USER MANUAL

REMOTE OPERATOR

RIGHT FROM THE START

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Contents

Compatibility

The remote operator is suitable for use with CSX soft starters.

Disclaimer

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1. Warnings

⚠ **WARNING**
For your safety, isolate the soft starter completely from mains voltage before attaching or removing accessories.

⚠ **WARNING**
Observe all necessary safety precautions when controlling the soft starter remotely. Alert personnel that machinery may start without warning.

2. Important User Information

It is the installer's responsibility to follow all instructions in this manual and to follow correct electrical practice.

Use all internationally recognised standard practice for RS-485 communications when installing and using this equipment.

3. Installation

This section describes how to install the Remote Operator for basic control and monitoring of a soft starter. The Remote Operator is pre-configured to control a soft starter once control supply power is applied to both devices. For basic operation, no parameter adjustments are required on the Remote Operator or the soft starter.

In order to use the Remote Operator's 4-20 mA analog output to monitor motor current, follow the instructions in the section *4-20 mA Analog Output* on page 7.

3.1 Physical Installation

Dimensions

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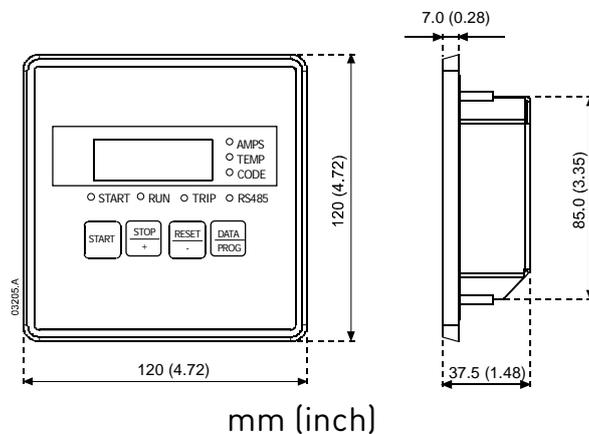
Mounting

The Remote Operator is rated IP54 or NEMA 12 when mounted correctly in accordance with these instructions. It is intended for use on the flat surface of a panel, with all external wiring connected from behind the enclosure. For NEMA 12 applications, a NEMA 1 or NEMA 12 enclosure is required.

The Remote Operator is supplied with a mounting bracket and four fasteners. The built-in gasket seal guarantees protection from outside the panel.

1. Select the panel location of the Remote Operator. The required panel cutout is 92 mm x 92 mm.
2. Place the Remote Operator through the cutout and locate the mounting bracket at the rear of the panel onto the four studs.
3. Use the four fasteners to tighten the mounting bracket up to the rear of the panel.
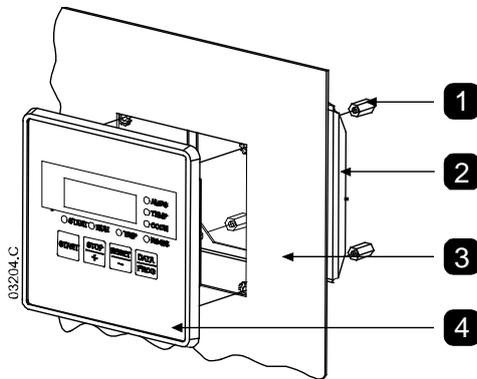
1	Fasteners (x4)
2	Mounting bracket
3	Universal panel cutout (92 mm x 92 mm)
4	Remote Operator

3.2   Electrical Connections

The Remote Operator requires a minimum of three electrical connections - the external power supply, the chassis earth and the RS485 Starter port. All external wiring, except the chassis earth (M4 stud provided), is connected to spring operated clamp connector terminals with a maximum wire size of 2.5 mm^2. No special tools are required.

Grounding and Shielding

Twisted pair data cable with earth shield is recommended. The cable shield should be connected to the GND device terminal at both ends and one point of the site protective earth.

Termination Resistors

In long cable runs prone to excessive noise interference, termination resistors should be installed between the data lines at both ends of the RS-485 cable. This resistance should match the cable impedance (typically 120 Ω). Do not use wire wound resistors.

RS-485 Data Cable Connection

Daisy chain connection is recommended. This is achieved by parallel connections of the data cable at the actual device terminals.

Remote Operator RS-485 Network Connection Specifications

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Input impedance:	12 kΩ
Common mode voltage range:	- 7 V to + 12 V
Input sensitivity:	± 200 mV
Minimum differential output voltage:	1.5 V (with max loading of 54 Ω)

3.3 Soft starter connections

The Remote Operator connects to the soft starter via a Remote Operator Interface or Modbus RTU Interface.

⚠️ **CAUTION**
Remove mains and control voltage from the soft starter before attaching or removing accessories. Failure to do so may damage the equipment.

1. Remove control power and mains supply from the soft starter.
2. Fully pull out the top and bottom retaining clips on the interface.
3. Line up the interface with the comms port slot.
4. Push in the top and bottom retaining clips to secure the interface to the starter.
5. Apply control power to the soft starter.
6. Connect the Remote Operator to the interface.
7. Apply control voltage to the Remote Operator.
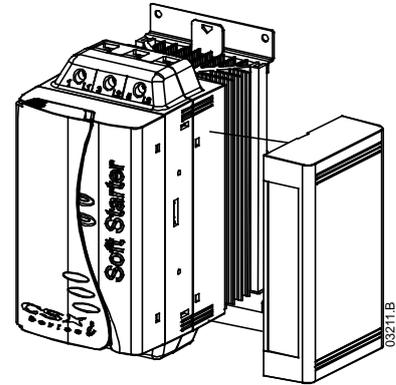
Connection

CSX: For the Remote Operator to accept fieldbus commands, a link must be fitted across terminals A1-02 on the soft starter.
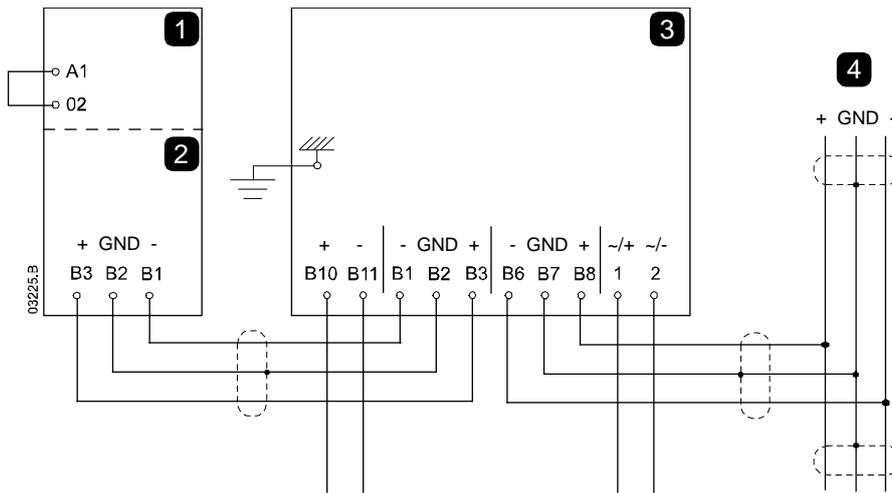
1	Soft starter
2	Serial port (RS-485)

3	Remote operator
	B10, B11: 4~20 mA analog output
	B1, B2, B3: RS-485 starter connection
	B6, B7, B8: RS-485 network connection
	1, 2: Supply voltage (18~30 VAC/VDC)
4	RS-485 Serial communication network connection (Modbus RTU or AP ASCII)

Configuration (Modbus RTU Interface only)

The DIP switches on the Modbus RTU Interface must be set as follows:

1	DIP Switch A	
2	DIP Switch B	
3	Protocol = AP ASCII	
4	Address = 20	
5	Baud Rate = 9600	
6	Parity = No parity	
7	Timeout = No timeout	
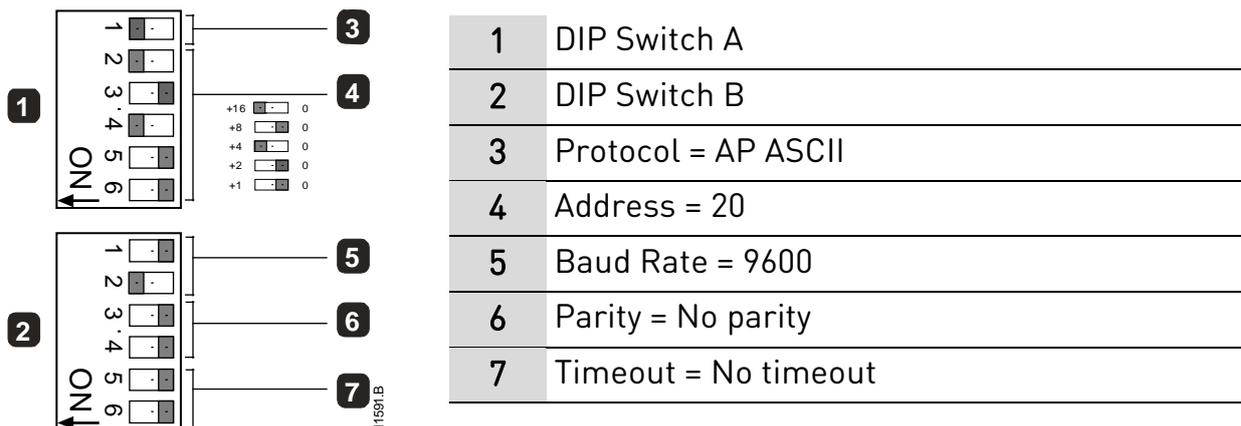
The Remote Operator internal parameters must be set as follows:

Parameter 1 (RS485 network baud rate) = set to match Modbus master
Parameter 2 (RS485 network address) = unique number between 1 ~ 99
Parameter 3 (RS485 network timeout) = set as required
Parameter 4 (RS485 network protocol) = AP ASCII

4. Operation

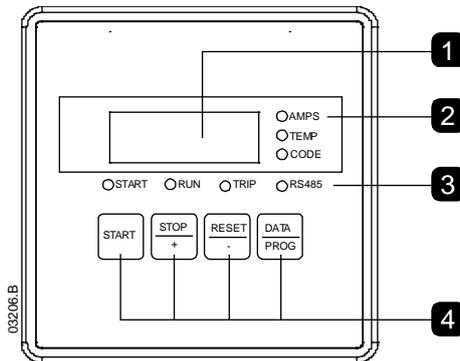## 4.1 Functionality Range

The Remote Operator provides the following range of functions:

Description	CSX	CSX*i*
Operational control (Start, Stop, Reset, Quick Stop)	●	●
Starter status monitoring (Ready, Starting, Running, Stopping, Tripped)	●	●
Performance monitoring (Motor current, Motor temperature)		●
Trip code display	●	●
4-20 mA analog output		●

4.2 Operation

The Remote Operator performs all soft starter functions except programming of the soft starter. The Remote Operator can only be used to program its own parameters.

1	Display: Indicates the value of the selected data.
2	Display mode indicator: Indicates the data type shown on the display.
3	Status LEDs: Indicates the status of the starter and the communication link.
	Start (green): soft starter is starting, running or stopping
	Run (green): soft starter is providing full voltage to the motor
	Trip (red): soft starter has tripped
	RS485 ON: the serial link between the Remote Operator and the starter is healthy
	RS485 FLASHING: communication between the Remote Operator and the starter has been lost
4	Control buttons
	Start: Starts the motor
	Stop: Stops the motor [1]
	Reset: Resets the starter [1]
	Data/Prog: Selects the data type to be shown on the display (motor current or motor temperature), or accesses Programming Mode.

[1] Simultaneously pressing the **STOP** and **RESET** buttons initiates a quick stop, which immediately removes voltage from the motor, ignoring any soft stop time set on the starter.

4.3 Trip Codes

If the soft starter trips, the CODE and TRIP LEDs illuminate and the relevant trip code is reported on the Remote Operator display.

Code	Description	CSX	CSX*i*
1-1	Excess start time		●
1-2	Motor overload		●
1-3	Motor thermistor		●
1-4	Current imbalance		●
1-5	Frequency	●	●
1-6	Phase sequence		●
1-8	Power circuit	●	●
1-b	Bypass overload		●
1-C	Communications failure between interface and starter	●	●
1-H	Forced communications trip from the network master	●	●

5. 4-20 mA Analog Output

5.1 Overview

The Remote Operator has a 4-20 mA analog output for monitoring motor current. The 4-20 mA output is available on terminals B10, B11.

The analog output signal spans from 4 mA when the motor current is zero (when the soft starter is not running) to 20 mA when the motor current is 125% of the Motor FLC setting in the Remote Operator (parameter 6).

> **NOTE**
> The 4-20 mA output only operates when the Remote Operator is connected to CSX*i* soft starters.

5.2 Calibration

The Remote Operator Motor FLC parameter (parameter 6) must be adjusted to match the Motor FLC setting in the soft starter.

The lower end of the analog output signal can be calibrated using the Remote Operator Analog Output 4 mA Offset parameter (parameter 7). This is set to give a 4 mA output signal when the motor current is zero.

The 4-20 mA analog output has an accuracy of ±10%. It is not designed for process signal control and should only be used for motor current monitoring and metering.

5.3 Programming

When the 4-20 mA output is being used, the Remote Operator's Motor FLC and Analog Output 4 mA Offset parameters (Parameters 6 and 7) must be set appropriately (see *Calibration*). Programming can only be carried out while the soft starter is not running.

5.4 Programming Procedure

1. To enter Programming Mode, hold down the Data/Prog pushbutton for four seconds. The default value of the first parameter will be displayed.
2. Use the Data/Prog pushbutton to advance to the next parameter.
3. Use the Stop and Reset pushbuttons to adjust parameter values.

Programming Mode closes when the Data/Prog pushbutton is pressed after parameter 9.

> **NOTE**
> There is a 20 second timeout when the Remote Operator is in Programming Mode. Programming Mode will automatically close if no input is registered for 20 seconds. Any changes already made will be saved.

5.5 Programmable Parameters

The Remote Operator offers the following programmable parameters:

Parameters 1 to 5 only apply when the Remote Operator is being used as a Modbus or AP ASCII network gateway.

Parameter Number	Description	Default Setting	Range
1	RS485 network - Baud rate	4 (9600 baud)	2 = 2400 3 = 4800 4 = 9600 5 = 19200 6 = 38400
2	RS485 network - Satellite address	20	1 to 99
3	RS485 network - Timeout	0 seconds (= off)	0 to 100 seconds
4	RS485 network – Protocol	1 (AP ASCII)	1 = AP ASCII 2 = Modbus RTU
5	Modbus protocol parity	0 (no parity)	0 = No parity 1 = Odd 2 = Even 3 = 10-bit transmission
6	Motor FLC (A)	10	1 to 2868
7	Analog output 4 mA offset (%)	100	80 to 120
8	Start, Stop, Quick stop function disable	0	0 = Remote Operator start, stop, quick stop function = enabled Network start, stop, quick stop function = enabled 1 = Remote Operator start, stop, quick stop function = enabled Network start, stop, quick stop function = disabled [2] 2 = Remote Operator start, stop, quick stop function = disabled Network start, stop, quick stop function = enabled [1] 3 = Remote Operator start, stop, quick stop function = disabled Network start, stop, quick stop function = disabled [1, 2]
9	*Reserved*	0	0 = off (default)

[1] Remote Operator Reset pushbutton is always enabled.

[2] RS485 Network reset and forced communication trip functions are always enabled.

6. Troubleshooting

6.1 General Faults

Display Indication	Problem	Possible Solution
No display	No control voltage	• Check that correct voltage is present at terminals 1, 2.
AMPS or TEMP LED flashing	Soft starter in restart delay mode	• Wait for the restart delay (programmed in the soft starter) to elapse.
Four dashes on display and RS485 LED flashing	The Remote Operator has detected a loss of communication on the RS485 link to the soft starter	Verify and solve the cause for loss of communication. • If communication is restored before the soft starter trips, the display will return to active status and the RS485 LED will illuminate. • If communication is restored after the soft starter has tripped, the display will indicate the trip code. Use the Reset button to reset the soft starter fault.
-	Incorrect or no 4-20 mA analog output signal	• Check the correct voltage is present at terminals 1, 2. • Check that correct polarity is used at terminals B10, B11. • Check that the Motor FLC, Analog Output 4 mA Offset and Current ÷ 10 parameters are set correctly.
-	The motor cannot be started	• Check that control voltage is connected to the soft starter. • Check that terminals A1-02 on the soft starter are linked. • Parameter 8 on the Remote Operator must be set to 0 or 1.

7. Specifications

- **Enclosure**

  Front Panel   .... 120 mm (Height) x 120 mm (Width)
  Inside Panel Depth (when mounted)   .... 30 mm (max)
  Panel Cutout   .... 92 mm^2
  Weight   .... 450 g

- **Power Supply**

  Voltage   .... 18 - 30 VDC/VAC (50/60 Hz)
  Consumption   .... 100 mA (max - steady state)
  Connection (Terminals 1, 2)   .... 2 pole spring clamp connector terminals

- **RS485 Serial Network Port (Optional)**

  RS485 Network Interface .... AP ASCII or Modbus RTU protocol (selectable)
  Connection (Terminals B6, B7, B8)   .... 3 pole spring clamp connector terminals

- **RS485 Serial Starter Port (Soft Starter Connection)**

  RS485 Soft Starter Interface   .... AP ASCII protocol as standard
  Connection (Terminals B1, B2, B3)   .... 3 pole spring clamp connector terminals

- **Analog Output**

  Motor Current Monitoring Interface   .... 4-20 mA (max burden 200 Ω)
  Connection (Terminals B10, B11)   .... 2 pole spring clamp connector terminals

- **Sundry**

  Enclosure Rating   .... IP54/NEMA 12 (when correctly panel-mounted)
  Pollution Degree   .... Pollution Degree 3
  Operating Temperature   .... - 5 ºC / + 60 ºC
  Relative Humidity   .... 5 to 95% (max non-condensing)

This product has been designed as Class A equipment. Use of this product in domestic environments may cause radio interference, in which case the user may be required to employ additional mitigation methods.

- **Standards Approvals**

  CE   .... EN 60947-4-2
  UL / C-UL   .... UL 508
  RCM   .... IEC 60947-4-2

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