



Operating instructions

Spring Plunger FST-Lock-HD

Note

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1 Important Information

1.1 Note on Using this Document

J. Schmalz GmbH is generally referred to as Schmalz in this document.

The document contains important notes and information about the different operating phases of the product:

- Transport, storage, start of operations and decommissioning
- Safe operation, required maintenance, rectification of any faults

The document describes the product at the time of delivery by Schmalz and is aimed at:

- Installers who are trained in handling the product and can operate and install it
- Technically trained service personnel performing the maintenance work
- Technically trained persons who work on electrical equipment

1.2 The technical documentation is part of the product

1. For problem-free and safe operation, follow the instructions in the documents.
2. Keep the technical documentation in close proximity to the product. The documentation must be accessible to personnel at all times.
3. Pass on the technical documentation to subsequent users.
 - ⇒ Failure to follow the instructions in these Operating instructions may result in injuries!
 - ⇒ Schmalz is not liable for damage or malfunctions that result from failure to heed these instructions.

If you still have questions after reading the technical documentation, contact Schmalz Service at:

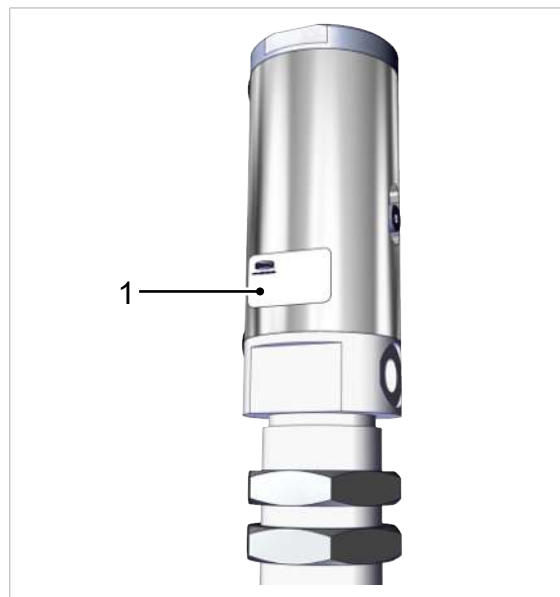
www.schmalz.com/services

1.3 Type Plate

The type plate is permanently attached to the product and must always be clearly legible. It contains product identification data and important technical information.

- ▶ For spare parts orders, warranty claims or other inquiries, have the information on the type plate to hand.

- QR code
- Part sales designation/type
- Part number
- Serial number
- Coded date of manufacture
- Permitted pressure range



1.4 Symbol



This symbol indicates useful and important information.

- ✓ This symbol represents a prerequisite that must be met prior to an operational step.
- ▶ This symbol represents an action to be performed.
- ⇒ This symbol represents the result of an action.

Actions that consist of more than one step are numbered:

1. First action to be performed.
2. Second action to be performed.

2 Fundamental Safety Instructions

2.1 Intended Use

The locking spring plunger FST-LOCK-HD is used to compensate for height differences in component contours on the vacuum gripping system. The FST-LOCK-HD can be fixed at the set height by switching off the compressed air. This allows you to hold and transport gripped workpieces without any deformation.

The product is built in accordance with the latest standards of technology and is delivered in a safe operating condition; however, hazards may arise during use.

The product is intended for industrial use.

Intended use includes observing the technical data and the installation and operating instructions in this manual.

2.2 Non-Intended Use

Schmalz accepts no liability for damages resulting from use other than as intended. In particular, the following are considered non-intended use:

- Use in potentially explosive atmospheres
- Use in medical applications
- Use in food product applications

2.3 Personnel Qualifications


Unqualified personnel cannot recognize dangers and are therefore exposed to higher risks!

1. Task only qualified personnel to perform the tasks described in these Operating instructions.
2. The product must be operated only by persons who have undergone appropriate training.

These Operating instructions are intended for fitters who are trained in handling the product and who can operate and install it.

2.4 Warnings in This Document

Warnings warn against hazards that may occur when handling the product. The signal word indicates the level of danger.

Signal word	Meaning
 CAUTION	Indicates a low-risk hazard that could result in minor or moderate injury if not avoided.
NOTE	Indicates a danger that leads to property damage.

2.5 Residual Risks



CAUTION

Noise pollution from leakage

Hearing damage

- ▶ Correct position.
- ▶ Wear ear protectors.



CAUTION

Falling product

Risk of injury

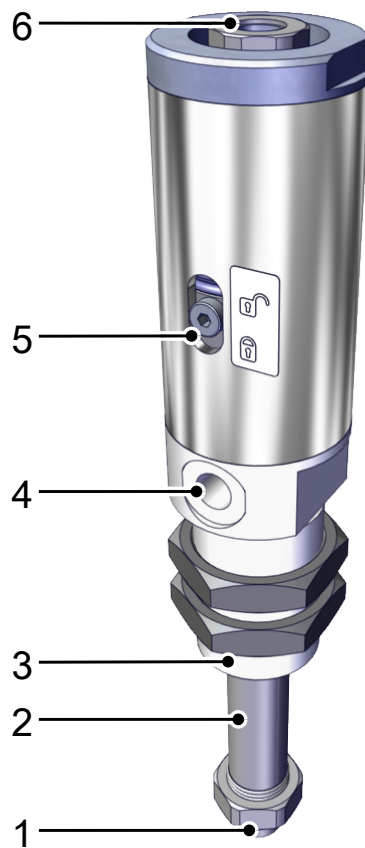
- ▶ Securely attach the product at the site of operation.
- ▶ Wear safety shoes (S1) and safety glasses when handling and mounting/dismounting the product.

2.6 Modifications to the Product

Schmalz assumes no liability for consequences of modifications over which it has no control:

1. The product must be operated only in its original condition as delivered.
2. Use only original spare parts from Schmalz.
3. The product must be operated only in perfect condition.

3 Design of FST-Lock-HD



1 Connection thread for suction cup

2 Plunger rod with spring (spring not shown)

3 Mounting thread and block protector for spring

4 Compressed air connection for releasing the lock:

- 0 bar => plunger rod locked
- 4 to 7 bar => plunger rod can move

5 Locking unit with display window for switching state (locked/movable)

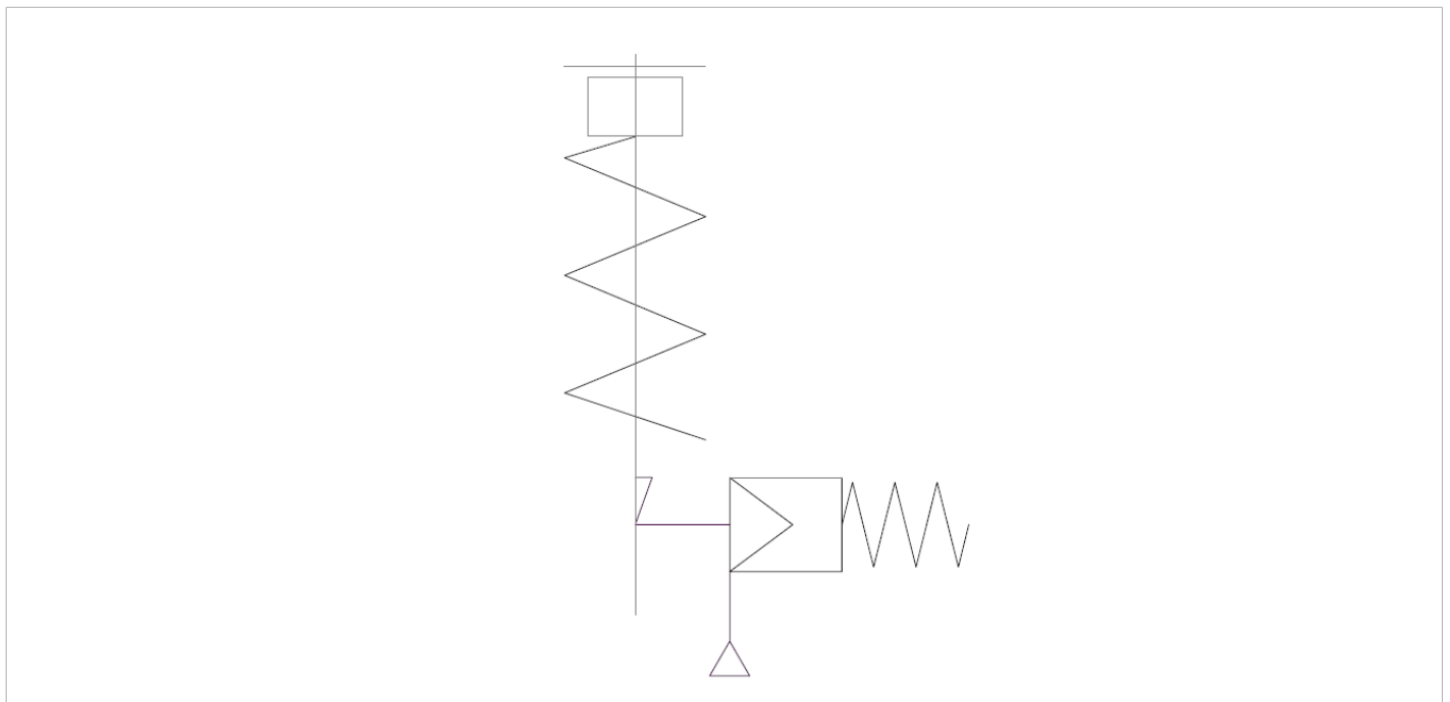
6 Vacuum connection and axial vacuum feedthrough in the plunger rod

4 Technical Data

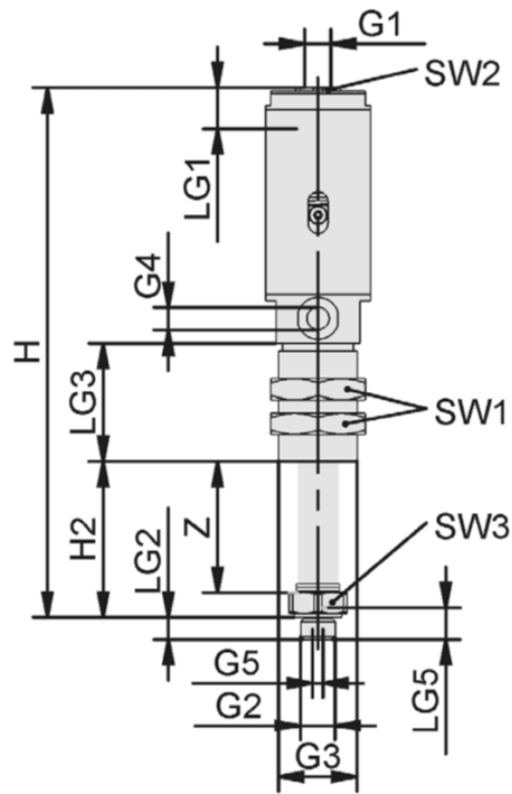
4.1 General parameters

Parameter	FST-LOCK-HD ... 50	FST-LOCK-HD ... 100
Spring rate	0.45 N/mm	0.33 N/mm
Spring prestress	1.4 N/mm	3.28 N/mm
Spring force at stroke center	12.7 N	19.7 N
Operating pressure	4 to 7 bar	
Switch function	NC (normally closed)	
Braking force	350 N	
Operating temperature	0 to 80 °C	
Max. permissible vertical load (at end stop)	1500 N	
Max. permissible horizontal load	300 N	150 N
Operating medium	Air or neutral gas, filtered to 40 µm, with or without oil, class 7-4-4 compressed air quality according to ISO 8573-1. Neutral gases in accordance with EN 983 are approved as the operating medium. Neutral gases include air, nitrogen and inert gases (e.g. argon, helium and neon). Aggressive gases or media such as acids, acid fumes, bases, biocides, disinfectants or detergents are not permitted.	
Weight	735 g	895 g

4.2 Pneumatic Circuit Diagram



4.3 Dimensions



G1	G3	G4	LG1	SW1	SW2	SW3
1/8" internal thread	M30x1.5 external thread	1/8" internal thread	12	36	17	22
Part no.	G2	H	H2	LG2	LG3	Z (stroke)
10.01.02.01535	1/4" external thread	202	59.3	8.5	45	50
10.01.02.01628	3/8" external thread	202.8	59.8	8.0	45	50
10.01.02.01629	1/4" external thread	267.3	109.3	8.5	60	100
10.01.02.01633	3/8" external thread	267.8	109.8	8.0	60	100

5 Checking the Delivery

The scope of delivery can be found in the order confirmation. The weights and dimensions are listed in the delivery notes.

1. Compare the entire delivery with the supplied delivery notes to make sure nothing is missing.
2. Damage caused by defective packaging or occurring in transit must be reported immediately to the carrier and J. Schmalz GmbH.

6 Installation

6.1 Installation Instructions



CAUTION

Compressed air or vacuum in direct contact with the eye

Severe eye injury

- ▶ Wear eye protection
- ▶ Do not look into compressed air openings
- ▶ Do not look into vacuum openings, e.g. suction cups



CAUTION

Noise pollution due to incorrect installation of the pressure and vacuum connections

Hearing damage

- ▶ Correct installation.
- ▶ Wear ear protectors.



NOTE

Dropping the product or subjecting it to impacts

Damage to the product and/or malfunctions

- ▶ Do not drop the product or subject it to impacts.

Take note of the following when mounting:

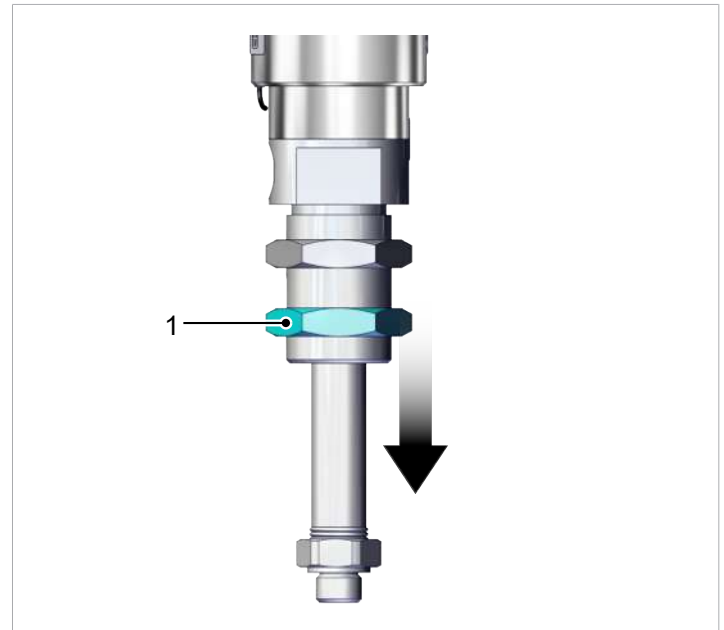
- Dirt particles or foreign bodies in the product's connections, hoses or pipelines can lead to malfunctions or failure.
- Shorten the hoses and pipelines as much as possible.
- Hose lines must be laid without bends or crimps.
- Insufficient compressed air is supplied if the internal diameter on the compressed air side is too small. This prevents the product from performing as specified in its defined performance data.

6.2 Mounting

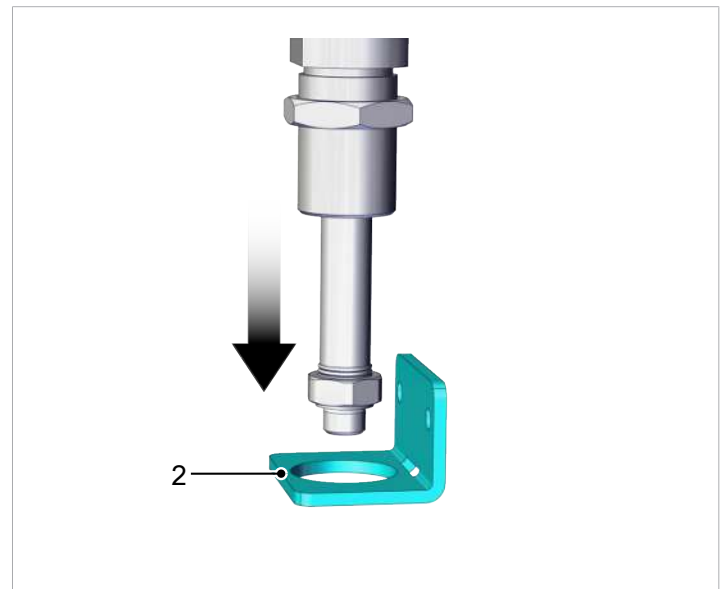
The product may be installed in any position.

- ✓ The customer's gripper holder must be prepared for mounting (clearance hole with 32 ± 1 mm diameter).

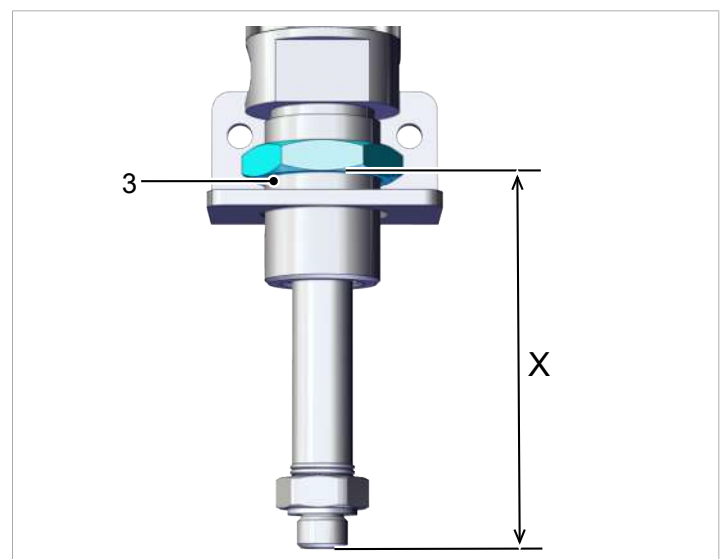
1. Remove the lower nut (1).



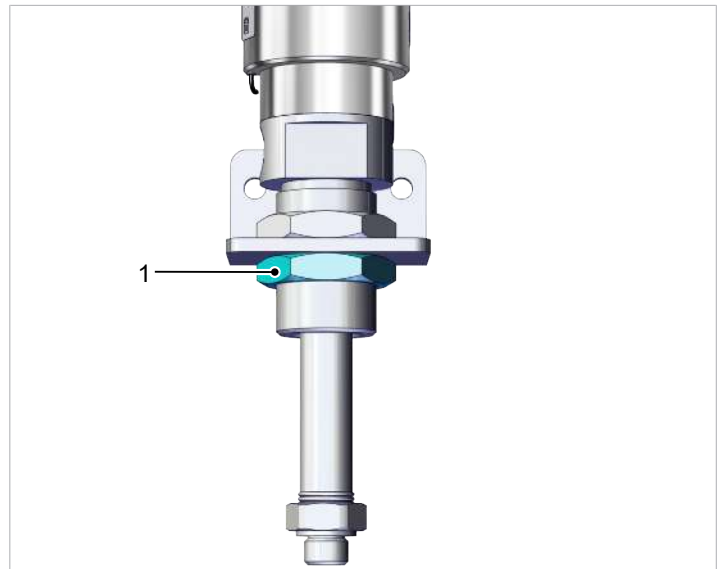
2. Guide the product through the customer's holder (2).



3. Use the nut (3) to set the necessary distance (X) to the workpiece.



4. Mount and fasten the nut (1). The tightening torque is 50 Nm, wrench size (SW) 36.



6.3 Pneumatic Connection



⚠ CAUTION

Uncontrolled movement (whipping) of the compressed air hose when the compressed air supply is activated

Risk of injury

- ▶ Deactivate the compressed air supply when working on the product.
- ▶ Cut hoses as short as possible and fix in place.
- ▶ Wear eye protection.

1	Vacuum connection
2	Compressed air connection



The vacuum connection (1) supplies the vacuum to the suction cup connected to the plunger rod. It is a 1/8" internal thread connection. The dimensions of the vacuum hose depend on the suction cup used.



The customer is responsible for dimensioning and attaching the vacuum hose; ensure that the hose has enough freedom of movement to compensate for the movements of the plunger rod.

The compressed air connection (2) is used to deactivate clamping and has a 1/8" internal thread. Select a hose with internal diameter ≥ 4 mm for the compressed air connection.

You can attach plug-in screw unions, hose sleeves or other connections at the positions shown, observing the specified threads.

7 Operation



CAUTION

Vacuum close to the eye

Severe eye injury!

- ▶ Wear protective glasses during troubleshooting.
- ▶ Do not look in the suction openings.



CAUTION

Moving parts on the product (e.g. exposed spring, driven components)

Hand injuries

- ▶ Grip the product only when it is deactivated and de-energized.