Air Heater

Air Top 3500/5000 ST B (Gasoline)
Air Top 3500/5000 ST D (Diesel)

Installation Manual

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1. Safety and General Information

1.1 Warning Symbols in this Installation Manual

The purpose of safety symbols is to attract your attention to possible hazardous conditions. This manual uses a series of symbols and signal words which are intended to convey the level of importance of the safety messages. The progression of symbols is described below. Remember that safety messages by themselves do not eliminate danger and are not a substitute for proper accident prevention measures.

- **DANGER**: Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, WILL result in death or serious injury.

- **WARNING**: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, COULD result in death or serious injury.

- **CAUTION**: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, MAY result in minor or moderate injury or property damage. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

These symbols are used to alert the installer to important or useful information about proper installation of the equipment.

1.2 General Information

Webasto Product North America, Inc. is pleased to provide this installation manual with the AT 3500/5000 ST air heater. When installed according to the guidelines stated in this manual, you can expect your customer to enjoy many years of trouble-free heater operation.

This manual represents our latest effort to produce the best technical documentation possible. In our efforts towards continuous, ongoing product improvement, we encourage our customers to write to us with their comments or criticisms concerning this manual and the AT 3500/5000 ST air heating system.

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If you have any immediate questions concerning this manual, the installation procedures within or the product itself, please call us at:

(800) 555-4518 or send a fax to: (810) 593-6001
Regulation for Installation in the Vehicle

Read this installation manual in its entirety before installing this equipment.

2. Scope

2.1 Subject to the provisions of paragraph 2.1.2, internal combustion heaters must be installed in accordance with the requirements contained in this Annex.

2.1.2 In the case of class trailers with heaters for liquid fuel, it is presumed that these vehicles comply with the requirements in this Annex.

2.2 Position of the Heater

2.2.1 Parts of the vehicle body and other components in the immediate vicinity of the heater must be protected against excessive heat and the danger of contamination by fuel or oil.

2.2.2 The internal combustion heater must not pose a fire hazard even when overheated. This requirement is deemed to have been met if care is taken during installation to ensure an adequate distance from all parts, as well as adequate ventilation and if fire-resistant materials or heat shields are used.

2.2.3 For passenger carrying vehicles such as shuttle busses, transit busses, and coaches, where the heater is to be installed in the passenger cabin, a protective cover with adequate ventilation should be installed over the heater to prevent contact with hot surfaces by passengers and objects which also meets the requirements set out in paragraph 2.2.2, may be used.

2.2.4 The model/Serial plate or a duplicate thereof (duplicate model/Serial plate) must be fitted in such a way that it is still clearly legible when the heater has been installed in the vehicle.

2.2.5 When positioning the heater, all reasonable precautions must be taken to minimize the risk of personal injury or damage to items in the vehicle.

2.2.6 A clearly visible indicator within the user’s field of vision must show when the heater is switched on or off.

2.3 Fuel Supply

2.3.1 The fuel filler neck must not be located in the passenger compartment and must have a tightly fitting cap to prevent any fuel leaks.

2.3.2 The type of fuel and the fuel filler neck must be clearly identified on heaters for liquid fuel, for which the fuel supply is separate from the fuel supply for the vehicle.

2.3.3 A sign must be affixed to the fuel filler neck warning that the heater must be switched off before refuelling. An identical warning must also be included in the manufacturer’s operating instructions.

2.4 Exhaust System

2.4.1 The exhaust outlet must be positioned in such a way that exhaust fumes cannot get into the interior of the vehicle through ventilation devices, hot-air inlets or open windows.

2.5 Combustion Air Inlet

2.5.1 The air for the combustion chamber of the heater must not be extracted from the passenger cabin of the vehicle.

2.5.2 The air inlet must be positioned in such a way that it cannot be obstructed by other objects.

2.6 Hot Air Inlet

2.6.1 The supply of heating air must consist of either fresh air or recirculated air and must be taken from a clean area which cannot be contaminated by exhaust fumes from the engine, the internal combustion heater or any other source
in the vehicle.

2.6.2 The inlet line must be protected by a grating or other suitable means.

2.7 Hot Air Outlet

2.7.1 Hot air lines within the vehicle must be positioned or protected in such a way as to exclude all risk of injury or damage caused by direct contact.

2.7.2 The air outlet must be positioned or protected so that it cannot be obstructed by other objects.

2.8 Automatic Control of the Heating System

When the engine stops, the heating system must cut out automatically and the fuel supply must be stopped within 5 seconds. The heating system may remain in operation if a manual unit has already been activated.

**IMPORTANT!**

Failure to follow the installation instructions and the notes contained therein will lead to all liability being refused by Webasto. The same applies if repairs are carried out incorrectly or with the use of parts other than genuine Webasto service parts. This will result in the invalidation of the type approval for the heater and therefore of its homologation / type licence.
3. **Purpose of the Air Heater**

The Webasto Air Top 3500/5000 ST air heaters are designed
– to heat cabins, boats, trucks, minibuses, vans and motor homes
– to defrost vehicle windows

The air heaters operate independently of the engine and are connected to the fuel tank and the electrical system of the vehicle.

They may be used for vehicles with either water or air-cooled engines.

They are not designed for heating hazardous substances.
4. **Installation**

**IMPORTANT!**
The regulations governing installation on pages 4 and 5 must be adhered to. The heater must not be operated without the control unit cover (this will cause the heater to overheat).

4.1 **Recommended Installation and Service Tools**

- Digital Multi-Meter - Should be a good quality VAO meter.
- 1/2 Heavy-Duty, low speed drill with good quality, sharp drill bits and a selection of hole saws.
- Mounting/Drilling Templates.

4.2 **Air Top 3500/5000 ST Installation Situation**

**NOTE:**
Check the installation situation of the relevant vehicle type.

4.3 **Installation Location**

The heater may be fitted both in the interior or on the exterior of the vehicle. If it is installed on the exterior ensure that the heater is fitted in a position where it is protected from splashing water and spray.

![Figure 1. Dimensions of the Heater](image)

The heater must be installed in such a way that no water can ingress into it if the vehicle travels through a water hazard for which that vehicle is licensed.

The openings for the combustion air inlet port, the exhaust outlet port and the fuel line must be sealed if the heater is installed in the interior. The seal designed and supplied for this purpose must be used (see Figure 4). The same applies when using the optional mounting plate and closed cell foam gasket (see Figure 5).
4.4 To Install the Heater

The M6 nuts must be tightened with a torque of 6 Nm ± 1 Nm (4.4 lb-ft ± .74 lb-ft) for installing the Air Top 3500/5000 ST heater. The installation dimensions and space requirement for service access are shown in the installation drawing (Figure 1). The specified horizontal and axial angles must not be exceeded (Figure 2).

![Diesel Heaters and Gasoline Heaters](image)

**Figure 2. Recommended Installation Positions for AT 3500/5000 Heaters**

A seal (Figure 4) must be fitted between the heater and the vehicle body. This seal must be replaced each time the heater is installed. The support area for the heater foot must be flat. A special tools can be purchased from Webasto to drill the holes and, if necessary, smooth the support area. The seal can compensate for unevenness of max. 1 mm.

![Hole Pattern](image)

**Figure 3. Hole Pattern**

![Seal](image)

**Figure 4. Seal**

A WARNING: The seal or foam gasket or both must be replaced each time the heater is removed and re-installed.

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*Diesel Heaters and Gasoline Heaters Diagram*

*Hole Pattern Diagram*

*Seal Diagram*
4.5 Optional Mounting Plate

1. Seal - Heater to vehicle floor or optional mounting plate.
2. Mounting plate - Facilitates installation on corrugated vehicle floors.
3. Closed Cell Foam Gasket - Seals area between mounting plate and vehicle floor.

**WARNING**

The seal or foam gasket or both must be replaced each time the heater is removed and re-installed.

A mounting plate template is provided in the installation kit for locating the heater on the floor of the vehicle. All recommended hole locations and sizes are included.

**CAUTION**

When using the optional mounting plate and closed cell foam gasket, do not over tighten the mounting bolts. Doing so will cause the mounting plate to warp and result in stress damage to the heater and fan motor.

**IMPORTANT!**

After installation, check that the heater casing is not in contact with any parts of the vehicle body. A failure to do this may result in the hot air fan binding internally (Figure 6).
5. Factory Plate

The model/serial number plate of the heater must be positioned so that it cannot be damaged and must be clearly legible when the heater is installed (otherwise a duplicate model plate must be used).

Inapplicable years must be erased from the model plate.
6. Installation Example

Figure 7. Installation example with heater in stalled under-bunk. (Recirculation mode)
7. Hot Air System

NOTE:
The heater must not be integrated into the vehicle's air system.

Both recirculation and fresh air modes are possible.

For fresh air mode it must be ensured that the hot air is taken from an area protected from splashing water and spray and in such a way that no water can ingress into the heater if the vehicle travels through a water hazard for which that vehicle is licensed.

NOTE:
For fresh air mode, an external temperature sensor must be fitted in the appropriate zone.

Inside the control unit there is a temperature sensor, which operates the heater in the appropriate heat output range in conjunction with the control element depending on the intake temperatures and the position of the set point generator. The heat output is controlled such that after the selected interior temperature has been reached quickly, it is then kept at this selected value.

The internal diameter of the main section of the hot air line should be:
90 mm (3.54 in.) minimum for the Air Top 5000 ST
90 mm (3.54 in.) minimum for the Air Top 3500 ST

NOTE:
Only materials that can permanently withstand temperatures of at least 130°C (266°F) may be used for the hot air line. The hot air opening is to be positioned in such a way that the air is not blown on to any parts that cannot withstand the heat.

IMPORTANT!
In vehicles used to transport people, the air outlet opening is to be directed in such a way that it is at least 20 cm (8 in.) away from all body parts.

Maximum pressure drop between the inlet and outlet side of the hot air line:
Air Top 3500/5000 ST 3.0 hPa
1 hPa corresponds to 1 mbar corresponds to 10 mm Water Column (0.4 inches Water Column).

The heaters check the internal temperature rise automatically each time they are switched on. If this is above the specified limits, the start is cancelled and error messages F10 is displayed. To ensure that the heater functions stably, the flow resistance of the connected hot air system must be reduced.

The hot air hose must be secured at its connection points.

If the heater is used in recirculation mode, for example, in the under bunk compartment of a truck's sleeper, without a hot air directional outlet grille, do not short circuit the hot air flow.

Figure 8. Hot air inlet and hot air outlet (recirculation mode)
**Important!**
If you use the heater without a hot air inlet hose, the inlet grille supplied with the heater must be used at all times.

**Note:**
The installation must be checked for:
- Air short circuit between the vehicle's heating system and the heater air inlet.
- Air short circuit between the heater's air inlet and the heater's air outlet (Figure 8).

![Hot air inlet with inlet grille](image)

**Figure 9. Hot air inlet with inlet grille**

If you use an installation box the air vent must be sealed in such a way that no hot air can get into the installation box.

### 7.1 External Temperature Sensor

The installation of an external temperature sensor is recommended if the heater is operated in fresh air mode.

#### 7.1.1 To Install the External Temperature Sensor

The external temperature sensor must be installed at medium height in the passenger cabin on vertical surfaces if possible in the area that requires heating.

The temperature sensor must **not**
- be in the direct current of hot air (from the vehicle's own heating system or the hot air heater).
- be close to heat sources (for example the vehicle's own heating system).
- be placed in direct sunlight (for example on the dashboard).
- be installed behind curtains or the like.

![External temperature sensor](image)

**Figure 10. External temperature sensor - optional**
8. Fuel Supply

The fuel is taken from the vehicle fuel tank or from a separate fuel tank. The values for the maximum pressure at the fuel extraction point are shown in Figure 11.

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<td>-0.06 bar (-0.87 PSI)</td>
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<tr>
<td>1.00 m (39.4 in.)</td>
<td>-0.02 bar (-0.29 PSI)</td>
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A sign must be affixed to the fuel tank’s filler neck warning that the heater must be switched off before refuelling.

8.1 Vehicles with a Carburetor Equipped Engine

The fuel may only be extracted using the special Webasto fuel extractor (see Figure 12) as close to the tank as possible. The connection may be made in either the supply or return line, in which case the return line must lead almost to the base of the tank (see Figure 13).

The fuel extractor must be fitted in such a way that any air or gas bubbles are automatically discharged towards the tank (see Figure 12).

The fuel extractor should not be located near the engine, as gas bubbles may form in the lines on account of heat radiated from the engine. This may cause problems during combustion.
8.2 Vehicles with Fuel Injection Engines

When installing the heater in a vehicle with fuel injection system, it is important to establish whether the fuel pump is located inside or outside the tank.

If the fuel pump is located inside the tank, fuel can only be extracted from the return line using the Webasto fuel extractor (see Figure 12), in which case it must be ensured that the return line continues almost to the bottom of the tank (see Figure 13 for details of the minimum distance from the bottom of the tank). If this is not the case Webasto fuel extractors or standpipes (see Figures 13, 14 and 15) may be used.

If the fuel pump is installed outside the tank, the fuel connection may also be made between the tank and the fuel pump, again using only the Webasto fuel extractor (see Figure 12).

8.3 Vehicles with Diesel Engines

The fuel must be taken from the vehicle fuel tank or from a separate tank (see Figs. 13, 14 and 15). This separate fuel pickup precludes any effect of pressure.

![Figure 13. Webasto fuel standpipe](image)

**NOTE:**
The tank fitting must be made from metal!

8.4 Fuel Lines

Only steel, copper and plastic lines of plasticized, light and temperature-stabilized PA 11 or PA 12 (e.g. Mecanyl RWTL) pursuant to DIN 73378 may be used for the fuel lines.

Since the lines normally cannot be routed with a constant rising gradient, the internal diameter must not be allowed to exceed a certain size. Air or gas bubbles will accumulate in lines with an internal diameter of more than 4 mm (5/32 in.) and these will cause malfunctions whilst the heater is operating if the lines sag or are routed downwards. The diameters specified in Figure 11 will ensure that bubbles do not form.

The lines should not be routed downwards from the metering pump to the heater.

Unsupported fuel lines must be secured to prevent them from sagging. They must be installed in such a way that they cannot be damaged by flying road debris and high temperatures (exhaust line).

The fuel lines must be secure at the connections using hose clips to prevent their slipping.
8.4.1 Connecting Two Fuel Lines with a Coupler Hose

The correct procedure for connecting fuel lines with hosing is shown in Figure 16. Ensure that there are no leaks.

Figure 16. Fuel line / coupler hose connection

8.5 Fuel Metering Pump

The fuel metering pump is a combined delivery, metering and shut-off system and is subject to certain installation criteria (see Figures 11 and 18).

8.5.1 Installation Location

It is advisable to install the metering pump in a cool place. The maximum ambient temperature must not exceed +20 °C (68 °F) for gasoline heaters at any time during operation.

The metering pump and fuel lines must not be installed within range of the radiated heat from hot vehicle parts. A heat shield must be used if necessary.

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Figure 18. Fuel metering pump DP 30.2 / 30.3
8.5.2 Installation and Attachment

The metering pump must be secured with a vibration-damping mounting. Its installation position is limited as shown in Figure 18 in order to ensure effective automatic bleeding.

As a result of the risk of corrosion, only genuine Webasto parts may be used for the plug connections between the metering pump and the metering pump wiring harness.

8.6 Fuel Filter

Only a Webasto filter is allowed to be used if the fuel is expected to be contaminated. Install vertically if possible, however at least horizontally (check flow direction).

**IMPORTANT!**

Do not substitute the Webasto supplied fuel filter with a non Webasto replacement. Irregular heater operation may result.

Figure 19. Fuel filter
9. Combustion Air Supply

Under no circumstances may the combustion air be taken from areas occupied by people. The combustion air intake opening must not point in the direction of travel. It must be located so that it cannot become clogged with dirt and road debris.

**NOTE:**
An intake silencer must be fitted if the intake hose length is greater than 0.6 m (24 in.).

**NOTE:**
The combustion air must be extracted using a combustion air line from a position that is as cool as possible and protected from splashing water. Do not use an exhaust line as the combustion air line since otherwise the metering pump cable from the combustion air inlet port may be damaged. The combustion air opening must not be under the minimum water drive-through level permitted for the vehicle.

See the regulations for the installation for further regulations.
10. Exhaust Pipe

Rigid pipes of unalloyed or alloyed steel with a minimum wall thickness of 1.0 mm (3/64 in.) or flexible piping of alloyed steel only must be used as exhaust line.

The exhaust pipe is secured to the heater using a clamping collar, for example. See the ‘regulations for installation’ for other requirements.

The exhaust muffler should ideally be installed near the heater. The heater may also be operated without a muffler.

Figure 20. Exhaust muffler - exhaust flow is non-directional (arbitrary)
11. Combustion Air Inlet and Exhaust Lines

Both lines are to be installed falling away from the heater. If this is not possible, a condensate drain hole with a diameter of 4 mm (5/32 in.) must be made at its lowest point.

The lines must not point to the front of the vehicle.

The lines must be located so that they cannot become clogged with dirt and road debris.

Length of the combustion air inlet and exhaust lines in total:
With muffler: max. 2.0 m
Without muffler: max. 5.0 m

NOTE:
If the exhaust line is over 2 m in length the lines must be insulated (to prevent falling below the dewpoint)

Internal diameter of the lines:
Combustion air line: 22 mm
exhaust line (metal): 22 mm

Minimum bending radius: 50 mm

Total bends:
Combustion air line: max. 270°
Exhaust line: max. 270°.

IMPORTANT!
If the exhaust pipe ends other than as shown in Figure 24, it will pose a fire risk.
12. Electrical Connections

All the cables and wires that are not required must be insulated against accidental shorting or grounding.

NOTE:
The electrical connection is made as shown in the system circuit diagram (Figure 32).

12.1 Heater Connection

To connect the wiring harness, remove the control unit cover on the heater and connect the wiring harness plug to the control unit.

NOTE:
Raise the control unit cover on both sides using a blunt blade (Figure 25 arrows).

Before using the heater for the first time, fit the control unit cover in place on the heater to prevent the escape of hot air (heater overheating).

The cable passage of the cover can be placed at either the left or right side. To ensure that the cable passage in the control unit cover seals perfectly, the cable grommet is to be adjusted appropriately on the wiring harness.

12.2 Supply Voltage Connection

Ideally from the vehicle’s central electrical system or at the batteries.

A weather sealed fuse holder is to be fitted to protect the heater (supplied with the heater harness).

IMPORTANT!
The Air Top 3500/5000 ST requires 75 watts at 12 or 24 volts during start-up. The main power connection has to be made at a circuit designed to sustain this load without voltage drop. Cigar lighter sockets and auxiliary power outputs for C.B. radio’s and other electronic accessories are not considered adequate power supplies for the Air Top 3500/5000 ST.
12.3 Control Element (Rheostat) Connection

The wiring harness is prepared for connection to the control element.

Simply pull on the connector housing to unplug the connector.

The connector housing can be locked (self-locking action) by simply pulling on the wiring harness.

Locate the control element in a convenient location. The control element is not affected by temperature. Temperature is monitored inside the heater or via an optional external temperature sensor (see Figure 30).

NOTE:
The fibre optic lens must be in contact with the rotary knob.

NOTE:
The rotary knob must sit flush with the bezel (Figure 28) not above it as illustrated in Figure 29.

NOTE:
As an option an external temperature sensor may be installed in the passenger cabin (see page13).

See installation instructions included with the sensor or see the service instructions in the Workshop manual for further information.
13. Circuit Diagrams

13.1 Legend for Circuit Diagrams

① Diagnostic K cable  
② W bus  
③ CO₂ adjustment (see workshop manual)  
④ If an external temperature sensor (B4) is used, resistor R1 must be replaced by the temperature sensor (B4).

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<td>Light (at least 1.2 W)</td>
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<td>Relay with free wheeling diode</td>
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<td>Motor</td>
<td>Combustion and hot air fan</td>
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<td>M3</td>
<td>Motor</td>
<td>Vehicle fan</td>
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<td>P</td>
<td>Combination Timer (1531)</td>
<td>Timer and setpoint generator</td>
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<tr>
<td>R1</td>
<td>Resistor 620 Ohm</td>
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<td>S1</td>
<td>Control element</td>
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<td>1 or 2 pin disconnecting switch</td>
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<td>S3</td>
<td>Switch</td>
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<td>S6</td>
<td>Switch</td>
<td>Ventilation or boost</td>
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<td>Air Top 3500/5000 ST</td>
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<td>Control module</td>
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<td>B2</td>
<td>Temperature sensor</td>
<td>Internal</td>
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<td>B3</td>
<td>Overheating sensor</td>
<td>Overheating guard</td>
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<td>B4</td>
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<td>External</td>
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<td>E</td>
<td>Ceramic glow pin</td>
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<td>Fuse 24 V 15 A/12 V 20 A</td>
<td>Flat fuse SAE J 1284</td>
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<td>Fuse 20 A</td>
<td>Flat fuse SAE J 1284</td>
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<td>F3</td>
<td>Fuse 15 A</td>
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<td>H1</td>
<td>LED, green (in item S1)</td>
<td>Indicator</td>
</tr>
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<td>H3</td>
<td>LED red (in item P)</td>
<td>Light in immediate heat button, ready indicator, Switch-on indicator</td>
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Figure 31. Air Top 3500/5000 ST with combination timer 1531 - connection diagram
To use vent mode, connect to ground through a switch (S6) for proper operation.
If ventilation mode is not desired, leave wire disconnected and protect from grounding.
No heating operation with this wire grounded!

For ventilation mode only!
14. Starting the Heater for the First Time

After you have installed the heater, bleed the fuel supply system carefully.

**NOTE:**
As a result of the low fuel consumption the heater must be switched on several times to fill the fuel line and prime the system.

Conduct a trial of the heater to check all the connections for leaks and to ensure that they are secure. If the heater suffers a fault during operation, the fault must be located and remedied.

14.1 Control Element Description

![Control Element Diagram]

**Rotary knob for:**
- Switching on and off
- Setting the room temperature
- Resetting after a fault cut-out

**Indicator / Error code display**

Changes to the settings on the control element are implemented after a delay.

Figure 33. Control element

14.2 Ventilation Mode (Optional Connection)

Where desired, a separate switch installed between the white/red tracer or pink pink wire (X7, Pin-7) and a ground point allows the user to chose between heating and ventilation mode. Refer to Figure 32, item 56 for connection detail. In ventilation mode (switch 56 ‘On’) the fan speed is regulated by the control element knob.
15. Fault Lock-out

The control unit continuously monitors the heater operation. The control unit identifies errors on individual heater components and faults during operation. Should the control unit experience component errors and operational faults, the heater will be shut down.

The heater is shut down (fault lock-out) if:
- No or incorrect start
- Temperature sensor defective
- Overheating sensor interrupt or short circuit
- Overheating sensor installed incorrectly
- Ceramic glow pin interrupt or short circuit
- Fan motor overload or blocked or short circuit or interrupt
- Error in the fuel metering pump or overheating guard circuit (start phase only)
- Under voltage less than 10 V or over voltage greater than 15 V and for longer than 20 seconds (on 12 V heater)
- Under voltage less than 20 V or over voltage greater than 32 V and for longer than 20 seconds (on 24 V heater)
- Control unit defective
- Overheating

The fuel supply is stopped if the heater overheats.
The heater continues to run in the same way as if it is switched off manually.
After the heater stops the control unit will be set to fault lock-out.
Overheating is indicated by the indicator flashing 10 times.

Rectify the cause of the fault.

To reset the fault, switch the heater on and off briefly (at least 2 seconds).
If serious faults, such as overheating or no start, occur frequently, the heater will be set to fault lock-out (F 12) and can be restarted by disconnecting the supply voltage (e.g. removing the fuse).

15.1 Error Code Output

NOTE:
An error code is generated on the control element indicator light after an error has occurred. When determining the generated code, there will be a series of 5 fast flashes after which, the error code will be generated by a sequence of long flash pulses, count only the long flash pulses to obtain the code. Error codes are shown in the table below.

If the heater is fitted with a combination timer, an error message will appear on the display of the timer after a fault occurs. If the control element is used, the error number is indicated by the indicator light flashing:

F 00 Control unit error / incorrect parameter set / warm start recognition
F 01 No start (after 2 attempts to start) / no flame formation
F 02 Flame failure (repeated more than 3 times)
F 03 Under voltage or over voltage
F 04 Premature flame recognition
F 06 Temperature sensor interrupt or short circuit
F 07 Metering pump interrupt or pump short circuit
F 08 Fan motor interrupt or pump short circuit or overload or blocked
F 09 Ceramic glow pin interrupt or short circuit
F 10 Overheating: Resulting in permanent heater fault lock-out
F 11 Overheating sensor interrupt or short circuit
F 12 Heater lock-out
F 13 Heater lock-out permanent
F 14 Overheating sensor incorrect position
F 15 Set point generator interrupt
16. Technical Data

Except where limit values are specified, the technical data refer to the usual heater tolerances of ±10% at an ambient temperature of +20 °C (68 °F) and at the rated voltage and in rated conditions.

16.1 Electrical Components:

Control unit, motor, metering pump, lamp in the timer and ceramic glow pin / flame monitor are designed for either 12 or 24 Volt.
The timer, overheating sensor and temperature sensor component are not dependent on voltage.

16.2 Fuel for Air Top 3500/5000 ST B (Gasoline):
The fuel specified by the vehicle manufacturer must be used.

16.3 Fuel for Air Top 3500/5000 ST D (Diesel/Heating Oil):
The diesel fuel specified by the vehicle manufacturer must be used. Heating oil may also be used as long as it complies to the normal quality available on the North American market.

We know of no negative influences due to additives.
If fuel is extracted from the vehicle’s tank, follow the additive instructions issued by the vehicle manufacturer.

If you change to low-temperature fuel, the heater must be operated for approx. 15 minutes so that the fuel system is filled with the new fuel.

The Air Top 3500/5000 ST heater is also licensed for use with PME (bio-diesel), which complies with DIN EN 14214.

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<th>Air Top 3500 (5000) ST D</th>
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<tr>
<td>Fuel consumption</td>
<td>Control range</td>
<td>0.19 - 0.46 l/h</td>
<td>0.18 - 0.42 l/h</td>
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<td>(0.19 - 0.66 l/h)</td>
<td>(0.18 - 0.60 l/h)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rated voltage</td>
<td>12 Volts</td>
<td>12 Volts</td>
<td>24 Volts</td>
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<tr>
<td>Operating voltage range</td>
<td>10.5 - 16 Volts</td>
<td>10.5 - 16 Volts</td>
<td>21 - 32 Volts</td>
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<td>Rated power consumption</td>
<td>Control range</td>
<td>15 - 33 (95) W</td>
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<td>Max. ambient temperature:</td>
<td>- Operation</td>
<td>-40…+40 °C (-40…+104 °F)</td>
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<td>- Storage</td>
<td>-40…+85 °C (-40…+185 °F)</td>
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<td>Metering pump</td>
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<td>- Storage</td>
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<td>Maximum combustion air inlet temperature</td>
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<td>Delivery rate for hot air at fan speed</td>
<td>Against 0.5 bar</td>
<td>max. 132 (200) m³/h at 3600 (5000) rpm</td>
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<td>CO₂ in the exhaust fumes</td>
<td>- 1.5 kW: 5.0 - 8.0%</td>
<td>1.5 kW: 5.0 - 8.0%</td>
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<td>(normal function range)</td>
<td>3.5/5.0 kW: 9.0 - 12.5%</td>
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<td>Weight</td>
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17. Version

**Air Top 3500/5000 ST B (Gasoline)**
Air heater for gasoline (12 V)

**Air Top 3500/5000 ST D (Diesel)**
Air heater for Diesel/heating oil (12 or 24 V)
18. Drilling Template

Figure 34. Drilling Template (Dimensions in millimeters)