

Tension Meter

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Edition DNW 01.E

DN Series

Model DNW

# Instruction Manual

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## **1 Warranty and liability**

In principle, the supply of the device is subject to our "General Conditions of Sale and Delivery." These have been provided to the operating company on conclusion of the contract, at the latest.

Warranty:

- SCHMIDT tension meters are warranted for 12 months.

Parts subject to wear, electronic components and measuring springs are not covered by the warranty. No warranty or liability will be accepted for bodily injury or property damage resulting from one or several of the following causes:

- Misuse or abuse of the device.
- Improper mounting, commissioning, operation and maintenance of the device (e.g. verification interval).
- Operation of the device if any safeguards are defective or if any safety and protection precautions are not properly installed or not operative.
- Failure to comply with the notices in the instruction manual regarding transport, storage, mounting, commissioning, operation, maintenance and setup of the device.
- Any unauthorized structural alteration of the device.
- Insufficient inspection of device components that are subject to wear.
- Opening the device or improper repair work.
- Disasters caused by the effects of foreign objects or by force majeure.

### **1.1 Notices within the instruction manual**

The fundamental prerequisite for the safe handling of this device and its troublefree operation is the knowledge of the basic safety notices and safety instructions.

These instruction manual contain the most important notices for the safe operation of the device.

These instruction manual, in particular the safety notices, must be observed by any person who works with the device. In addition, the local valid rules and regulations for the prevention of accidents must be complied with.

The representations within the instruction manual are not true to scale.

The dimensions given are not binding.

General indications of direction, such as FRONT, REAR, RIGHT, LEFT apply when viewing the front of the device.

### **1.2 Responsibilities of the operating company**

In compliance with the EC Directive 89/655/EEC, the operating company agrees to only permit persons to work with the device who:

- are familiar with the basic regulations on industrial safety and accident prevention and who have been trained in handling the device.
- have read and understood the chapter on safety and the warning notices in these instruction manual and have confirmed this with their signatures.
- are examined regularly on their safe and conscientious working method.

### **1.3 Responsibilities of the personnel**

All persons who work with the device agree to perform the following duties before starting work:

- to observe the basic regulations on industrial safety and accident prevention.
- to read the chapter on safety and the warning notices in these instruction manual and to confirm with their signatures that they have understood them.

#### 1.4 Informal safety measures

The instruction manual must always be kept on hand where the device is operated. Apart from the instruction manual, the generally and locally valid regulations on accident prevention and environmental protection must be provided and complied with.

#### 1.5 Training of the personnel

Only trained and instructed personnel is permitted to work with the device. The responsibilities of the personnel must be clearly defined for mounting, commissioning, operation, setup, maintenance and repair. Trainees may only work with the device under the supervision of an experienced personnel

#### 1.6 Intended use

The device is intended exclusively to be used as a tension meter for non-moving, pre-tensioned ropes.

Any other use or any use exceeding this intention will be regarded as misuse.

Under no circumstances shall Hans Schmidt & Co GmbH be held liable for damage resulting from misuse.

The intended use also includes:

- Complying with all notices included in the instruction manual and observing all inspection and maintenance works.

#### 1.7 Dangers in handling the device

The device was designed according to the state of the art and the approved safety standards. Nevertheless, its use may cause serious or fatal injury to the user or third persons, and/or an impairment of the device or of other material assets.

The device may only be applied:

- For its intended use in a faultless condition with regard to the safety requirements.
- Malfunctions that could impair safety must be remedied immediately.
- Personal protective equipment must be used according to the EC Directive 89/686/EEC.



**The device must not be operated in potential explosive areas and must not come into contact with aggressive substances.**

#### 1.8 Copyright

The copyright on these instruction manual remains with the company

Hans Schmidt & Co GmbH.

These instruction manual is intended for the operating company and its personnel only.

They contain instructions and notices that may only be reproduced on the prior written permission of

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and under indication of the complete reference data.

Violations will be prosecuted.

#### 1.9 Declaration of conformity

Our mechanical tension meters do not belong to the EU machinery directive 2006/42/EC and do not have a CE mark.

## 2 Available models



These instruction manual refer to model DNW for mon-moving, pretensioned ropes of the DN series.

The model DNW is also available with the following modifications (customized versions):

- Special tension ranges

Model	Tension Range daN	*Measuring Head Width mm	**SCHMIDT Calibration Material
DNW-100K	10 - 100	265	steel rope 2 mm Ø
DNW-200K	20 - 200	265	steel rope 2 mm Ø
DNW-300K	30 - 300	265	steel rope 3 mm Ø
DNW-400K	40 - 400	265	steel rope 4 mm Ø

\* Outer distance between outside guide rollers

\*\* SCHMIDT calibration material twisted steel rope

### 2.1 Specifications

<b>Calibration:</b>	According to SCHMIDT factory procedure
<b>Accuracy:</b>	$\pm 3\%$ full scale or $\pm 1$ graduation on scale
<b>Scale diameter:</b>	54 mm
<b>Temperature range:</b>	10 - 45°C
<b>Air humidity:</b>	85% RH, max.
<b>Housing material:</b>	Die-cast aluminium
<b>Housing dimensions:</b>	260 x 268 x 120 mm (L x W x H)
<b>Weight net (gross):</b>	Approx. 1100 g (2400 g)

#### Guide rollers:

V-grooved	Line Speed m/min max.	Roller Material
Standard	1000	Steel tempered

### 2.2 Delivery includes

- Tension meter
- Certificate of Compliance with the order 2.1 under EN 10204
- Instruction manual
- Carrying case

### 2.3 Unpacking

Unpack the tension meter and inspect it for any shipping damage.

Notices of defect must be announced immediately, at the latest within 7 days on receipt of the goods.

### 3 Measuring

#### 3.1 Notices before starting measurement



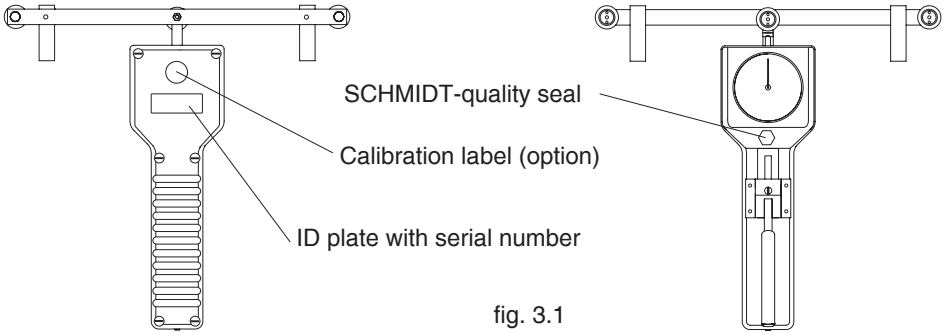
Have you read and understood the instruction manual, in particular chapter 1 “Warranty and liability” ?

You are not permitted to operate the device before doing so.

Before working with the device you must put on your personal protective clothing, if necessary. For example, eye protectors, gloves, etc.  
To avoid damage, do not move the measuring pin by hand.

Tensions that exceed the tension range of the instrument by more than 100 % may cause permanent damage to the movement and must be avoided under any circumstances.

**1** The ID plate with the serial number as well as the calibration label (optional) are provided on the bottom of the instrument, the SCHMIDT quality seal are provided on the surface.



### 3.2 Operating elements of the tension meter

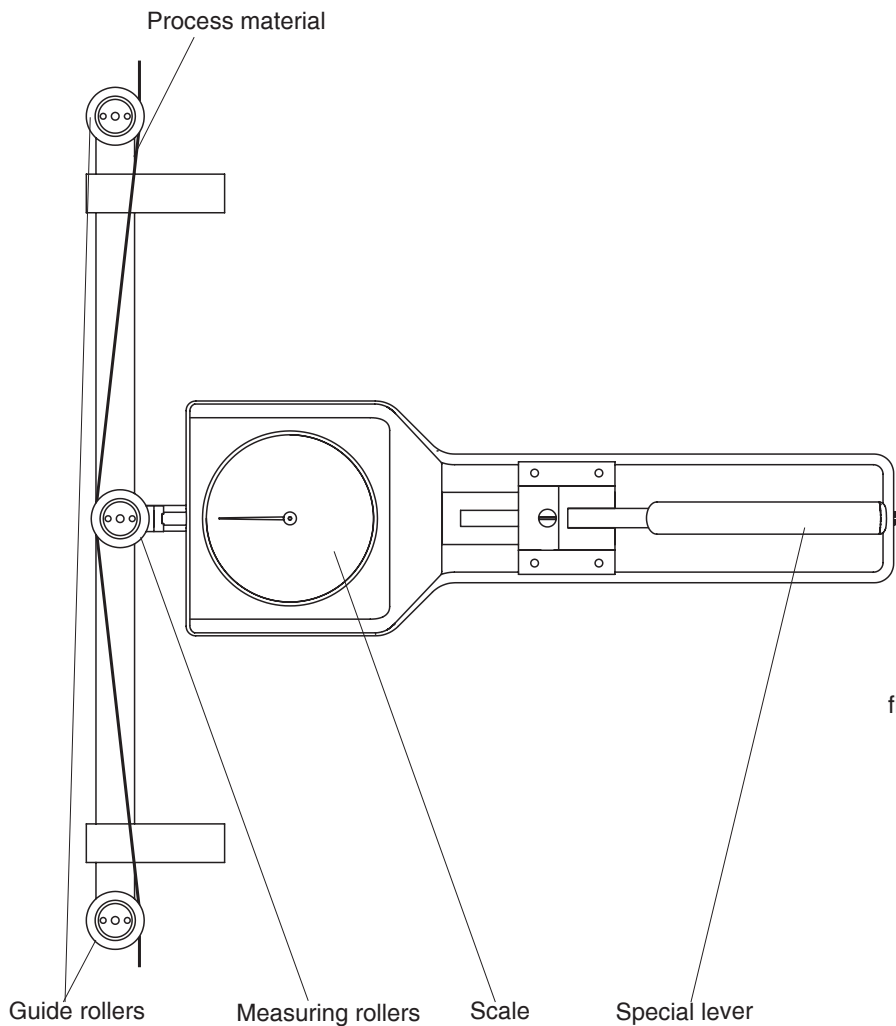


fig. 3.2a

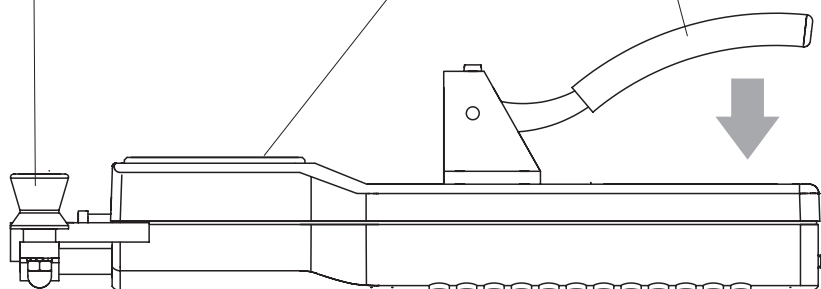
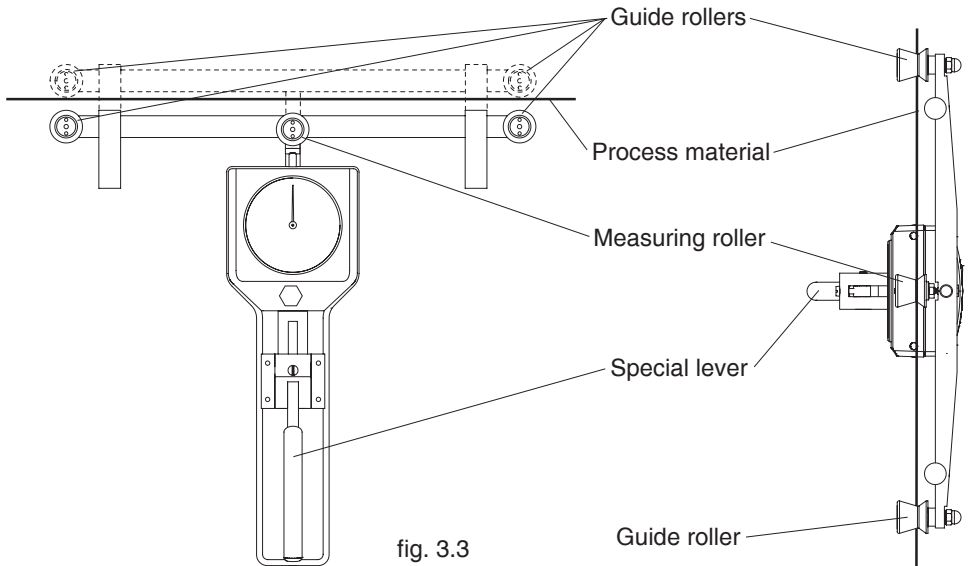


fig. 3.2b

### 3.3 Measuring with the tension meter



#### Inserting:

- Push the special lever as far as it will go in the direction of the arrow (fig. 3.2b) to extend the guide rollers.
- Keeping the guide rollers extended, bring the instrument behind or under the filament and move it so that the guide rollers contact the process material (fig. 3.3).
- **Slowly** release pressure on the special lever until the guide rollers return to their original position.

It is important to assure that the process material lies smoothly between the guide rollers and the measuring roller.



**It is essential that the special lever returns slowly to its initial position. Any uncontrolled snap-back may affect calibration and may also damage the instrument.**

The scale pointer will now show the line tension directly.

#### Removing:

- Push the special lever as far as it will go in the direction of the arrow (fig. 3.2b).
- With the guide rollers extended, move the instrument away from the process material.
- Slowly release pressure on the Thumb piece until the guide rollers return to their original position.



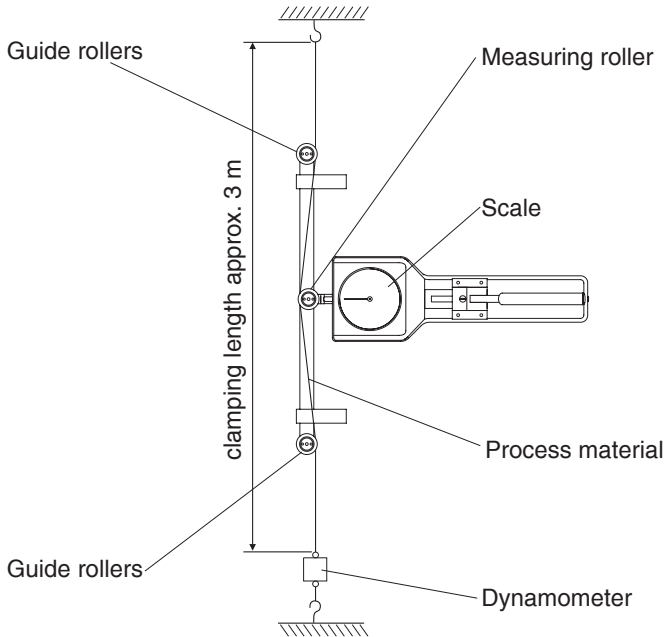
### 3.4 Verification of the DNW calibration

All tension meters of type DNW are calibrated with steel ropes - according to the SCHMIDT factory procedure.

The filament sizes are noted in chapter 2. Any difference in process material size and rigidity from the standard material may cause a deviation of the accuracy.

In 95 % of all industrial applications the SCHMIDT calibration has been proven to provide the best results and is used for comparative purposes.

If the process material differs significantly in size, rigidity and shape we recommend special calibration using customer's sample. For this purpose a material sample of 5 m should be supplied.



Top view  
fig. 3.4

- The process material had to be pretensioned horizontal with a dynamometer (fig. 3.4) between two mounting points (Always use a fresh portion of the material to be measured).
- Push the special lever as far as it will go in the direction indicated by the arrow (fig. 3.2b) and thread the material to be measured between the guide rollers and the measuring roller (chapter 3.3).
- Slowly release pressure on the special lever until the outer rollers return to their original position.



**It is essential that the special lever returns slowly to its initial position. Any uncontrolled snap-back may affect calibration and may also damage the instrument.**

- The tension value should be equal to the value that is displayed by the dynamometer. If this procedure shows a deviation beyond the allowable tolerance and a reliable operation is no longer allowed, the instrument has to be recalibrated or repaired. For recalibration, return the tension meter to the factory.

#### 4 Service and maintenance

The tension meter is easy to maintain.

Depending on operating time and load, the tension meter should be checked according to the locally valid regulations and conditions (as described in chapter 3.4)

Other testing methods as described in chapter 3.4 can cause different measuring readings.

#### 5 Cleaning

For cleaning the unit, do not use any



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shall be accepted for damage resulting from improper cleaning.

#### 6 Verification intervals

The question of finding the right frequency of calibration accuracy verification depends on several different factors:

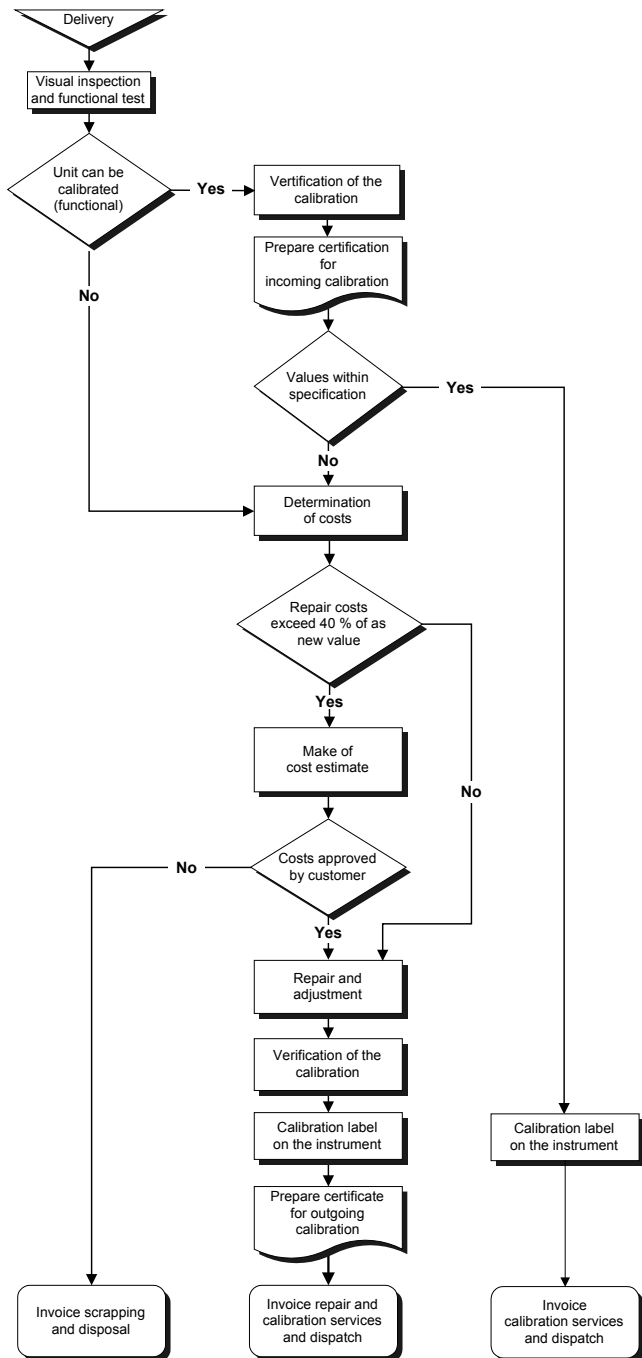
- ➔ Operating time and load of the SCHMIDT tension meter
- ➔ Tolerance band defined by the customer
- ➔ Changes of the tolerance band compared to previous verifications of calibration

Therefore, the interval between verifications must be determined by the user's Quality Assurance Department based on the user's experience.

Assuming normal operating time and load as well as careful handling of the tension meter, we recommend a verification interval of 1 year.

## 6.1 Verification of calibration and determination of repair costs

Flow chart for verifying the calibration of used tension meters, incoming and outgoing verification with Inspection Certificate 3.1 according to DIN EN 10204



## 7 Correspondence

Should you have any questions regarding the instrument or instruction manual, or their use, please indicate above all the following details which are given on the ID plate:

- 1) Model
- 2) Serial number

## 8 Repairs

### Shipping instructions:

We kindly ask for return free of charge for us, if possible by airmail parcel. All occurring charges, if any (such as freight, customs clearance, duty etc.), will be billed to customer. For return from foreign countries, we ask you to include a proforma invoice with a low value for customs clearance only, e.g. 50 Euro, each and to advise the shipment in advance by fax or eMail.

**1** To avoid unnecessary follow-up questions, and the resulting loss of time or possible misunderstandings, please return the instrument with a detailed fault description to our service department. Please indicate in your order whether you require an Inspection Certificate 3.1 according to DIN EN 10204.

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