL315x, EL317x, EL318x and EL375x they only apply with regard to technical transferability and also for devices whose analogue input channels have a common related ground potential (and therefore the channels are not to each other and/or not to power supply electrically isolated). Herewith an example for an electrically isolated device is the terminal EL3174-0002.

### Technical background

The internal input electronics of the terminals referred to above have the following characteristic (see Fig. [▶ 59] *Internal connection diagram for 0/4..20 mA inputs*):

- Differential current measurement, i.e. concrete potential reference is primarily not required. The system limit applies is the individual terminal EL30xx/EL31xx.
- Current measurement via a 33 Ω shunt per channel, resulting in a maximum voltage drop of 660 mV via the shunt
- Internal resistor configuration with GND point (A) central to the shunt  
The configuration of the resistors is symmetric, such that the potential of (A) is central relative to the voltage drop via the shunt.
- All channels within the terminal have this GND<sub>int</sub> potential in common.
- the common GND<sub>int</sub> potential (A)
  - is connected for 1 and 2 channel terminals to a terminal point and not with GND<sub>PC</sub> (power contact).
  - is connected for 4 channel terminals with GND<sub>PC</sub>
- The center point of the voltage drop over the 33 Ω shunt is referred to common mode point (CMP). According to the technical product data, the maximum permitted common mode voltage V<sub>cm</sub> refers to the potential between the CMP of a channel and the internal GND or the potential between the CMP of 2 channels within a terminal.

**It must not exceed the specified limit (typically ±10 or ±35 V).**

**Accordingly, for multi-channel measurements V<sub>cm</sub> specifications must be followed.**

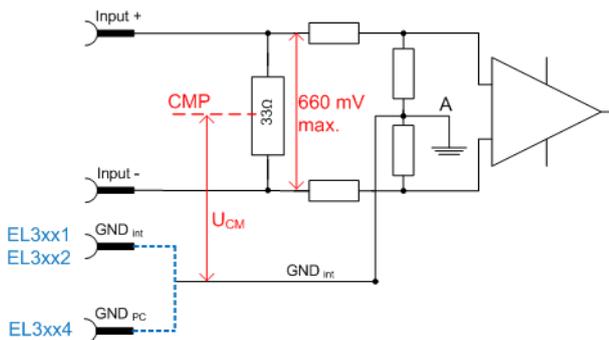


Fig. 32: Internal connection diagram 0/4...20 mA inputs

The block diagram for a 2 channel terminal shows the linked GND points within the terminal (Fig. [▶ 60] *Internal connection for 0/4..20 mA inputs of a EL3xx2*):

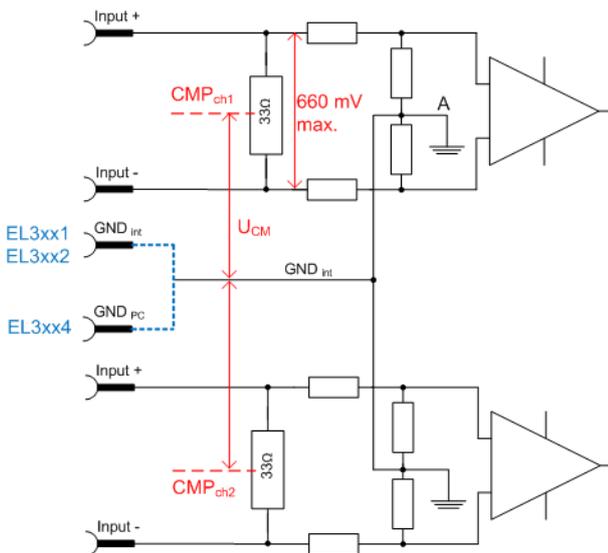


Fig. 33: Internal connection diagram for 0/4..20 mA inputs of a EL3xx2

For all channels within the terminal  $V_{cm-max}$  must not be exceeded.

**i**  $V_{cm}$  for 0/4..20 mA inputs

If  $V_{cm}$  of an analog input channel is exceeded, internal equalizing currents result in erroneous measurements.

For 1 and 2 channel terminals the internal GND is therefore fed out to a terminal point, so that the  $V_{cm}$  specification can be met through application-specific configuration of this GND point, even in cases of atypical sensor configuration.

**Example 1**

The 2-channel EL3012 is connected to 2 sensors, which are supplied with 5 and 24 V. Both current measurements are executed as low-side measurements. This connection type is permitted, because at  $I_{max}$   $CMP_{ch1}$  and  $CMP_{ch2}$  are approx. 330 mV above 0 V, which means that  $V_{cm}$  is always  $< 0.5$  V. The requirement of  $V_{cm} < 10$  V (applicable to EL30xx) is therefore adhered to.

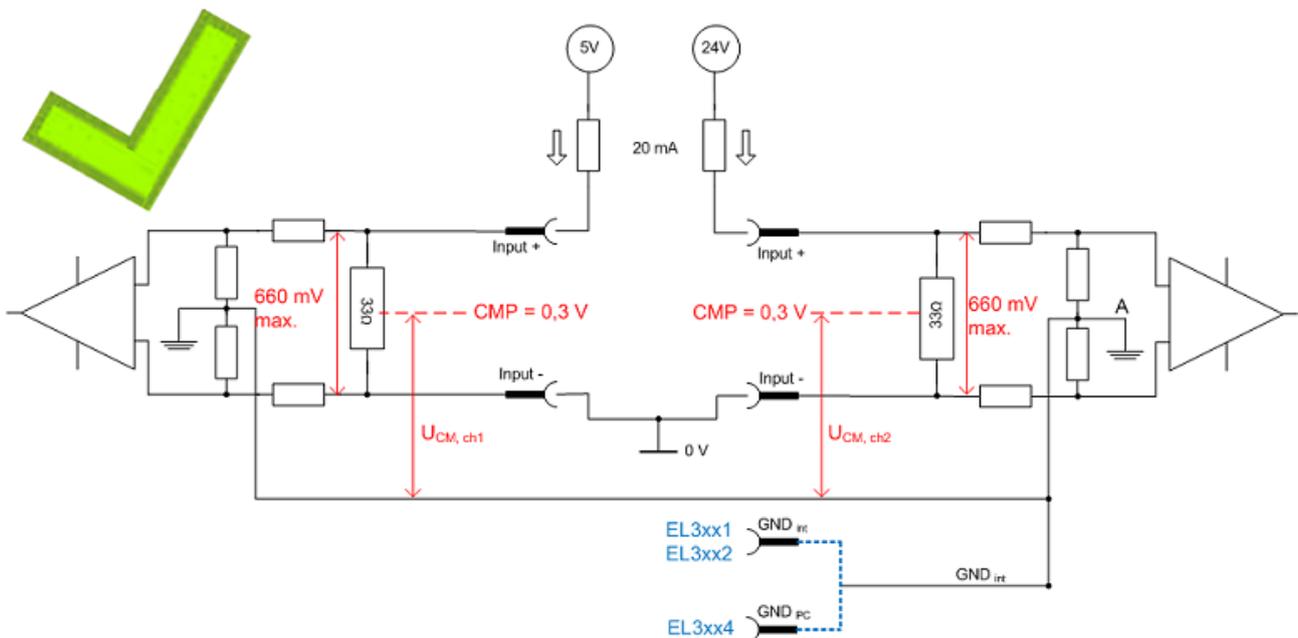


Fig. 34: Example 1: low-side measurement

If the EL30x1/EL30x2 or EL31x1/EL31x2 terminals have no external  $GND_{int}$  connection, the  $GND_{int}$  potential can adjust itself as required (referred to as "floating"). Please note that for this mode reduced measuring accuracy is to be expected.

**Example 1a**

Accordingly, this also applies if the floating point  $GND_{INT}$  is connected to another potential.

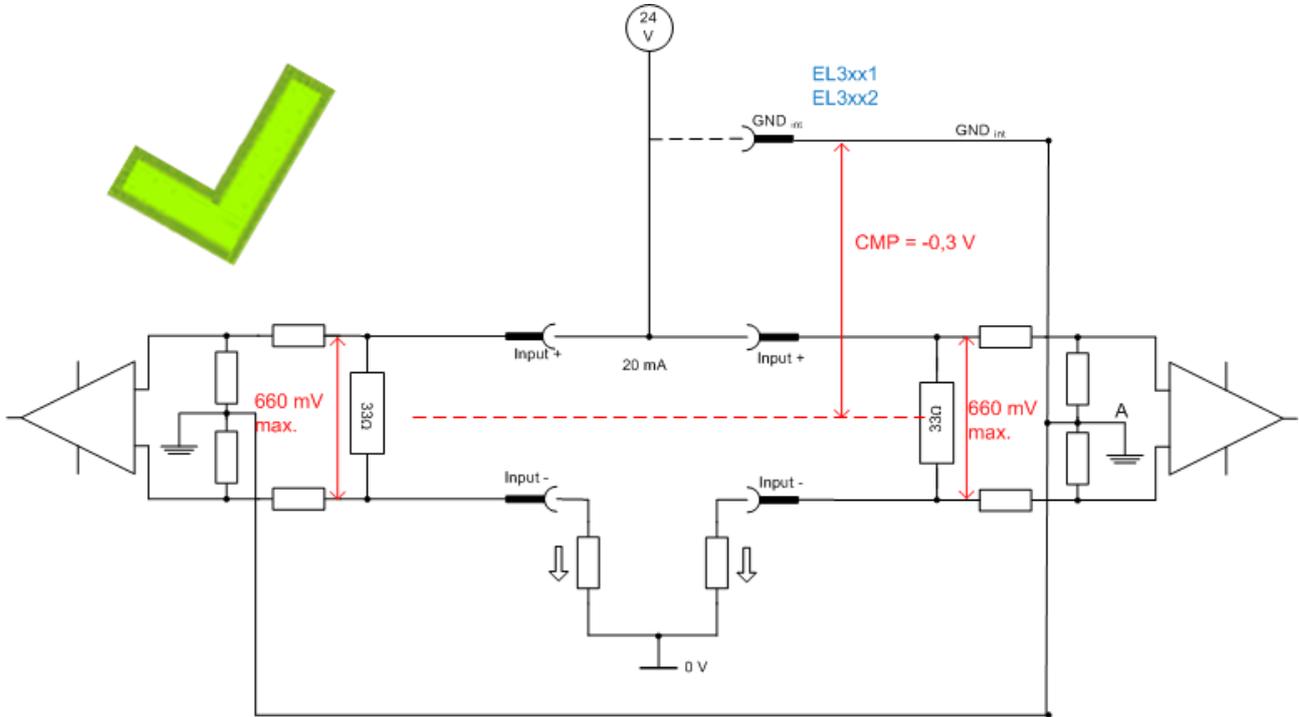


Fig. 35: Example 1a, high-side measurement

**Example 2**

The same EL3012 is now again connected with the two 20 mA sensors, although this time with one low-side measurement at 5 V and one high-side measurement at 12 V. This results in significant potential differences  $V_{cm} > 10 V$  (applicable to EL30xx) between the two channels, which is not permitted.

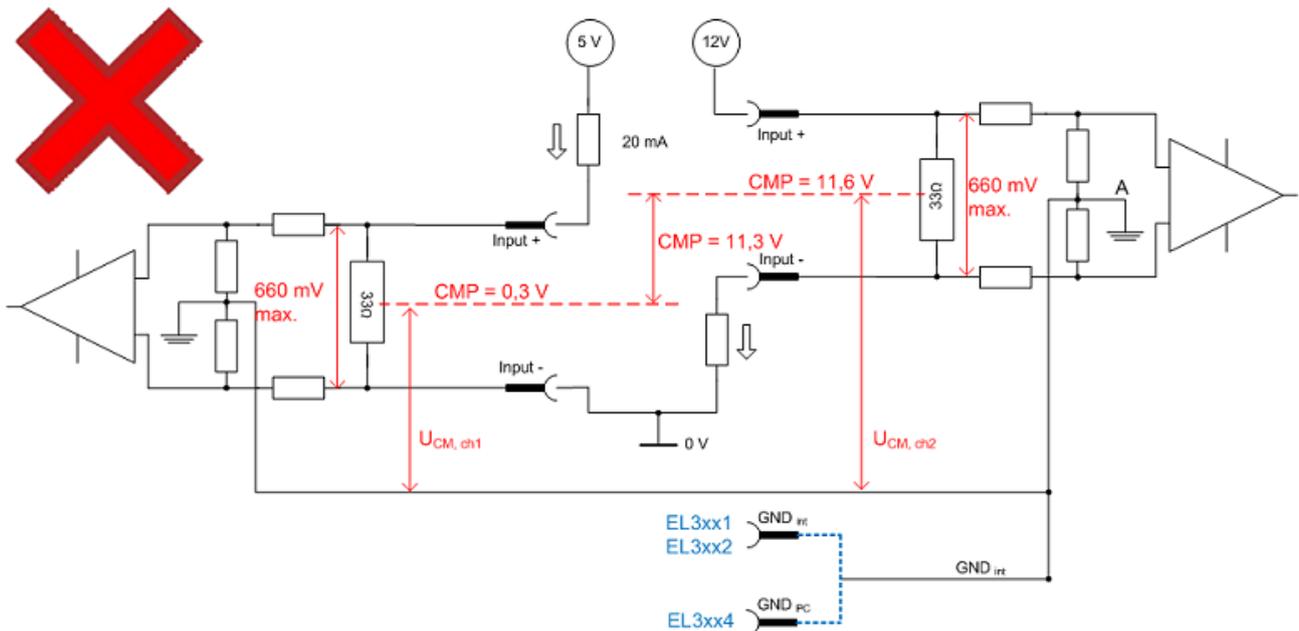


Fig. 36: Example 2, high-side/low-side measurement

To rectify this,  $GND_{int}$  can in this case be connected externally with an auxiliary potential of 6 V relative to "0 V". The resulting  $A/GND_{int}$  will be in the middle, i.e. approx. 0.3 V or 11.6 V.

### Example 3

In the EL3xx4 terminals  $GND_{int}$  is internally connected with the negative power contact. The choice of potential is therefore limited.

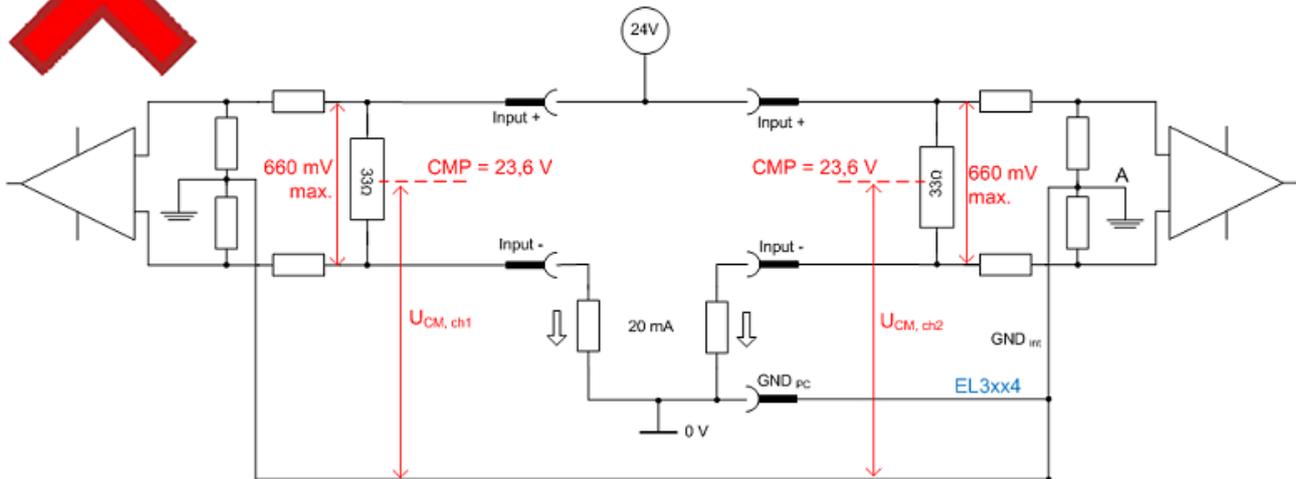


Fig. 37: Invalid EL3xx4 configuration

The resulting CMP is 23.6 V, i.e.  $\gg 10$  V (applicable to EL30xx). The EL30x4/EL31x4 terminals should therefore be configured such that CMP is always less than  $V_{cm,max}$ .

### Summary

This results in certain concrete specifications for external connection with 0/4..20 mA sensors:

- We recommend connecting  $GND_{int}$  with a low-impedance potential, because this significantly improves the measuring accuracy of the EL30xx/31xx. Please note the instructions relating to the  $V_{cm}$  potential reference.
- The  $V_{cm}$  potential reference must be adhered to between  $CMP \leftrightarrow GND_{int}$  and  $CMP_{ch(x)} \leftrightarrow CMP_{ch(y)}$ . If this cannot be guaranteed, the single-channel version should be used.
- Terminal configuration:
  - EL3xx1/EL3xx2:  $GND_{int}$  is connected to terminal point for external connection.  $GND_{int}$  should be connected externally such that condition 2 is met.
  - EL3xx4: GND is connected with the negative power contact. The external connection should be such that condition 2 is met.

If the sensor cable is shielded, the shield should not be connected with the  $GND_{int}$  terminal point but with a dedicated low-impedance shield point.

- If terminal points of several EL30xx/EL31xx terminals are connected with each other, ensure that condition 2 is met.

### ● Connection of $GND_{int}$

**i** In the EL30x1/EL30x2 and EL31x1/EL31x2 terminals the internal GND,  $GND_{int}$  connection is fed out to terminal contacts.

To achieve a precise measurement result  $GND_{int}$  should be connected to a suitable external low-impedance potential, taking account the specifications for  $V_{cm}$ .