THANK YOU FOR YOUR PURCHASE OF THE SWS SPEEDCUT™ 50 PLASMA CUTTING SYSTEM.

At SWS, we take pride in the professional quality, innovation, and support we deliver to our customers and the welding industry as a whole. The SPEEDCUT™ 50 is the next step in our progression as the new standard in welding and cutting products delivered fast marking the continuing evolution of SWS. This Plasma Cutting system is the latest development in inverter technology. It has been tested and approved by production welders and the best fabricating professionals in the industry.

Providing better outcomes through innovation and new product creation have been staples of SWS since its inception. It is the very principle by which we do business. Our goal has always been to provide an outstanding product that not only stands out from the competition but also reflects the quality we strive for in every aspect of our business philosophy. From our second to none customer service excellence to technical support, we work hard at what we do so that you can too.

We know you will enjoy using this machine!

The SPEEDCUT™ 50 is manufactured and compliant with AS60974.1:2006, IEC60974.10, CE Guaranteeing you electrical safety and performance.

CAUTION!: The SPEEDCUT 50 Operating Manual has been designed to instruct you on the proper use and operation of your SWS product. Your satisfaction with this system and its safe operation is our primary concern. It is important to take the time to read the entire manual, especially the safety sections. They will help you to avoid potential hazards that may exist when working with this product.
WARRANTY INFORMATION

This product comes standard with a 3-year warranty, but if you register your product with us here https://www.swswelding.com.au/pages/product-registration you will receive an extra 2 years coverage this also helps us to assist you quickly in case of a claim.

Terms of Warranty
This SWS product has a limited warranty that covers manufacturing and material defects only. The warranty commences on the day of purchase and does not cover any freight, packaging and insurance costs. Verbal promises that do not comply with terms of warranty are not binding on SWS.

Limitations on Warranty
The following conditions are not covered under terms of warranty: loss or damage due to or resulting from natural wear and tear, non-compliance with operating and maintenance instructions, connection to incorrect or faulty voltage supply (including voltage surges outside equipment specs), incorrect gas pressure overloading, transport or storage damage or fire or damage due to natural causes (e.g. lightning or flood).

This warranty does not cover direct or indirect expenses, loss, damage of costs including, but not limited to, daily allowances or accommodation and traveling costs.

Modification of the 15A primary input plug or fitting of a lower rated primary input plug will render the warranty null and void.

NOTE: Under the terms of warranty, welding torches and their consumables are not covered. Direct or indirect damage due to a defective product is not covered under the warranty. The warranty is void if changes are made to the product without approval of the manufacturer, or if repairs are carried out using non-approved spare parts. The warranty is void if a non-authorised agent carries out repairs.

Warranty Period
The warranty is valid for *5 years from the date of purchase provided the machine is used within the published specification limits.

Warranty Repairs
A SWS approved service provider must be informed within the warranty period of any warranty defect. The customer must provide proof of purchase and serial number of the equipment when making a warranty claim using the form on our website https://www.swswelding.com.au/pages/warranty

NOTE: Store the product box and packaging materials for ease of return if in the event of a claim.

*5-Years warranty website registered users / 3-years standard warranty

Where Purchased: ______________________________________________________
Purchase Date: ______________________________________________________
Power Supply Serial #: ________________________________________________

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1.0 Welcome

The SWS SPEEDCUT™ 50 is one of the highest quality and most affordable plasma systems on the Australian market for cutting and gouging of all conductive metals. Featuring pilot arc with auto ignition and automatic air regulation for optimum performance, you can now depend on a machine that cuts all day at its rated cutting capacity and to pack more punch when you need it most.

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<td>Latest Inverter Technology</td>
<td>Embedded microprocessor with Infineon components delivers ultimate durability and perfect cutting characteristics.</td>
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<td>Revolutionary Digital Display</td>
<td>Large high visibility durable display allows easy viewing from a distance and continually provides you with necessary feedback for optimum cuts.</td>
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<td>Smart Programming</td>
<td>The system programming tells you when it’s time to change consumables, let it cool if the duty cycle is reached and gives constant feedback with real time cutting amps displayed maintaining optimal performance and cut quality.</td>
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<td>Pilot Arc</td>
<td>With pilot arc, you benefit from being able to cut rusty and painted metals while significantly increasing consumable life.</td>
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<td>Automatic Pilot Arc Restart</td>
<td>This feature gives you the ultimate in efficiency by automatically controlling the pilot arc when cutting expanded metal or multiple cuts. The pilot arc will switch on and off when cutting expanded metal and provides maximum performance when cutting thicker metal. You benefit from this with less hand fatigue and the best cutting performance.</td>
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<td>Thermal Overload Protection</td>
<td>You can depend on your SWS machine to withstand harsh working conditions. Thermal overload protection will kick in once the 50% duty cycle limit is reached (40° C). Duty cycle will increase as environmental temperature decreases.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Highly Portable</td>
<td>Dependable IGBT inverter technology ensures a highly portable and lightweight unit weighing only 11kg.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Meets the Highest Standards</td>
<td>Meets and exceeds the latest Australian, NZ and International electrical and electromagnetic compatibility standards. AS60974.1:2006, IEC60974.10, CE</td>
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## INTRODUCTION

### 1.2 Specifications

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<th>Cuttable Metals</th>
<th>Aluminium, Mild Steel, Stainless Steel, Specialty Metals</th>
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<tr>
<td>Industries</td>
<td>General Aluminium Fabrication, Steel and Stainless Steel Fabrication, Stainless Steel Tank and Pipe Fabrication, Boat Building / Shipyards, Motorcycle custom shops, Automotive customs shops, Automotive Components and Repairs, Motorcycle Components and Repairs, Technical Schools, Aerospace, Agriculture, Farming, Building and Construction, Home Repair Workshops.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mild Steel Cutting Capacity</td>
<td>20mm (⅝ in) @ 320 Millimetres/minute (25mm severance)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stainless Steel Cutting Capacity</td>
<td>12mm (½ in) @ 380 Millimetres/minute</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aluminium Cutting Capacity</td>
<td>10mm (⅜ in) @ 380 Millimeters/minute</td>
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<tr>
<td>Input Voltage</td>
<td>1 Phase 230V +/- 15% (15 Amp Plug)</td>
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<td>Input Hz</td>
<td>50/60 Hz</td>
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<td>Minimum Air Compressor Requirements</td>
<td>100 L/m - 60 psi</td>
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<td>Minimum Generator Requirements</td>
<td>6.6kW (8.5kVA at 0.8 PF)</td>
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<td>Duty Cycle 40° AMB</td>
<td>50% @ 45A 100% @ 26A</td>
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<tr>
<td>Duty Cycle 25° AMB</td>
<td>60% @ 50A 100% @ 40A</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cutting Current Range</td>
<td>20A - 50A</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dimensions</td>
<td>L 410mm H 180mm W 250mm</td>
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<tr>
<td>Weight</td>
<td>11Kg</td>
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<tr>
<td>Manufactured to Standards</td>
<td>AS60974.1:2006, IEC60974.10, CE</td>
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SAFETY

2.0 Hazards

WARNING!
Arc welding and plasma cutting can be dangerous to yourself and others. Take special care when welding and cutting. Note your employer’s safety practices which should be based on manufacturers’ hazard data documents.

ELECTRIC SHOCK - Can kill
- Connect and earth (ground) the welding or plasma cutting unit adhering to applicable standards.
- Do not touch live electrical parts or electrodes with bare skin, wet gloves or wet clothing.
- Insulate yourself from the natural ground and the workpiece.
- CNC Port torch arc voltage is 1:1 and can kill ensure only qualified persons connect it.

FUMES AND GASES - Can be dangerous to health.
- Keep your head out of the fumes.
- Use ventilation, extraction at the welding or cutting arc, or both, to take fumes and gases away from your breathing zone and the surrounding area.

ARC RAYS - Can injure eyes and burn skin.
- Protect your eyes and body. Use an approved welding/plasma cutting helmet and filter lens and wear protective clothing.
- Protect bystanders with suitable screens or curtains.

FIRE HAZARD
- Sparks (spatter) can cause fires. Make sure therefore that there are no flammable materials nearby.

NOISE - Excessive noise can damage hearing.
- Protect your ears. Use ear muffs or other suitable hearing protection.
- Warn all bystanders of the risk.

MALFUNCTION - Call an for expert assistance in the event of a malfunction.

CAUTION
This product is only intended for metal removal and cutting. Any other use may result in personal injury and equipment damage.

CAUTION
Read and understand the instruction manual before installing or operating.
SAFETY

2.1 Precautions

Users of SWS welding and plasma cutting products have the primary responsibility for ensuring that anyone who works on or near this equipment adheres to all the relevant safety precautions. The following listed recommendations must be observed along with the standard regulations that apply to the workplace.

All use must be carried out by trained personnel well versed with the safe operation of the equipment. Incorrect operation of plasma cutting or welding equipment may lead to hazardous events which can result in serious injury to the user and damage to the equipment. Safety precautions must meet the requirements that apply to this type of welding or plasma cutting equipment.

1. Persons who use welding or plasma cutting equipment must be familiar with the following:
   - Welding and plasma cutting machine operation
   - Location of emergency stops
   - The machines purpose
   - Relevant safety precautions
   - Arc welding and / or hand held plasma cutting

2. The user must make sure that:
   - No unauthorized person in the vicinity of the working area of the equipment when it is used.
   - No person is unprotected when the arc is started.

3. The workplace must:
   - Be suitable for the purpose
   - Be free from weather

4. Personal safety equipment:
   - Always wear approved personal safety equipment, such as welding helmets, safety glasses, flame proof clothing and safety gloves.
   - Never wear loose fitting items, such as hooded jumpers, bracelets, rings, etc., which can become trapped or cause serious injury burns.

5. General safety precautions:
   - Ensure the return cable is connected securely.
   - Work on high voltage equipment must only be carried out by a qualified electrician or electrical technician.
   - Approved fire extinguishing equipment must be clearly marked and in the vicinity.
   - Lubrication and maintenance must not be carried out on the equipment during operation.

READ AND UNDERSTAND THE OPERATING MANUAL BEFORE INSTALLING OR USING THIS EQUIPMENT - ALWAYS PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS!
6.0 Plasma Torch Parts

1- Stand Off Guide
2- Outside Nozzle/Outside Nozzle 6 Holes (Longer life)
3- Short Tip
4- Short Tip 2
5- Medium Tip
6- Flat Tip
7- Extended Tip
8- Extended Flat Tip
9- Diffuser
10- Short Electrode
11- Nozzle 6 Holes (Longer life)
12- Long Electrode
13- Plasma Torch Head
14- Plasma Torch Handle
15- Trigger Safety
16- Trigger
17- Joint
18- Cable Assembly
19- Electrode Spanner
20- 6 Pin Central Adapter

6.1 Consumables Wear

Worn torch consumables will cause poor cutting performance and will cause the ERROR! Missing electrode or Nozzle code to display once exhausted. The diagram below illustrates an excessively worn nozzle and electrode.

Consumables that are made for the torch model are to be used only. IPT40, IPT60 or SC50 models must use the correct genuine consumables. Not using the correct consumables may result in damaging the plasma torch head and machine.
MACHINE OPERATION

7.0 Trigger

**WARNING!** The pilot arc can cause serious burns - Never engage trigger switch when torch is directed towards the eyes, face and body of yourself and others.

7.1 Operation

**CAUTION!** Protect your eyes and body. Use an approved welding/plasma cutting helmet at and filter lens shade #5 and wear protective clothing.

**NOTE:** Cut quality is highly dependent on setup and the cutting parameters such as alignment with the workpiece, torch standoff, cutting speed, gas pressures, and operator ability.

- Push safety switch away with finger.
- Pull trigger system will adjust air pressure then start pilot arc after 2 seconds.
- Release trigger to stop arc and start the cooling cycle (15 seconds).
- Pull then release trigger to stop cooling cycle prematurely. (Will cause premature tip wear if large amounts of cutting have been performed).
- Place standoff guide, drag tip, or position torch tip 3-9mm off the metal at 90 degrees and pull the trigger. Once the cutting starts begin to slowly move across the workpiece.
- Adjust your speed so that sparks are coming from the backside of the metal. If sparks are not visible at the bottom of the metal, you are not penetrating the metal. This can be caused by moving too fast, insufficient amperage or too thick of material for the rated capacity. At the end of the cut angle, your torch past 90 degrees to completely sever the metal.
- When cutting thinner materials typically under 3mm, you can safely drag the tip. Materials over this thickness may prematurely wear the torch consumables.
- To make a pierce cut sit the edge of the nozzle on the metal and direct the torch angle away from your body.
- Once the material starts being removed slightly lift and slowly rotate the torch towards 90 degrees until you see sparks coming from the underside of the metal.
- Once you have pierced a hole through the material, begin to make the cut at 90 degrees.
8.0 General Maintenance

**Warning!**
There is extremely dangerous voltage, and power levels present inside this product. Do not attempt to open or repair unless you are a qualified electrical tradespersons and you are qualified in training in power measurements and troubleshooting techniques. If major complex sub-assemblies are faulty, then the Cutting Power Source must be returned to an accredited service provider.

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<th>Each Use</th>
<th>Weekly</th>
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<td>Visual Check of torch tip and electrode.</td>
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<td>Visually inspect the torch body tip, electrode, start cartridge and shield cup and torch lead.</td>
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<th>3 Months</th>
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<td>Clean exterior of power source with a dry brush.</td>
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<th>6 Months</th>
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<td>Unplug the power source remove cover and visually check and carefully clean the interior without touching any internal electrical components wires or boards.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Inspect the internal filter regulator/filter for contamination remove and clean if needed.</td>
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**NOTE:** Never use any alcohol based cleaners to clean filter or assembly use warm mildly soapy water to clean catchment and rinse throughly. Replace filter if necessary.
SPEEDCUT 50 CNC PORT
Torch Voltage Output 50:1
# Troubleshooting

## 9.0 Machine Codes

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<tr>
<td>ERROR! Under Pressure</td>
<td>Adjust air pressure to 75 PSI</td>
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<tr>
<td>ERROR! Missing Shield Cup</td>
<td>Turn machine off and check shield cup is firm.</td>
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<tr>
<td>ERROR! Missing Electrode or Nozzle</td>
<td>Turn machine off and check electrode is secure and correct type replace worn electrode &amp; nozzle.</td>
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<tr>
<td>ERROR! Over Temperature</td>
<td>Let machine finish cooling cycle until error message has gone.</td>
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<tr>
<td>ERROR! Electrode Short Circuit</td>
<td>Turn Machine off and check electrode is secure and correct type replace worn electrode &amp; nozzle.</td>
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## 9.1 Other Troubleshooting

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<tr>
<th>Condition</th>
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<tr>
<td>Machine over heats easily</td>
<td>Check that there is no obstruction to the fan or cooling vents.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Insufficient Penetration</td>
<td>1. Cutting too fast. 2. Torch angle wrong. 3. Metal over maximum cutting thickness. 4. Worn torch consumables. 5. Cutting Amperage to low. 6. Mains power supply not sufficient</td>
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<tr>
<td>Arc Extinguishes</td>
<td>1. Cutting speed to slow. 2. Torch standoff too far from workpiece. 3. Cutting current too high for workpiece. 4. Ground working lead not connected. 5. Worn torch consumables. 6. Mains power supply not sufficient</td>
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<tr>
<td>Excessive Slag</td>
<td>1. Cutting Speed to slow. 2. Torch standoff too far. 3. Worn torch consumables. 4. Improper cutting Amperage.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Machine won’t switch on</td>
<td>1. Check power supply and breakers. 2. Check Power cable for damage. 3. Air pressure connected before turning unit on. 4. Air pressure set past 100 PSI limit. 5. If there is power supply and no cable damage your machine may need to be repaired contact us for further information.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pilot Arc Wont Start</td>
<td>1. Switch machine off wait until display goes blank wait 10 seconds then switch on again. 2. Check consumables for wear and replace. 3. Check for loose consumables. 4. Press control dial for air test then retry. 5. Check that torch connector is tightened.</td>
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