

*Operator Manual*

*2-Phase Stepping Motor Power Drive*

*SMD232*



DIN Rail Module  
optional

## Product Features

- For all common 2-phase stepping motors
- Preferably up to motor flange sizes 40 (NEMA17) and 56(NEMA23)
- Bipolar drive: chopped, reduced noise and losses
- Only one power supply necessary: 21...40 Volt
- Simple motor current adjustment with potentiometer (0,5...2,5)A
- Step rates: full, half, quarter and sixteenth respectively 200, 400, 800 and 3200 steps/rev
- automatic current reduction (switchable)
- robust screw terminal for all connections
- Compact size L:W:H (72:72:12) mm
- Inputs: PULSE, DIRECTION, OFF (opto coupler)
- Outputs: READY (opto coupler)
- Step frequency up to 80 kHz
- LED indicators for supply voltage and current reduction

### Options:

- DIN rail housing module DRM.232

## Ordering Number Key

### SMD232-XX

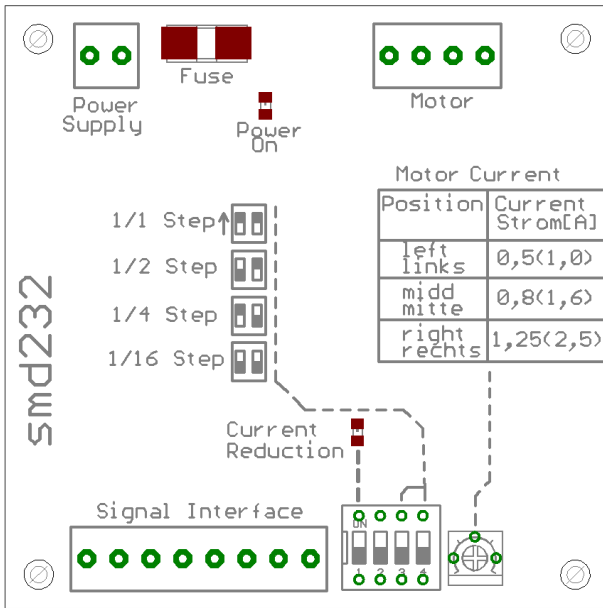
#### Stepper Motor Drive

- 00 without DIN rail housing, motor current 1,0...2,5 Amps
- 01 without DIN rail housing, motor current 0,5...1,25 Amps
- 02 without DIN rail housing, motor current 0,25...0,6 Amps

## Accessories (separate order items)

- DRM.232 DIN rail housing option
- DOKU DIN-A5 paper bound operator manual

### Placement of the operating elements



#### PULSE: (Pulse)

A step is executed with each positive signal edge. The power drive exclusively reacts on signal edges. In case of an active current reduction (switch "current reduction" on) and pulse pauses greater than approx. 100ms, the motor current is reduced to approx. 75% of the set value.

**The current reduction is not active if the pulse signal stays on active**

#### DIRECTION: (Dir)

The direction signal defines the sense of motor rotation. The logic assignment can be inverted by swapping the wires of one motor phase.

#### OFF: (Off)

When active, the motor current is switched to zero. The current chopper is switched off entirely. This feature is sometimes used in measuring equipment to measure small signal levels without interference by the stepping motor. The motor shaft can now easily be rotated manually.

#### READY: (Ready)

This output is switched on (low impedance) when the drive internal power supply is functional.

#### POWER SUPPLY: (+Ub, -Ub)

The power drive can be within the range of 21..40Vdc. It must be guaranteed that the power supply does not exceed 40V at no load condition and with 10% line over voltage. The power supply must also have an output capacitor of at least 6800µF.

**Never connect live supply voltage wires to the terminals, because the sudden charge current of the internal electrolytic capacitors can destroy the internal fuses**

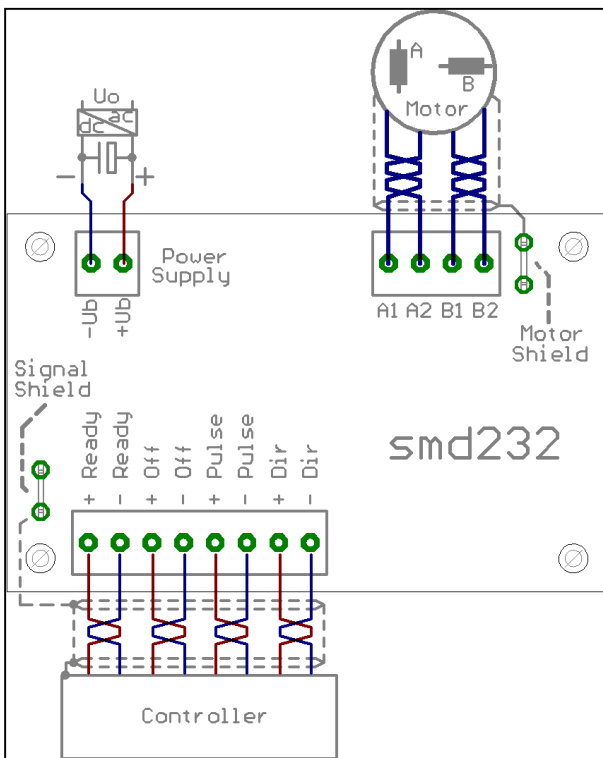
**! Check for correct polarity**

#### MOTOR CONNECTION: (A1,A2,B1,B2)

By swapping the wiring connection of one motor phase, e.g. phase A, the motor sense of rotation can be inverted to the logic assignment of the direction signal DIR.

**Under no circumstances motor wires must be disconnected during operation. Induction voltages can destroy the power drive. For this reason assure proper contact of the motor wires at the screw terminal.**

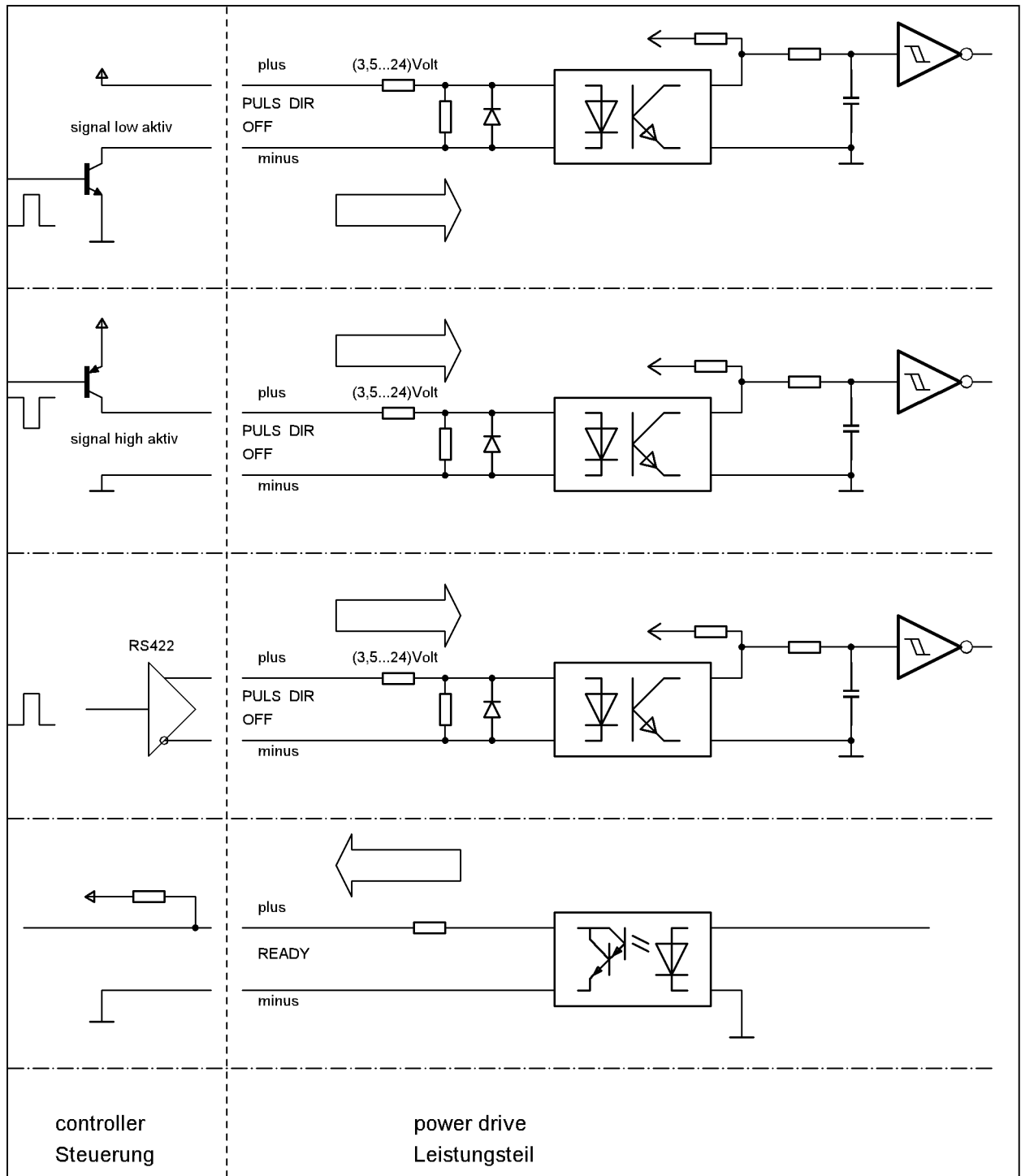
### Wiring diagram



### Signal description

The inputs **Off**, **Pulse** and **Dir** are wide range inputs and can be operated with 3,5...24V signal voltage.

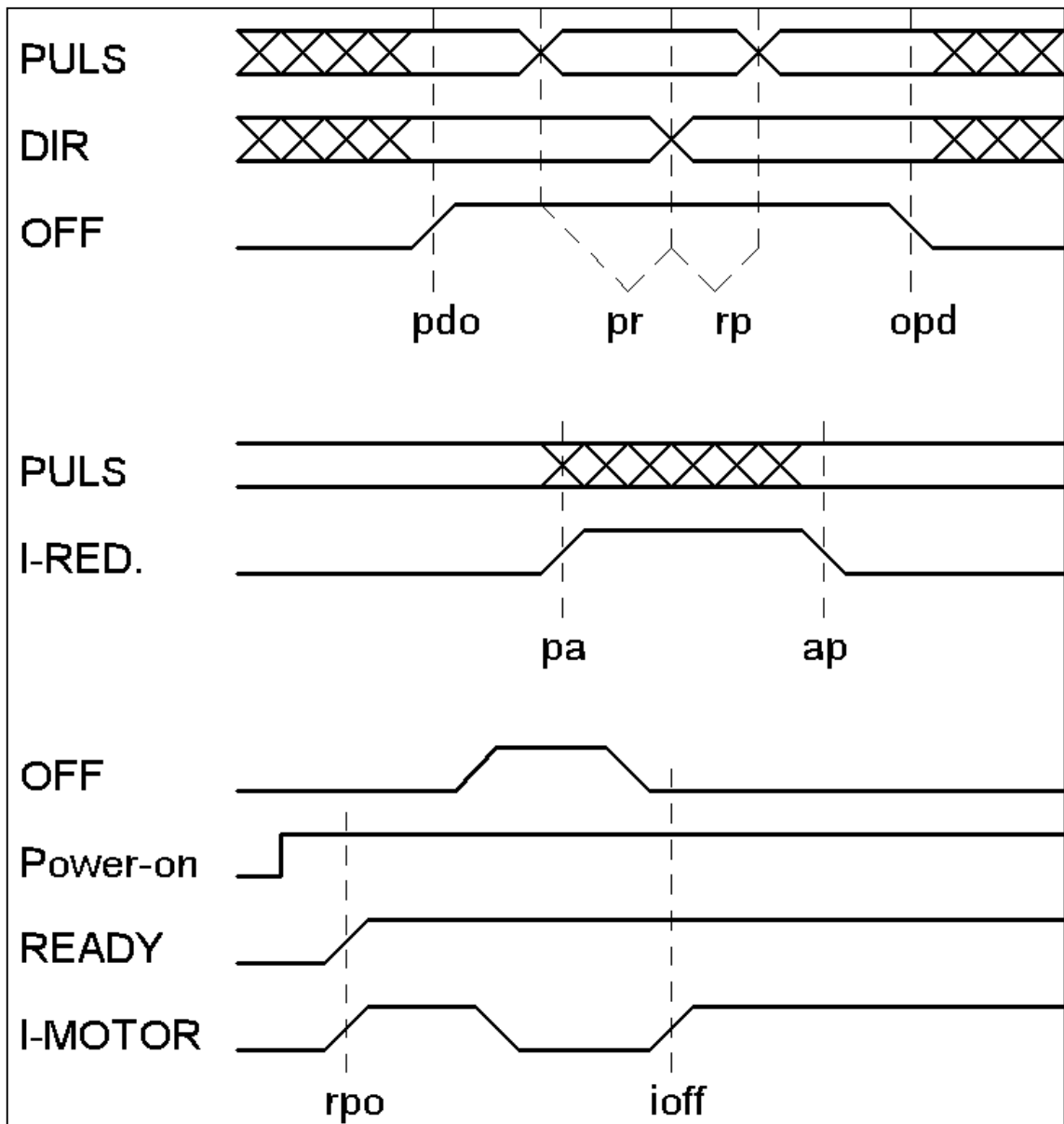
## Signal Interface



The signal interface is completely isolated by opto couplers. To have a wide flexibility, both inputs plus and minus of the opto couplers are available. So its easy to drive the signal interface with high-, low- or RS422 active signals.

All signals have a wide voltage range from 3.5V...24V.

## Signal Timing



**! Pulse slope: <math>< 2\mu\text{s}</math>**  
**! Pulse width: <math>> 5\mu\text{s}</math>**

pdo:	> 5 $\mu\text{s}$	OFF active after pulse, direction
opd:	> 10ms	pulse, direction active after OFF
pr:	> 5 $\mu\text{s}$	pulse before direction
rp:	> 5 $\mu\text{s}$	pulse after direction
pa:	<150ms	current reduction active after pulse
ap:	<500 $\mu\text{s}$	current reduction deactivate after pulse
rpo:	< 1s	ready after power on
ioff:	< 10ms	motor current after OFF

**STEP RATE:**

Fullstep, halfstep, quarter-step and sixteenth-step can be set. Using a standard hybrid stepper motor with 50 magnetic poles result in following steps/revolution:  
200, 400, 800 and 3200.

**Running performance:**

☺ less than 400      ☹ 400      ☺ more than 400

The step performance increases with lower motor voltage and higher motor current (set nominal motor current).

**Behavior of resonance**

The motor resonance can be reduced by increasing the steps/revolution. Following table will show the effect under the condition the resonance at full step will be 100%

Steps/rev.:	Behavior of resonance:
200	100%
400	29%
800	8%

**MOTOR CURRENT SETTING:**

The motor current can very easily be set with the potentiometer. The smd232 is available with two motor current range 1250mA and 2500mA

In general only as much current should be set as actually is required for the application. Too high motor currents results in unnecessary losses in motor and drive.

At higher pulse rates the motor current reduces because of the motor inductance. (see diagrams from manufactures)

In this case a low inductance motor is recommended.

**Above 1.5 Amp continuous motor phase current, the drive must be cooled by forced air flow. Automatic current reduction is recommended.**

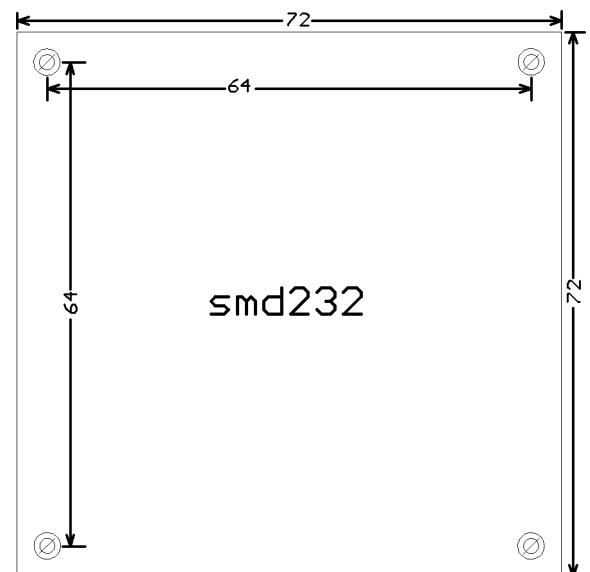
**CURRENT REDUCTION:**

“Current Reduction“ activated the automatic current reduction. The motor current is reduced to approx. 75% of the set motor current. The losses in motor and drive are reduced significantly. The current reduction is activated, if the pulse input is inactive for more then approx. 100ms. This condition is then indicated with a yellow LED. With pulse frequencies less than 10Hz it can happen that the current reduction becomes active for a short period of time. To avoid this behavior the Start/Stop-frequency should be significantly higher that 10Hz. With the next pulse, the current reduction is disabled immediately and the nominal current is set again.

The current reduction can be blocked if the pulse input remains in a static active level.

It is recommended to generally activate the current reduction. Practical experience values show that the temperature can be reduced more than 10°C.

**! Current reduction reduces holding torque. Assure the resulting holding torque is acceptable for your application.**

**PCB DIMENSIONS (in mm):**

Overall height of the power drive including the PCB:  
12mm

**TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS:****Power drive supply:**

Absolute max. voltage:	42V
Minimum voltage:	21V
Recommended voltage	24...38V
Voltage ripple:	< 2.0V peak
Input peak current at power on:	< 2.0A peak
Fusing:	3.5A medium
Power supply charge capacitor:	>6800 $\mu$ F
Power supply cable cross section:	0,75mm <sup>2</sup>
Distance to power supply capacitor:	< 1m

**Motor connection:**

Cable cross section:	>0,5mm <sup>2</sup>
Cable length:	<10m

**Signal input interface:** (wide range 3.5V to 24V)

Input type:	opto coupler, reverse polarity protected
Input voltage:	low: <1V
	high: >3.5V
	nominal: >4.5V
	max: <28V
Input current:	< 16 mA
Pulse width:	> 5 $\mu$ s
Pulse slope:	< 2 $\mu$ s

**Ready:**

Output type:	opto coupler
Switching voltage:	min. 3 V
	max. 30 V
Switching current:	< 50 mA
Impedance:	<20 Ohm
Load:	non-reactive

**Motor current setting:**

Potentiometer	two ranges
	0.5...1.25A (1.0...2.5A)

**Current reduction, active at frequencies lower than**

Pulse width:	5 $\mu$ s	10 $\mu$ s	50 $\mu$ s	100 $\mu$ s
Current red.:	50Hz	30Hz	20Hz	15Hz

**Ambient conditions:**

Temperature:	I <sub>Motor</sub> 1.0A	45° max
	I <sub>Motor</sub> 1.5A	37° max
	I <sub>Motor</sub> 2.0A	28° max
	I <sub>Motor</sub> 2.5A	22° max

UL94V-1 all components  
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**TROUBLE SHOOTING:****Motor has no holding torque but supply voltage is connected**

- The motor voltage is below the minimum value
- Signal inputs "Off" is active

**Motor has holding torque, but doesn't execute steps**

- The pulse signal level is too low

**Sudden "crackling" noises in the motor**

- Motor is operated at the minimum voltage limit
- The motor connection is bad

**The motor doesn't reach the set speed but starts**

- The motor voltage is too low for the required speed
- The motor current was set too low
- The acceleration ramp was set too high
- Motor wires are too long or too small cross section
- Power supply is not powerful enough

**The motor "loses" steps and drifts**

- The amplitudes of the control signals are too low
- Signal cable noise is too high (shielded cables?)
- The wiring concept is not optimal (all ground signals must be connected one common potential)
- The mechanical shaft coupling has play
- The motor stalls and can't follow

**Motor vibrates at pulse frequency and doesn't start**

- Start/Stop-frequency too high
- Motor windings are connected wrong or broken cable
- The automatic current reduction remains active (pulse duration too low at low pulse frequencies)
- The motor current is set too low

**The automatic current reduction doesn't work**

- The pulse input remains active after the last
- The current reduction is not enabled

**The motor is hot**

Up to 85 ° Celsius should be no problem

**The power drive ICs are hot**

Up to 85 ° Celsius should be no problem

**Poor step accuracy**

- Motor inductance is too high
- Motor current setting is too low

## GENERAL INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

The device housing<sup>1</sup> must be grounded separately. In most cases a wing nut on the front panel or another grounding connection is available. Each component must be grounded with a separate grounding wire at a central "grounding point". This is usually the machine bed or a grounding rail inside the electrical cabinet.

Before installation and setup make sure that the required drive power is sufficient for your application and that the maximum values are not exceeded.

Mounting orientation is vertical, make sure air intake<sup>1</sup> and cooling slots are not blocked.

Only shielded motor cable must be installed. For identical potential between motor flange and power drive (short distance) the shield is grounded on both ends. Otherwise it is recommended to ground only the device end and that the shield on the motor end is ground connected galvanically isolated via a capacitor.

**In general the ground potential difference must be in the range of only a couple mV.**

For symmetrical motor cables such as with 2 phase steppers twisted pair wires are recommended per circuit.

Signal cables must also be shielded. Twisted pair wires are recommended per circuit.

The ground potential common point should be located directly at the housing or the mounting point of the power drive.

Signal cable and motor cable must be separated. Long parallel cable installation must be avoided. Cable crossings (if necessary) should be installed vertically.

Check all device settings for validity.

## SAFETY AND PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS

The installation of the device must only be conducted by an educated, trained and experienced expert (electro). The local guidelines for safety, installation of electrical and mechanical systems and EMI must be observed.

Unintended operation and faulty installation of the device can lead to personal injury (incl. the possibility of death) and the device as well as other external components can be damaged or an excessive pollution of the environment can occur.

Operation is only permitted with the mounted housing<sup>2</sup>. Because of eventually present high voltage the device must not be opened (also not after a long period of idle time). Make sure children have no direct access to the device.

No technical modifications of the device are permitted.

The device housing<sup>3</sup> must be grounded separately. In most cases a wing nut on the front panel or another grounding connection is available. The device must be grounded prior to the installation.

Under no circumstances live of functional connectors must be removed or connected. All installations must be conducted in the powerless de-energized state.

Device operation in damp, humid environment or with present spray water is not permitted.

<sup>1</sup> if available

<sup>2</sup> not with open frame (only PCBs)

<sup>3</sup> if available