

# Smoothly switching 4/2 and 4/3 directional valve with DC solenoids

**RE 23183/04.05**  
Replaces: 02.03

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**Type WE...73...A12**Size 6 and 10  
Component series 6X; 3X  
Maximum operating pressure 350/315 bar  
Maximum flow 60/100 L/min

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## Features

- Direct operated directional spool valve with solenoid operation
- Smooth switching characteristics
- Position of ports to DIN 24340 form A (**without** locating bore)
- Position of ports to ISO 4401-03-02-0-94 (**with** locating bore, size 6) and ISO 4401-05-04-0-94 (size 10)
- Subplates, see data sheet RE 45052 (size 6), and RE 45054 (size 10), separate order
- Wet-pin DC solenoids with detachable coil
- Solenoid coil can be rotated through 90°
- Pressure-tight chamber needs not to be opened for a coil change
- Electrical connection as individual connection
- With concealed manual override

Information on available spare parts:  
[www.boschrexroth.com/spc](http://www.boschrexroth.com/spc)

## Ordering code

	<b>WE</b>	-	/			<b>N9</b>	<b>K4/A12</b>				*
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3 main ports = **3**  
 4 main ports = **4**

Size 6 = **6**  
 Size 10 = **10**

Spool symbols, e.g. D73, E73, E73A, E73B, etc.; for possible versions, see page 3

Component series 60 to 69 (size 6) = **6X**  
 (60 to 69: unchanged installation and connection dimensions)  
 Component series 30 to 39 (size 10) = **3X**  
 (30 to 39: unchanged installation and connection dimensions)

Spring return = **No code**  
 Without spring return with detent (available only with symbol "D73") = **OF**

Type of solenoid for size 6 = **E**  
 Type of solenoid for size 10 = **C**

24 V DC = **G24**  
 205 V DC = **G205**<sup>1)</sup>  
 (For ordering code for further voltages, see page 6)

With concealed manual override = **N9**

Further details in clear text

**No code** = Without locating bore (sizes 6 and 10)  
**/60**<sup>2)</sup> = With locating bore (size 6 only)

**Seal material**  
**No code** = NBR seals  
**V** = FKM seals  
 (other seals on enquiry)  
**⚠ Caution!**  
 Observe compatibility of seals with hydraulic fluid used!

**Clamping length**  
**No code** = Standard  
**Z** = 22 mm (size 6 only)

**No code** = Without throttle insert  
**B08** = Throttle Ø 0.8 mm  
**B10** = Throttle Ø 1.0 mm  
**B12** = Throttle Ø 1.2 mm  
 Use in the case of flow > performance limit of the valve, effective in P-channel

**A12** = Influence on switching time

**Electrical connection**  
**K4**<sup>3)</sup> = Individual connection; with component plug DIN EN 175301-803, without cable socket

**Preferred types, see page 4, are available at short notice!**

AC network (permissible voltage tolerance ± 10%)	Nominal voltage of DC solenoid when operated with AC voltage	Ordering code
110 V - 50/60 Hz 120 V - 60 Hz	96 V	<b>G96</b>
230 V - 50/60 Hz	205 V	<b>G205</b>

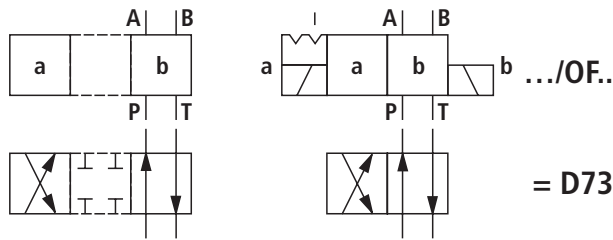
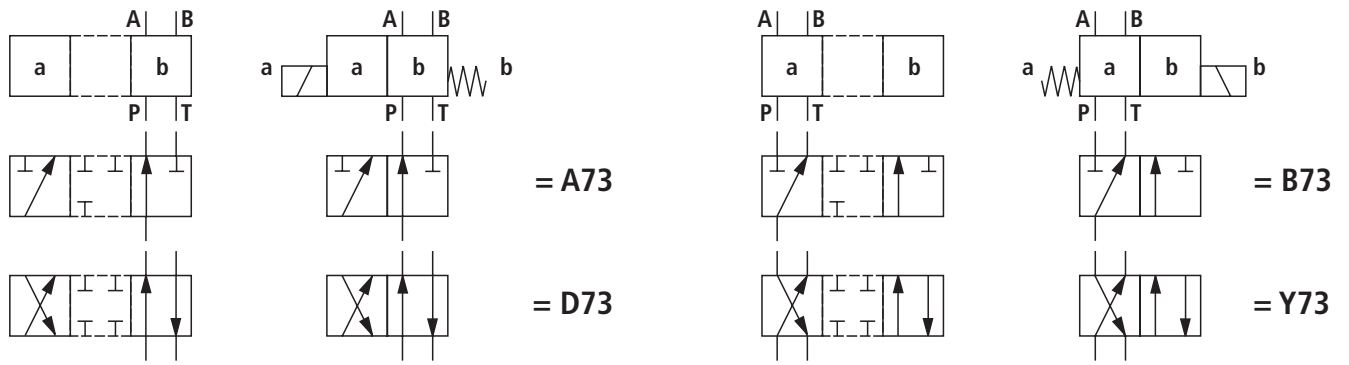
<sup>1)</sup> For connection to the AC network, an AC solenoid **must** be used, which is controlled via a rectifier (see table on the left).

In the case of individual connection, a cable socket with integrated rectifier may be used (separate order, see page 4).

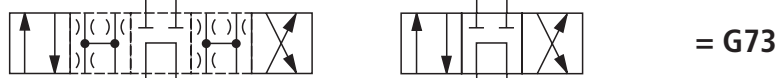
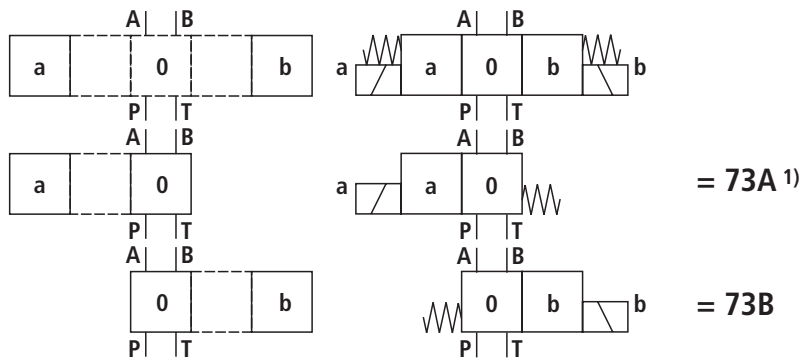
<sup>2)</sup> Dowel pin ISO 8752-3x8-St, material no. **R900005694** (separate order)

<sup>3)</sup> Cable sockets, separate order, see page 4

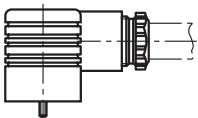
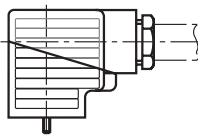
### Symbols



- 1) **Example:**  
 Spool E73 with spool position "a"  
 Ordering code **..E73A..**
- 2) Not for size 10



## Cable sockets to DIN EN 175301-803

For details and further cable sockets, see RE 08006					
Valve side	Colour	Material no.			
		Without circuitry	With LED lamp 12 ... 240 V	With rectifier 12 ... 240 V	With LED lamp and Zener diode suppressor circuit 24 V
a	Grey	<b>R901017010</b>	–	–	–
b	Black	<b>R901017011</b>	–	–	–
a/b	Black	–	<b>R901017022</b>	<b>R901017025</b>	<b>R901017026</b>

## Preferred types

Type 4WE 6	Material number
4WE 6 D73-6X/EG24N9K4/A12	R900546257
4WE 6 D73-6X/OFEG24N9K4/A12	R900567066
4WE 6 E73-6X/EG24N9K4/A12	R900567095
4WE 6 G73-6X/EG24N9K4/A12	R900572783
4WE 6 H73-6X/EG24N9K4/A12	R900906660
4WE 6 J73-6X/EG24N9K4/A12	R900567997
4WE 6 W73-6X/EG24N9K4/A12	R900567269
4WE 6 Y73-6X/EG24N9K4/A12	R900572186

Type 4WE 10	Material number
4WE 10 D73-3X/CG24N9K4/A12	R900528033
4WE 10 D73-3X/OFCEG24N9K4/A12	R900563418
4WE 10 E73-3X/CG24N9K4/A12	R900525717
4WE 10 G73-3X/CG24N9K4/A12	R900560503
4WE 10 H73-3X/CG24N9K4/A12	R900912742
4WE 10 Y73-3X/CG24N9K4/A12	R900929728

**Further preferred types and standard components can be found in the EPS (standard price list).**

## Function, section

Directional valves of type WE...73.. are solenoid operated directional spool valves with smooth switching characteristics. They control the start, stop and direction of a flow.

Due to the design of the valve spool and the solenoids, switching shocks that may occur when the valves are switched on or off are drastically reduced.

Depending on the version, switching shocks, measured in the form of acceleration values  $a$ , can be reduced by approx. 85 % when compared with the standard valve (see bar chart on page 7).

These directional valves basically consist of a housing (1), one or two solenoids (2), a control spool (3), and one or two return springs (4).

In the de-energised condition, the control spool (3) is held in the central or initial position by return springs (4) (except for impulse spools). The control spool (3) is operated by wet-pin solenoids (2).

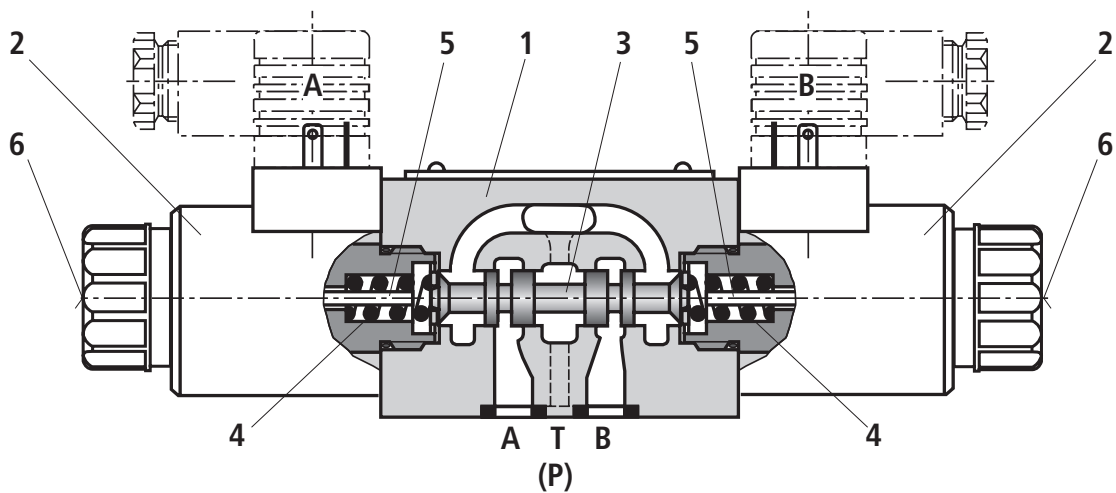
**To ensure proper operation, care must be taken that the pressure chamber of the solenoid is filled with oil.**

The force of solenoid (2) acts via plunger (5) on control spool (3)

(3) and shifts it from its rest position to the required end position. This enables the required direction of flow, P to A and B to T or P to B and A to T.

After solenoid (2) was de-energised, control spool (3) is again pushed to its rest position by return spring (4).

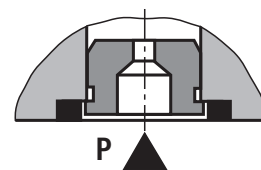
Manual override (6) allows control spool (3) to be moved without energisation of the solenoid.



Type 4WE 6 E73-6X/E.../A12...

### Throttle insert

The use of throttle inserts is required, where, due to prevailing operating conditions, flows can occur during switching processes that **exceed** the performance limit of the valve. They are inserted in the P-channel of the directional valve.



Type 4WE...73.../.../B..

**Technical data** (for applications outside these parameters, please consult us!)

<b>General</b>			
Sizes	Size	6	10
Weight	– Valve with one solenoid	kg	1.45
	– Valve with two solenoids	kg	1.95
Installation orientation		Optional	
Ambient temperature range		°C	– 30 to + 50 (NBR seals) – 20 to + 50 (FKM seals)
Acceleration <b>a</b>		%	See bar chart on page 7
<b>Hydraulic</b>			
Maximum operating pressure	– Ports A, B, P	bar	350
	– Port T	bar	210
Maximum flow			60
Hydraulic fluid		Mineral oil (HL, HLP) to DIN 51524 <sup>1)</sup> ; fast bio-degradable hydraulic fluids to VDMA 24568 (see also RE 90221); HETG (rape-seed oil) <sup>1)</sup> ; HEPG (polyglycols) <sup>2)</sup> ; HEES (synthetic esters) <sup>2)</sup> ; other hydraulic fluids on enquiry	
Hydraulic fluid temperature range		°C	– 30 to + 80 (NBR seals) – 15 to + 80 (FKM seals)
Viscosity range		mm <sup>2</sup> /s	2.8 to 500
Max. permissible degree of contamination of the hydraulic fluid - cleanliness class to ISO 4406 (c)		Class 20/18/15 <sup>3)</sup>	
<b>Electrical</b>			
Available voltages <sup>4)</sup>		V	12, 24, 96, 205
Voltage tolerance (nominal voltage)		%	±10
Power consumption		W	30
Duty cycle		100 %	
Switching time $t_s$ to ISO 6403		ON/OFF	Approx. 3 to 4 times longer than standard valve
Maximum switching frequency		1/h	7200
Maximum coil temperature <sup>5)</sup>		°C	150
Type of protection to DIN EN 60529 <sup>6)</sup>		IP 65	
Insulation class VDE 0580		F	

<sup>1)</sup> Suitable for NBR and FKM seals

<sup>2)</sup> Suitable only for FKM seals

<sup>3)</sup> The cleanliness classes specified for components must be adhered to in hydraulic systems. Effective filtration prevents malfunction and, at the same time, increases the service life of components.

For the selection of filters, see data sheets RE 50070, RE 50076, RE 50081, RE 50086 and RE 50088.

<sup>4)</sup> Special voltages on enquiry

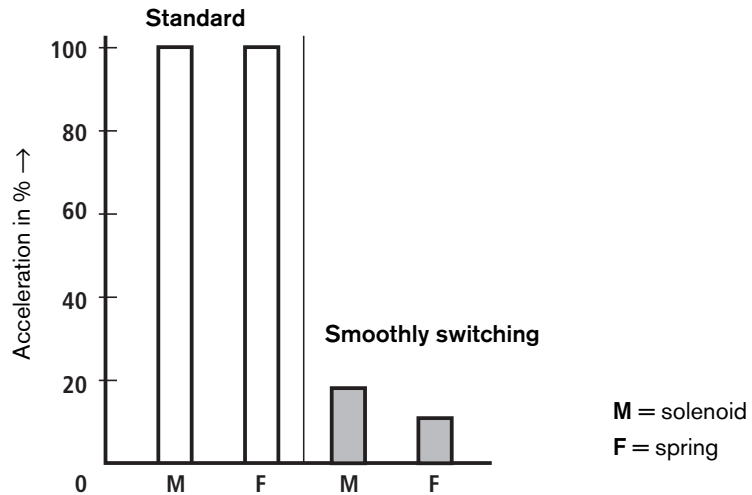
<sup>5)</sup> Due to the surface temperatures occurring on the solenoid

coils, observe European standards EN563 and EN982!

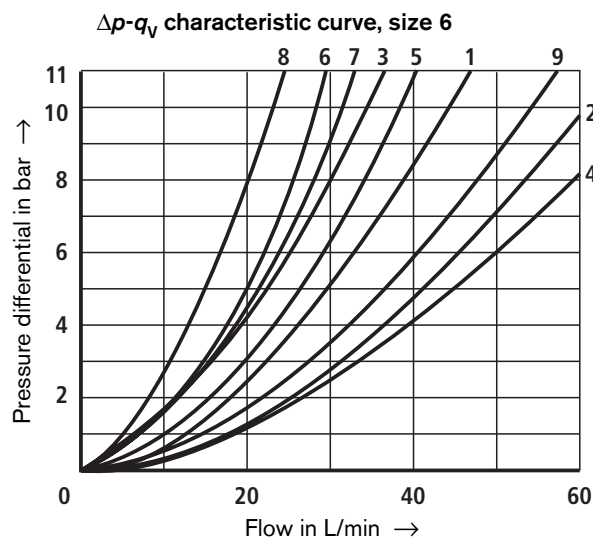
<sup>6)</sup> With cable socket mounted and locked

**When connecting wires, properly connect the PE conductor (PE  $\perp$ ).**

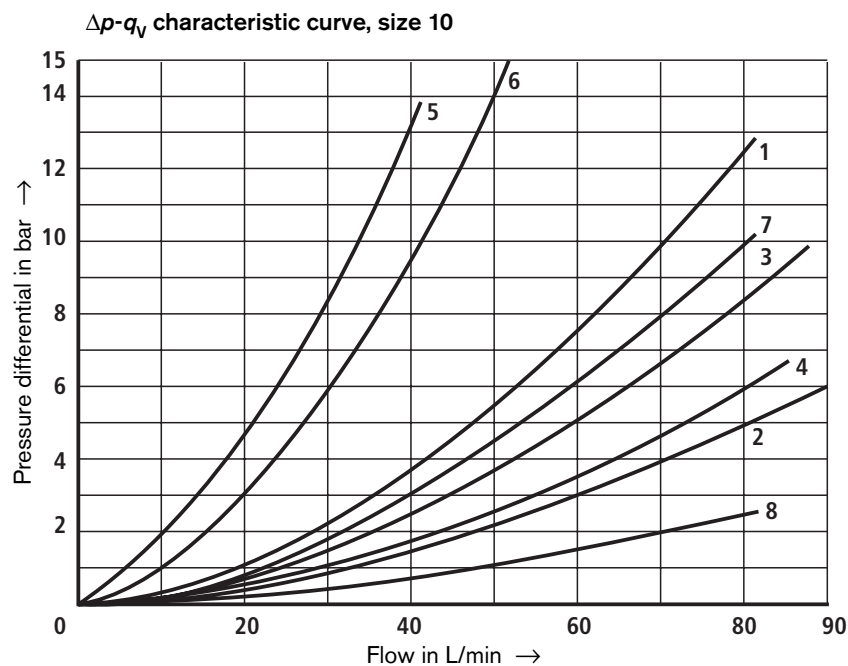
**Acceleration value  $a$  (measured on the cylinder)**



**Characteristic curves (measured with HLP46,  $\vartheta_{oil} = 40\text{ °C} \pm 5\text{ °C}$ )**



Symbol	Direction of flow					
	P-A	P-B	A-T	B-T	P-T	B-A
E73	1	1	1	1	-	-
J73	3	3	2	2	-	-
H73	1	1	1	1	5	-
A/B73	6	6	-	-	-	-
D/Y73	7	7	7	7	-	-
G73	8	8	8	8	5	-
R73	9	6	9	-	-	6
W73	9	9	9	9	-	-



Symbol	Direction of flow				
	P-A	P-B	A-T	B-T	P-T
A/B73	2	2	-	-	-
D/Y73	1	1	1	1	-
E73	2	2	2	2	-
G73	2	2	2	2	3
H73	8	8	2	2	2
J73	4	4	2	2	-
R73	7	3	4	-	-

5 Symbol "R73" in spool position B - A (diff.)  
6 Symbol "R73" in spool position P - B (diff.)

**Performance limits** (measured with HLP46,  $\vartheta_{oil} = 40\text{ °C} \pm 5\text{ °C}$ )

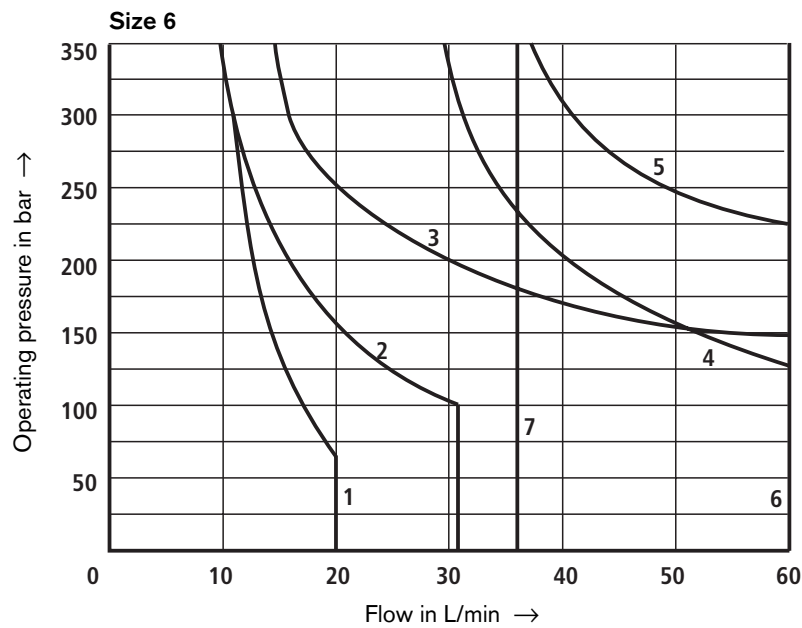
**⚠ Caution!**

The specified switching performance limits are valid with two directions of flow (e.g. from P to A and simultaneous return flow from B to T).

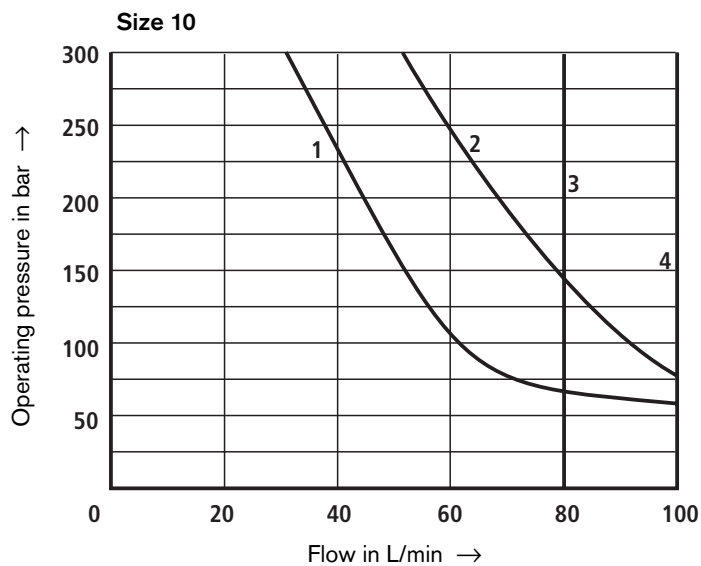
Due to the flow forces acting within the valve, the permissible switching performance limit can be significantly lower with only one direction of flow (e.g. from P to A, with port B being closed)!

In such cases, please consult us!

**The switching performance limit was determined with the solenoid at operating temperature, at 10 % under-voltage and without tank pre-loading.**



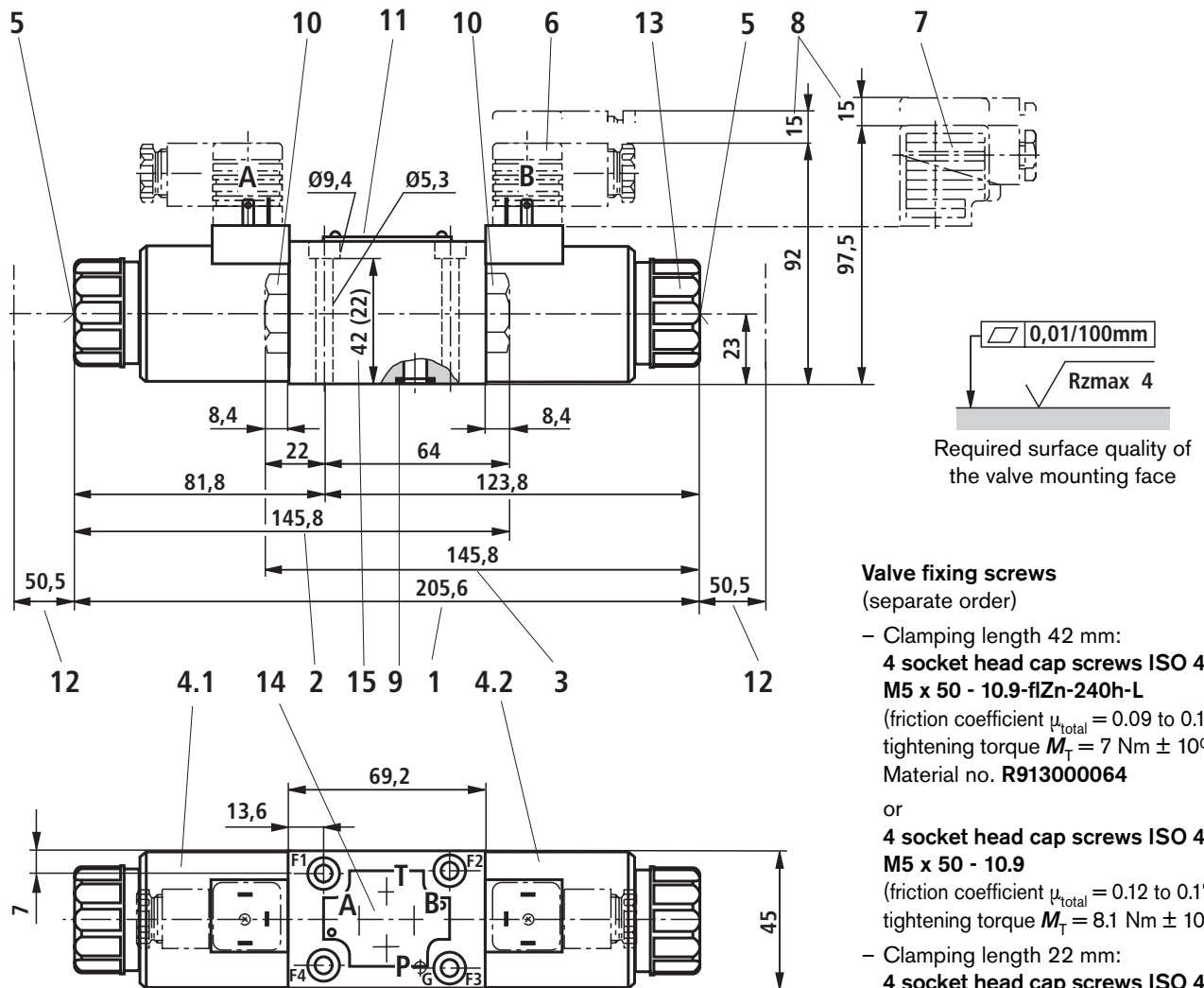
Char. curve	Symbol
1	A73, B73
2	G73
3	D73, Y73
4	J73
5	R73
6	E73, W73, D73/OF
7	H73



Char. curve	Symbol
1	A73, B73
2	G73
3	H73
4	J73, D73, Y73, E73, R73, D73/OF



## Unit dimensions: Size 6 (nominal dimensions in mm)



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|---|--|
| 1 3-position valve (E73..)  | 9 Identical seal rings for ports A, B, P, T  |
| 2 2-position valve with 1 solenoid (A73, D73, E73A...)  | 10 Plug screw for valves with one solenoid   |
| 3 2-position valve with 1 solenoid (Y73, E73B...)   | 11 Nameplate   |
| 4.1 Solenoid "a"  | 12 Space required to remove coil   |
| 4.2 Solenoid "b"  | 13 Fixing nut, tightening torque $M_T = 4 \text{ Nm}$  |
| 5 Concealed manual override "N9"<br>The manual override can only be operated at a tank pressure of up to approx. 50 bar.<br>Prevent damage to the bore for the manual override! | 14 Position of ports to DIN 24340 form A (without locating bore), or ISO 4401-03-02-0-94 (with locating bore for dowel pin ISO 8752-3x8-St, material no. <b>R900005694</b> , separate order) |
| 6 Cable socket <b>without</b> circuitry (separate order, see page 4)  | 15 Alternative clamping length ( ): 22 mm  |
| 7 Cable socket <b>with</b> circuitry (separate order, see page 4)   |  |
| 8 Space required to remove cable socket   |  |

### Valve fixing screws

(separate order)

- Clamping length 42 mm:

**4 socket head cap screws ISO 4762 - M5 x 50 - 10.9-fZn-240h-L**

(friction coefficient  $\mu_{total} = 0.09$  to  $0.14$ );  
tightening torque  $M_T = 7 \text{ Nm} \pm 10\%$ .

Material no. **R913000064**

or

**4 socket head cap screws ISO 4762 - M5 x 50 - 10.9**

(friction coefficient  $\mu_{total} = 0.12$  to  $0.17$ );  
tightening torque  $M_T = 8.1 \text{ Nm} \pm 10\%$

- Clamping length 22 mm:

**4 socket head cap screws ISO 4762 - M5 x 30 - 10.9-fZn-240h-L**

(friction coefficient  $\mu_{total} = 0.09$  to  $0.14$ );  
tightening torque  $M_T = 7 \text{ Nm} \pm 10\%$ .

Material no. **R913000316**

or

**4 socket head cap screws ISO 4762 - M5 x 30 - 10.9**

(friction coefficient  $\mu_{total} = 0.12$  to  $0.17$ );  
tightening torque  $M_T = 8.1 \text{ Nm} \pm 10\%$

### Subplates

to data sheet RE 45052 (separate order)

(without locating bore) G 341/01 (G1/4)

G 342/01 (G3/8)

G 502/01 (G1/2)

(with locating bore) G 341/60 (G1/4)

G 342/60 (G3/8)

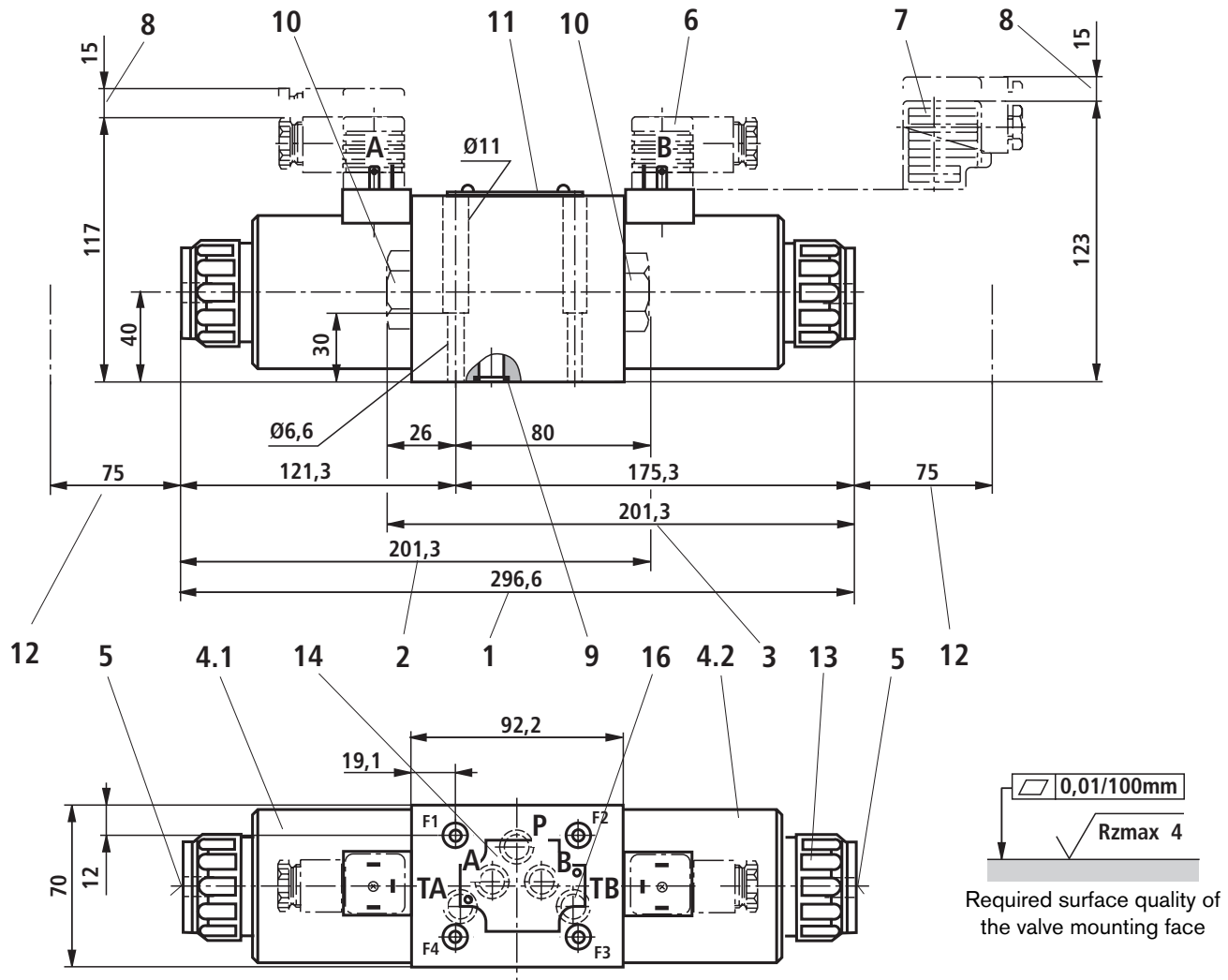
G 502/60 (G1/2)

### Tolerances:

- General tolerances ISO 2768-mK

- Tolerancing principle ISO 8015

## Unit dimensions: Size 10 (nominal sizes in mm)



Required surface quality of the valve mounting face

- 1 3-position valve (E73..)
- 2 2-position valve with 1 solenoid (A73, D73, E73A...)
- 3 2-position valve with 1 solenoid (Y73, E73B...)
- 4.1 Solenoid "a"
- 4.2 Solenoid "b"
- 5 Concealed manual override "N9"  
The manual override can only be operated at a tank pressure of up to approx. 50 bar.  
Prevent damage to the bore for the manual override!
- 6 Cable socket **without** circuitry (separate order, see page 4)
- 7 Cable socket **with** circuitry (separate order, see page 4)
- 8 Space required to remove cable socket

- 9 Identical seal rings for ports A, B, P, T (not for valve with throttle insert in P)
- 10 Plug screw for valves with one solenoid
- 11 Nameplate
- 12 Space required to remove coil
- 13 Fixing nut, tightening torque  $M_T = 6^{+2}$  Nm
- 14 Position of ports to ISO 4401-05-04-0-94; differing from standard: Port TB ( $\varnothing$  11.2 max.)
- 16 Additional T-port (TB) can be used optionally for drilled blocks.

### Valve fixing screws

- (separate order)
- 4 socket head cap screws ISO 4762 - M6 x 40 - 10.9-f1Zn-240h-L (friction coefficient  $\mu_{\text{total}} = 0.09$  to 0.14); tightening torque  $M_T = 12.5$  Nm  $\pm$  10%. Material no. **R913000058** or
- 4 socket head cap screws ISO 4762 - M6 x 40 - 10.9 (friction coefficient  $\mu_{\text{total}} = 0.12$  to 0.17); tightening torque  $M_T = 15.5$  Nm  $\pm$  10%

### Subplates

to data sheet RE 45054 (separate order)

G 66/01 (G3/8)  
G 67/01 (G1/2)  
G 534/01 (G3/4)

### Tolerances:

- General tolerances ISO 2768-mK
- Tolerancing principle ISO 8015

**Notes**

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