



**Documentation**

**EL6070**

**License key terminal for TwinCAT 3.1**

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# 1 Foreword

## 1.1 Notes on the documentation

### Intended audience

This description is only intended for the use of trained specialists in control and automation engineering who are familiar with the applicable national standards.

It is essential that the documentation and the following notes and explanations are followed when installing and commissioning these components.

It is the duty of the technical personnel to use the documentation published at the respective time of each installation and commissioning.

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## 1.2 Safety instructions

### Safety regulations

Please note the following safety instructions and explanations!  
Product-specific safety instructions can be found on following pages or in the areas mounting, wiring, commissioning etc.

### Exclusion of liability

All the components are supplied in particular hardware and software configurations appropriate for the application. Modifications to hardware or software configurations other than those described in the documentation are not permitted, and nullify the liability of Beckhoff Automation GmbH & Co. KG.

### Personnel qualification

This description is only intended for trained specialists in control, automation and drive engineering who are familiar with the applicable national standards.

### Description of instructions

In this documentation the following instructions are used.  
These instructions must be read carefully and followed without fail!

#### **DANGER**

##### **Serious risk of injury!**

Failure to follow this safety instruction directly endangers the life and health of persons.

#### **WARNING**

##### **Risk of injury!**

Failure to follow this safety instruction endangers the life and health of persons.

#### **CAUTION**

##### **Personal injuries!**

Failure to follow this safety instruction can lead to injuries to persons.

#### **NOTE**

##### **Damage to environment/equipment or data loss**

Failure to follow this instruction can lead to environmental damage, equipment damage or data loss.



#### **Tip or pointer**

This symbol indicates information that contributes to better understanding.

## 1.3 Documentation issue status

Version	Comment
2.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Update chapter "Commissioning"</li></ul>
2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Addenda chapter "Reading and writing of files" incl. example program</li></ul>
2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li><li>• Addenda chapter "Instructions for ESD protection"</li><li>• Addenda chapter "UL notice"</li></ul>
2.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Update chapter "Notes on the documentation"</li><li>• Update chapter "Technical data"</li><li>• Addenda chapter "Installation instructions for enhanced mechanical load capacity"</li></ul>
2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Update chapter "Technical data", ET</li></ul>
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0,1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Preliminary documentation für EL6070</li></ul>

## 1.4 Version identification of EtherCAT devices

### Designation

A Beckhoff EtherCAT device has a 14-digit designation, made up of

- family key
- type
- version
- revision

Example	Family	Type	Version	Revision
EL3314-0000-0016	EL terminal (12 mm, non-pluggable connection level)	3314 (4-channel thermocouple terminal)	0000 (basic type)	0016
ES3602-0010-0017	ES terminal (12 mm, pluggable connection level)	3602 (2-channel voltage measurement)	0010 (high-precision version)	0017
CU2008-0000-0000	CU device	2008 (8-port fast ethernet switch)	0000 (basic type)	0000

### Notes

- The elements mentioned above result in the **technical designation**. EL3314-0000-0016 is used in the example below.
- EL3314-0000 is the order identifier, in the case of “-0000” usually abbreviated to EL3314. “-0016” is the EtherCAT revision.
- The **order identifier** is made up of
  - family key (EL, EP, CU, ES, KL, CX, etc.)
  - type (3314)
  - version (-0000)
- The **revision** -0016 shows the technical progress, such as the extension of features with regard to the EtherCAT communication, and is managed by Beckhoff.  
In principle, a device with a higher revision can replace a device with a lower revision, unless specified otherwise, e.g. in the documentation.  
Associated and synonymous with each revision there is usually a description (ESI, EtherCAT Slave Information) in the form of an XML file, which is available for download from the Beckhoff web site.  
From 2014/01 the revision is shown on the outside of the IP20 terminals, see Fig. “EL5021 EL terminal, standard IP20 IO device with batch number and revision ID (since 2014/01)”.
- The type, version and revision are read as decimal numbers, even if they are technically saved in hexadecimal.

### Identification number

Beckhoff EtherCAT devices from the different lines have different kinds of identification numbers:

#### Production lot/batch number/serial number/date code/D number

The serial number for Beckhoff IO devices is usually the 8-digit number printed on the device or on a sticker. The serial number indicates the configuration in delivery state and therefore refers to a whole production batch, without distinguishing the individual modules of a batch.

Structure of the serial number: **KK YY FF HH**

KK - week of production (CW, calendar week)  
 YY - year of production  
 FF - firmware version  
 HH - hardware version

Example with

Ser. no.: 12063A02: 12 - production week 12 06 - production year 2006 3A - firmware version 3A 02 - hardware version 02

Exceptions can occur in the **IP67 area**, where the following syntax can be used (see respective device documentation):

Syntax: D ww yy x y z u

D - prefix designation

ww - calendar week

yy - year

x - firmware version of the bus PCB

y - hardware version of the bus PCB

z - firmware version of the I/O PCB

u - hardware version of the I/O PCB

Example: D.22081501 calendar week 22 of the year 2008 firmware version of bus PCB: 1 hardware version of bus PCB: 5 firmware version of I/O PCB: 0 (no firmware necessary for this PCB) hardware version of I/O PCB: 1

### Unique serial number/ID, ID number

In addition, in some series each individual module has its own unique serial number.

See also the further documentation in the area

- IP67: [EtherCAT Box](#)
- Safety: [TwinSafe](#)
- Terminals with factory calibration certificate and other measuring terminals

### Examples of markings



Fig. 1: EL5021 EL terminal, standard IP20 IO device with serial/ batch number and revision ID (since 2014/01)



Fig. 2: EK1100 EtherCAT coupler, standard IP20 IO device with serial/ batch number



Fig. 3: CU2016 switch with serial/ batch number

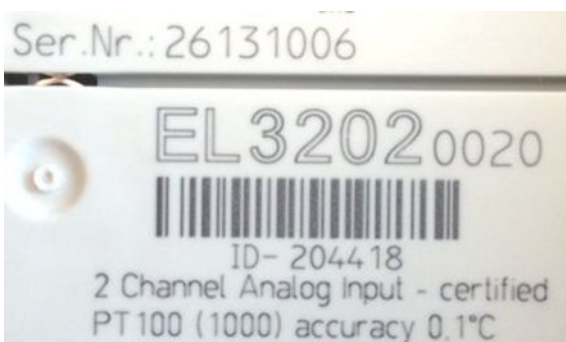


Fig. 4: EL3202-0020 with serial/ batch number 26131006 and unique ID-number 204418

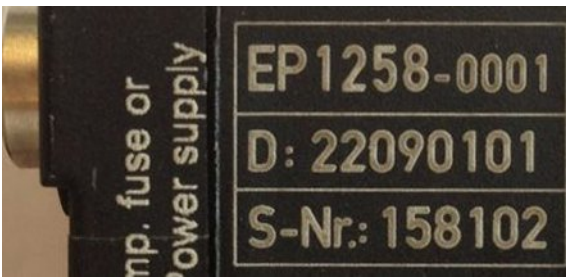


Fig. 5: EP1258-0001 IP67 EtherCAT Box with batch number/ date code 22090101 and unique serial number 158102

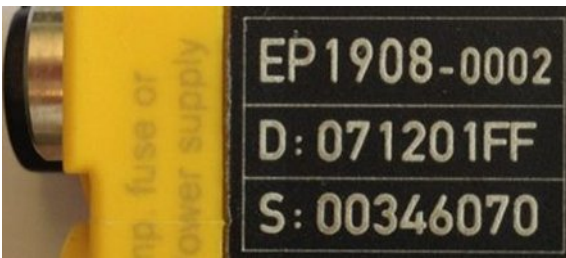


Fig. 6: EP1908-0002 IP67 EtherCAT Safety Box with batch number/ date code 071201FF and unique serial number 00346070



Fig. 7: EL2904 IP20 safety terminal with batch number/ date code 50110302 and unique serial number 00331701



Fig. 8: ELM3604-0002 terminal with unique ID number (QR code) 100001051 and serial/ batch number 44160201

## 2 Product overview

### 2.1 License key terminal for TwinCAT 3.1

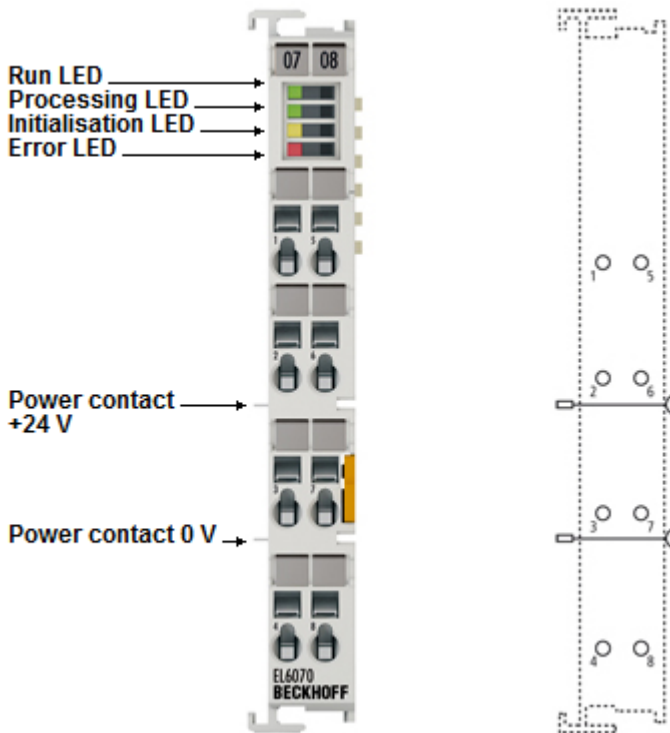


Fig. 9: EL6070

From version 3.1 TwinCAT offers an option to manage licenses via a hardware dongle. The EL6070 EtherCAT Terminal represents such a hardware licence key within the modular EtherCAT I/O system. Data transfer takes place via EtherCAT.

The EL6070-0000 is the general version, which the user can link with any licenses.

The EL6070-xxxx are custom versions that are preprogrammed by Beckhoff with a defined, fixed set of linked licenses. They are available for bulk buyers.

#### Quick links

- [EtherCAT basics \[► 14\]](#)
- [EL6070 basics \[► 35\]](#)
- [EL6070 Technical data \[► 13\]](#)
- [Object description and parameterization \[► 48\]](#)
- [C9900-L100 - License-Key-USB-Stick for TwinCAT 3.1](#)

## 2.2 EL6070 - Technical data

Technical data	EL6070
Technology	EtherCAT license key terminal
Distributed Clocks	-
Voltage supply for electronics	via the E-Bus
Current consumption E-bus	typ. 120 mA
Electrical isolation	500 V (E-Bus/field voltage)
Configuration	via TwinCAT System Manager
Weight	approx. 50 g
Permissible ambient temperature range during operation	-25°C ... +60°C
Permissible ambient temperature range during storage	-40°C ... + 85°C
Relative humidity	95%, no condensation
Dimensions ( W x H x D)	approx. 12 mm x 100 mm x 70 mm
Mounting [ <a href="#">▶ 25</a> ]	on 35 mm mounting rail conforms to EN 60715
Vibration/shock resistance	conforms to EN 60068-2-6/EN 60068-2-27 see also <a href="#">installation instructions for terminals with increased mechanical load capacity [<a href="#">▶ 29</a>]</a>
EMC resistance burst/ESD	conforms to EN 61000-6-2/EN 61000-6-4
Protect. class	IP20
Installation pos.	variable
Approval	CE <a href="#">cULus [<a href="#">▶ 32</a>]</a>

## 3 Basics communication

### 3.1 EtherCAT basics

Please refer to the chapter [EtherCAT System Documentation](#) for the EtherCAT fieldbus basics.

### 3.2 EtherCAT cabling – wire-bound

The cable length between two EtherCAT devices must not exceed 100 m. This results from the FastEthernet technology, which, above all for reasons of signal attenuation over the length of the cable, allows a maximum link length of 5 + 90 + 5 m if cables with appropriate properties are used. See also the [Design recommendations for the infrastructure for EtherCAT/Ethernet](#).

#### Cables and connectors

For connecting EtherCAT devices only Ethernet connections (cables + plugs) that meet the requirements of at least category 5 (Cat5) according to EN 50173 or ISO/IEC 11801 should be used. EtherCAT uses 4 wires for signal transfer.

EtherCAT uses RJ45 plug connectors, for example. The pin assignment is compatible with the Ethernet standard (ISO/IEC 8802-3).

Pin	Color of conductor	Signal	Description
1	yellow	TD +	Transmission Data +
2	orange	TD -	Transmission Data -
3	white	RD +	Receiver Data +
6	blue	RD -	Receiver Data -

Due to automatic cable detection (auto-crossing) symmetric (1:1) or cross-over cables can be used between EtherCAT devices from Beckhoff.

#### Recommended cables

Suitable cables for the connection of EtherCAT devices can be found on the Beckhoff website!

#### E-Bus supply

A bus coupler can supply the EL terminals added to it with the E-bus system voltage of 5 V; a coupler is thereby loadable up to 2 A as a rule (see details in respective device documentation). Information on how much current each EL terminal requires from the E-bus supply is available online and in the catalogue. If the added terminals require more current than the coupler can supply, then power feed terminals (e.g. [EL9410](#)) must be inserted at appropriate places in the terminal strand.

The pre-calculated theoretical maximum E-Bus current is displayed in the TwinCAT System Manager. A shortfall is marked by a negative total amount and an exclamation mark; a power feed terminal is to be placed before such a position.

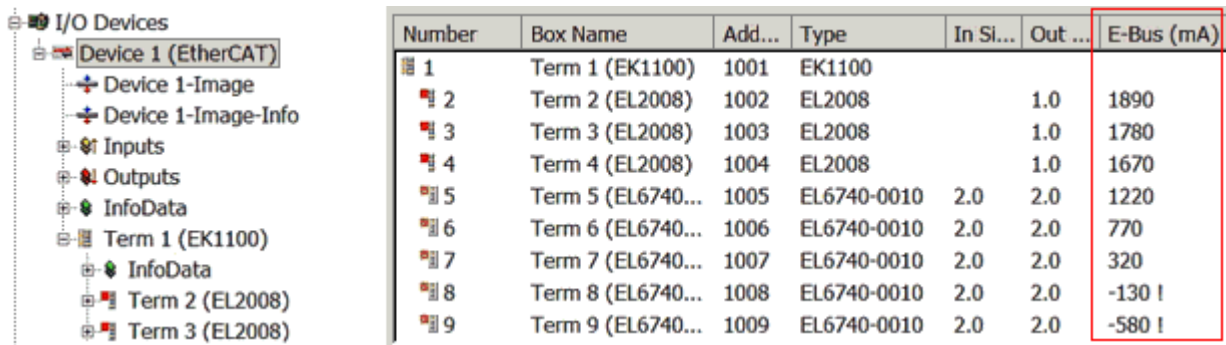


Fig. 10: System manager current calculation

**NOTE**

**Malfunction possible!**  
 The same ground potential must be used for the E-Bus supply of all EtherCAT terminals in a terminal block!

### 3.3 General notes for setting the watchdog

ELxxxx terminals are equipped with a safety feature (watchdog) that switches off the outputs after a specifiable time e.g. in the event of an interruption of the process data traffic, depending on the device and settings, e.g. in OFF state.

The EtherCAT slave controller (ESC) in the EL2xxx terminals features 2 watchdogs:

- SM watchdog (default: 100 ms)
- PDI watchdog (default: 100 ms)

#### SM watchdog (SyncManager Watchdog)

The SyncManager watchdog is reset after each successful EtherCAT process data communication with the terminal. If no EtherCAT process data communication takes place with the terminal for longer than the set and activated SM watchdog time, e.g. in the event of a line interruption, the watchdog is triggered and the outputs are set to FALSE. The OP state of the terminal is unaffected. The watchdog is only reset after a successful EtherCAT process data access. Set the monitoring time as described below.

The SyncManager watchdog monitors correct and timely process data communication with the ESC from the EtherCAT side.

#### PDI watchdog (Process Data Watchdog)

If no PDI communication with the EtherCAT slave controller (ESC) takes place for longer than the set and activated PDI watchdog time, this watchdog is triggered.

PDI (Process Data Interface) is the internal interface between the ESC and local processors in the EtherCAT slave, for example. The PDI watchdog can be used to monitor this communication for failure.

The PDI watchdog monitors correct and timely process data communication with the ESC from the application side.

The settings of the SM- and PDI-watchdog must be done for each slave separately in the TwinCAT System Manager.

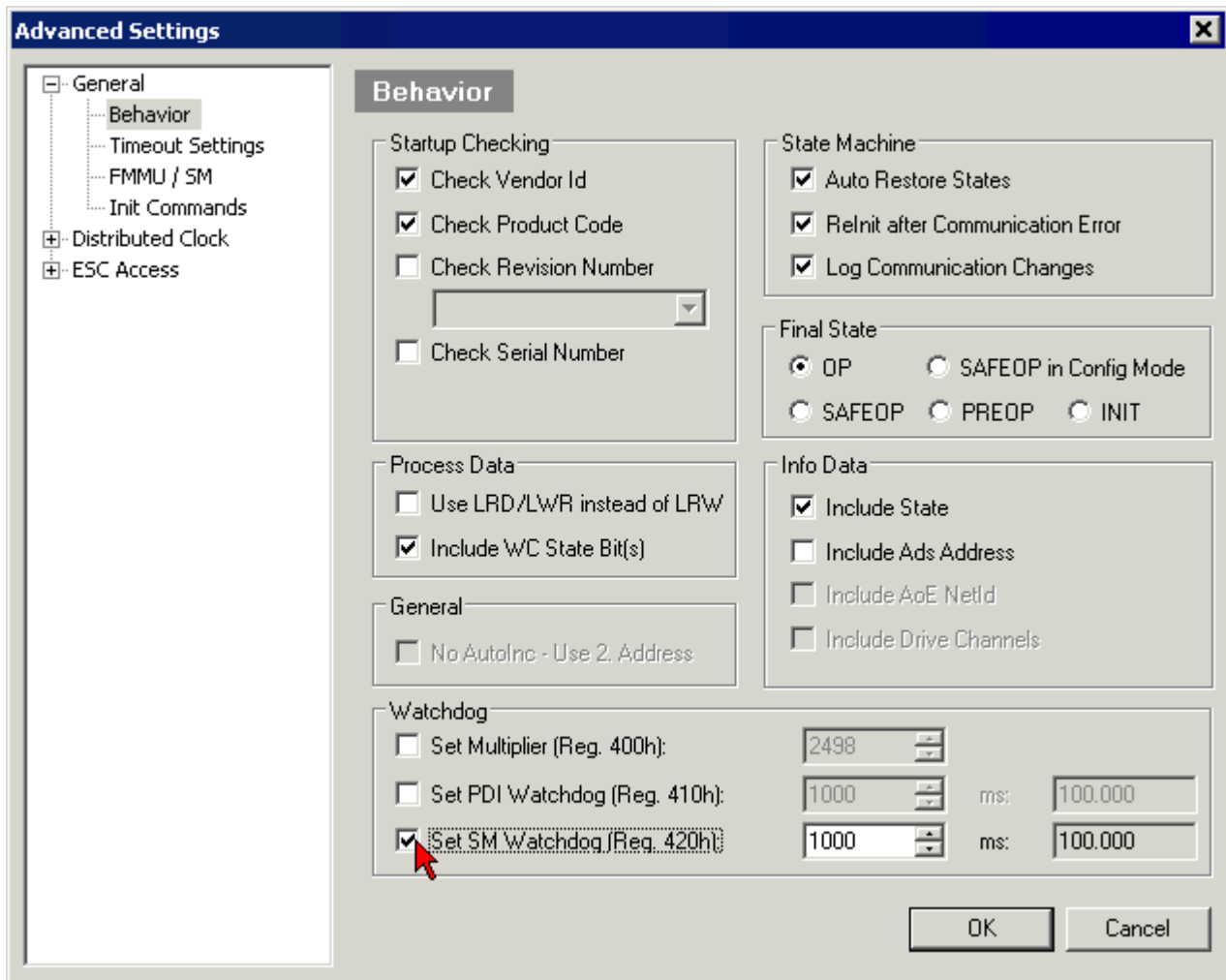


Fig. 11: EtherCAT tab -> Advanced Settings -> Behavior -> Watchdog

#### Notes:

- the multiplier is valid for both watchdogs.
- each watchdog has its own timer setting, the outcome of this in summary with the multiplier is a resulting time.
- Important: the multiplier/timer setting is only loaded into the slave at the start up, if the checkbox is activated.  
If the checkbox is not activated, nothing is downloaded and the ESC settings remain unchanged.

#### Multiplier

##### Multiplier

Both watchdogs receive their pulses from the local terminal cycle, divided by the watchdog multiplier:

$$1/25 \text{ MHz} * (\text{watchdog multiplier} + 2) = 100 \text{ } \mu\text{s} \text{ (for default setting of 2498 for the multiplier)}$$

The standard setting of 1000 for the SM watchdog corresponds to a release time of 100 ms.

The value in multiplier + 2 corresponds to the number of basic 40 ns ticks representing a watchdog tick. The multiplier can be modified in order to adjust the watchdog time over a larger range.

### Example "Set SM watchdog"

This checkbox enables manual setting of the watchdog times. If the outputs are set and the EtherCAT communication is interrupted, the SM watchdog is triggered after the set time and the outputs are erased. This setting can be used for adapting a terminal to a slower EtherCAT master or long cycle times. The default SM watchdog setting is 100 ms. The setting range is 0..65535. Together with a multiplier with a range of 1..65535 this covers a watchdog period between 0..~170 seconds.

### Calculation

Multiplier = 2498 → watchdog base time =  $1 / 25 \text{ MHz} * (2498 + 2) = 0.0001 \text{ seconds} = 100 \mu\text{s}$   
SM watchdog = 10000 →  $10000 * 100 \mu\text{s} = 1 \text{ second watchdog monitoring time}$

#### CAUTION

##### Undefined state possible!

The function for switching off of the SM watchdog via SM watchdog = 0 is only implemented in terminals from version -0016. In previous versions this operating mode should not be used.

#### CAUTION

##### Damage of devices and undefined state possible!

If the SM watchdog is activated and a value of 0 is entered the watchdog switches off completely. This is the deactivation of the watchdog! Set outputs are NOT set in a safe state, if the communication is interrupted.

## 3.4 EtherCAT State Machine

The state of the EtherCAT slave is controlled via the EtherCAT State Machine (ESM). Depending upon the state, different functions are accessible or executable in the EtherCAT slave. Specific commands must be sent by the EtherCAT master to the device in each state, particularly during the bootup of the slave.

A distinction is made between the following states:

- Init
- Pre-Operational
- Safe-Operational and
- Operational
- Boot

The regular state of each EtherCAT slave after bootup is the OP state.

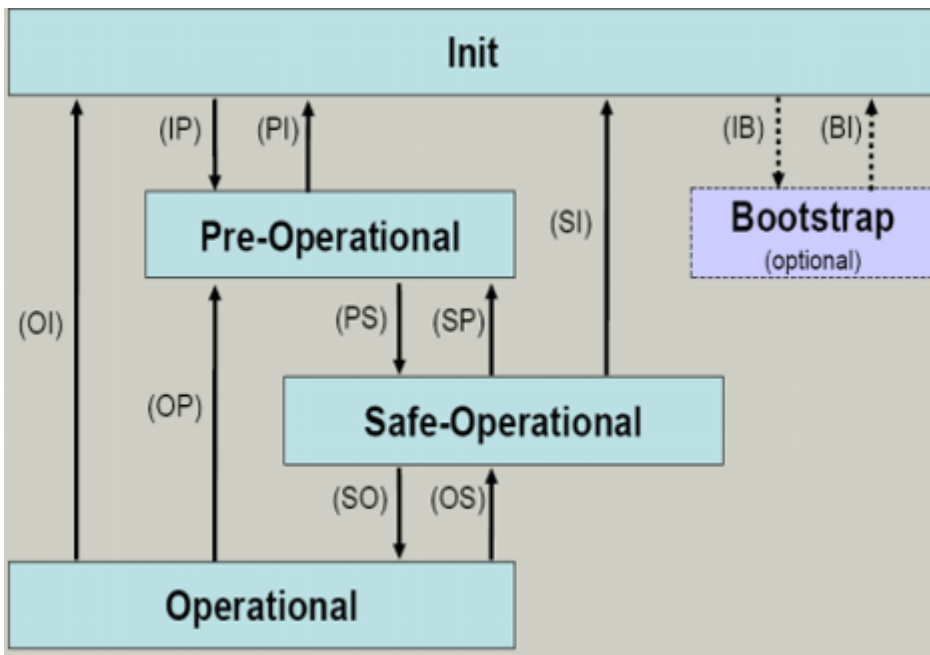


Fig. 12: States of the EtherCAT State Machine

**Init**

After switch-on the EtherCAT slave in the *Init* state. No mailbox or process data communication is possible. The EtherCAT master initializes sync manager channels 0 and 1 for mailbox communication.

**Pre-Operational (Pre-Op)**

During the transition between *Init* and *Pre-Op* the EtherCAT slave checks whether the mailbox was initialized correctly.

In *Pre-Op* state mailbox communication is possible, but not process data communication. The EtherCAT master initializes the sync manager channels for process data (from sync manager channel 2), the FMMU channels and, if the slave supports configurable mapping, PDO mapping or the sync manager PDO assignment. In this state the settings for the process data transfer and perhaps terminal-specific parameters that may differ from the default settings are also transferred.

**Safe-Operational (Safe-Op)**

During transition between *Pre-Op* and *Safe-Op* the EtherCAT slave checks whether the sync manager channels for process data communication and, if required, the distributed clocks settings are correct. Before it acknowledges the change of state, the EtherCAT slave copies current input data into the associated DP-RAM areas of the EtherCAT slave controller (ECSC).

In *Safe-Op* state mailbox and process data communication is possible, although the slave keeps its outputs in a safe state, while the input data are updated cyclically.

**● Outputs in SAFEOP state**

**i** The default set `watchdog [▶ 15]` monitoring sets the outputs of the module in a safe state - depending on the settings in SAFEOP and OP - e.g. in OFF state. If this is prevented by deactivation of the watchdog monitoring in the module, the outputs can be switched or set also in the SAFEOP state.

**Operational (Op)**

Before the EtherCAT master switches the EtherCAT slave from *Safe-Op* to *Op* it must transfer valid output data.

In the *Op* state the slave copies the output data of the masters to its outputs. Process data and mailbox communication is possible.

## Boot

In the *Boot* state the slave firmware can be updated. The *Boot* state can only be reached via the *Init* state.

In the *Boot* state mailbox communication via the *file access over EtherCAT* (FoE) protocol is possible, but no other mailbox communication and no process data communication.

## 3.5 CoE Interface

### General description

The CoE interface (CANopen over EtherCAT) is used for parameter management of EtherCAT devices. EtherCAT slaves or the EtherCAT master manage fixed (read only) or variable parameters which they require for operation, diagnostics or commissioning.

CoE parameters are arranged in a table hierarchy. In principle, the user has read access via the fieldbus. The EtherCAT master (TwinCAT System Manager) can access the local CoE lists of the slaves via EtherCAT in read or write mode, depending on the attributes.

Different CoE parameter types are possible, including string (text), integer numbers, Boolean values or larger byte fields. They can be used to describe a wide range of features. Examples of such parameters include manufacturer ID, serial number, process data settings, device name, calibration values for analog measurement or passwords.

The order is specified in 2 levels via hexadecimal numbering: (main)index, followed by subindex. The value ranges are

- Index: 0x0000 ...0xFFFF (0...65535<sub>dez</sub>)
- SubIndex: 0x00...0xFF (0...255<sub>dez</sub>)

A parameter localized in this way is normally written as 0x8010:07, with preceding "x" to identify the hexadecimal numerical range and a colon between index and subindex.

The relevant ranges for EtherCAT fieldbus users are:

- 0x1000: This is where fixed identity information for the device is stored, including name, manufacturer, serial number etc., plus information about the current and available process data configurations.
- 0x8000: This is where the operational and functional parameters for all channels are stored, such as filter settings or output frequency.

Other important ranges are:

- 0x4000: In some EtherCAT devices the channel parameters are stored here (as an alternative to the 0x8000 range).
- 0x6000: Input PDOs ("input" from the perspective of the EtherCAT master)
- 0x7000: Output PDOs ("output" from the perspective of the EtherCAT master)

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### **i** Availability

Not every EtherCAT device must have a CoE list. Simple I/O modules without dedicated processor usually have no variable parameters and therefore no CoE list.

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If a device has a CoE list, it is shown in the TwinCAT System Manager as a separate tab with a listing of the elements:

Index	Name	Flags	Value
1000	Device type	RO	0x00FA1389 (16389001)
1008	Device name	RO	EL2502-0000
1009	Hardware version	RO	
100A	Software version	RO	
1011:0	Restore default parameters	RO	> 1 <
1018:0	Identity	RO	> 4 <
1018:01	Vendor ID	RO	0x00000002 (2)
1018:02	Product code	RO	0x09C63052 (163983442)
1018:03	Revision	RO	0x00130000 (1245184)
1018:04	Serial number	RO	0x00000000 (0)
10F0:0	Backup parameter handling	RO	> 1 <
1400:0	PwM RxDPO-Par Ch.1	RO	> 6 <
1401:0	PwM RxDPO-Par Ch.2	RO	> 6 <
1402:0	PwM RxDPO-Par h.1 Ch.1	RO	> 6 <
1403:0	PwM RxDPO-Par h.1 Ch.2	RO	> 6 <
1600:0	PwM RxDPO-Map Ch.1	RO	> 1 <

Fig. 13: "CoE Online " tab

The figure above shows the CoE objects available in device "EL2502", ranging from 0x1000 to 0x1600. The subindices for 0x1018 are expanded.

### Data management and function "NoCoeStorage"

Some parameters, particularly the setting parameters of the slave, are configurable and writeable. This can be done in write or read mode

- via the System Manager (Fig. "CoE Online " tab) by clicking  
This is useful for commissioning of the system/slaves. Click on the row of the index to be parameterised and enter a value in the "SetValue" dialog.
- from the control system/PLC via ADS, e.g. through blocks from the TcEtherCAT.lib library  
This is recommended for modifications while the system is running or if no System Manager or operating staff are available.

### ● Data management

**I** If slave CoE parameters are modified online, Beckhoff devices store any changes in a fail-safe manner in the EEPROM, i.e. the modified CoE parameters are still available after a restart. The situation may be different with other manufacturers.

An EEPROM is subject to a limited lifetime with respect to write operations. From typically 100,000 write operations onwards it can no longer be guaranteed that new (changed) data are reliably saved or are still readable. This is irrelevant for normal commissioning. However, if CoE parameters are continuously changed via ADS at machine runtime, it is quite possible for the lifetime limit to be reached. Support for the NoCoeStorage function, which suppresses the saving of changed CoE values, depends on the firmware version.

Please refer to the technical data in this documentation as to whether this applies to the respective device.

- If the function is supported: the function is activated by entering the code word 0x12345678 once in CoE 0xF008 and remains active as long as the code word is not changed. After switching the device on it is then inactive. Changed CoE values are not saved in the EEPROM and can thus be changed any number of times.
- Function is not supported: continuous changing of CoE values is not permissible in view of the lifetime limit.

**i Startup list**

Changes in the local CoE list of the terminal are lost if the terminal is replaced. If a terminal is replaced with a new Beckhoff terminal, it will have the default settings. It is therefore advisable to link all changes in the CoE list of an EtherCAT slave with the Startup list of the slave, which is processed whenever the EtherCAT fieldbus is started. In this way a replacement EtherCAT slave can automatically be parameterized with the specifications of the user.

If EtherCAT slaves are used which are unable to store local CoE values permanently, the Startup list must be used.

**Recommended approach for manual modification of CoE parameters**

- Make the required change in the System Manager  
The values are stored locally in the EtherCAT slave
- If the value is to be stored permanently, enter it in the Startup list.  
The order of the Startup entries is usually irrelevant.

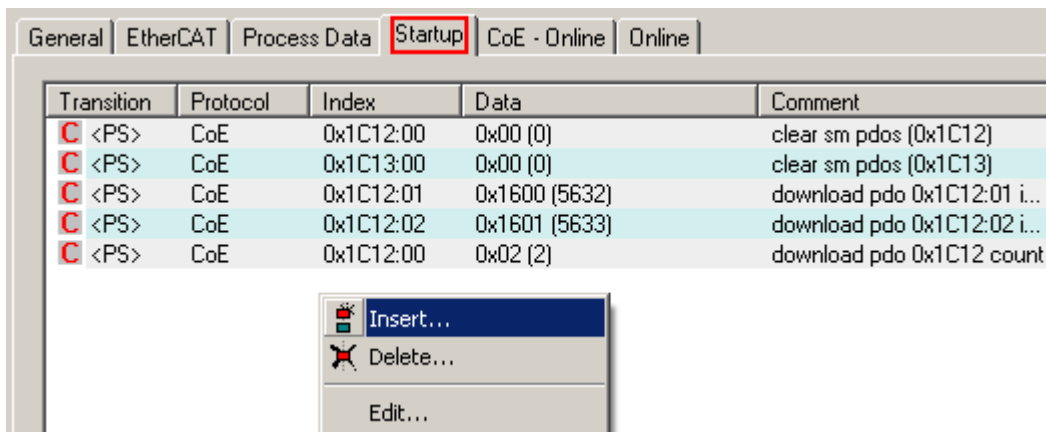


Fig. 14: Startup list in the TwinCAT System Manager

The Startup list may already contain values that were configured by the System Manager based on the ESI specifications. Additional application-specific entries can be created.

**Online/offline list**

While working with the TwinCAT System Manager, a distinction has to be made whether the EtherCAT device is "available", i.e. switched on and linked via EtherCAT and therefore **online**, or whether a configuration is created **offline** without connected slaves.

In both cases a CoE list as shown in Fig. "CoE online' tab" is displayed. The connectivity is shown as offline/online.

- If the slave is offline
  - The offline list from the ESI file is displayed. In this case modifications are not meaningful or possible.
  - The configured status is shown under Identity.
  - No firmware or hardware version is displayed, since these are features of the physical device.
  - **Offline** is shown in red.

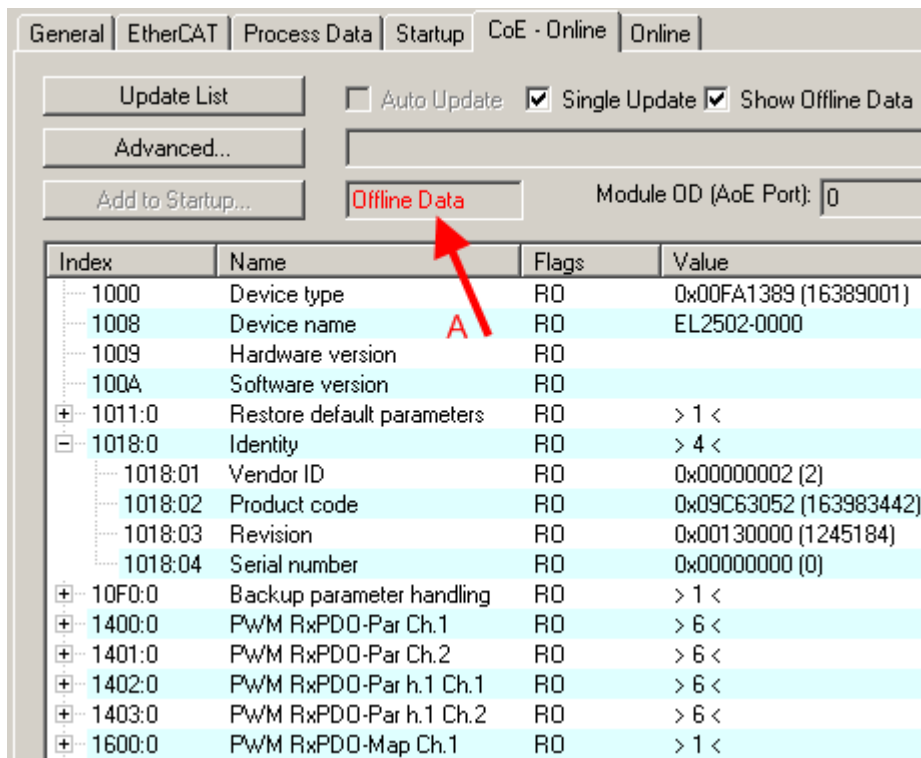


Fig. 15: *Offline list*

- If the slave is online
  - The actual current slave list is read. This may take several seconds, depending on the size and cycle time.
  - The actual identity is displayed
  - The firmware and hardware version of the equipment according to the electronic information is displayed
  - **Online** is shown in green.

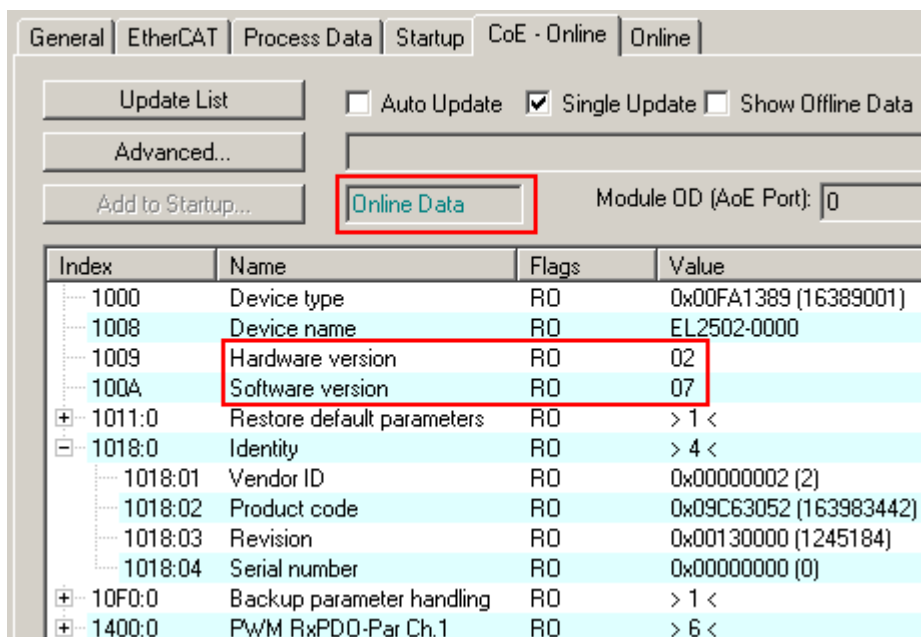


Fig. 16: *Online list*

### Channel-based order

The CoE list is available in EtherCAT devices that usually feature several functionally equivalent channels. For example, a 4-channel analog 0..10 V input terminal also has 4 logical channels and therefore 4 identical sets of parameter data for the channels. In order to avoid having to list each channel in the documentation, the placeholder "n" tends to be used for the individual channel numbers.

In the CoE system 16 indices, each with 255 subindices, are generally sufficient for representing all channel parameters. The channel-based order is therefore arranged in  $16_{\text{dec}}/10_{\text{hex}}$  steps. The parameter range 0x8000 exemplifies this:

- Channel 0: parameter range 0x8000:00 ... 0x800F:255
- Channel 1: parameter range 0x8010:00 ... 0x801F:255
- Channel 2: parameter range 0x8020:00 ... 0x802F:255
- ...

This is generally written as 0x80n0.

Detailed information on the CoE interface can be found in the [EtherCAT system documentation](#) on the Beckhoff website.

## 3.6 Distributed Clock

The distributed clock represents a local clock in the EtherCAT slave controller (ESC) with the following characteristics:

- Unit *1 ns*
- Zero point *1.1.2000 00:00*
- Size *64 bit* (sufficient for the next 584 years; however, some EtherCAT slaves only offer 32-bit support, i.e. the variable overflows after approx. 4.2 seconds)
- The EtherCAT master automatically synchronizes the local clock with the master clock in the EtherCAT bus with a precision of < 100 ns.

For detailed information please refer to the [EtherCAT system description](#).

## 4 Installation

### 4.1 Instructions for ESD protection

#### NOTE

##### **Destruction of the devices by electrostatic discharge possible!**

The devices contain components at risk from electrostatic discharge caused by improper handling.

- ✓ Please ensure you are electrostatically discharged and avoid touching the contacts of the device directly.

a) Avoid contact with highly insulating materials (synthetic fibers, plastic film etc.).

b) Surroundings (working place, packaging and personnel) should be grounded probably, when handling with the devices.

c) Each assembly must be terminated at the right hand end with an [EL9011](#) or [EL9012](#) bus end cap, to ensure the protection class and ESD protection.

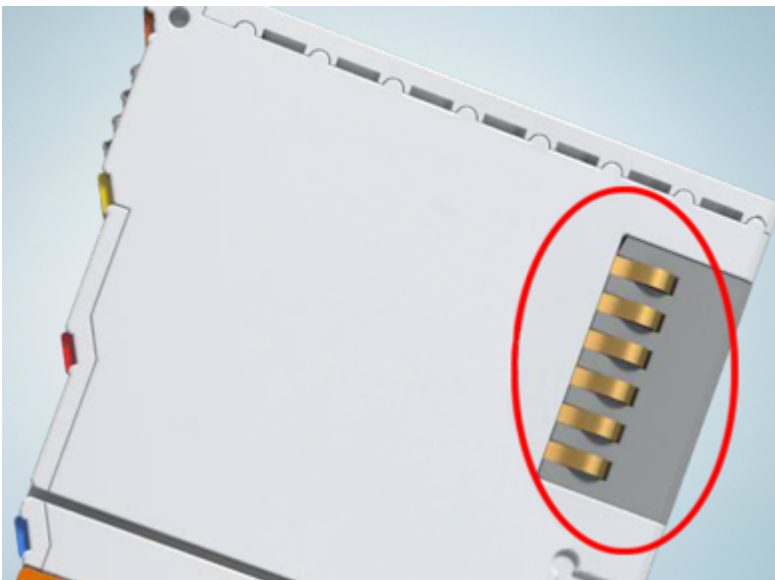


Fig. 17: Spring contacts of the Beckhoff I/O components

### 4.2 Installation on mounting rails

#### ⚠ WARNING

##### **Risk of electric shock and damage of device!**

Bring the bus terminal system into a safe, powered down state before starting installation, disassembly or wiring of the bus terminals!

## Assembly

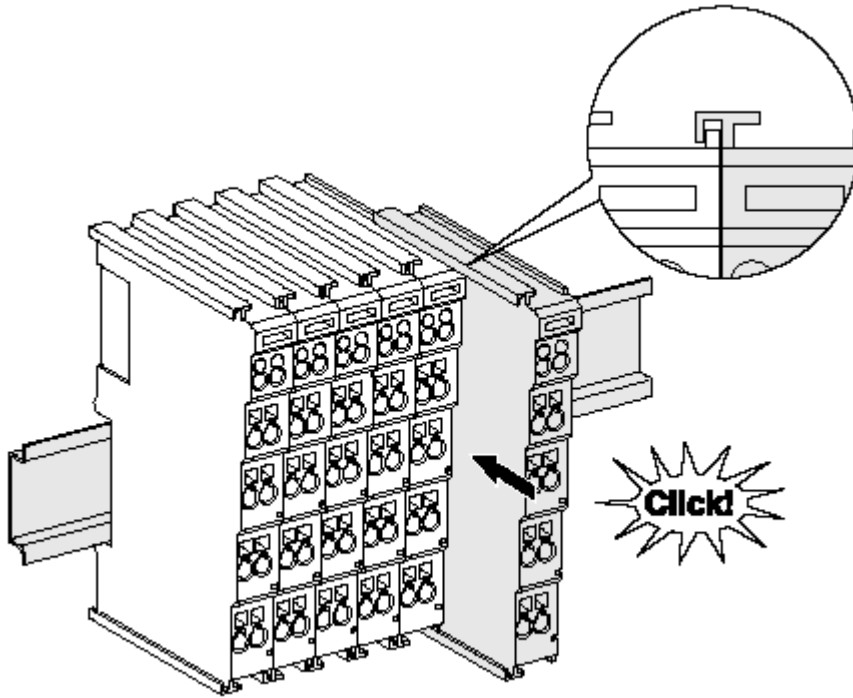


Fig. 18: Attaching on mounting rail

The bus coupler and bus terminals are attached to commercially available 35 mm mounting rails (DIN rails according to EN 60715) by applying slight pressure:

1. First attach the fieldbus coupler to the mounting rail.
2. The bus terminals are now attached on the right-hand side of the fieldbus coupler. Join the components with tongue and groove and push the terminals against the mounting rail, until the lock clicks onto the mounting rail.

If the terminals are clipped onto the mounting rail first and then pushed together without tongue and groove, the connection will not be operational! When correctly assembled, no significant gap should be visible between the housings.

### **i** Fixing of mounting rails

The locking mechanism of the terminals and couplers extends to the profile of the mounting rail. At the installation, the locking mechanism of the components must not come into conflict with the fixing bolts of the mounting rail. To mount the mounting rails with a height of 7.5 mm under the terminals and couplers, you should use flat mounting connections (e.g. countersunk screws or blind rivets).

## Disassembly

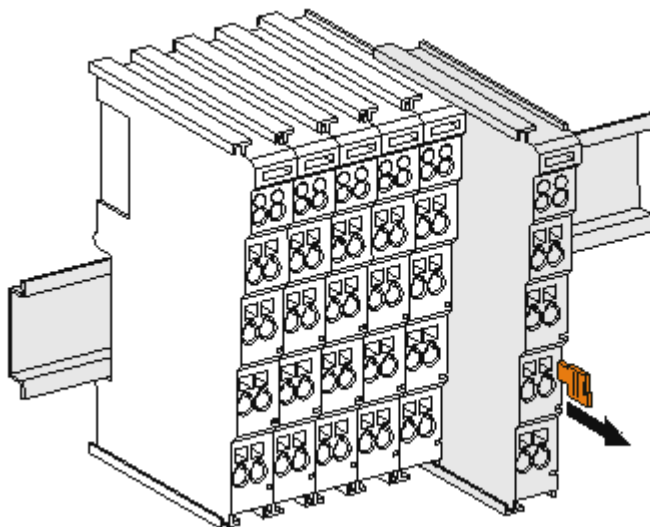


Fig. 19: Disassembling of terminal

Each terminal is secured by a lock on the mounting rail, which must be released for disassembly:

1. Pull the terminal by its orange-colored lugs approximately 1 cm away from the mounting rail. In doing so for this terminal the mounting rail lock is released automatically and you can pull the terminal out of the bus terminal block easily without excessive force.
2. Grasp the released terminal with thumb and index finger simultaneous at the upper and lower grooved housing surfaces and pull the terminal out of the bus terminal block.

## Connections within a bus terminal block

The electric connections between the Bus Coupler and the Bus Terminals are automatically realized by joining the components:

- The six spring contacts of the K-Bus/E-Bus deal with the transfer of the data and the supply of the Bus Terminal electronics.
- The power contacts deal with the supply for the field electronics and thus represent a supply rail within the bus terminal block. The power contacts are supplied via terminals on the Bus Coupler (up to 24 V) or for higher voltages via power feed terminals.

### ● Power Contacts

**i** During the design of a bus terminal block, the pin assignment of the individual Bus Terminals must be taken account of, since some types (e.g. analog Bus Terminals or digital 4-channel Bus Terminals) do not or not fully loop through the power contacts. Power Feed Terminals (KL91xx, KL92xx or EL91xx, EL92xx) interrupt the power contacts and thus represent the start of a new supply rail.

## PE power contact

The power contact labeled PE can be used as a protective earth. For safety reasons this contact mates first when plugging together, and can ground short-circuit currents of up to 125 A.

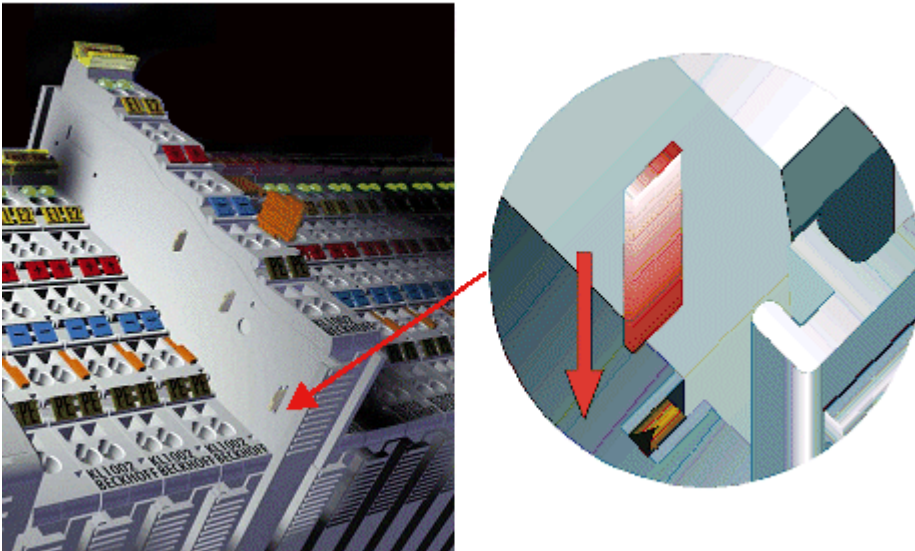


Fig. 20: Power contact on left side

### NOTE

#### Possible damage of the device

Note that, for reasons of electromagnetic compatibility, the PE contacts are capacitatively coupled to the mounting rail. This may lead to incorrect results during insulation testing or to damage on the terminal (e.g. disruptive discharge to the PE line during insulation testing of a consumer with a nominal voltage of 230 V). For insulation testing, disconnect the PE supply line at the Bus Coupler or the Power Feed Terminal! In order to decouple further feed points for testing, these Power Feed Terminals can be released and pulled at least 10 mm from the group of terminals.

### ⚠ WARNING

#### Risk of electric shock!

The PE power contact must not be used for other potentials!

## 4.3 Installation instructions for enhanced mechanical load capacity

### ⚠ WARNING

#### Risk of injury through electric shock and damage to the device!

Bring the Bus Terminal system into a safe, de-energized state before starting mounting, disassembly or wiring of the Bus Terminals!

#### Additional checks

The terminals have undergone the following additional tests:

Verification	Explanation
Vibration	10 frequency runs in 3 axes
	6 Hz < f < 60 Hz displacement 0.35 mm, constant amplitude
	60.1 Hz < f < 500 Hz acceleration 5 g, constant amplitude
Shocks	1000 shocks in each direction, in 3 axes
	25 g, 6 ms

#### Additional installation instructions

For terminals with enhanced mechanical load capacity, the following additional installation instructions apply:

- The enhanced mechanical load capacity is valid for all permissible installation positions
- Use a mounting rail according to EN 60715 TH35-15
- Fix the terminal segment on both sides of the mounting rail with a mechanical fixture, e.g. an earth terminal or reinforced end clamp
- The maximum total extension of the terminal segment (without coupler) is:  
64 terminals (12 mm mounting with) or 32 terminals (24 mm mounting with)
- Avoid deformation, twisting, crushing and bending of the mounting rail during edging and installation of the rail
- The mounting points of the mounting rail must be set at 5 cm intervals
- Use countersunk head screws to fasten the mounting rail
- The free length between the strain relief and the wire connection should be kept as short as possible. A distance of approx. 10 cm should be maintained to the cable duct.

## 4.4 Installation positions

### NOTE

#### Constraints regarding installation position and operating temperature range

Please refer to the technical data for a terminal to ascertain whether any restrictions regarding the installation position and/or the operating temperature range have been specified. When installing high power dissipation terminals ensure that an adequate spacing is maintained between other components above and below the terminal in order to guarantee adequate ventilation!

#### Optimum installation position (standard)

The optimum installation position requires the mounting rail to be installed horizontally and the connection surfaces of the EL/KL terminals to face forward (see Fig. "Recommended distances for standard installation position"). The terminals are ventilated from below, which enables optimum cooling of the electronics through convection. "From below" is relative to the acceleration of gravity.

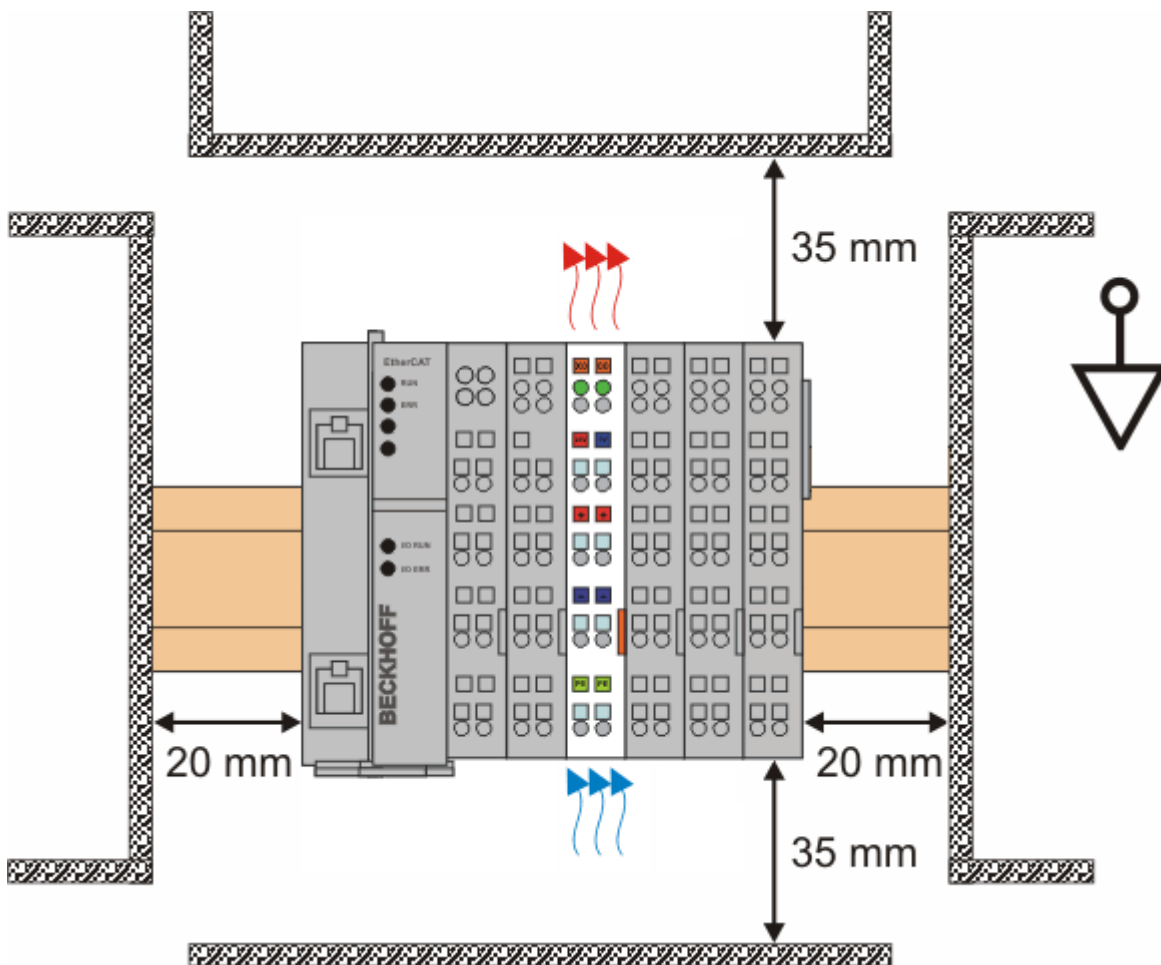


Fig. 21: Recommended distances for standard installation position

Compliance with the distances shown in Fig. "Recommended distances for standard installation position" is recommended.

#### Other installation positions

All other installation positions are characterized by different spatial arrangement of the mounting rail - see Fig "Other installation positions".

The minimum distances to ambient specified above also apply to these installation positions.

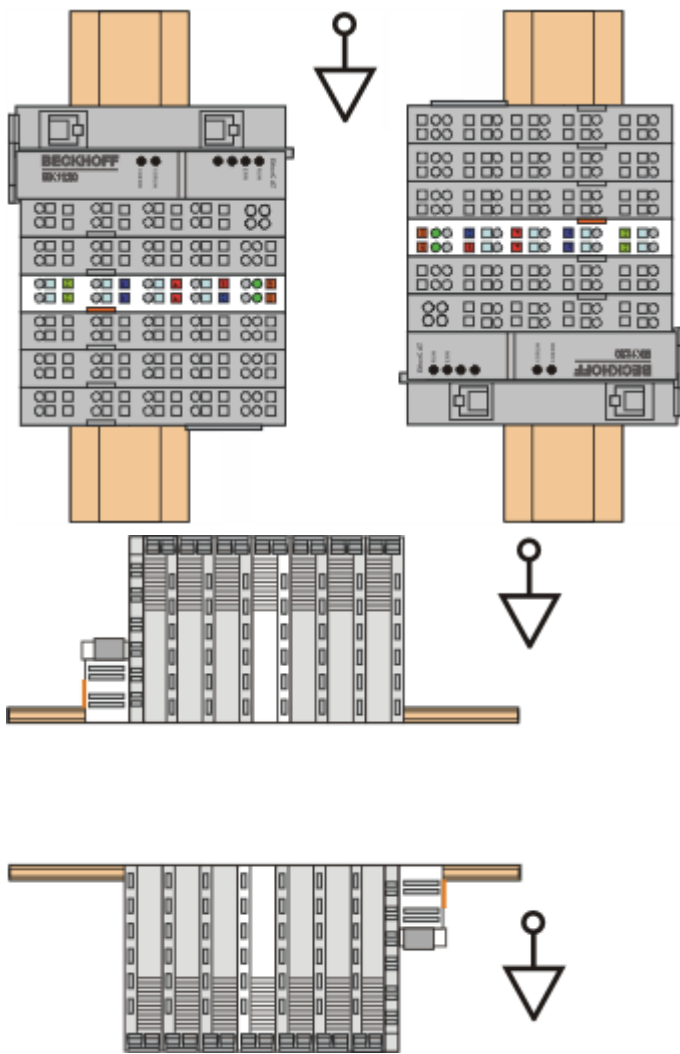


Fig. 22: Other installation positions

## 4.5 Positioning of passive Terminals

**i Hint for positioning of passive terminals in the bus terminal block**

EtherCAT Terminals (ELxxxx / ESxxxx), which do not take an active part in data transfer within the bus terminal block are so called passive terminals. The passive terminals have no current consumption out of the E-Bus.

To ensure an optimal data transfer, you must not directly string together more than 2 passive terminals!

**Examples for positioning of passive terminals (highlighted)**

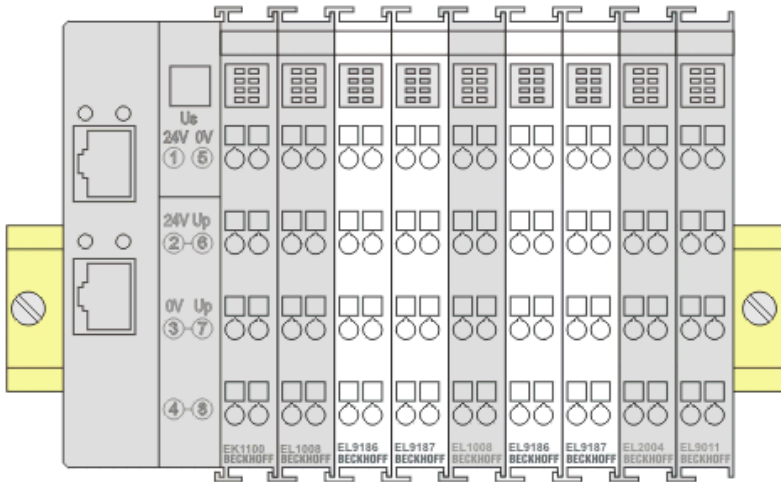


Fig. 23: Correct positioning

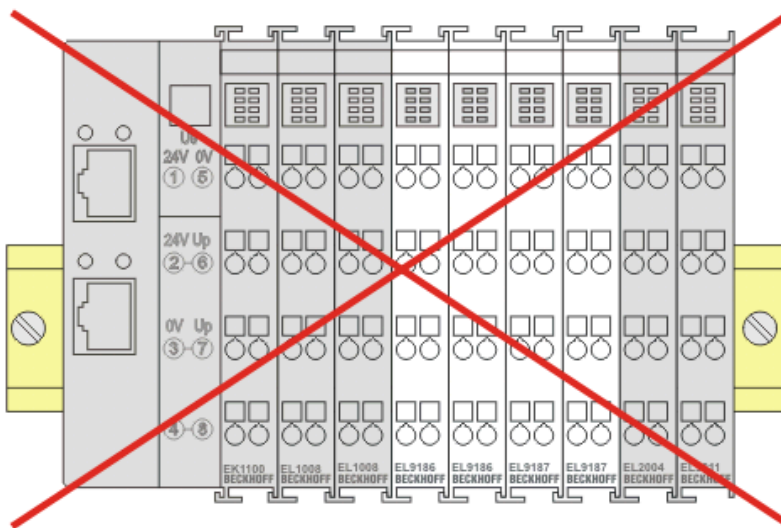




Fig. 24: Incorrect positioning

## 4.6 UL notice

	<p><b>Application</b> Beckhoff EtherCAT modules are intended for use with Beckhoff's UL Listed EtherCAT System only.</p>
	<p><b>Examination</b> For cULus examination, the Beckhoff I/O System has only been investigated for risk of fire and electrical shock (in accordance with UL508 and CSA C22.2 No. 142).</p>

	<p><b>For devices with Ethernet connectors</b> Not for connection to telecommunication circuits.</p>
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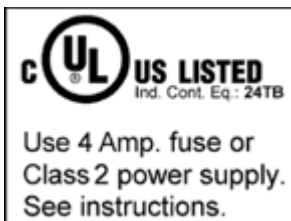
### Basic principles

Two UL certificates are met in the Beckhoff EtherCAT product range, depending upon the components:

1. UL certification according to UL508. Devices with this kind of certification are marked by this sign:



2. UL certification according to UL508 with limited power consumption. The current consumed by the device is limited to a max. possible current consumption of 4 A. Devices with this kind of certification are marked by this sign:



Almost all current EtherCAT products (as at 2010/05) are UL certified without restrictions.

### Application

If terminals certified *with restrictions* are used, then the current consumption at 24 V<sub>DC</sub> must be limited accordingly by means of supply

- from an isolated source protected by a fuse of max. 4 A (according to UL248) or
- from a voltage supply complying with *NEC class 2*.  
A voltage source complying with *NEC class 2* may not be connected in series or parallel with another *NEC class 2* compliant voltage supply!

These requirements apply to the supply of all EtherCAT bus couplers, power adaptor terminals, Bus Terminals and their power contacts.

## 4.7 EL6070 - LEDs and connection

### LEDs

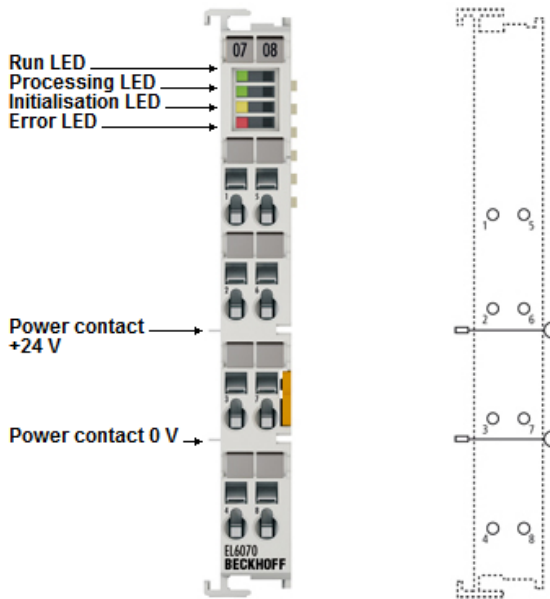


Fig. 25: LEDs and pin assignment

LED	Color	Meaning	
RUN	green	This LED indicates the terminal's operating state:	
		off	<b>INIT</b> = Initialization of the terminal
		blinking	<b>PREOP</b> = Setting for mailbox communication and variant standard settings
		single flash	<b>SAFEOP</b> = Channel checking of the Sync Manager. Outputs stay in safe operation mode.
		on	<b>OP</b> = Normal operation mode, mailbox- and process data communication possible
		flickering	<b>BOOTSTRAP</b> = Function for firmware updates of the terminal
Processing LED	green	Cryptographic process is executed	
Initialization LED	yellow	The terminal initialize its data and changes to a receiving state	
Error LED	red	Error while cryptographic initialization phase or ongoing cryptographic process	

### Connection

Terminal point	No.	Comment
-	1 - 8	Not connected

## 5 Commissioning

### 5.1 Basic function principles

Basic function principles

The TwinCAT dongle device (here: EL6070) is a special piece of hardware that can be read by TwinCAT 3.

On the IPC the so-called License Response File contains the licenses that are valid for this system. If the License Response File also contains a check against a dongle, TwinCAT looks for the dongle and checks

- whether it is a Beckhoff device
- whether it is a specific Beckhoff device

After successful checking the licenses are available according to the LicenseResponseFile.

The EL6070 has no other user functions.

From hardware version 02 the EL6070 also features a local memory, so that one or several LicenseResponseFiles can be stored and transported on the dongle.

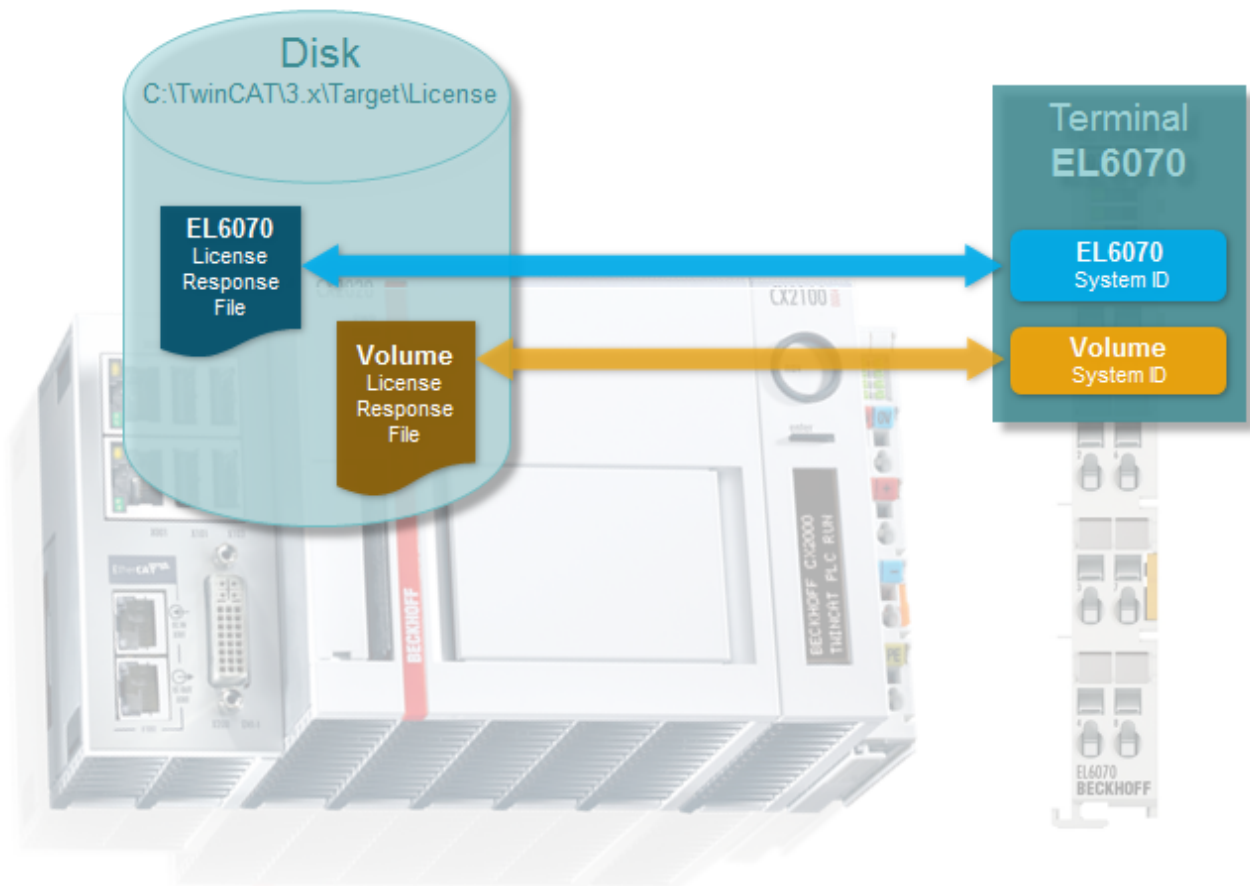


Fig. 26: TwinCAT dongle architecture

Since the dongle technology is primarily a TwinCAT functionality, further information about the application can be found in the TwinCAT documentation at <http://infosys.beckhoff.com/>.

Please note that, as an EtherCAT master, TwinCAT checks the complete terminal name during startup, i.e. EL6070-0000 or EL6070-1234 (as an example). A corresponding ESI must therefore exist in the TwinCAT system.

### ● Firmware Update

**i** The firmware on the EL6070 cannot be updated. The EtherCAT revision can be updated, if necessary.

### ● Vulnerability of security hardware

**i** The hardware used in the dongle ensures that, according to present knowledge, any attacks on the hardware-related checks would require very substantial financial and time effort. No cryptographic system can be made categorically secure against any conceivable attackers (e.g. state-sponsored attackers). Whether and how successful an attack against an encryption technology can be carried out always boils down to "just" a question of financial resources (processing power, laboratory equipment, staff, availability) and time resources. Another factor is human behavior, which is associated with the organizational procedures of the system and cannot be made secure through hardware and software ("social engineering"). Technological progress may open up future attack options that are unknown today and may require a reassessment of the cryptographic system. The cryptography chosen for the Beckhoff dongle is based on the present state of the art.

## 5.2 Notes regarding ESI device description

### Installation of the latest ESI device description

The TwinCAT EtherCAT master/System Manager needs the device description files for the devices to be used in order to generate the configuration in online or offline mode. The device descriptions are contained in the so-called ESI files (EtherCAT Slave Information) in XML format. These files can be requested from the respective manufacturer and are made available for download. An \*.xml file may contain several device descriptions.

The ESI files for Beckhoff EtherCAT devices are available on the [Beckhoff website](#).

The ESI files should be stored in the TwinCAT installation directory.

Default settings:

- **TwinCAT 2:** C:\TwinCAT\IO\EtherCAT
- **TwinCAT 3:** C:\TwinCAT\3.1\Config\Io\EtherCAT

The files are read (once) when a new System Manager window is opened, if they have changed since the last time the System Manager window was opened.

A TwinCAT installation includes the set of Beckhoff ESI files that was current at the time when the TwinCAT build was created.

For TwinCAT 2.11/TwinCAT 3 and higher, the ESI directory can be updated from the System Manager, if the programming PC is connected to the Internet; by

- **TwinCAT 2:** Option → "Update EtherCAT Device Descriptions"
- **TwinCAT 3:** TwinCAT → EtherCAT Devices → "Update Device Descriptions (via ETG Website)..."

The TwinCAT ESI Updater is available for this purpose.

### ● ESI

**i** The \*.xml files are associated with \*.xsd files, which describe the structure of the ESI XML files. To update the ESI device descriptions, both file types should therefore be updated.

### Device differentiation

EtherCAT devices/slaves are distinguished by four properties, which determine the full device identifier. For example, the device identifier EL2521-0025-1018 consists of:

- family key "EL"
- name "2521"
- type "0025"

- and revision “1018”

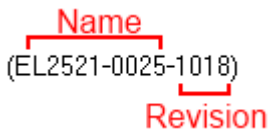


Fig. 27: Identifier structure

The order identifier consisting of name + type (here: EL2521-0010) describes the device function. The revision indicates the technical progress and is managed by Beckhoff. In principle, a device with a higher revision can replace a device with a lower revision, unless specified otherwise, e.g. in the documentation. Each revision has its own ESI description. See [further notes](#) [► 8].

**Online description**

If the EtherCAT configuration is created online through scanning of real devices (see section Online setup) and no ESI descriptions are available for a slave (specified by name and revision) that was found, the System Manager asks whether the description stored in the device should be used. In any case, the System Manager needs this information for setting up the cyclic and acyclic communication with the slave correctly.

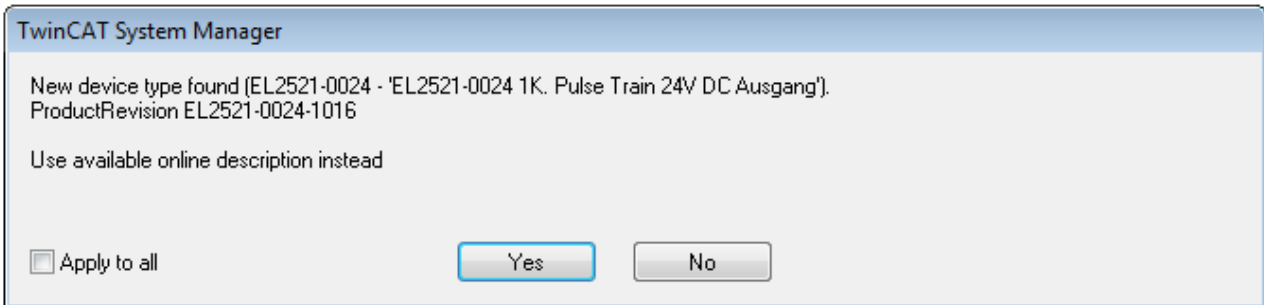


Fig. 28: OnlineDescription information window (TwinCAT 2)

In TwinCAT 3 a similar window appears, which also offers the Web update:

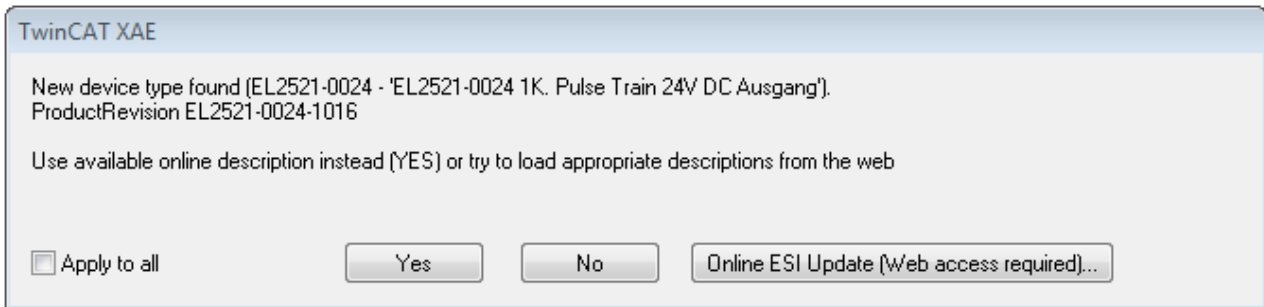


Fig. 29: Information window OnlineDescription (TwinCAT 3)

If possible, the Yes is to be rejected and the required ESI is to be requested from the device manufacturer. After installation of the XML/XSD file the configuration process should be repeated.

**NOTE**

**Changing the ‘usual’ configuration through a scan**

- ✓ If a scan discovers a device that is not yet known to TwinCAT, distinction has to be made between two cases. Taking the example here of the EL2521-0000 in the revision 1019
  - a) no ESI is present for the EL2521-0000 device at all, either for the revision 1019 or for an older revision. The ESI must then be requested from the manufacturer (in this case Beckhoff).
  - b) an ESI is present for the EL2521-0000 device, but only in an older revision, e.g. 1018 or 1017. In this case an in-house check should first be performed to determine whether the spare parts stock allows the integration of the increased revision into the configuration at all. A new/higher revision usually also brings along new features. If these are not to be used, work can continue without reservations with the previous revision 1018 in the configuration. This is also stated by the Beckhoff compatibility rule.

Refer in particular to the chapter 'General notes on the use of Beckhoff EtherCAT IO components' and for manual configuration to the chapter 'Offline configuration creation'.

If the OnlineDescription is used regardless, the System Manager reads a copy of the device description from the EEPROM in the EtherCAT slave. In complex slaves the size of the EEPROM may not be sufficient for the complete ESI, in which case the ESI would be *incomplete* in the configurator. Therefore it's recommended using an offline ESI file with priority in such a case.

The System Manager creates for online recorded device descriptions a new file "OnlineDescription0000...xml" in its ESI directory, which contains all ESI descriptions that were read online.

OnlineDescriptionCache000000002.xml

Fig. 30: File *OnlineDescription.xml* created by the System Manager

Is a slave desired to be added manually to the configuration at a later stage, online created slaves are indicated by a prepended symbol ">" in the selection list (see Figure "Indication of an online recorded ESI of EL2521 as an example").

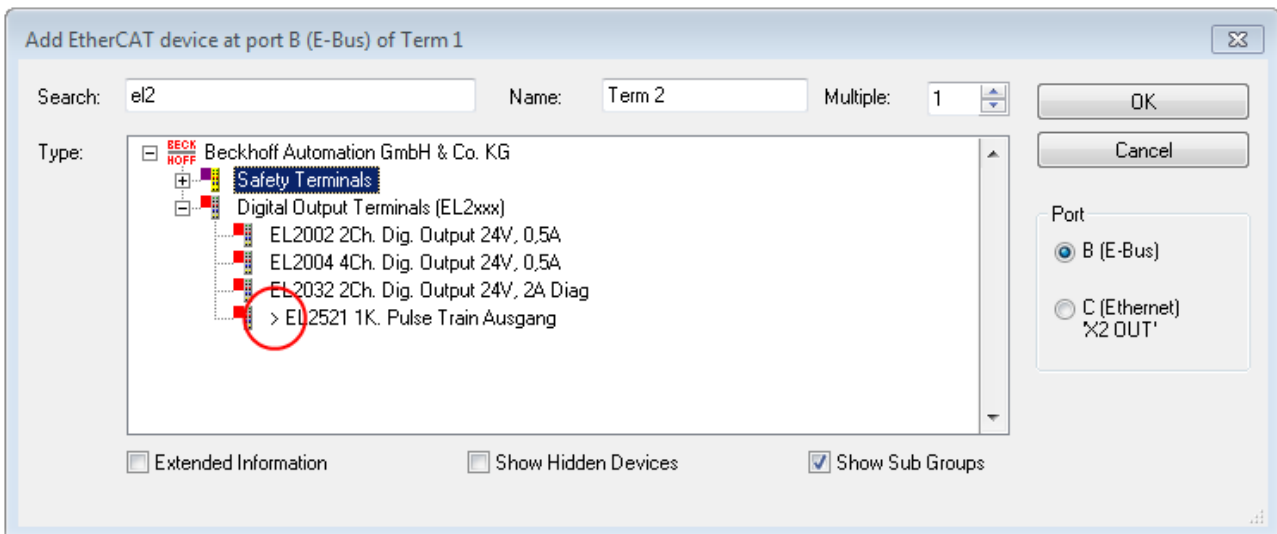


Fig. 31: Indication of an online recorded ESI of EL2521 as an example

If such ESI files are used and the manufacturer's files become available later, the file OnlineDescription.xml should be deleted as follows:

- close all System Manager windows
- restart TwinCAT in Config mode
- delete "OnlineDescription0000...xml"
- restart TwinCAT System Manager

This file should not be visible after this procedure, if necessary press <F5> to update

### **i** OnlineDescription for TwinCAT 3.x

In addition to the file described above "OnlineDescription0000...xml", a so called EtherCAT cache with new discovered devices is created by TwinCAT 3.x, e.g. under Windows 7:

C:\User\[USERNAME]\AppData\Roaming\Beckhoff\TwinCAT3\Components\Base\EtherCATCache.xml

(Please note the language settings of the OS!)

You have to delete this file, too.

### Faulty ESI file

If an ESI file is faulty and the System Manager is unable to read it, the System Manager brings up an information window.

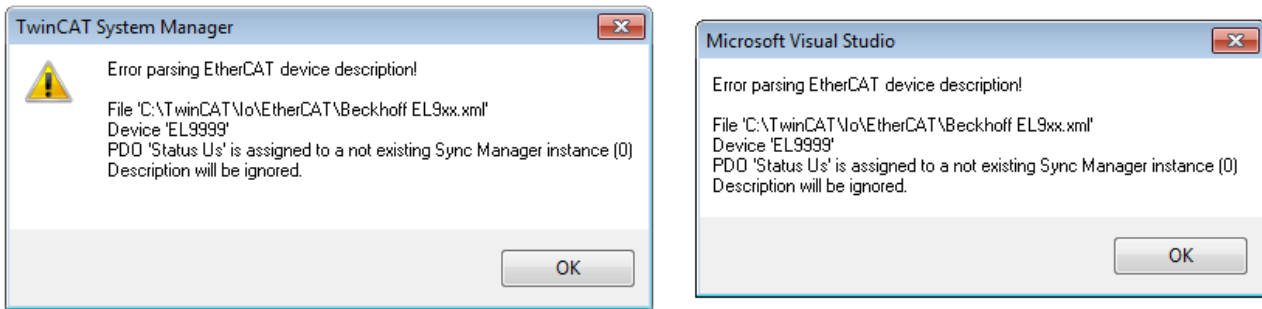


Fig. 32: Information window for faulty ESI file (left: TwinCAT 2; right: TwinCAT 3)

Reasons may include:

- Structure of the \*.xml does not correspond to the associated \*.xsd file → check your schematics
- Contents cannot be translated into a device description → contact the file manufacturer

### 5.3 General Notes - EtherCAT Slave Application

This summary briefly deals with a number of aspects of EtherCAT Slave operation under TwinCAT. More detailed information on this may be found in the corresponding sections of, for instance, the EtherCAT System Documentation.

#### Diagnosis in real time: WorkingCounter, EtherCAT State and Status

Generally speaking an EtherCAT Slave provides a variety of diagnostic information that can be used by the controlling task.

This diagnostic information relates to differing levels of communication. It therefore has a variety of sources, and is also updated at various times.

Any application that relies on I/O data from a fieldbus being correct and up to date must make diagnostic access to the corresponding underlying layers. EtherCAT and the TwinCAT System Manager offer comprehensive diagnostic elements of this kind. Those diagnostic elements that are helpful to the controlling task for diagnosis that is accurate for the current cycle when in operation (not during commissioning) are discussed below.

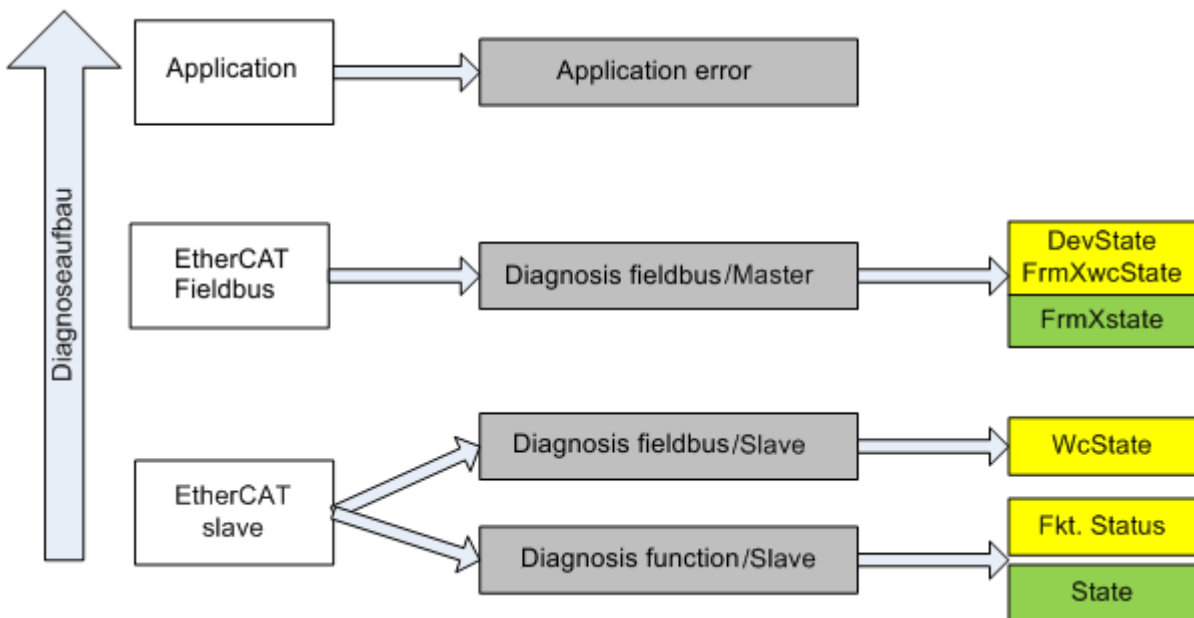


Fig. 33: Selection of the diagnostic information of an EtherCAT Slave

In general, an EtherCAT Slave offers

- communication diagnosis typical for a slave (diagnosis of successful participation in the exchange of process data, and correct operating mode)  
This diagnosis is the same for all slaves.

as well as

- function diagnosis typical for a channel (device-dependent)  
See the corresponding device documentation

The colors in Fig. “Selection of the diagnostic information of an EtherCAT Slave” also correspond to the variable colors in the System Manager, see Fig. “Basic EtherCAT Slave Diagnosis in the PLC”.

Colour	Meaning
yellow	Input variables from the Slave to the EtherCAT Master, updated in every cycle
red	Output variables from the Slave to the EtherCAT Master, updated in every cycle
green	Information variables for the EtherCAT Master that are updated acyclically. This means that it is possible that in any particular cycle they do not represent the latest possible status. It is therefore useful to read such variables through ADS.

Fig. “Basic EtherCAT Slave Diagnosis in the PLC” shows an example of an implementation of basic EtherCAT Slave Diagnosis. A Beckhoff EL3102 (2-channel analogue input terminal) is used here, as it offers both the communication diagnosis typical of a slave and the functional diagnosis that is specific to a channel. Structures are created as input variables in the PLC, each corresponding to the process image.

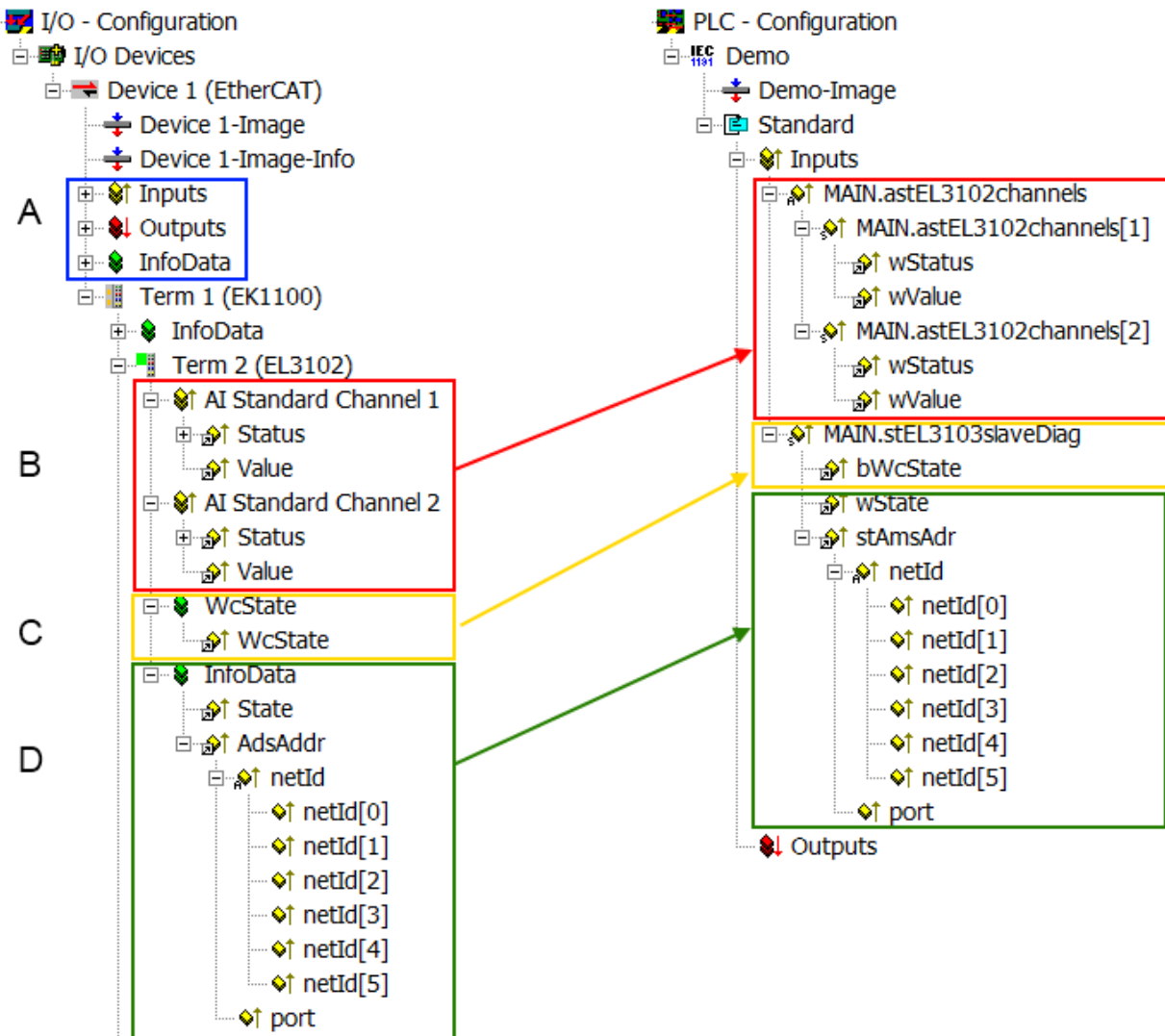


Fig. 34: Basic EtherCAT Slave Diagnosis in the PLC

The following aspects are covered here:

Code	Function	Implementation	Application/evaluation
A	The EtherCAT Master's diagnostic information updated acyclically (yellow) or provided acyclically (green).		At least the DevState is to be evaluated for the most recent cycle in the PLC. The EtherCAT Master's diagnostic information offers many more possibilities than are treated in the EtherCAT System Documentation. A few keywords: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CoE in the Master for communication with/through the Slaves</li> <li>• Functions from <i>TcEtherCAT.lib</i></li> <li>• Perform an OnlineScan</li> </ul>
B	In the example chosen (EL3102) the EL3102 comprises two analogue input channels that transmit a single function status for the most recent cycle.	Status <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the bit significations may be found in the device documentation</li> <li>• other devices may supply more information, or none that is typical of a slave</li> </ul>	In order for the higher-level PLC task (or corresponding control applications) to be able to rely on correct data, the function status must be evaluated there. Such information is therefore provided with the process data for the most recent cycle.
C	For every EtherCAT Slave that has cyclic process data, the Master displays, using what is known as a WorkingCounter, whether the slave is participating successfully and without error in the cyclic exchange of process data. This important, elementary information is therefore provided for the most recent cycle in the System Manager <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. at the EtherCAT Slave, and, with identical contents</li> <li>2. as a collective variable at the EtherCAT Master (see Point A)</li> </ol> for linking.	WcState (Working Counter) 0: valid real-time communication in the last cycle 1: invalid real-time communication This may possibly have effects on the process data of other Slaves that are located in the same SyncUnit	In order for the higher-level PLC task (or corresponding control applications) to be able to rely on correct data, the communication status of the EtherCAT Slave must be evaluated there. Such information is therefore provided with the process data for the most recent cycle.
D	Diagnostic information of the EtherCAT Master which, while it is represented at the slave for linking, is actually determined by the Master for the Slave concerned and represented there. This information cannot be characterized as real-time, because it <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• is only rarely/never changed, except when the system starts up</li> <li>• is itself determined acyclically (e.g. EtherCAT Status)</li> </ul>	State current Status (INIT..OP) of the Slave. The Slave must be in OP (=8) when operating normally. <i>AdsAddr</i> The ADS address is useful for communicating from the PLC/task via ADS with the EtherCAT Slave, e.g. for reading/writing to the CoE. The AMS-NetID of a slave corresponds to the AMS-NetID of the EtherCAT Master; communication with the individual Slave is possible via the <i>port</i> (= EtherCAT address).	Information variables for the EtherCAT Master that are updated acyclically. This means that it is possible that in any particular cycle they do not represent the latest possible status. It is therefore possible to read such variables through ADS.

### NOTE

#### Diagnostic information

It is strongly recommended that the diagnostic information made available is evaluated so that the application can react accordingly.

#### CoE Parameter Directory

The CoE parameter directory (CanOpen-over-EtherCAT) is used to manage the set values for the slave concerned. Changes may, in some circumstances, have to be made here when commissioning a relatively complex EtherCAT Slave. It can be accessed through the TwinCAT System Manager, see Fig. "EL3102, CoE directory".

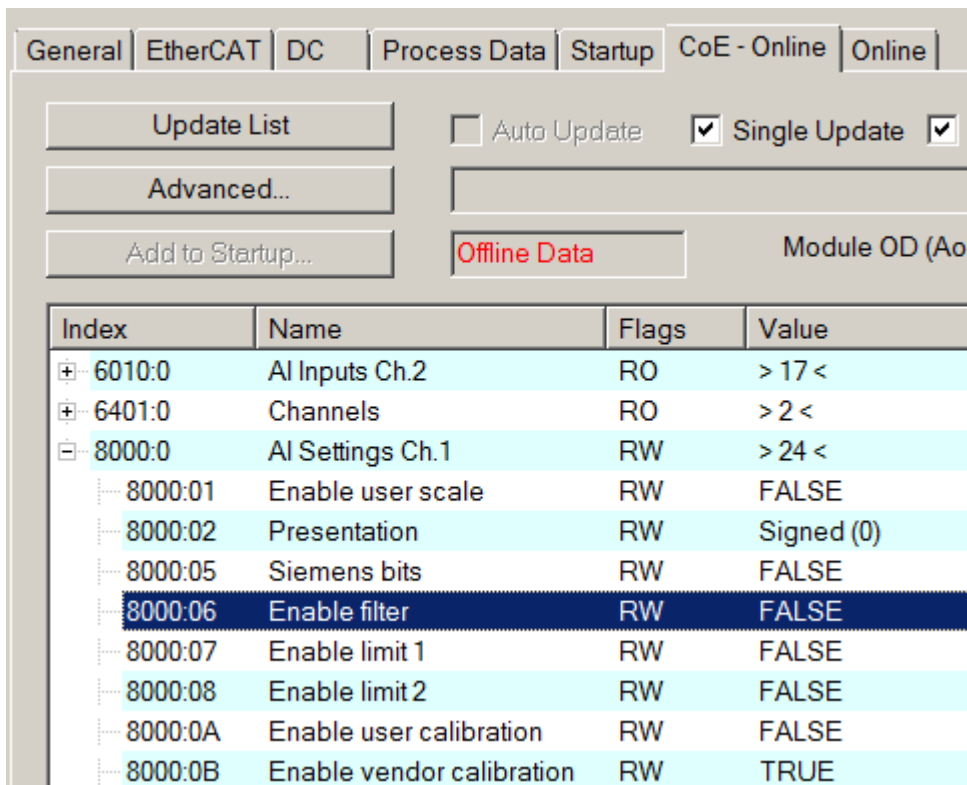


Fig. 35: EL3102, CoE directory

**● EtherCAT System Documentation**

**i** The comprehensive description in the [EtherCAT System Documentation](#) (EtherCAT Basics --> CoE Interface) must be observed!

A few brief extracts:

- Whether changes in the online directory are saved locally in the slave depends on the device. EL terminals (except the EL66xx) are able to save in this way.
- The user must manage the changes to the StartUp list.

**Commissioning aid in the TwinCAT System Manager**

Commissioning interfaces are being introduced as part of an ongoing process for EL/EP EtherCAT devices. These are available in TwinCAT System Managers from TwinCAT 2.11R2 and above. They are integrated into the System Manager through appropriately extended ESI configuration files.

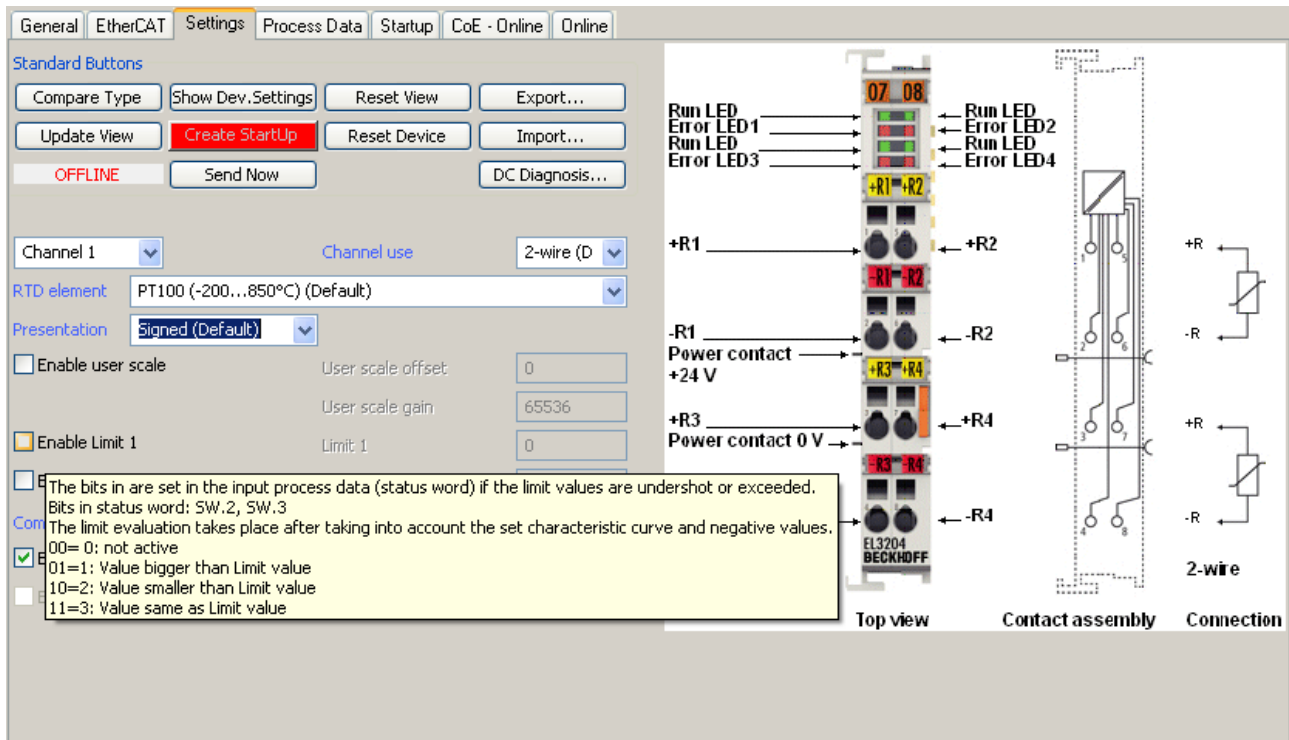


Fig. 36: Example of commissioning aid for a EL3204

This commissioning process simultaneously manages

- CoE Parameter Directory
- DC/FreeRun mode
- the available process data records (PDO)

Although the "Process Data", "DC", "Startup" and "CoE-Online" that used to be necessary for this are still displayed, it is recommended that, if the commissioning aid is used, the automatically generated settings are not changed by it.

The commissioning tool does not cover every possible application of an EL/EP device. If the available setting options are not adequate, the user can make the DC, PDO and CoE settings manually, as in the past.

**EtherCAT State: automatic default behaviour of the TwinCAT System Manager and manual operation**

After the operating power is switched on, an EtherCAT Slave must go through the following statuses

- INIT
- PREOP
- SAFEOP
- OP

to ensure sound operation. The EtherCAT Master directs these statuses in accordance with the initialization routines that are defined for commissioning the device by the ES/XML and user settings (Distributed Clocks (DC), PDO, CoE). See also the section on "Principles of [Communication, EtherCAT State Machine \[17\]](#)" in this connection. Depending how much configuration has to be done, and on the overall communication, booting can take up to a few seconds.

The EtherCAT Master itself must go through these routines when starting, until it has reached at least the OP target state.

The target state wanted by the user, and which is brought about automatically at start-up by TwinCAT, can be set in the System Manager. As soon as TwinCAT reaches the status RUN, the TwinCAT EtherCAT Master will approach the target states.

**Standard setting**

The advanced settings of the EtherCAT Master are set as standard:

- EtherCAT Master: OP
- Slaves: OP  
This setting applies equally to all Slaves.

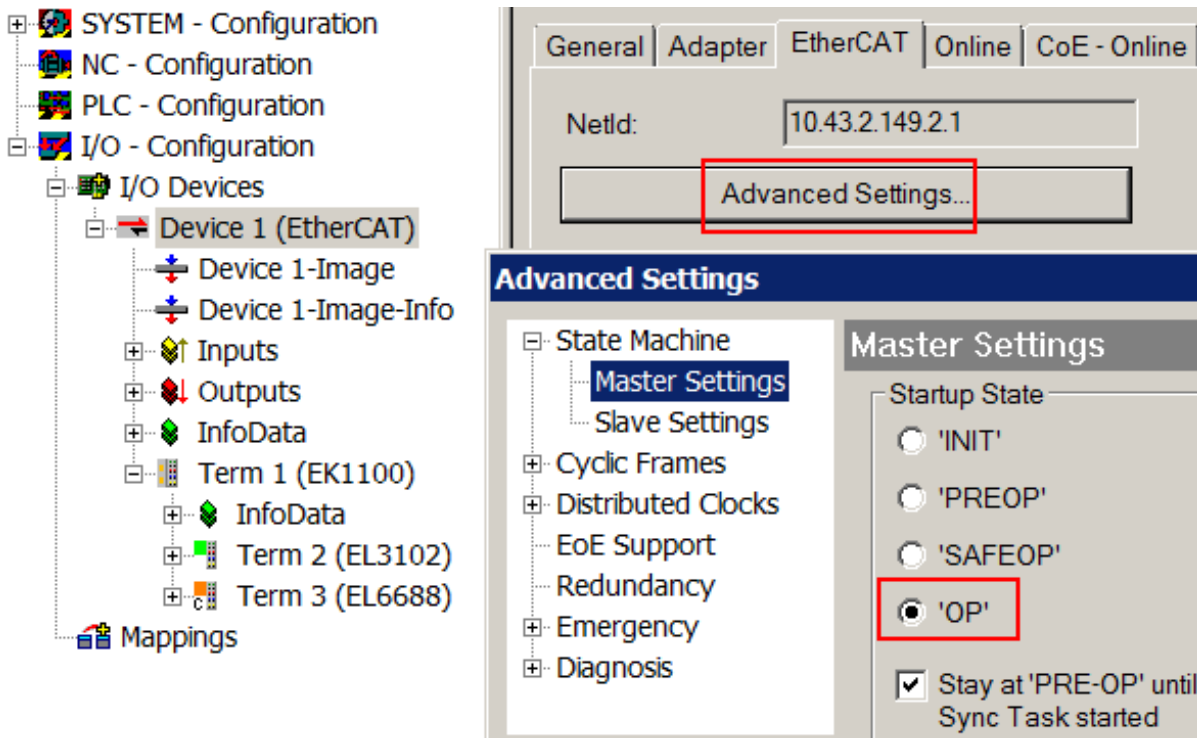


Fig. 37: Default behaviour of the System Manager

In addition, the target state of any particular Slave can be set in the "Advanced Settings" dialogue; the standard setting is again OP.

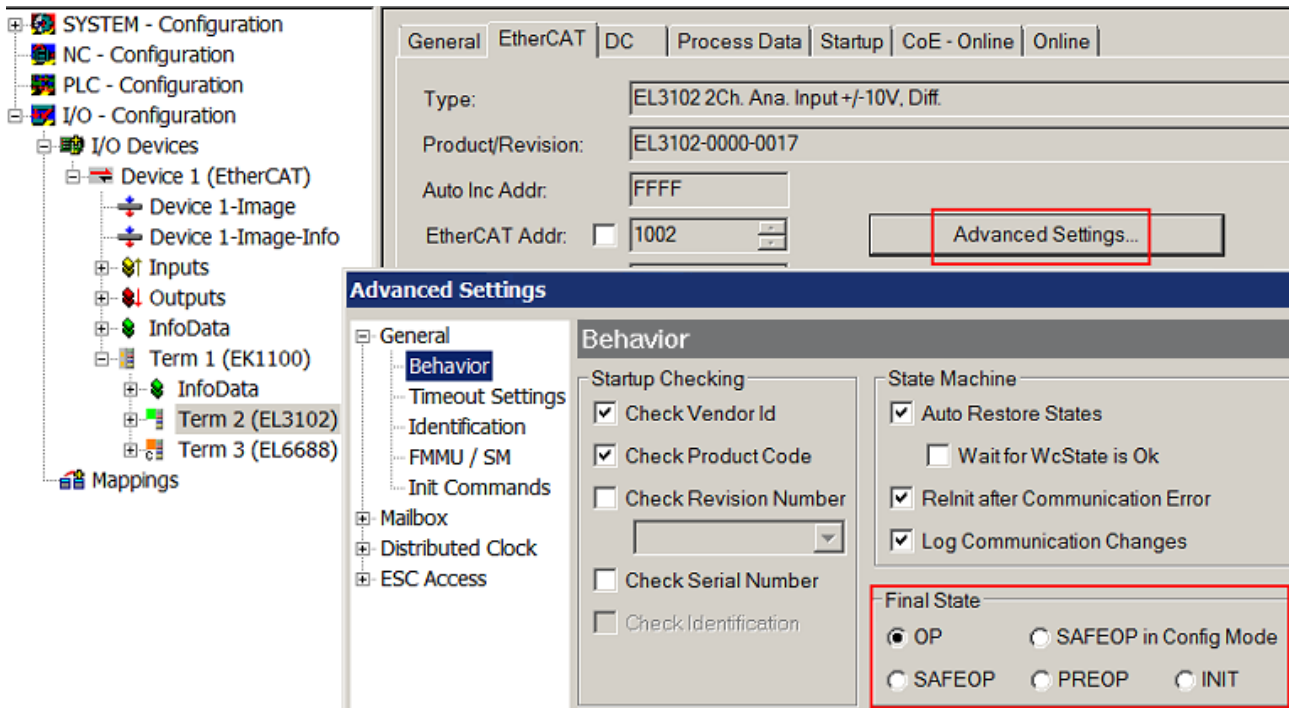


Fig. 38: Default target state in the Slave

## Manual Control

There are particular reasons why it may be appropriate to control the states from the application/task/PLC. For instance:

- for diagnostic reasons
- to induce a controlled restart of axes
- because a change in the times involved in starting is desirable

In that case it is appropriate in the PLC application to use the PLC function blocks from the *TcEtherCAT.lib*, which is available as standard, and to work through the states in a controlled manner using, for instance, *FB\_EcSetMasterState*.

It is then useful to put the settings in the EtherCAT Master to INIT for master and slave.

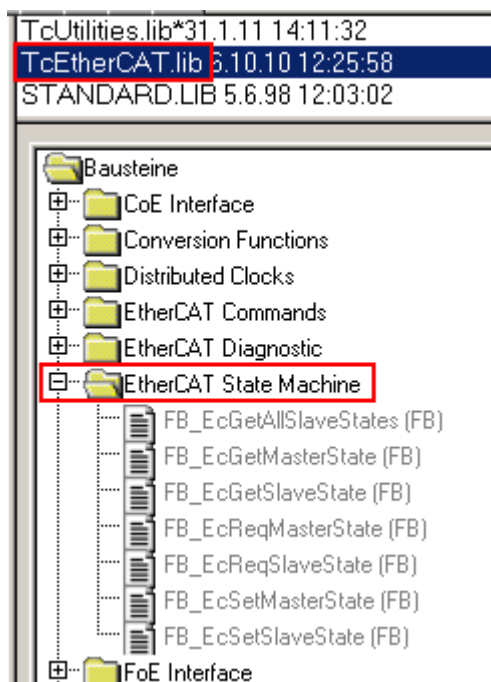


Fig. 39: PLC function blocks

### Note regarding E-Bus current

EL/ES terminals are placed on the DIN rail at a coupler on the terminal strand. A Bus Coupler can supply the EL terminals added to it with the E-bus system voltage of 5 V; a coupler is thereby loadable up to 2 A as a rule. Information on how much current each EL terminal requires from the E-bus supply is available online and in the catalogue. If the added terminals require more current than the coupler can supply, then power feed terminals (e.g. EL9410) must be inserted at appropriate places in the terminal strand.

The pre-calculated theoretical maximum E-Bus current is displayed in the TwinCAT System Manager as a column value. A shortfall is marked by a negative total amount and an exclamation mark; a power feed terminal is to be placed before such a position.

General   Adapter   EtherCAT   Online   CoE - Online						
NetId:		10.43.2.149.2.1		Advanced Settings...		
Number	Box Name	Address	Type	In Size	Out S...	E-Bus (..
1	Term 1 (EK1100)	1001	EK1100			
2	Term 2 (EL3102)	1002	EL3102	8.0		1830
3	Term 4 (EL2004)	1003	EL2004		0.4	1730
4	Term 5 (EL2004)	1004	EL2004		0.4	1630
5	Term 6 (EL7031)	1005	EL7031	8.0	8.0	1510
6	Term 7 (EL2808)	1006	EL2808		1.0	1400
7	Term 8 (EL3602)	1007	EL3602	12.0		1210
8	Term 9 (EL3602)	1008	EL3602	12.0		1020
9	Term 10 (EL3602)	1009	EL3602	12.0		830
10	Term 11 (EL3602)	1010	EL3602	12.0		640
11	Term 12 (EL3602)	1011	EL3602	12.0		450
12	Term 13 (EL3602)	1012	EL3602	12.0		260
13	Term 14 (EL3602)	1013	EL3602	12.0		70
14	Term 3 (EL6688)	1014	EL6688	22.0		-240 !

Fig. 40: Illegally exceeding the E-Bus current

From TwinCAT 2.11 and above, a warning message "E-Bus Power of Terminal..." is output in the logger window when such a configuration is activated:



Fig. 41: Warning message for exceeding E-Bus current

**NOTE**

**Caution! Malfunction possible!**

The same ground potential must be used for the E-Bus supply of all EtherCAT terminals in a terminal block!

## 5.4 Object description and parameterization

### ● EtherCAT XML Device Description



The display matches that of the CoE objects from the EtherCAT XML Device Description. We recommend downloading the latest XML file from the [download area on the Beckhoff Website](#) and installing it according to the installation instructions.

### Introduction

#### Object overview

- [Command object \[► 48\]](#)
- [Information / diagnosis data \[► 48\]](#)
- [Standard objects \[► 49\]](#)

### Command object

#### Index B000 LIC Command

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
B000:0	LIC Command	Max. Subindex	UINT8	RO	0x03 (3 <sub>dec</sub> )
B000:01	Request	Commands can be sent to the terminal via the request object	OCTET-STRING[2]	RW	{0}
B000:02	Status	Status of the currently executed command 1: command error-free 255: command is executed	UINT8	RO	0x00 (0 <sub>dec</sub> )
B000:03	Response	Optional response value of the command	OCTET-STRING[4]	RO	{0}

### Information / diagnosis data

#### Index 10F3 Diagnosis History

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
10F3:0	Diagnosis History	Max. subindex	UINT8	RO	0x37 (55 <sub>dec</sub> )
10F3:01	Maximum Messages	Maximum number of stored messages A maximum of 50 messages can be stored	UINT8	RO	0x32 (50 <sub>dec</sub> )
10F3:02	Newest Message	Subindex of the latest message	UINT8	RO	0x00 (0 <sub>dec</sub> )
10F3:03	Newest Acknowledged Message	Subindex of the last confirmed message	UINT8	RW	0x00 (0 <sub>dec</sub> )
10F3:04	New Messages Available	Indicates that a new message is available	BOOLEAN	RO	0x00 (0 <sub>dec</sub> )
10F3:05	Flags	not used	UINT16	RW	0x0000 (0 <sub>dec</sub> )
10F3:06	Diagnosis Message 001	Message 1	OCTET-STRING[28]	RO	{0}
...	...	...			
10F3:37	Diagnosis Message 050	Message 50	OCTET-STRING[28]	RO	{0}

#### Index 10F8 Actual Time Stamp

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
10F8:0	Ti	Time stamp	UINT64	RO	

**Index 9001 LIC Identity Data**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
9001:0	LIC Identity Data	Max. subindex	UINT8	RO	0x4(4 <sub>dec</sub> )
9001:01	Public Key	reserved	OCTET-STRING[256]	RO	-
9001:02	Certificate	reserved	OCTET-STRING[256]	RO	-
9001:03	Public EK	reserved	OCTET-STRING[256]	RO	-
9001:04	Certificate EK	reserved	OCTET-STRING[256]	RO	-

**Index 9002 LIC Session Data**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
9002:0	LIC Identity Data	Max. Subindex	UINT8	RO	0x4(4 <sub>dec</sub> )
9002:01	Signature	reserved	OCTET-STRING[256]	RO	-
9002:02	PCR Value	reserved	OCTET-STRING[256]	RO	-
9002:03	Tick Stamp	reserved	OCTET-STRING[256]	RO	-
9002:04	Current Ticks	reserved	OCTET-STRING[256]	RO	-

**Index B008 LIC Command**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
B008:0	LIC Control	Max. Subindex	UINT8	RO	0x03 (3 <sub>dec</sub> )
B008:01	Control	reserved	UINT16	RW	{0}
B008:02	Status	reserved	UINT16	RO	0x00 (0 <sub>dec</sub> )
B008:03	Challenge	reserved	OCTET-STRING[20]	RW	{0}

**Index FB40 Memory interface**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
FB40:0	Memory interface	Memory interface to Beckhoff certificate	UINT8	RO	0x03 (3 <sub>dec</sub> )
FB40:01	Control	Virtual address of memory	UINT32	RW	0x00000000 (0 <sub>dec</sub> )
FB40:02	Status	Length of data	UINT16	RW	0x0000 (0 <sub>dec</sub> )
FB40:03	Challenge	Data	OCTET-STRING[8]	RW P	{0}

**Standard objects**

**Index 1000 Device type**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
1000:0	Device type	Device type of the EtherCAT slave: The low word contains the CoE profile used (5001). The high word contains the module profile according to the modular device profile.	UINT32	RO	0x029E1389 (43914121dec)

**Index 1008 Device name**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
1008:0	Device name	Device name of the EtherCAT slave	STRING	RO	EL6070-0000

**Index 1009 Hardware version**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
1009:0	Hardware version	Hardware version of the EtherCAT slave	STRING	RO	00

**Index 100A Software version**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
100A:0	Software version	Firmware version of the EtherCAT slave	STRING	RO	01

**Index 1018 Identity**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
1018:0	Identity	Information for identifying the slave	UINT8	RO	0x04 (4 <sub>dec</sub> )
1018:01	Vendor ID	Vendor ID of the EtherCAT slave	UINT32	RO	0x00000002 (2 <sub>dec</sub> )
1018:02	Product code	Product code of the EtherCAT slave	UINT32	RO	0x17B63052 (397815890 <sub>dec</sub> )
1018:03	Revision	Revision number of the EtherCAT slave; the low word (bit 0-15) indicates the special terminal number, the high word (bit 16-31) refers to the device description	UINT32	RO	0x00100000 (1048576 <sub>dec</sub> )
1018:04	Serial number	Serial number of the EtherCAT slave; the low byte (bit 0-7) of the low word contains the year of production, the high byte (bit 8-15) of the low word contains the week of production, the high word (bit 16-31) is 0	UINT32	RO	0x00000000 (0 <sub>dec</sub> )

**Index 1C00 Sync manager type**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
1C00:0	Sync manager type	Using the sync managers	UINT8	RO	0x04 (4 <sub>dec</sub> )
1C00:01	SubIndex 001	Sync-Manager Type Channel 1: Mailbox Write	UINT8	RO	0x01 (1 <sub>dec</sub> )
1C00:02	SubIndex 002	Sync-Manager Type Channel 2: Mailbox Read	UINT8	RO	0x02 (2 <sub>dec</sub> )

**Index F000 Modular device profile**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
F000:0	Modular device profile	General information for the modular device profile	UINT8	RO	0x02 (2 <sub>dec</sub> )
F000:01	Module index distance	Index spacing of the objects of the individual channels	UINT16	RO	0x0010 (16 <sub>dec</sub> )
F000:02	Maximum number of modules	Number of channels	UINT16	RO	0x0001 (1 <sub>dec</sub> )

**Index F008 Code word**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
F008:0	Code word	reserved	UINT32	RW	0x00000000 (0 <sub>dec</sub> )

**Index F010 Module list**

Index (hex)	Name	Meaning	Data type	Flags	Default
F010:0	Module list	Max. Subindex	UINT8	RW	0x02 (2 <sub>dec</sub> )
F010:01	SubIndex 001	Profile number	UINT32	RW	0x0000029E (670 <sub>dec</sub> )



EL6070:

Read terminal entry
Write terminal entry
Delete terminal entry

Current entry name: "Info_EL6070.txt"	Size [Byte] 531
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Read Directory (terminal entries)

Entries stored within terminal:

	Entry name	Size [Byte]
0	Check entry write.abcd	33814
1	test1.txt	141
2	xyz.txt	7
3	.content	7
4	Info.txt	141
5	Info_EL6070.txt	531
6	graphicinstall.log	41174
7	Service manual.pdf	445872
8	test4.txt	182
9		0
10		0
11		0
12		0
13		0
14		0
15		0
16		0
17		0
18		0
19		0

521869 bytes used      526707 bytes free.

Local drive:

LOAD FILE
SAVE FILE
DELETE FILE

Current file name (incl. complete path): "C:\EL6070_files\test.txt"	Size [Byte] 531
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Last action:  
Access terminal, entry written:  
"Info\_EL6070.txt"  
Data content of  
"C:\EL6070\_files\test.txt"  
DONE.

Data of PLC file in memory

View content
Reset actions

"C:\test.txt"      ,531 bytes:

Content view (ASCII ext.):

Start address input:	directory containing names of files and their sizes and additional information.							
176	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
176	100	105	114	101	99	116	111	114
184	121	32	99	111	110	116	97	105
192	110	105	110	103	32	110	97	109
200	101	115	32	111	102	32	102	105
208	108	101	115	32	97	110	100	32
216	116	104	101	105	114	32	115	105
224	122	101	115	32	97	110	100	32
232	97	100	100	105	116	105	111	110
240	97	108	32	105	110	102	111	114
248	109	97	116	105	111	110	46	32

Fig. 42: TwinCAT 3 - visualization of the sample program "EL6070\_Access"

**Notes:**

- The needed NetId for terminal access will be identified by the already existing link within the configuration. Therefrom the address for the PLC system will be derived.
- This example program does not use a checksum and does not support the password function.
- A duration while file access on the terminal with a transfer rate of several 1000 bytes/s have to be expected (e.g. over 3 minutes for 1 MB).
- The files that are loaded, stored and deleted on the right are located on the controller. This has to be taken into account during remote access. The path can only point to the local computer's file system and is preset „C:\EL6070\_files\". Network paths cannot be specified here. In addition, special care is required for file access on the control computer.

**Download:**

Sample program "EL6070\_Access": <https://infosys.beckhoff.com/content/1033/el6070/Resources/zip/4707490699.zip>

**Preparations for starting the sample programs (tnzip file / TwinCAT 3)**

- Click on the download button to save the Zip archive locally on your hard disk, then unzip the \*.tnzip archive file in a temporary folder.

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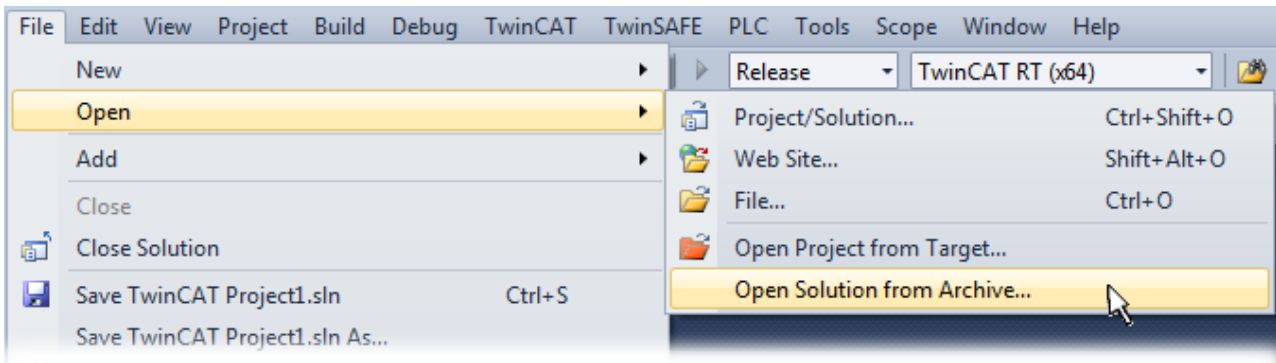


Fig. 43: Opening the \*.tnzip archive

- Select the .tnzip file (sample program).
- A further selection window opens. Select the destination directory for storing the project.
- For a description of the general PLC commissioning procedure and starting the program please refer to the terminal documentation or the EtherCAT system documentation.
- The EtherCAT device of the example should usually be declared your present system. After selection of the EtherCAT device in the "Solutionexplorer" select the "Adapter" tab and click on "Search...":

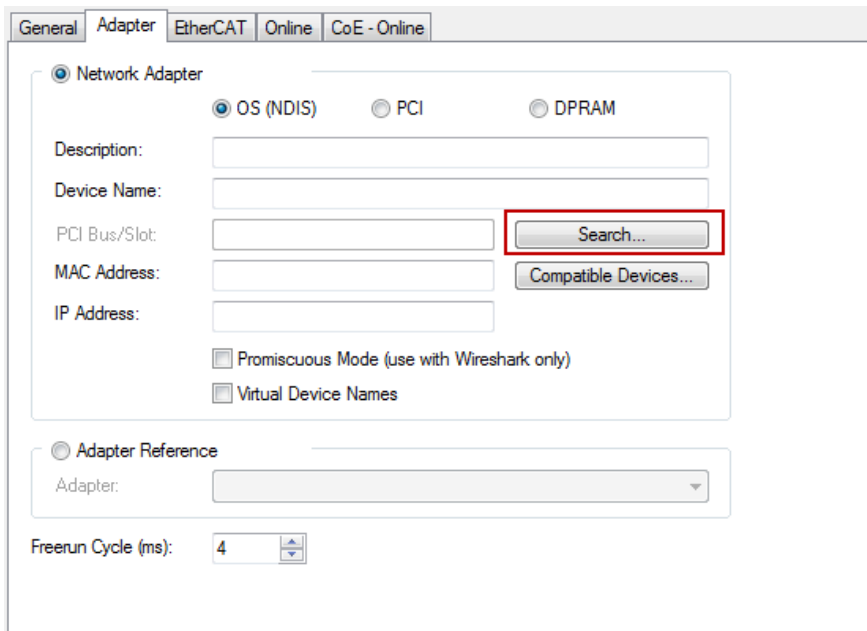
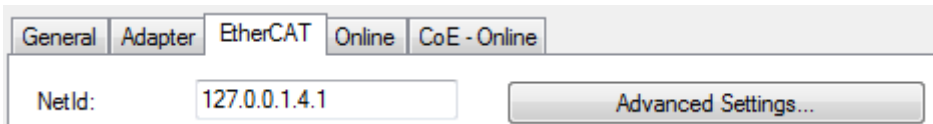


Fig. 44: Search of the existing HW configuration for the EtherCAT configuration of the example

- Checking NetId: the "EtherCAT" tab of the EtherCAT device shows the configured NetId:



The first 4 numbers have to be identical with the project NetId of the target system. The project NetId can be viewed within the TwinCAT environment above, where a pull down menu can be opened to choose a target system (by clicking right in the text field). The number blocks are placed in brackets there next to each computer name of a target system.

- Modify the NetId: By right clicking on "EtherCAT device" within the solution explorer a context menu opens where "Change NetId..." have to be selected. The first 4 numbers of the NetId of the target computer have to be entered; the both last values are 4.1 usually.

Example:

- NetId of project: myComputer (123.45.67.89.1.1)
- Entry via „Change NetId...“: 123.45.67.89.4.1

## 6 Appendix

### 6.1 Firmware compatibility - passive terminals

The passive terminals [▶ 32] ELxxxx terminal series have no firmware to update.

### 6.2 EtherCAT AL Status Codes

For detailed information please refer to the EtherCAT system description.

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