
ELVO

SOLDERING STATIONS

INSTRUCTION MANUAL
ELVO.010.5001.E

E911D



E911A



E912A

Dear customer

We thank you for selecting one of our ELVO **clean-o-point®** soldering stations, the new standard in soldering technology. The soldering stations answer the need for increased quality control in the soldering process. With the hundred thousands of **clean-o-point®** tip cleaners sold in the past number of years all over the world, satisfied customers urged us to integrate this extraordinary tip cleaning system into these new stations.

Please read the operating instructions carefully to maximize the advantages of using your new soldering station.

Responsibility for shipment

The moment the equipment is shipped from our plant, the buyer assumes all risks regarding it, in particular but not limited to the risk for damage, loss, theft or confiscation. We are liable only for damages which can undeniably be traced to gross negligence of our personnel.

Inspection of goods upon arrival

Remove packing material carefully and keep it for possible storing or return of the unit.

After unpacking, check the equipment for possible damage due to transportation. Should this be the case, inform immediately both the forwarder and the carrier. The buyer must examine the equipment within a reasonable period of time and notify us immediately **in writing** of any defects. Failing such notification the equipment is deemed to be accepted.

Warranty

The equipment has been carefully tested both mechanically and electrically prior to shipment. It has also been verified, as far as possible, that the equipment is in good working order. For a period of 12 months (6 months if the equipment operates day and night, even if only occasionally), beginning on the day the equipment is ready to be shipped at our plant (in cases where we undertake assembly and/or initial operation, from the day of initial operation), we guarantee good working of the equipment delivered and we promise to repair or replace at will, as quickly and reasonably as possible, any parts which are proven to be faulty in design, material or workmanship. If, during operation and within the period of warranty, any discrepancy appears between the equipment contracted for and the one actually supplied by us, we shall bear the costs incurred in repairing or replacing the faulty parts at our plant. We shall supply and ship at our expense "FOB factory" the replacement material necessary for carrying out the repairs under this warranty on the site. We shall pay the salary and wages of our employees, but the buyer shall pay for the travelling time, as well as their transportation and out of pocket expenses.

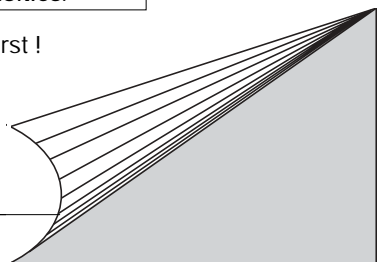
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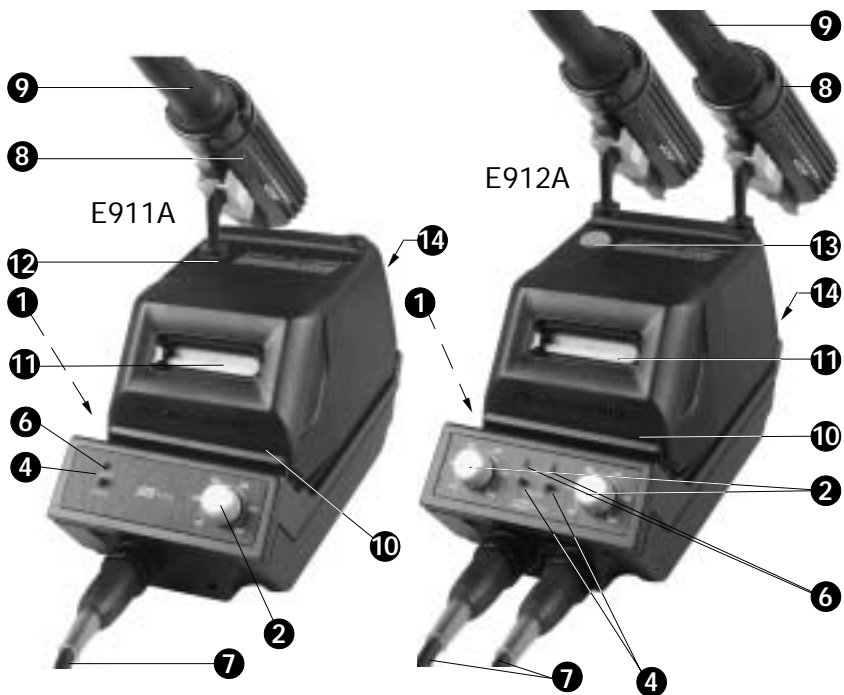
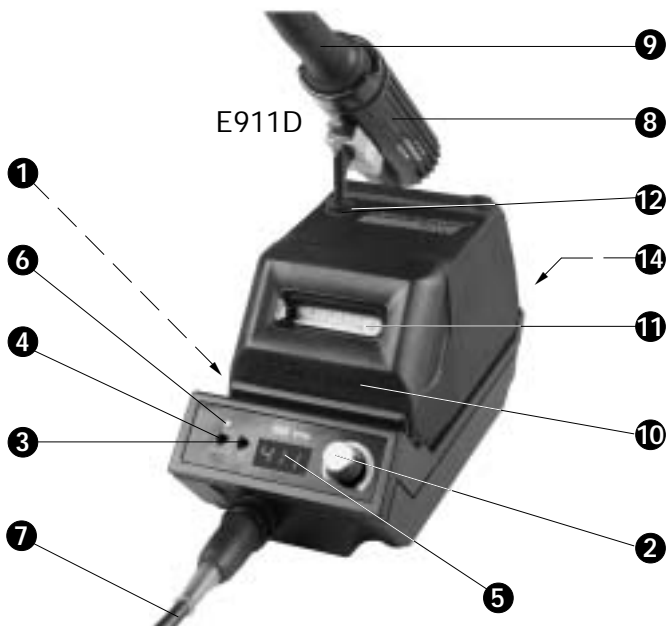
Our warranty shall not cover replacements or repairs which are due to normal wear and tear, faulty or negligent maintenance, disregard of operating instructions in this manual, overloading, use of unsuitable materials, faulty construction of buildings, incorrect assembly work, faulty electrical connections, acts of God, and any other cause beyond our control.

Our "General Terms and Conditions of Sale", of which the above text is an excerpt, are binding for all warranty cases.

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- Open this flap first !











Legend

- ❶ Main switch
- ❷ Potentiometer for electronic temperature adjustment
- ❸ "SET" tumbler switch
- ❹ "Heater/Stand-by" tumbler switch
- ❺ Digital read-out (with E911D only)
- ❻ "Heater" LED heating control lamp
- ❼ Temperature resistant silicon-cable
- ❽ Iron holder
- ❾ Soldering iron with high-efficiency ceramics heating element and removable soldering tips (for tip selector chart see chapter 6.1)
- ❿ ***clean-o-point®***
Automatic patented soldering tips cleaning system.
The motorized moist sponge rollers are self-cleaning.
- ⓫ Round motorized sponge rollers
- ⓬ **Stop/Go switch**
Automatic for E911D and E911A
The self-cleaning motorized round sponges are only beginning to work when soldering iron is taken out of holder.
- ⓭ **Standard switch**
Manual for E912A
- ⓮ Connector socket (24 V) for mains supply unit

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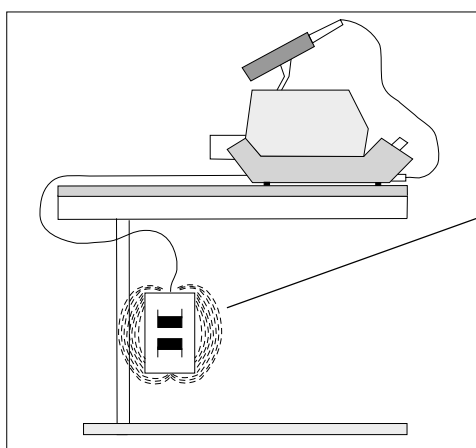
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ELVO Electronics Temperature Controlled Soldering Stations Type E911D / E911A / E912A with integrated Automatic Soldering Tip Cleaning are the new high performance standard for soldering equipment.

- Soldering of electronic components with electric or thermic sensitiveness like C-MOS-circuits, FET-transistors, LCD-read-outs
- Soldering with high requirements to the soldering connection, Military, Aviation and Space research
- Soldering with special solder (high and low melting) and connection within exact tolerances

1.1 PRODUCT FEATURES

- **clean-o-point®**, automatic soldering tip cleaner
- Accurate, stable temperature setting and control
- Variable temperature control
from 140-450° C (280-850° F) for digital version
from 150-400° C (300-840° F) for analog version
- Rapid heat up and instant recovery
- Digital read-out models
- Zero-voltage thyristor power switching
- Ultra-low tip leakage
- Comply with DOD and ML Specs



Mains supply unit:
Suspend outside the working zone using the assembly kit provided for this way you can avoid most efficiently any electromagnetic radiation.

1.2 TECHNICAL DATA TYPE E911D / E911A / E912A

Power supply	115 or 230 V~, 50/60 Hz
Heater voltage	24 V
Power of iron (wattage)	55 W
Temperature range	140-450° C (280-850° F) digital 150-400° C (300-840° F) analog
Tip leakage	< 2 mV
Standard Tip	Type ET 4520 S 2.0
Dimensions	See dimensioned drawing (below)
Weight	Mains supply unit: 1.4 kg (3.09 lbs) Soldering station: 1.1 kg (2.43 lbs)

1.3 DIMENSIONED DRAWING





2.1 SAFETY INFORMATION



Before installing and commissioning the soldering station, please study this instruction manual carefully. The enclosed measures and recommendations have to be followed.



Do never touch the soldering tip when the appliance is switched on (danger of burning)



When the the soldering station is open, it should always be handled when not under power (mains connection plugged off) and by authorized service personnel only

2.2 SAFETY CAUTIONS

Heeding the recommendations within the present manual will allow this apparatus to perform its highest capacity with maximum security.



2.3 OPERATING PRECAUTIONS

Following the instructions will enable high performance of the operations and ensure many long years of use. Adhere to following suggestions :



- **Handling the AC and other cables**

When connecting and disconnecting the cables, take hold of the plug section and not the cord. Pulling the cord may caused damage to the cable and create hazards.



- **Preventing electric shocks and fire hazards**

If the cable is broken or damaged, or if the wires are exposed, have it replaced !



- **The buyer has to install this appliance in such a way, that the security of the operator is guaranteed. Special care has to be taken with features, which are not mounted in a rack or similar.**

2.4 MECHANICAL PRECAUTIONS

Avoid subjective procession !



To guarantee a long standing stability in accordance to international rules, referring to security and reliability, all spare parts listed within this manual must be replaced with original items only.

In case of a component failure, only the assembly of an original, recognized component, will further the longevity.

2.5 ELECTRICAL PRECAUTIONS

AN ELECTRICAL SHOCK CAN BE FATAL !



It is at the own risk of the operator of an opened appliance, to understand the resulting danger of the above and to take the corresponding measures to protect third parties. Memorize the dangerous areas, which are exactly described in this manual. You should never touch simultaneously circuits and earth connections, during the installation or when servicing.

2.6 MAINS PROTECTION

ELVO soldering stations comply with the requirements of DOD-STD-2001-1, MIL-S-45743E, WS6536E and more. Electronic zero-voltage thyristor switching protects voltage and current-sensitive units and components against transient voltage spikes (computer, C-MOS components). Soldering tip is grounded to ensure a voltage leakage of less than 2 millivolt.





2.7 THE ESD WORKING PLACE

The ELVO technology includes a series of precautions for unproblematic soldering of MOS-electronic elements.

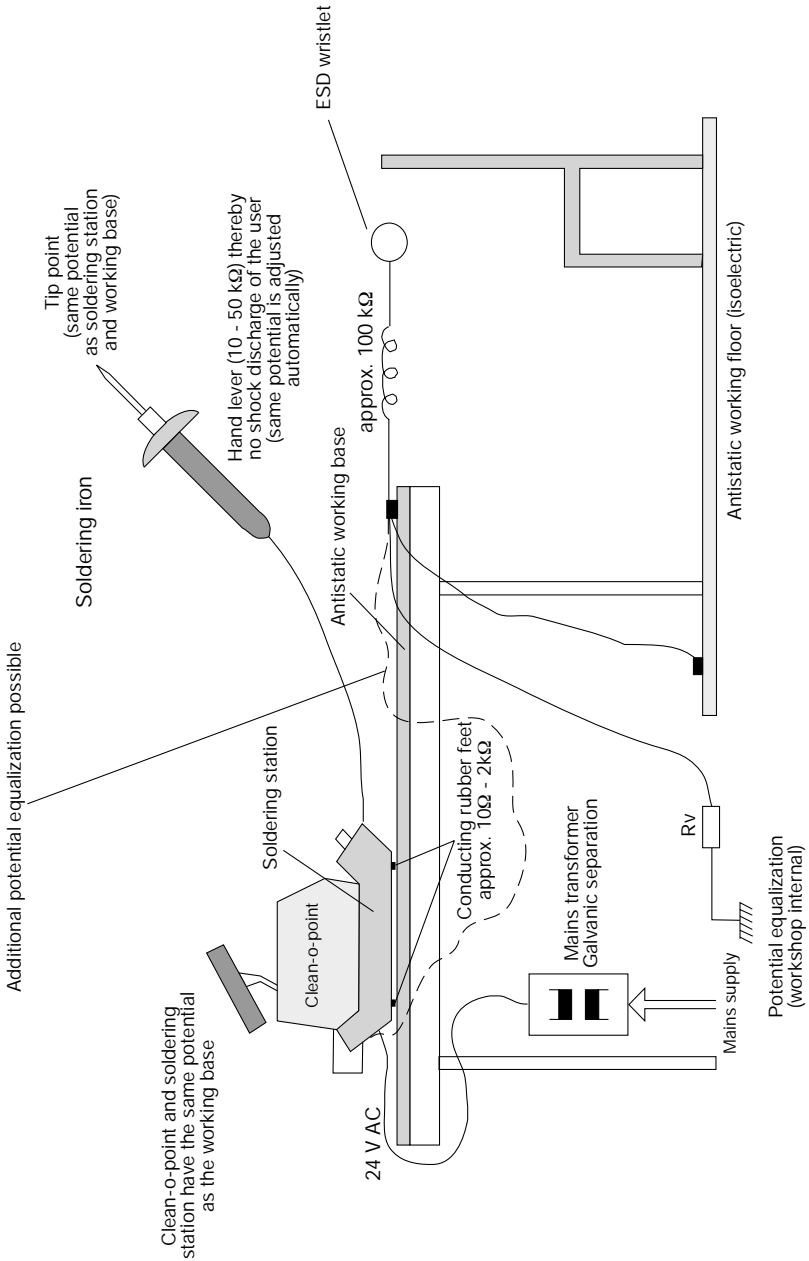
For working on high integrated MOS-elements with very fine structures like VLSI we recommend to build up a working place as mentioned below.



 Please do not use the SL as service ground because it may be connected with the neutral conductor and consequently may not be free from disturbing voltages (e. g. unsymmetrical three phase mains).

 Please note that a short in a defective instrument can induce a high pulse with voltage peaks of more than 100 V.

2.7.1 ESD - Working place overview



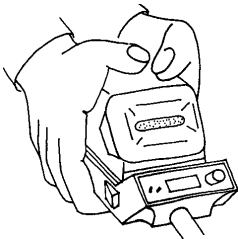
3.1 GENERAL FEATURES

- Soldering stations E911D / E911A / E912A
- **clean-o-point®**
- Soldering iron 55 Watt
- Iron holder
- Transformer
- Suspension device with hock screw
- Bag with spare sponges
- Copper cleaning brush
- Instruction manual

3.1.1 Feature Description

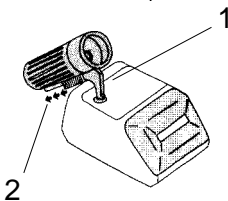
- Socket for potential equalization is installed on the rear side (to avoid leakage of static charges)
- The soldering station is isolated from AC line by a transformer and only 24 V AC isolated voltage is used to drive the heating element
- All housing parts are molded of high impact and high heat resistant polycarbonate.
- The soldering iron is connected to the soldering station using a temperature resistant and antistatic silicone rubber sheathed cable with a five pin heavy duty plug with locking ring

3.2 COMPONENTS ASSEMBLY



Assembly:

Press the station and the **clean-o-point®** firmly together with both hands.



Iron holder:

Insert until it snaps in (1).

With the models E911A and E911D, the Stop + Go switch can be blocked (if desired) by pushing the corresponding slide lever backwards (2).



Transformer with suspension device

3.3 TEMPERATURE RANGE

ELVO soldering station delivers the full operating range of 140-450° C (280-850° F) in the digital version and 150-400° C (300-840° F) in the analog version without changing tip or heating element. The ceramics heating element ensures the accurate temperature close to the surface of the tip. This results in rapid heat up time of about 45 seconds and instant recovery.

3.3.1 Temperature Stability

Tip idling temperature stability is smaller than $\pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$ ($\pm 10^{\circ}\text{F}$), corresponding to MIL requirements. This is accomplished by embedding the thermocouple sensing unit in the bevel of the heating element barrel. The measuring point is nearest to the soldering tip. Only this method allows the closest possible monitoring of the temperature.

3.3.2 Working Temperature

A too low temperature will slow the solder flow; a high temperature will burn the flux in the solder, which in turn will emit a heavy white smoke in a dry joint, or damage the PCB. When the tip working temperature is set within the correct parameters suited to the particular solder being used a good joint is assured. The most common solder alloys used in the electronic industry is 60% tin, 40% lead (60/40). The tip working temperature of the solder is detailed below and can vary from manufacturer to manufacturer:

Melting point:	188° C (370° F)
Normal operation:	270-320° C (518-608° F)
Production line operation:	320-380° C (608-716° F)



The temperature above 380° C (716° F) should not be used for normal soldering functions but can be used for short periods of time when excessive heat is required.

Consider the recommendations of the manufacturers of the different components !

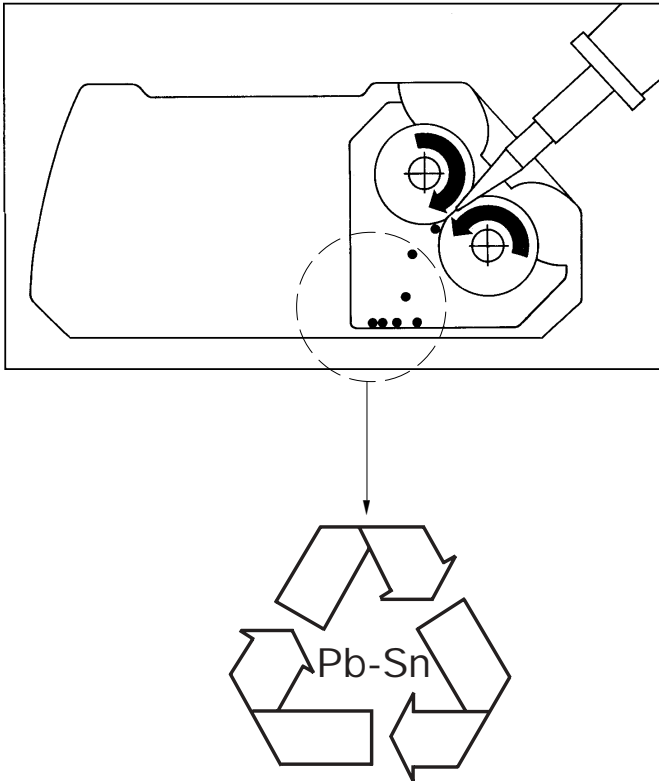


3.4 OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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1.	Connect unit to mains. Switch unit on. Green "Heater" light will turn on.	Connect unit to mains. Switch unit on. Green "Heater" light will turn on.
2.	The temperature will be read on digital LED display.	-
3.	Set nominal temperature by holding "SET" switch 3	-
4.	Rotate temperature control knob until digital display reads desired temperature (resolution $\pm 1^\circ$)	Rotate temperature control knob to the desired temperature
5.	Release "SET" switch. Tip temperature is now rising and being displayed.	-
6.	During any work breaks, move the switch on the left to "Standby". When starting work again, move it back to "Heater" so that the temperature last used will be reset automatically.	During any work breaks, move the switch on the left to "Standby". When starting work again, move it back to "Heater" so that the temperature last used will be reset automatically.

3.4.1 *clean-o-point*[®] - How it works

The *clean-o-point*[®] cleans tips with a remarkable self-cleaning motorized wiping system that keeps tips clean, prolongs tip life, removes and collects excess solder. Fast 1 second cleaning with damp sponges means no temperature loss at the tip, no cold solder points to destroy PC boards.



see also chapter 4.4 - *clean-o-point*[®] maintenance



4.1 GENERAL CLEANING

The outer case of iron or station may be cleaned with a damp cloth using little amounts of liquid detergents.



Never submerge the unit in liquid or allow any to enter the case of the station.



**Never use any solvent to clean the case.
(Decomposition of the writing and / or deformation on the housing)**



4.2 CARE OF TIPS

The tips supplied are iron plated copper and if used properly will give a long life.

1. Always keep tips tinned before switching off or storing for a long period of time; Wipe tip using clean-o-point.

Caution with long hair!



2. **Don't keep iron set at high temperature for long periods as this will break down the surface of the tip.**



3. Never clean tips with abrasive materials or files.
4. If any oxide film is formed, this can be cleaned with the cleaning brush, isopropyl alcohol or equivalent, and then immediately reheat and retain the tip to prevent oxidation of wettable surface.
5. Remove the tip and clean every twenty-four hours or at least once a week. Remove any loose build up in the barrel.
6. **Do not use fluxes containing chloride or acid.
Use only rosin or activated resin fluxes.**
7. Do not use any compound or antiseize materials on the wettable surface.



4.3 TIP REPLACEMENT AND DRESSING

Tip can be replaced simply by unscrewing the knurled nut barrel assembly. The station must be switched off and allowed to cool during this operation, **as damage may result if the system is left on without the tip inserted**. After removing tip, blow out any oxide dust that may have formed in the tip retaining area of the barrel. Be careful to avoid getting dust in your eyes. Replace the tip and screw back the retaining knurled nut barrel assembly using only firm hand pressure to tighten. Pliers should only be used to tighten the nut to avoid burning your fingers.



Wear protection spectacles!



Care should be taken not to overtighten as this would damage the heating element.



4.3.1 Commissioning of New Tips



The following procedures should be followed when a new tip has been installed at any time. It will give the tip much longer life.

1. Set temperature to the minimum, then switch power to "ON".
2. After approx. 1 minute set temperature to 200° C (392° F). (Beginning of scale)
3. Tinn the surface with resin core solder containing colophonium after having reached 200° C (392° F).
4. Set to desired temperature and let it heat for approx. 5 minutes.
5. Ready for use after reaching the present desired temperature.

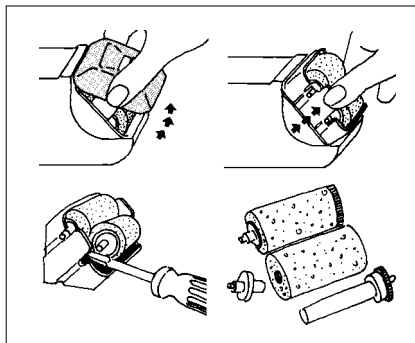


**Important: Remove tip and clean daily if a new tip is installed and removed any loose build up in the barrel !
(For Tip Selector Charts, see chapter 6 !)**



4.4 *clean-o-point*[®] MAINTENANCE

1. Before using for the first time, wash sponges carefully under running water.
2. Rinse sponges under running water once only before beginning the shift, and wring well. If the soldering tips are very fine, wring more thoroughly. The sponges retain uniform humidity for about 8 hours.
3. Do not wet the sponges by pouring water over them in the unit. Overly wet sponges will cause excessive cooling of soldering tips.
4. Replace sponges when incrustated with rosin (after about 1 month of all-day shifts).



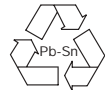
Sponges are much cheaper than soldering tips !



5. Empty solder container before starting each 8-hour shift. Wash and wring sponge rollers well.



Collect solder for recycling !



6. To clean the soldering tip, insert it with a steady movement between the wet rotating sponge rollers. Cleaning takes less than 1 second !
7. Soldering tips cleaned with *clean-o-point*[®] have a service life up to 10 times longer than tips cleaned with common flat sponges.

5.1 RETURN FOR REPAIRS

Should it prove necessary in the future to send the equipment back for repair, please proceed as follows :

- enclose an exact description of the failure, including the operational mode in which the failure or breakdown first occurred
- indicate clearly the person that should be contacted in your company and indicate the telephone and fax number
- for transportation, please use the original packing material (as far it is still available). Should this no longer be available, please make sure that the package protects the equipment adequately.
- assuming it is necessary and possible, send the entire equipment back (soldering station and mains supply unit, accessories etc.)

You can of course contact our service or sales departments by telephone, telex or telefax. Our customer service will gladly assist you. Addresses are listed in chapter 8



In order to assure best performance in function of your ELVO soldering station, please consider following points. In case of a function failure, please contact your next ELVO specialist.



5.2 CONDITIONS APPLYING TO SPARE PARTS

Only use original spare parts. Chapter 5.1 contains a list of standard spare parts.

To use products from another source could harm

- safety,
- reliability and
- performance.

5.3 SPARE PARTS LIST

Sender (Company name):

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Send, ATTENTION to:

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ORDER FORM

Unit serial number:






(on the technical label)

For a quick response to your spare parts requirement kindly use the list below. Just fill in the quantity of each part you require and send it to us - Thank you. You will find the addresses at the end of this manual.



Part no.	Pos.	Description	Qty	Order-qty
ET4500	9	Soldering iron 55 W	1	
ET4550		Heating element	1	
ET4520		Soldering tips Type S, B, C	1	
ET4521		Soldering tips Type SL, SS, CA	1	
ET4522		Soldering tips SMD Type SM8 SM14	1	
		Type SM16 SM23	1	
		Type SM0805 SM1206	1	
		Type SM5588	1	
ET4523		SMD-Adapter	1	
ET4524		Cleaning brush, Copper	1	
ET3008		Spare sponges, (bag of 8 pieces)	1	
ET3010		Front cover, black	1	
ET3011		Tinbox, axe standards included	1	
ET3012	8	Iron holder assembly	1	
ET3015		Axe standards to tinbox ET3011	1	
ET3016		Box ESD, black	1	
ET3017		Box, green	1	
ET3019		Holder	1	
ET3020		Rocker switch	1	
ET3021		Complete switch to "Stop & Go"	1	
TR4200		Supply unit to E911D/A 230 VAC / 50 VA	1	
TR4220		Supply unit to E912A 230 VAC / 100 VA	1	
TR4111		Supply unit to E911D/A 115 VAC / 50 VA	1	
TR4121		Supply unit to E912 A 115 VAC / 100 VA	1	

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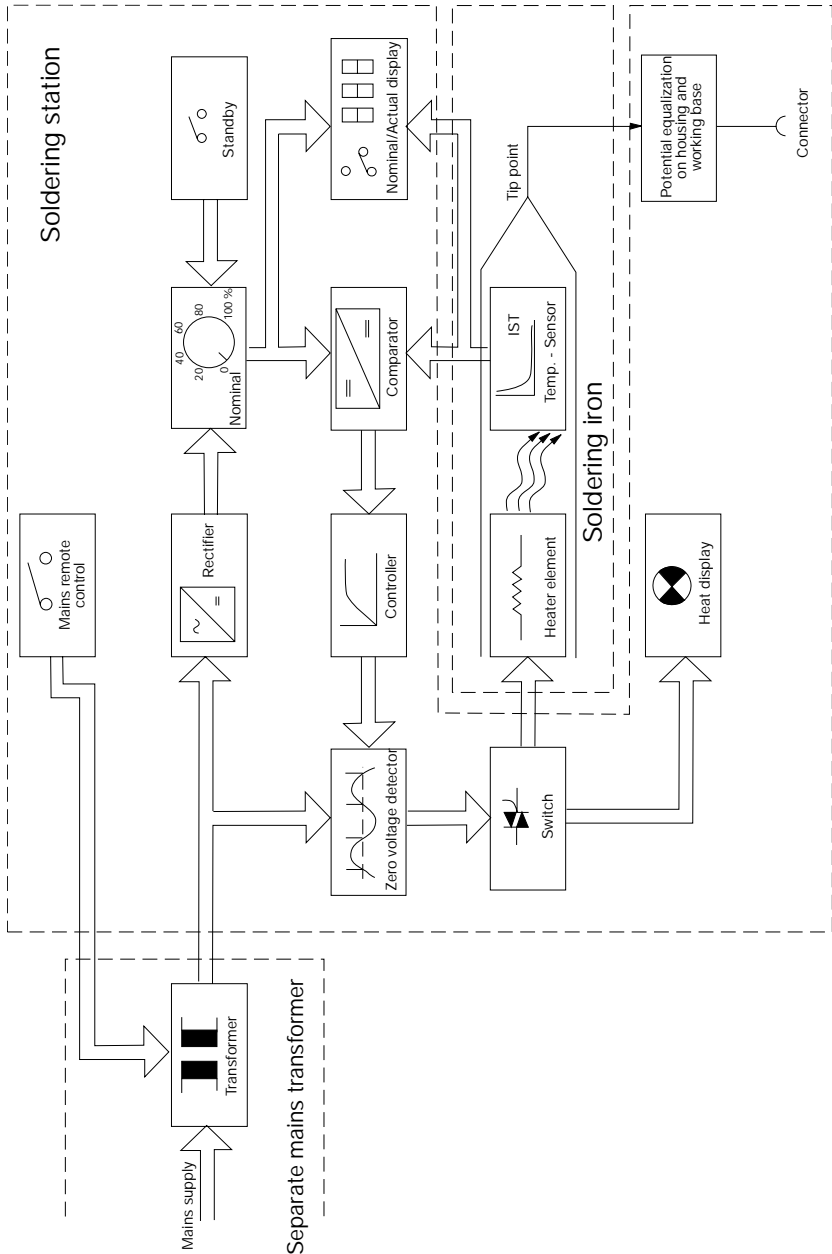


For SMT tips, ask for additional information

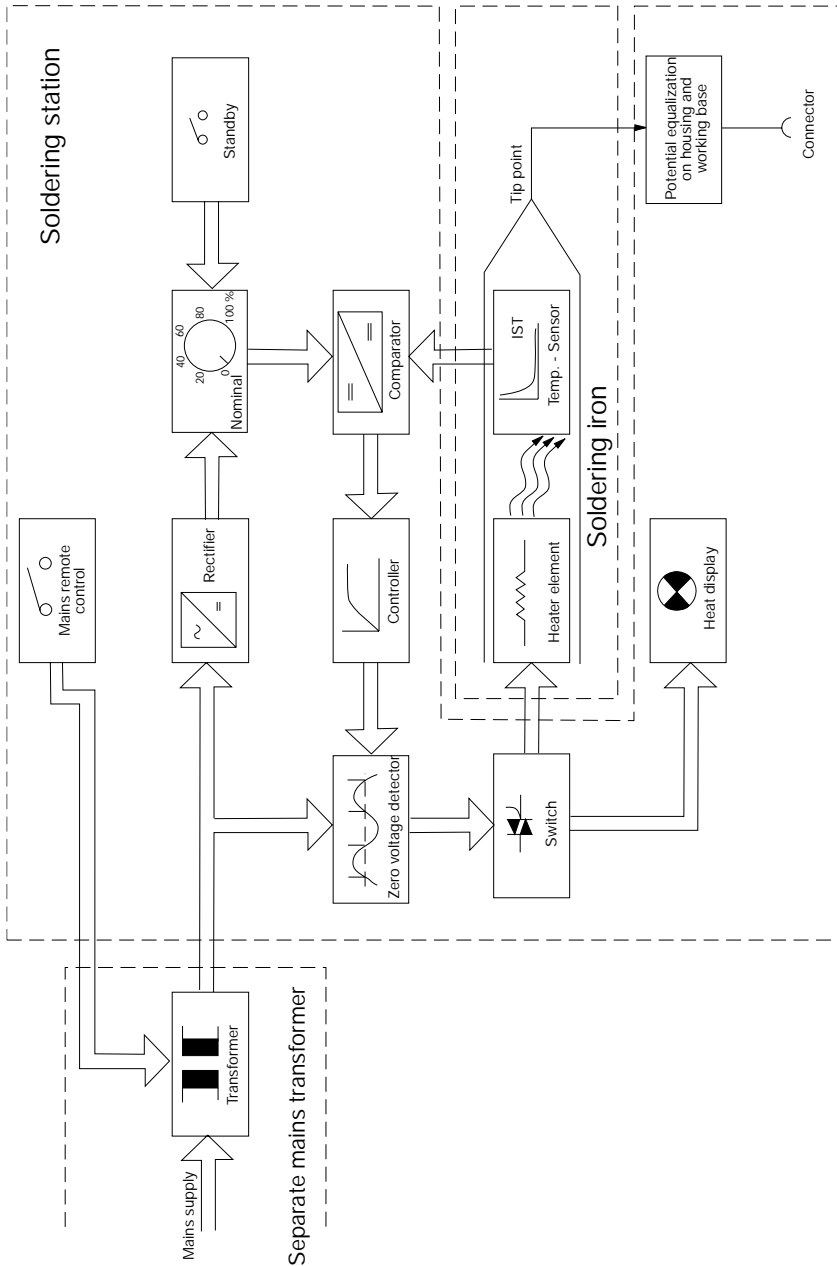
6.2 SPARE SPONGES

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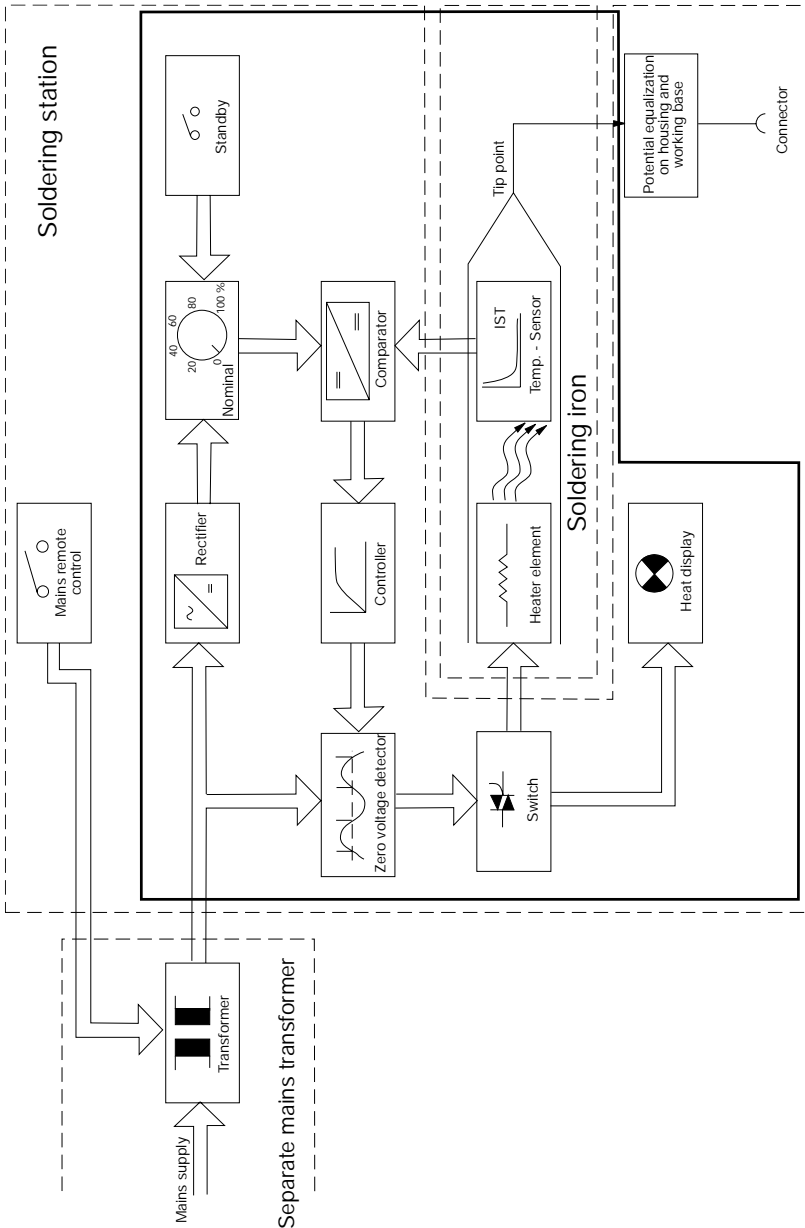
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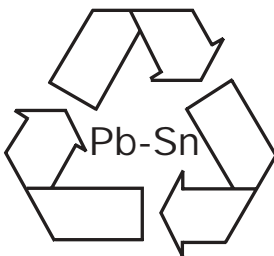
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9.1 GENERAL RECYCLING

All individual components of the unit described in this manual have to be treated according to the local regulations for recycling (batteries, metals etc.) or for safe disposal (printed circuit boards etc).



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