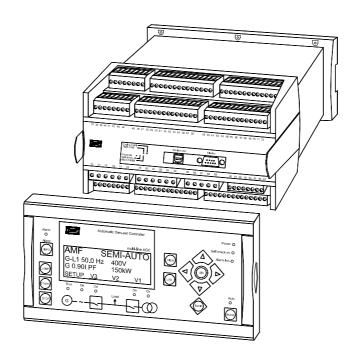
# **DEIFA/S**

# General Guidelines for Commissioning



# Multi-line 2

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- Settings check
- Governor check
- AVR check
- Protections check
- Adjustment
- Troubleshooting

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#### 1. About this document

#### **General purpose**

This document includes general guidelines for commissioning of DEIF's multi-line 2 units. It mainly includes instructions for settings, governor, AVR and protections check and unit adjustment. The general purpose of the document is to supply general guidelines to be used in the commissioning of the multi-line 2.



Please make sure to read this handbook before working with the multi-line 2 controller and the gen-set to be controlled. Failure to do this could result in damage to the equipment or human injury.

#### Intended users

These guidelines are mainly intended for the person responsible for the commissioning of the unit. In most cases, this would be a commissioning engineer.

#### **Contents/overall structure**

The General Guidelines for Commissioning is divided into chapters, and in order to make the structure of the document simple and easy to use, each chapter will begin from the top of a new page.

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### 2. Warnings and legal information

#### Legal information and responsibility

DEIF takes no responsibility for installation or operation of the generator set. If there is any doubt about how to install or operate the generator set controlled by the unit, the company responsible for the installation or the operation of the set must be contacted.

The units are not to be opened by unauthorised personnel. If opened anyway, the warranty will be lost.

#### Electrostatic discharge awareness

Sufficient care must be taken to protect the terminals against static discharges during the installation. Once the unit is installed and connected, these precautions are no longer necessary.

#### Safety issues

Installing the unit implies work with dangerous currents and voltages. Therefore, the installation should only be carried out by authorised personnel who understand the risks involved in working with live electrical equipment.



Be aware of the hazardous live currents and voltages. Do not touch any AC measurement inputs as this could lead to injury or death.

#### **Definitions**

Throughout this document a number of notes and warnings will be presented. To ensure that these are noticed, they will be highlighted in order to separate them from the general text.

#### **Notes**



The notes provide general information which will be helpful for the reader to bear in mind.

#### Warning



The warnings indicate a potentially dangerous situation which could result in death, personal injury or damaged equipment, if certain guidelines are not followed.

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# 3. Commissioning of the multi-line 2

# Step by step

The illustration below indicates the overall steps to be followed in order to carry out a successful commissioning of the multi-line 2 unit.

Step 1	Settings check
Step 2	Governor check
Step 3	AVR check
Step 4	Protections check
Step 5	Adjustment

In addition, the generic troubleshooting in chapter 9 can be used.

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#### 4. Settings check

#### Settings

It is necessary to perform a settings check. This is done following five individual steps:

- 1. Check and adjust the nominal settings.
- 2. Check and adjust the alarm settings.
- 3. Check and adjust the function control settings.
- 4. Check and adjust the speed controller settings.
- 5. Check and adjust the voltage controller settings.

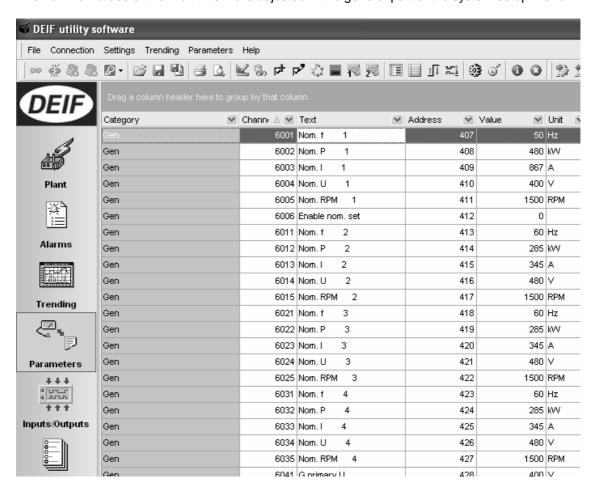
The above-mentioned settings must be checked and adjusted prior to the initial starting of the gen-set.



The settings can be adjusted either through the display or through the PC utility software. For navigating in the menus see the Operator's Manual.

#### Nominal values

The nominal values of the multi-line 2 are adjusted in the general part of the system setup menu.

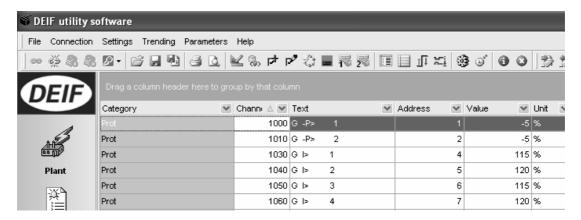


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In the PC utility software it is presented as illustrated on the above screen dump. The correct values are supplied by the switchboard manufacturer.

#### **Alarm settings**

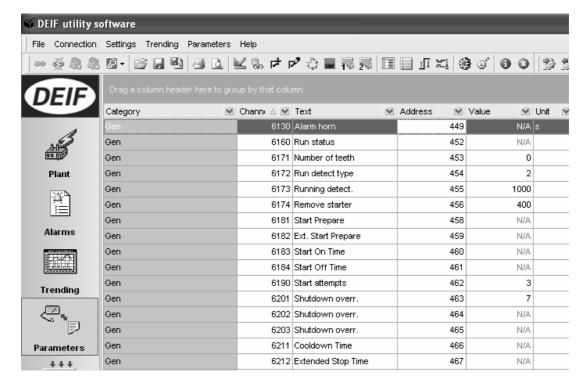
The alarm settings are adjusted in the protection setup menu.



In the PC utility software it is presented as illustrated on the screen dump above or similar. The number of alarms depends on the options selection of the individual unit. The actual alarm parameters are adjusted according to costumer requirements and application requirements.

#### **Function control settings**

The function control settings are adjusted in the general part of the system setup menu.



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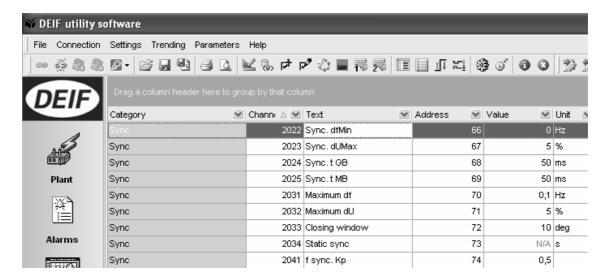
In the screen dump above only some of the settings are illustrated. Since the function control settings include parameters for the entire functionality of the multi-line 2, they must be stepped through carefully. The function control settings are adjusted according to the desired unit control.



In need of detailed information about the requirements, contact the switchboard manufacturer.

#### Synchronisation settings

The ML-2 synchronisation settings are adjusted in the synchronisation part of the control setup menu.

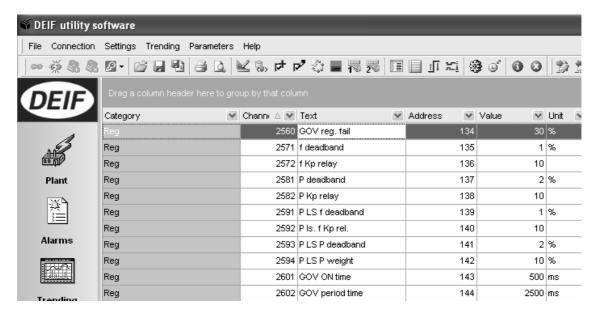


#### **Speed controller settings**

The multi-line 2 speed controller settings are adjusted in the regulation part of the control setup menu.

The screen dump below illustrates the controller settings related to the speed governor. As an initial setting before the first start up, the  $K_P$  of the frequency and power controllers are set to a low value giving a slow regulation.

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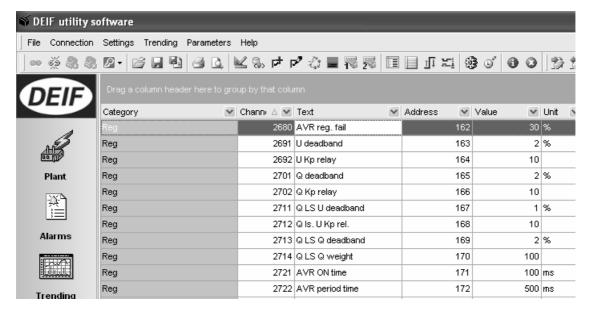


#### Analogue controller

As an initial setting before the first start up, the  $K_P$ , Ti and Td of the frequency and power controllers are set to a value giving a slow regulation. This means that  $K_P$  and Td should be set to a low value, and Ti should be set to a high value.

#### Voltage controller settings

The voltage controller settings are adjusted in the regulation part of the control setup menu.



The screen dump above illustrates the controller settings of the voltage and reactive power controller. As an initial setting before the first start up, the  $K_P$  of the voltage and reactive power controllers are set to a low value giving a slow regulation.

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#### 5. Governor check

Even if the engine manufacturer has adjusted the governor, it is necessary to carry out the following adjustments to be sure that the multi-line 2 can successfully operate with the speed governor.

The governor should be tuned in according to the governor/engine manufacturer's instructions. It is important that the engine is able to run smoothly and without hunting, before the control function of the multi-line 2 is activated.

#### Speed setting

An initial speed setting must be made.



The speed setting procedure is depending on the interfacing.

#### Relay output

- Disable the outputs from the multi-line 2.
- Run the generator with no load (open generator breaker).
- Adjust the frequency (on the speed governor) to be base frequency (50 or 60Hz).

#### **Analogue output**

The analogue output is a  $\pm$ -25mA or 0-20mA (depending on option) signal which in most cases must be converted into a voltage using a resistor across the terminals (150 $\Omega$  gives 3V DC at 20mA, etc).

Given the fact that especially the governors are sensitive to the external circuit impedance, it is essential to carry out the initial setting of speed governor while the multi-line 2 is connected and the control function disabled.

Putting the multi-line 2 in manual operation, MAN, disables the control function. This will 'disable' the control outputs, but the generator protection is still active. If you fail to do this, you may experience control problems later on.

- Go to MAN mode.
- Reboot the unit or activate the input 'reset analogue controller outputs'.
- Run the generator with no load (open generator breaker).
- Set the frequency (on the speed governor) to be base frequency (50 or 60Hz).

#### Speed droop

The speed governor must have a speed droop of 3-4% (speed dropping 3-4% from no load to full load, when the multi-line 2 is **not** in control). In order to ensure equal load sharing on parallel running machines, all governors must have the same droop setting.

DEIF recommends adjusting the speed droop on the speed governor for stability purposes.



It is necessary in all cases when relay outputs for governor control is used.

When analogue interfacing is used, it is possible to operate with a speed droop adjustment of 0%, but for safety reasons it is recommended to use the speed droop adjustment.

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#### Speed range

When using the analogue interfacing, the resistor installed across the output terminals is selected to obtain the necessary speed range. When finding the correct resistor, several aspects must be considered.

The necessary speed range must be selected, so it is possible to operate at full load. Typically, this is  $f_{NOM}$  +3Hz. If the speed range is too high, then the resistor size must be decreased. If the speed range is too low, then the resistor size must be increased.



The speed range must allow for the full load of the gen-set. If full load cannot be reached, then the resistor size must be increased.

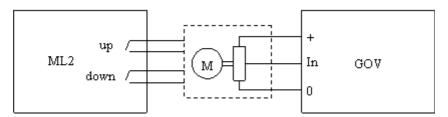
#### **Terminals**

The governor can either be prepared for analogue interfacing or digital interfacing. When analogue interfacing is used, a +/-25mA or 0-20mA signal from the multi-line 2 is applied. This signal can be converted to the necessary voltage level. When digital interfacing is used, two relays are used as increase/decrease outputs.

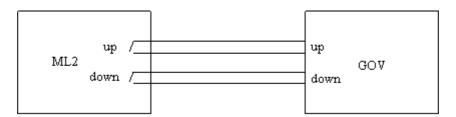
The terminals must be identified depending on the necessary interfacing. Some general examples are shown in the illustrations below.

#### **Digital interfacing**

#### Motor potmeter



#### Direct digital signals



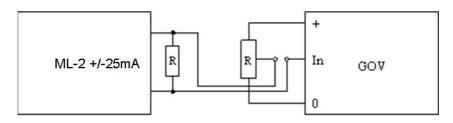
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# **Analogue interfacing**

# Direct analogue signal



#### External potmeter





For additional information about interfaces, see Interfacing DEIF Equipment to Governors and AVRs available on <a href="https://www.deif.com">www.deif.com</a>.

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#### 6. AVR check

Even if the AVR is adjusted by the gen-set manufacturer, it is necessary to go through the following adjustments in order to be sure that the multi-line 2 can operate with the AVR.

The AVR should be tuned in according to the AVR/generator manufacturer's instructions. It is imperative that the gen-set is able to operate smoothly, before the control function of the multiline 2 is activated.

#### Voltage setting

An initial voltage level setting must be made.



The voltage level setting procedure is depending on the interfacing.

#### Relay output

- Disable the outputs from the multi-line 2.
- Run the generator with no load (open generator breaker).
- Adjust the voltage (on the AVR) to be nominal voltage.

#### Analogue output

The analogue output is a  $\pm$ -25mA or 0-20mA (depending on option) signal which in most cases has to be converted into a voltage using a resistor across the terminals (150 $\Omega$  gives 3V DC at 20mA etc).

Given the fact that especially the AVRs are sensitive to the external circuit impedance, it is essential to carry out the initial setting of the AVR while the multi-line 2 is connected and the control function disabled.

Putting the multi-line 2 in manual operation, MAN, disables the control function. This will 'disable' the control outputs, but the generator protection is still active. If you fail to do this, you may experience control problems later on.

- Go to MAN mode.
- Reboot the unit or activate the input 'reset analogue controller outputs'.
- Run the generator with no load (open generator breaker).
- Set the voltage (on the AVR) to be nominal voltage.

#### Voltage droop

The AVR controls the generator voltage in a way which is comparable to the speed governor controlling the prime mover speed.

This means that the generator AVR must have a voltage droop of 3-4% (voltage dropping 3-4% from no load to full reactive load when the multi-line 2 has no control). In order to ensure equal VAr sharing on parallel running generators, all generators must have the same voltage droop setting.

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#### Voltage range

When using the analogue interfacing, the resistor installed across the output terminals is selected to obtain the necessary speed range. The voltage range must be defined similar to the speed range for the governor.

The voltage range must be wide enough for the voltage droop and for the full loading of the genset. A typical value is  $\pm 10\%$  \*  $\pm 10\%$  U<sub>NOM</sub>. The necessary control signal level is often specified depending on the AVR type.

#### **Terminals**

The AVR can either be prepared for analogue interfacing or digital interfacing. When analogue interfacing is used, a +/-25mA or 0-20mA signal from the multi-line 2 is applied. This signal can be converted to the necessary voltage level. When the digital interfacing is used, two relays are used as increase/decrease outputs.

The terminals must be identified depending on the necessary interfacing. Some general examples are shown in the illustrations in the chapter about 'governor check'.

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#### 7. Protections check

As a part of the commissioning the protections should be checked.

The following points must be considered for each alarm:

- Alarm set point
- Alarm delay
- Relay output
- Activation
- Fail class
- Inhibits



For further information about the above-mentioned, see the Designer's Reference Handbook.

#### **Considerations**

Several issues must be taken into consideration when doing the configuration of the alarms. These are e.g. national rules and requirements, additionally installed protection equipment, required use of the protections (trip of non-essential load, breaker tripping and engine stopping). The switchboard manufacturer and the end customer must take these considerations.

#### Configuration of the protections

The dialogue box shows a typical alarm.

Parameter "G -P>	1" (Chai	nnel 1000)	×
Setpoint:			
		-5 %	
-50			0
Timer :	_	10 sec	
1,0			100,0
Fail class :	Trip of GB	~	
Output A :	Not used	~	
Output B :	Not used	~	
Password level :	Customer	~	
		Commissioning	
✓ Enable		Actual value : 0 %	
High Alarm Inverse proportional  Auto acknowledge Inhibits		Time elapsed : 0 sec (0 9	%)
		0 sec	10 sec
		Write OK	<u>C</u> ancel

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In the 'commissioning' field above, the horizontal blue line indicates the elapsed time since the alarm set point was exceeded. In this example the generator reverse power set point is -5%. If the commissioning is done without the PC utility software, then the timers can be seen in the service menu 9120.

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#### 8. Adjustment

The adjustment of the unit can be carried out when the initial settings of the governor and the AVR are made.

The controller of the unit is a PID controller.

The unit includes different controllers which must be tuned in at the correct running situations (see the table below):

Controller	Purpose	Tune in conditions
Frequency controller	Controls the frequency when the	Tune in when the generator
	multi-line 2 is in island mode	is running with the generator
	(stand-alone or load sharing).	breaker open.
Power controller	er controller Controls the power when the	
	multi-line 2 is running parallel to	is running parallel to the
	the mains.	mains.
P load share controller	Controls the power when the	Tune in when the generator
	multi-line 2 is running in load	is running in load sharing
	sharing mode.	mode.
Voltage controller	Controls the voltage when the	Tune in when the generator
	multi line 2 is in island mode	is running with the generator
	(stand-alone or load sharing).	breaker open.
Reactive power controller	Controls the vars when the	Tune in when the generator
	multi-line 2 is running parallel to	is running parallel to the
	the mains and when running in	mains or in load sharing
	var sharing mode.	mode.
Q load share controller	Controls the reactive power	Tune in when the generator
	when the multi-line 2 is running	is running in reactive load
	in load sharing mode.	sharing mode.

#### **Adjusting PID controller**

Before the PID controllers of the multi-line 2 are tuned in, the values of the  $K_P$ , Ti and Td of all controllers must be decreased to a low value.

Start by tuning in the  $K_P$  factor, and then tune in the Td and Ti. Normally, the controllers are tuned in following a few general rules as given below.

#### Step 1, adjustment of the K<sub>P</sub>

Only the P regulator is to be active (Td and Ti set to 0 s), and the operation of the gen-set must be stable. Now increase the  $K_P$  factor step by step, until the gen-set becomes unstable. Adjust the  $K_P$  factor to 50% of the value found above.

#### Step 2, adjustment of the Ti

With the Kp setting set to the value found in step 1, raise the Ti to a high value, e.g. 30 s, and decrease Ti step by step, until the gen-set becomes unstable. Adjust the Ti to approx. 1.5 to 1.7 times the value where instability begins.

#### Step 3, adjustment of the Td

Step by step increase the Td until the gen-set becomes unstable. Adjust the Td to 50...70% of

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the value.

#### Step 3, readjustment of controller settings

It can be necessary to make a readjustment of the controller settings, if during testing the genset turns out to be unstable to some extent. If this is the case, then adjust the  $K_P$ , Td and Ti until the operation is satisfactory.



The Ti and Td settings are only available when analogue controller output is used



To see the effect of the new adjustments when tuning in the multi-line 2, remember to make a regulation deviation, e.g. by applying a load jump.

#### Manual governor and AVR control



#### This is possible in the AGC only!

In many cases, it is difficult to tune in the controller using load jumps (no load bank available). When this is the situation, the manual control can be used as an easy way to make regulation deviations during the commissioning.

This function can be activated by pressing women more than 2 seconds, or by activating the digital inputs or AOP buttons for governor or AVR control in semi-auto mode. The intention of this function is to give the commissioning engineer a helpful tool for adjustment of the regulation.

The function of the regulation window depends on the selected mode:

0	0	0V
	100%	100%
	50%	60%
	<u>GOV</u>	AVR
	0	100% 50%

#### Manual mode

In manual mode, the regulation is deactivated. When activating the up or down arrows, the output value to GOV or AVR is changed, this is the Reg. value in the display. The up and down arrows have the same function as the digital inputs or AOP buttons for governor and AVR control when the window is open. To exit the regulation window, press 'back'.

#### Semi-auto mode

As in manual mode, the up and down arrows have the same function as the digital inputs or AOP buttons for governor or AVR control when the window is open.

The value setp can be changed by pressing the arrow up or down. When GOV is underlined, the governor set point will be changed, and vice versa when the AVR is underlined. When changing the setp value, an offset will be added to or subtracted from the nominal value. The reg. value is the output value from the regulator. If the gen-set is running in parallel, the active or reactive nominal power set point value will be changed. If it is a stand-alone gen-set not parallel to the mains, the nominal frequency or voltage set point will be changed and also displayed. When the 'back' button is activated, the regulation set point returns to nominal.

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If the digital inputs or AOP buttons are activated in semi-auto, the regulation window is automatically opened.

#### Auto and test mode

Similar to semi-auto except from the fact that activating the digital inputs or AOP buttons for governor or AVR control will change the regulation set point but not open the regulation window. When the digital inputs or AOP buttons are deactivated, the regulation set point returns to nominal.



AVR set point manipulation requires option D1.



Regarding AOP setup, please refer to 'Help' in the PC utility software.

#### Relay output adjustments

If the relay outputs are used for the speed governor/AVR, then it will be necessary to adjust the relay minimum pulse time and the period time.

There are 2 settings: ON time, which is the shortest relay ON signal time.

PER time, which is the period time.

The shortest acceptable pulse time is depending on the reaction of the governor/AVR and connection type. Slow reaction requires a long time pulse.

As a starting point, use the following settings for the relay ON time and relay period time:

Governor ON time	Menu 2601	5001000ms	
Governor period time	Menu 2602	25005000ms	It is recommended that the period time is approximately 5*ON time.
AVR ON time	Menu 2721	100ms	
AVR period time	Menu 2722	500ms	It is recommended that the period time is approximately 5*ON time.



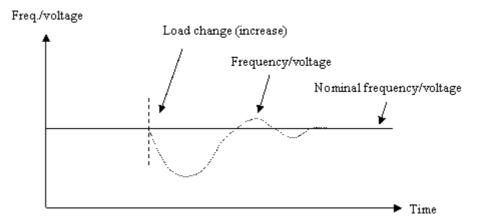
It is still necessary to tune in the P controllers.

#### Resulting speed/voltage curve upon load change

Testing is easily done by using (if possible) a load bank applying 'jumps' in the generator load, hereby testing the speed/voltage control.

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The optimum result is indicated by this curve:



As indicated 2-3 'overshoots' before stabilising after a sudden change is OK. If more 'overshoots' are present, then decrease the  $K_P$  factor and try again.

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# 9. Troubleshooting

The troubleshooting table can be used for the uni-line and the multi-line 2 products.

Problem indication	Problem cause	Remedy
Load sharing or parallel with mains power control unstable. Synchronisation OK. Single generator running frequency control OK.	No speed droop on generators.	Apply 3-4% speed drop on prime mover governor.
Load sharing or parallel with mains voltage (var) control unstable. Synchronisation OK. Single generator running voltage control OK.	No voltage droop on generators.	Apply 3-4% voltage drop on generator AVR.
Generator not able to take load to 100%.	Initial setting of speed governor not correct.	See chapters regarding governor/AVR checks.
Generator not able to take load to 100%.	Analogue output from DEIF equipment has too low output range.	Increase the full scale value. This is mostly a case when using electronic potentio- meters.
Speed decreases when increase was expected (relay outputs).	Relay outputs 'up' and 'down' reversed.	Swap connections.
Speed decreases when increase was expected (analogue output).	Outputs '+' and '-' reversed.	Swap connections.
Engine overspeeds when starting up.	Regulator output is too high.	Decrease the analogue output signal by decreasing the resistor.

DEIF A/S reserves the right to change any of the above

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