

Installation manual extra-low-voltage socket outlets for panel- and surface-mounting

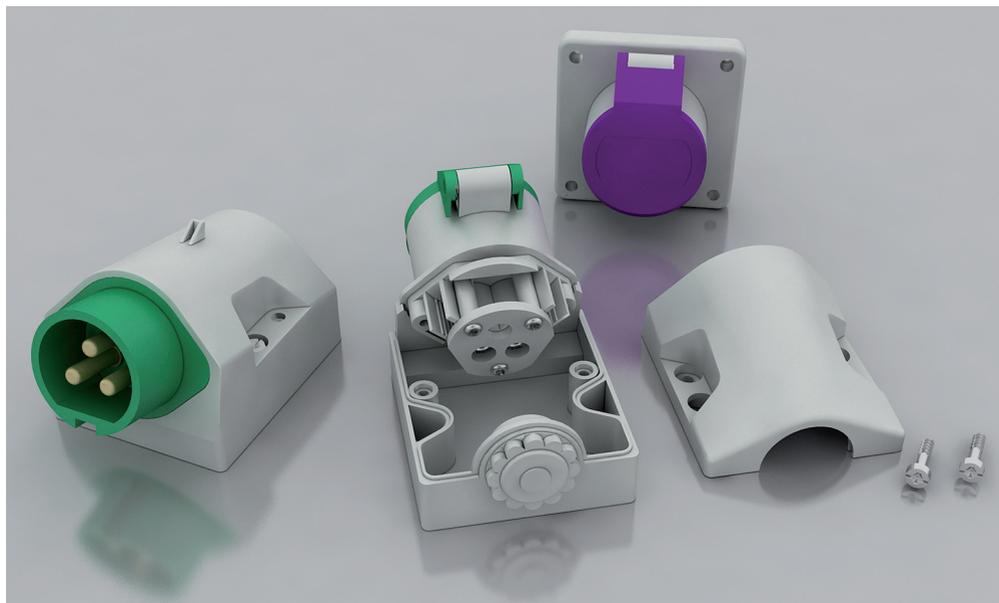


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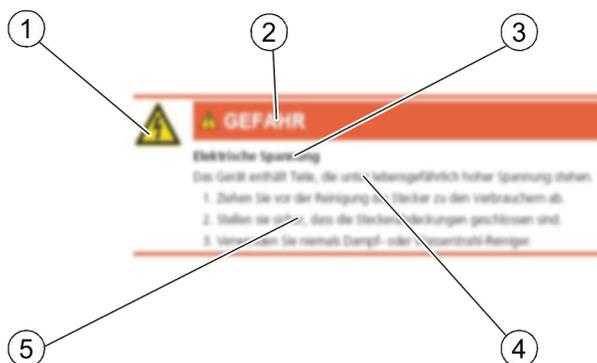
1 About this manual

This manual

- describes the assembly and disassembly of panel- and surface-mounting socket outlets for extra-low-voltages from Bals Elektrotechnik GmbH & Co. KG
- is an integral part of the product and must be kept in safe custody during the product service life
- must be read carefully and understood before use and any work.

1.1 Structure of the warnings

The following picture illustrates the structure of a sample warning.



1	Hazard-specific symbol
2	Signal word
3	Type and source of the hazard
4	Possible consequences of failing to comply
5	Procedure for avoiding hazards

1.2 Symbols used

	General warning of a hazardous area
	Warning – dangerously high voltage
	Notice

1.3 Signal words used

All warnings in this manual are clearly highlighted. The following signal words are used for warnings:

DANGER	Warns of dangers which will lead to serious injuries or to death if the instructions are not followed.
WARNING	Warns of dangers that may lead to serious injuries or to death and/or cause considerable damage to property if the instructions are not followed.
CAUTION	Warns of dangers that may lead to reversible injuries and/or considerable damage to property if the instructions are not followed.
NOTICE	Warns of dangers that may lead to operational disruptions and/or considerable damage to property. Damage to the environment, too, may occur if the instructions are not followed.

2 Intended use

Extra-low-voltage socket outlets for panel- and surface-mounting are designed for professional use. The installation and the fixed connection to the mains supply should be carried out only by trained and qualified experts.

Any use going beyond the intended use is considered to be improper. The manufacturer is not liable for damages resulting from improper use. Any such risk shall be borne solely by the user.

In case of unauthorised modifications or conversions, the CE conformity becomes null and void, and thus, also all claims for warranty. Modifications may lead to risks for life and limb as well as damage to the plugs and sockets or loads connected.

Factory-fitted labels and markings on the products should not be removed, modified or blurred.

Protect against foreign bodies and impact of weather

The product complies with protection degree IP44 according to **DIN EN 60529** (VDE 0470-1). In this context this means:

- Protection degree IP44:
 - Protected against solid bodies with a diameter beyond 1.0 mm, e.g. a wire
 - Protection against water sprayed from all sides

Environment

The following operating conditions apply for the safe operation of the product:

Size	Value
Temperature	-25 °C ... +40 °C
Humidity	10 %rH ... 90 %rH

3 General safety instructions



- Safe use is ensured only if this manual is followed completely.
- Before installation, commissioning or operation, read this manual thoroughly.
- The product must be installed, maintained and put into operation properly by qualified experts in accordance with the laws, ordinances and standards.
- Keep easily combustible and explosive materials away from the product.
- Handle the cables with care,
 - by always pulling at the plug and not the cable when unplugging,
 - by preventing the cable from getting damaged mechanically,
 - by keeping intense heat away.
- Never use faulty products or products with dirty, scratched or damage contacts.
- Keep the contacts on the product clean.
- Avoid tripping hazards.

4 Packaging, transport and storage

4.1 Packaging



Packaging materials are valuable raw materials and can be reused. The packaging materials should therefore be brought to an appropriate recycling facility. If this is not possible, dispose of the packaging materials according to the locally applicable regulations.

4.2 Transport

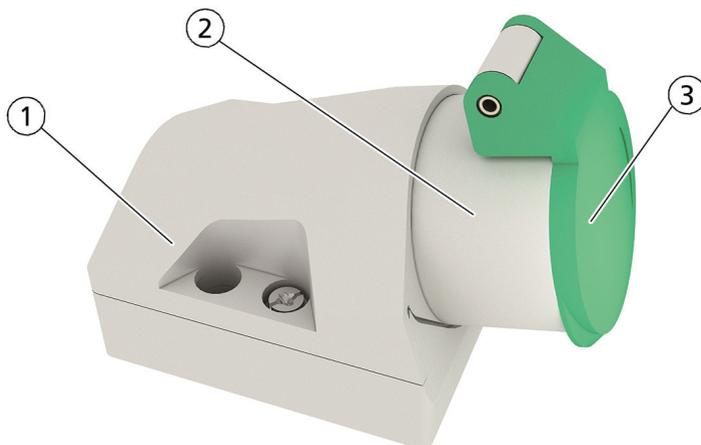
Check the delivery for completeness and integrity. If you identify transit damage or if the delivery is incomplete, notify your dealer or supplier immediately.

4.3 Storage

The product must be stored in clean condition and protected from dust and humidity. The original packaging is best suited for this purpose.

5 Design

Based on an example, the following figure illustrates the main components of an extra-low-voltage socket outlet.



1	Housing
2	Use of plug/socket outlet with screw terminals for all types of copper conductor.
3	Folding cover

Conductor cross-sections

The following table displays the possible conductor cross-sections that can be connected to the 16-A/32-A variants:

Design	Possible conductor cross-section
16 A/32 A	4 mm ² ... 10 mm ²

Technical specifications

The technical specifications of the product depend on the design. You will find them in our catalogue or on our website <http://www.bals.com>.

6 Assembly and disassembly



DANGER

Danger to life by electrical voltage

The supply cable may carry high electrical voltage that is fatal. Pay attention to the five safety rules of electricity:

1. De-energise
2. Secure the supply from being switched on again
3. Ensure the de-energised condition
4. Connect to earth and short circuit
5. Cover or cordon off adjacent live parts

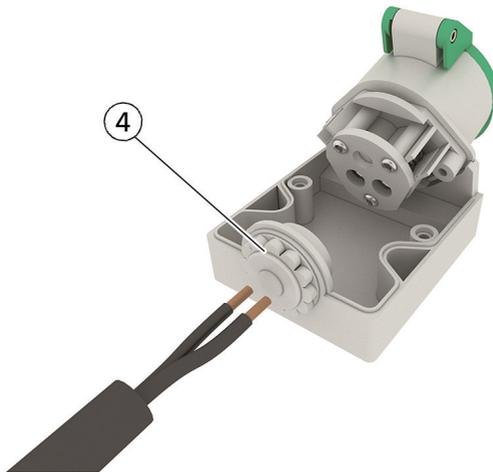
6.1 Connecting a cable to an extra-low-voltage socket outlet

Proceed as follows:

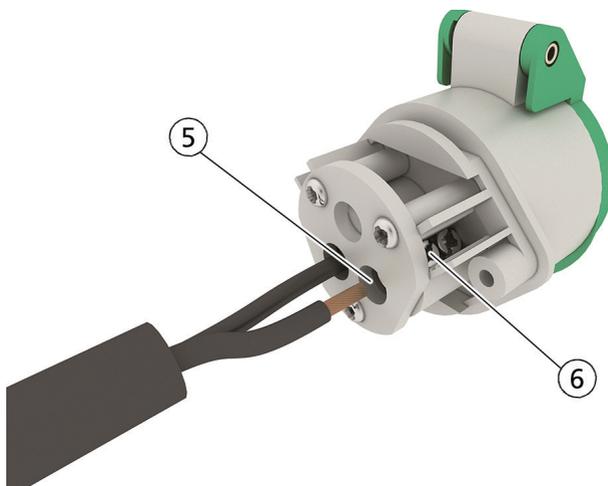
1. Make sure that the cable is de-energised.
2. Strip the cable to the required length.
3. Remove the insulation from the individual conductors (18 mm). Twist the multi-strand copper conductors slightly by hand for flexible conductors. Conductor end sleeves are not necessary but may be used.
 - ⇒ For surface mounting socket outlets or surface-mounting appliance inlets follow the explanation starting from point 4.
 - ⇒ For panel mounting socket outlets or panel mounting appliance inlets, follow the explanation starting from point 7.
4. Loosen the two housing screws in order to open the housing.



5. Fix the bottom part of the housing to the wall with the help of the fixing material suitable for the application.
6. Push the cable through the sealing plugs (4) into the housing. Open the sealing plugs only as far as necessary so that these still seal. Generally, we recommend using a separate cable gland for the cable entry.



7. The terminals are open at the time of delivery. Guide the individual conductors into the opening (5) and tighten the screws (6) with a torque of at least 1.2 Nm. . Take care to see that only the individual conductor (without insulation) is clamped. Pay attention to the marking of the terminals and ensure that the assignment of the individual conductors to the terminals is correct.



8. Check whether the individual conductors are seated tightly by pulling them lightly. If this is not the case, open the terminal and repeat the previous step.
9. For surface mounting socket outlets and plugs: Tighten the cable gland.
10. Fix the housing with the panel mounting appliance (panel mounting variant) or fix the cover with screws to the housing (surface-mounting variants). NOTICE! With the panel mounting variants, make sure that you insert the gasket, and with the surface-mounting variants, that the insert with the connections is placed correctly into the bottom part of the housing!

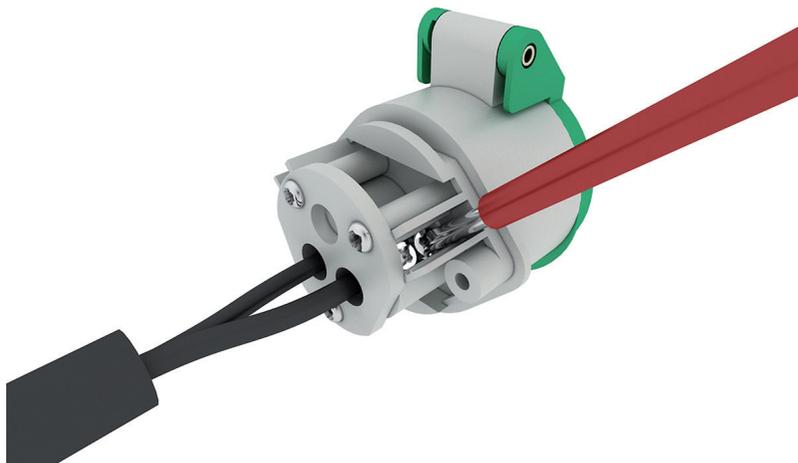


6.2 Disconnecting a cable from an extra-low-voltage socket outlet

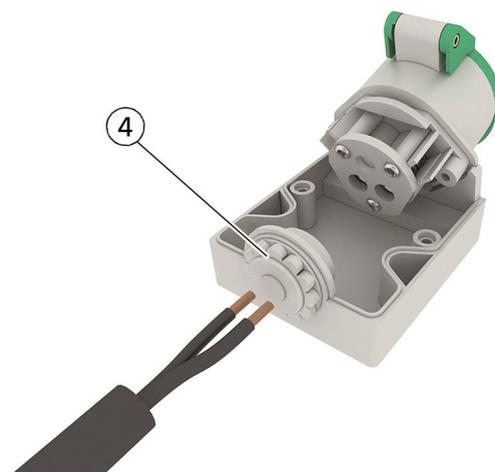
1. Make sure that the cable is de-energised.
2. For surface mounting socket outlets and plugs: Loosen the two housing screws in order to open the housing.



3. Loosen the screws of the terminals with a screwdriver and pull out the individual conductors from the terminals.



4. For surface mounting socket outlets and plugs: Pull out the cable from the housing and out of the sealing plugs (4).



5. Fix the cover with screws to the housing (wall variants).

7 Cleaning and care

It is recommended to clean the device as required. Use a dry cloth to clean the device. Use a wet cloth if the device is very dirty.



DANGER

Electrical voltage

The device contains parts that carry hazardous voltage that may be fatal.

1. Pull out the plugs to the loads before cleaning them.
2. Make sure that the plug covers are closed.
3. Never use steam or water jet cleaners.



NOTICE

Damage to the plastic parts.

Corrosive cleaning agents may attack or destroy the plastic parts.

Use only a cloth moistened with water for cleaning.

8 Decommissioning and disposal



Send the worn-out product for recycling or for proper disposal. Always make sure to observe and follow the local regulations.

The product should not be disposed of in household waste. Environmental damage and risk to personal health are avoided with proper disposal.

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