



## European Technical Approval ETA-13/0045

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| Handelsbezeichnung<br><i>Trade name</i>   | MAX Nägel für gasbetriebene Setzgeräte GS865E und GS738C<br><i>MAX concrete pins for gas concrete nailer GS865E and GS738C</i>  |
| Zulassungsinhaber<br><i>Holder of approval</i>  | Max Europe B.V.<br>Camerastraat 19<br>1322 BB ALMERE<br>NIEDERLANDE   |
| Zulassungsgegenstand<br>und Verwendungszweck<br><i>Generic type and use<br/>of construction product</i> | Setzbolzen als Mehrfachbefestigung von nichttragenden Systemen zur<br>Verankerung im Beton<br><i>Power-actuated fastener for multiple use in concrete for non-structural<br/>applications</i> |
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| Herstellwerk<br><i>Manufacturing plant</i>  | Plant 1 and 2   |

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- 1 This European technical approval is issued by Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik in accordance with:
  - Council Directive 89/106/EEC of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of laws, regulations and administrative provisions of Member States relating to construction products<sup>1</sup>, modified by Council Directive 93/68/EEC<sup>2</sup> and Regulation (EC) N° 1882/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>3</sup>;
  - *Gesetz über das In-Verkehr-Bringen von und den freien Warenverkehr mit Bauprodukten zur Umsetzung der Richtlinie 89/106/EWG des Rates vom 21. Dezember 1988 zur Angleichung der Rechts- und Verwaltungsvorschriften der Mitgliedstaaten über Bauprodukte und anderer Rechtsakte der Europäischen Gemeinschaften (Bauproduktengesetz - BauPG) vom 28. April 1998<sup>4</sup>, as amended by Article 2 of the law of 8 November 2011<sup>5</sup>;*
  - Common Procedural Rules for Requesting, Preparing and the Granting of European technical approvals set out in the Annex to Commission Decision 94/23/EC<sup>6</sup>.
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<sup>1</sup> Official Journal of the European Communities L 40, 11 February 1989, p. 12  
<sup>2</sup> Official Journal of the European Communities L 220, 30 August 1993, p. 1  
<sup>3</sup> Official Journal of the European Union L 284, 31 October 2003, p. 25  
<sup>4</sup> *Bundesgesetzblatt Teil I 1998*, p. 812  
<sup>5</sup> *Bundesgesetzblatt Teil I 2011*, p. 2178  
<sup>6</sup> Official Journal of the European Communities L 17, 20 January 1994, p. 34

## II SPECIFIC CONDITIONS OF THE EUROPEAN TECHNICAL APPROVAL

### 1 Definition of the product and intended use

#### 1.1 Definition of the construction product

The MAX concrete pins for gas concrete nailer GS865E and GS738C are power-actuated fasteners which are placed into the concrete without previous drill by use of a gas actuated tool. They are anchored in the concrete by sintering and mechanical interlock.

The fastener (nail) is made of galvanised steel. The nails are arranged and connected with each other by special plastic strips that guides the nails in the gas actuated tool magazine.

An illustration of the product and intended use is given in Annex 1.

#### 1.2 Intended use

The fastener is intended to be used for anchorages for which requirements for safety in use in the sense of the Essential Requirements N° 4 of Council Directive 89/106 EEC shall be fulfilled and failure of the fixture represents an immediate risk to human life. The fastener is to be used only for multiple use for non-structural applications. The definition of multiple use is given in Section 4.2.

The fastener may be used for anchorages with requirements related to resistance to fire.

The fastener is to be used only for anchorages subject to static or quasi-static loading in reinforced or unreinforced normal weight concrete of strength classes C20/25 at minimum and C50/60 (gas actuated tool GS856E) and C40/50 (gas actuated tool GS738C) at most according to EN 206-1:2000-12.

It may be anchored in cracked or non-cracked concrete.

The fastener is only to be used for anchorages in two-dimensional load-bearing structures (slabs and walls).

It may only be used in structures subject to dry internal conditions.

The provisions made in this European technical approval are based on an assumed working life of the fastener of 50 years. The indications given on the working life cannot be interpreted as a guarantee given by the producer, but are to be regarded only as a means for choosing the right products in relation to the expected economically reasonable working life of the works.

### 2 Characteristics of the product and methods of verification

#### 2.1 Characteristics of the product

The fastener corresponds to the drawings and provisions given in Annex 2. The characteristic material values, dimensions and tolerances of the fastener not given in Annex 2 shall correspond to the respective values laid down in the technical documentation<sup>7</sup> of this European technical approval.

<sup>7</sup> The technical documentation of this European technical approval is deposited at the Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik and, as far as relevant for the tasks of the approved bodies involved in the attestation of conformity procedure, is handed over to the approved bodies.

The fastener is considered to satisfy the requirements for performance class A1 of the characteristic reaction to fire, in accordance with the provisions of EC decision 96/603/EC (as amended 2000/605/EC).

The characteristic values for the design of anchorages are given in Annex 4, Table 3. Regarding resistance to fire the characteristic values for the design of the anchorages are given in Annex 4, Table 4. They are valid for use in a system that is required to provide a specific fire resistance class.

Each head of the fastener is marked with the identifying mark of the producer according to Annex 2. The commercial name, the intended use, the nail type and the minimum anchorage depth are given in the accompanying documents.

The fastener shall only be supplied as a complete unit.

## 2.2 Methods of verification

The assessment of fitness of the fastener for the intended use in relation to the requirement for safety in use in the sense of the Essential requirement N°4 of Council Directive 89/106/EEC has been made based on the following tests:

- (1) Axial tension tests
- (2) Shear tests
- (3) Tests on functioning in non-cracked high strength concrete
- (4) Setting tests
- (5) Installation safety tests - contact with reinforcement
- (6) Tests on functioning in cracked low strength concrete
- (7) Tests on functioning under repeated loads
- (8) Tests on sensitivity to brittle failure
- (9) Checking durability.

The assessment of the fastener for the intended use in relation to the requirements for resistance to fire has been made in accordance with the Technical Report TR 020 "Evaluation of anchorages in concrete concerning resistance to fire".

In addition to the specific clauses relating to dangerous substances contained in this European technical approval, there may be other requirements applicable to the products falling within its scope (e.g. transposed European legislation and national laws, regulations and administrative provisions). In order to meet the provisions of the Construction Products Directive, these requirements need also to be complied with, when and where they apply.

## 3 Evaluation and attestation of conformity and CE marking

### 3.1 System of attestation of conformity

According to the communication of the European Commission<sup>8</sup> system 2+ of the attestation of conformity applies.

This system of attestation of conformity is defined as follows:

System 2+: Declaration of conformity of the product by the manufacturer on the basis of:

- (a) Tasks for the manufacturer:
  - (1) initial type-testing of the product;
  - (2) factory production control;
  - (3) testing of samples taken at the factory in accordance with a control plan.

<sup>8</sup> Letter of the European Commission of 15/10/2008 to EOTA

(b) Tasks for the approved body:

(4) certification of factory production control on the basis of:

- initial inspection of factory and of factory production control;
- continuous surveillance, assessment and approval of factory production control.

*Note: Approved bodies are also referred to as "notified bodies".*

### 3.2 Responsibilities

#### 3.2.1 Tasks for the manufacturer

##### 3.2.1.1 Factory production control

The manufacturer shall exercise permanent internal control of production. All the elements, requirements and provisions adopted by the manufacturer shall be documented in a systematic manner in the form of written policies and procedures, including records of results performed. This production control system shall insure that the product is in conformity with this European technical approval.

The manufacturer may only use initial / raw / constituent materials stated in the technical documentation of this European technical approval.

The factory production control shall be in accordance with the control plan which is part of the technical documentation of this European technical approval. The control plan is laid down in the context of the factory production control system operated by the manufacturer and deposited with Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik.<sup>9</sup>

The results of factory production control shall be recorded and evaluated in accordance with the provisions of the control plan.

##### 3.2.1.2 Other tasks for the manufacturer

The manufacturer shall, on the basis of a contract, involve a body which is approved for the tasks referred to in section 3.1 in the field of anchors in order to undertake the actions laid down in section 3.2.2. For this purpose, the control plan referred to in sections 3.2.1.1 and 3.2.2 shall be handed over by the manufacturer to the approved body involved.

The manufacturer shall make a declaration of conformity, stating that the construction product is in conformity with the provisions of this European technical approval.

#### 3.2.2 Tasks for the approved bodies

The approved body shall perform the

- initial inspection of factory and of factory production control,
- continuous surveillance, assessment and approval of factory production control,

in accordance with the provisions laid down in the control plan.

The approved body shall retain the essential points of its actions referred to above and state the results obtained and conclusions drawn in a written report.

The approved certification body involved by the manufacturer shall issue an EC certificate of conformity of the factory production control stating the conformity with the provisions of this European technical approval.

In cases where the provisions of the European technical approval and its control plan are no longer fulfilled the certification body shall withdraw the certificate of conformity and inform Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik without delay.

<sup>9</sup> The control plan is a confidential part of the European technical approval and only handed over to the approved body involved in the procedure of attestation of conformity. See section 3.2.2.

### 3.3 CE marking

The CE marking shall be affixed on each packaging of the fastener / accompanying commercial document. The letters "CE" shall be followed by the identification number of the approved certification body, where relevant, and be accompanied by the following additional information:

- the name and address of the holder of the approval (legal entity responsible for the manufacture),
- the last two digits of the year in which the CE marking was affixed,
- the number of the EC certificate for the factory production control,
- the number of the European technical approval,
- the nail type (W7 stepped or W0 hard concrete).

## 4 Assumptions under which the fitness of the product for the intended use was favourably assessed

### 4.1 Manufacturing

The European technical approval is issued for the product on the basis of agreed data/information, deposited with Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik, which identifies the product that has been assessed and judged. Changes to the product or production process, which could result in this deposited data/information being incorrect, should be notified to Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik before the changes are introduced. Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik will decide whether or not such changes affect the approval and consequently the validity of the CE marking on the basis of the approval and if so whether further assessment or alterations to the approval shall be necessary.

### 4.2 Design of anchorages

The fitness of the fastener for the intended use is given under the following conditions:

The anchorages are designed in accordance with the "Guideline for European technical approval of Metal Anchors for Use in Concrete", Annex C, Method C under the responsibility of an engineer experienced in anchorages and concrete work.

The relevant characteristic values of the fastener are given in Annex 2, Table 2 and Annex 4, Table 3.

It is to be ensured that the strength class of the concrete in which the fastener is to be placed is not lower or higher than the strength class of the concrete given in Section 1.2.

The fastener is to be used only for multiple use for non-structural applications with following definition of multiple use:

- number of fixing points  $n_1 \geq 4$ ,
- number of fasteners per fixing point  $n_2 = 1$ ,
- design value of actions  $F_{sd}$  on fixing point  $n_3 \leq 0,6$  kN.

The design of the fixture is such that in the case of excessive slip or failure of one fastener the load can be transmitted to neighbouring fasteners without significantly violating the requirements on the fixture in the serviceability and ultimate limit state.

Verifiable calculation notes and drawings are prepared taking account of the loads to be anchored. The position of the fastener is indicated on the design drawings (e.g. position of the fastener relative to reinforcement or to supports).

The design of anchorages under fire exposure has to consider the conditions given in the Technical Report TR 020 "Evaluation of anchorages in concrete concerning resistance to fire". The relevant characteristic values are given in Annex 4, Table 4. It must be ensured that local spalling of the concrete cover does not occur. The design method covers anchors with a fire attack from one side only. If the fire attack is from more than one side, the design method may be taken only, if the edge distance of the fastener is  $c \geq 300$  mm.

#### 4.3 Installation of anchors

The fitness for use of the fastener can only be assumed if the fastener is installed as follows:

- Fastener installation carried out by appropriately qualified personnel and under the supervision of the person responsible for technical matters of the site.
- Use of the fastener only as supplied by the manufacturer without exchanging the components of a fastener.
- Fastener installation in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and drawings and using the specified installation device.
- Check of concrete being well compacted, e.g. without significant voids.
- Fasteners to be installed perpendicular to the surface of the base material.
- The edge distance and spacing to be kept to the specified values, no minus tolerances to be allowed.
- When setting, pay attention to setting defects. A setting defect is present if the nail can be pulled out of the concrete by hand.
- Fasteners to be installed ensuring not less than the minimum effective anchorage depth of 18 mm. If the embedment depth is smaller than the minimum effective anchorage depth the nail must be assumed as a setting defect and it must not be loaded.
- Damages on the concrete surface, caused by setting defects, have to be repaired according to EN 1504. A new fastener is set at a minimum distance away of 100 mm of the edge of the damaged surface.
- Use of setting tools according to Annex 3. The setting tool shall be complied with EN 792-13:2009.

#### 5 Indications to the manufacturer

The manufacturer is responsible to ensure that the information on the specific conditions according to 1 and 2 including Annexes referred to as well as sections 4.2 and 4.3 is given to those who are concerned. This information may be made by reproduction of the respective parts of the European technical approval. In addition all installation data shall be shown clearly on the package and/or on an enclosed instruction sheet, preferably using illustration(s).

The minimum data required are:

- minimum effective anchorage depth,
- reference to any special installation equipment needed,
- identification of the manufacturing batch.

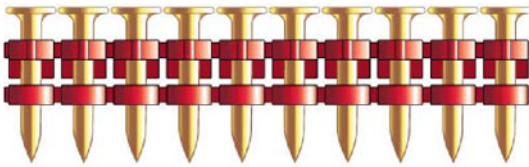
The information on the installation procedure, preferably by means of illustrations, shall be shown with the installation device.

All data shall be presented in a clear and explicit form.

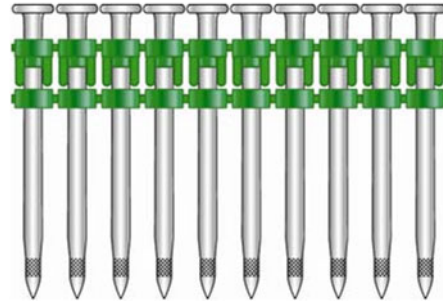
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**Nail types**

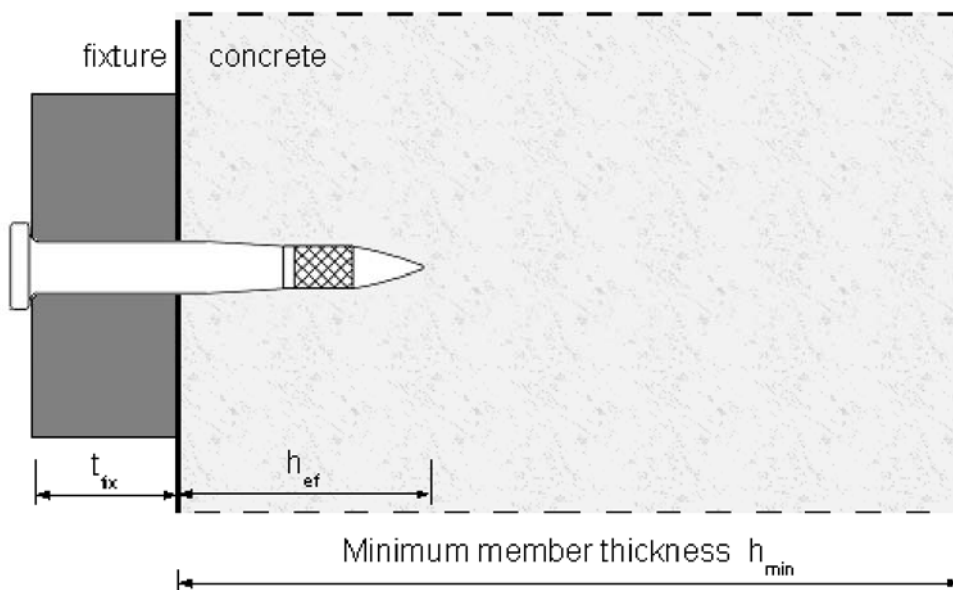


MAX concrete pins (W0 hard concrete)



MAX concrete pins (W7 stepped)

**Intended use**



**The fastener is to be used only for multiple use for non-structural applications, the definition of multiple use is given in Section 4.2 of the approval.**

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Product and intended use

**Annex 1**





**Table 1: Dimensions and materials**

| MAX Gas concrete nailer    |      | W7 stepped                    | W0 hard concrete            | W0 hard concrete            |
|----------------------------|------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| For use with gas tool      | [-]  | GS865E                        | GS865E                      | GS738C                      |
| Length of nails L          | [mm] | 22-65                         | 22-38                       | 22-38                       |
| Shaft diameter d           | [mm] | 3,7                           | 3,0                         | 3,0                         |
| Head diameter D            | [mm] | 6,3                           | 6,3                         | 6,3                         |
| Material nail              | [-]  | Hardened C-steel              |                             |                             |
| Material plastic collation | [-]  | Polyethylene (red/ green)     |                             |                             |
| Zinc plating               | [-]  | Mech. galvanized<br>min. 8 µm | El. galvanized<br>min. 5 µm | El. galvanized<br>min. 5 µm |

**Table 2: Installation parameters (no previous drilling needed)**

| MAX Gas concrete nailer  |            |      | W7 stepped | W0 hard concrete | W0 hard concrete |
|--|------------|------|------------|------------------|------------------|
| For use with gas tool  |            | [-]  | GS865E     | GS865E           | GS738C           |
| Maximum concrete strength class                                      |            | [-]  | C50/60     | C50/60           | C40/50           |
| Effective anchorage depth  | $h_{ef}$   | [mm] | ≥ 18       | ≥ 18             | ≥ 18             |
| Average anchorage depth when used in maximum concrete strength class | $h_{ef,m}$ | [mm] | 22         | 25               | 22               |
| Diameter of clearance hole in the fixture                            | $d_f$      | [mm] | 4,0        | 3,5              | 3,5              |
| Max. Thickness of fixture  | $t_{fix}$  | [mm] | L - 21 mm  | L - 21 mm        | L - 21 mm        |
| <b>Design method C</b>   |            |      |            |                  |                  |
| Minimum member thickness   | $h_{min}$  | [mm] | 80         | 80               | 80               |
| Minimum spacing  | $s_{min}$  | [mm] | 200        | 200              | 200              |
| Minimum edge distance  | $c_{min}$  | [mm] | 150        | 150              | 150              |

MAX concrete pins for gas concrete nailer GS865E and GS738C

Dimension - Materials - Installation parameter

**Annex 2**

**Gas actuated tool and gas can**

GS865E  
150 Joule gas actuated tool



GS738C LT (long track version) and GS738C ST (short track version)  
105 Joule gas actuated tool



MAX concrete pins for gas concrete nailer GS865E and GS738C

Gas concrete nailer GS865E and GS738C and corresponding gas can

**Annex 3**

**Table 3: Characteristic values, Design method C**

| MAX gas concrete nailer                           |                           |      | W0 and W7 pins |
|---|---------------------------|------|----------------|
| Characteristic resistance for all load directions | $F_{Rk}$                  | [N]  | 44             |
| Partial safety factor                             | $\gamma_M$ <sup>1)</sup>  | [-]  | 1,5            |
| Characteristic spacing                            | $s_{cr}$                  | [mm] | 200            |
| Characteristic edge distance                      | $c_{cr}$                  | [mm] | 150            |
| Displacements for all load directions             | $\delta_0, \delta_\infty$ | [mm] | $\leq 0,1$     |

<sup>1)</sup> In absence of other national regulations

**Table 4: Characteristic values under fire exposure**

| Fire resistance class | MAX gas concrete nailer                           |                               | W0 and W7 pins |                   |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| R 30                  | Characteristic resistance for all load directions | $F_{Rk,fi}$                   | [N]            | 11                |
|                       | Partial safety factor                             | $\gamma_{M,fi}$ <sup>1)</sup> | [-]            | 1,0               |
|                       | Characteristic spacing                            | $s_{cr}$                      | [mm]           | 200               |
|                       | Characteristic edge distance                      | $c_{cr}$                      | [mm]           | 150 <sup>2)</sup> |

<sup>1)</sup> In absence of other national regulations

<sup>2)</sup> If the fire attack is from more than one side, the edge distance shall be  $c \geq 300$  mm.

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Characteristic values

**Annex 4**