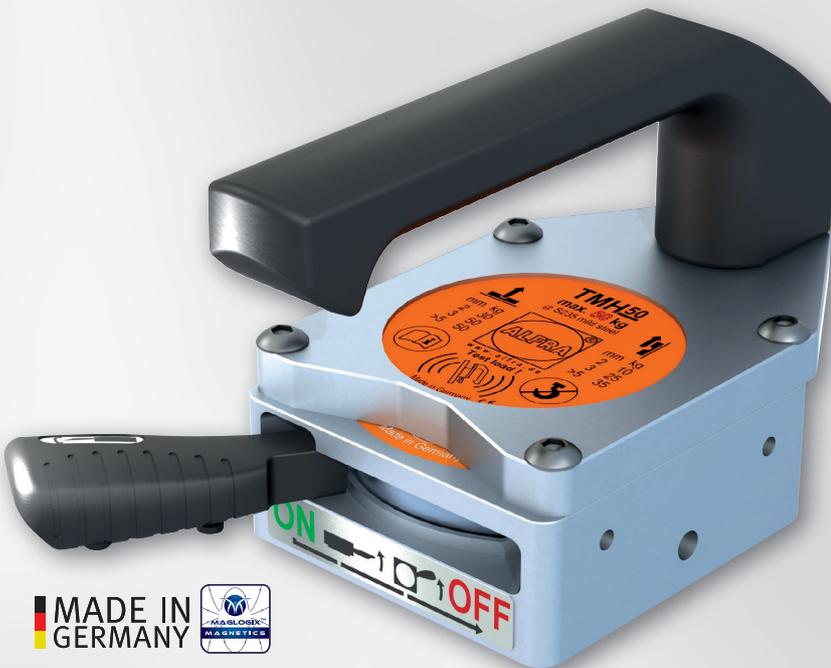


# ALFRA TMH 50



Passion for Tools

- DE LASTHEBEMAGNET
- EN LIFTING MAGNET
- FR AIMANT DE LEVAGE
- ES IMÁN DE ELEVACIÓN DE CARGAS
- NO LØFTEMAGNET



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ALFRA TMH 50 #41100.H

**Dear customer,**

Thank you for purchasing an ALFRA product. Please read these operation instructions closely before using your device for the first time and keep them along with the enclosed Product Control Card for later reference.

**SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

Dangers can occur when transporting loads by lifting devices due to improper handling and/or poor maintenance, which may cause serious accidents with fatal physical injuries. Please read these operation instructions closely and observe all safety instructions mentioned therein. Contact the manufacturer if you have any questions.

**Always...**

- activate the hand-operated lifting magnet completely
- activate the lifting magnet on metallic, ferromagnetic materials
- use the entire magnetic surface for lifting
- lift on level surfaces
- check the magnetic holding force by shaking when picking up the load
- clean the magnetic surface and keep it clear of dirt, chips and welding sputter
- set the lifting magnet down gently to prevent damage to the magnetic surface
- check the hazard area when pivoting the load
- respect the stated maximum load before pivoting
- inspect the magnetic surface and the entire lifting magnet for damage
- follow the instructions in this operating manual
- instruct new operators to the safe use of lifting magnets
- respect local, country-specific guidelines
- store in a dry place

**Never...**

- lift round or arched objects
- exceed the stated maximum load
- lift loads over people
- lift more than one work piece at a time
- switch the lifting magnet off before setting down the load safely
- allow the load to sway or bring to a sharp and immediate stop
- lift loads exceeding the recommended dimensions
- lift loads with cavities, cut-out openings or drilled holes
- modify the lifting magnet or remove operating labels
- use the lifting magnet if damaged or missing parts
- strain the underside of the magnet through heavy impact or blows
- position yourself beneath the lifted load
- leave the load hanging unattended
- use the lifting magnet without having been properly instructed
- use if you have not read and understood these operating instructions completely
- use the lifting magnet to support, lift or transport persons
- operate the lifting magnet in temperatures higher than 60°C (140°F)
- expose to corrosive substances



**People with cardiac pacemakers or other medical appliances may only use the lifting magnet following approval by their physician.**

## PROPER USE

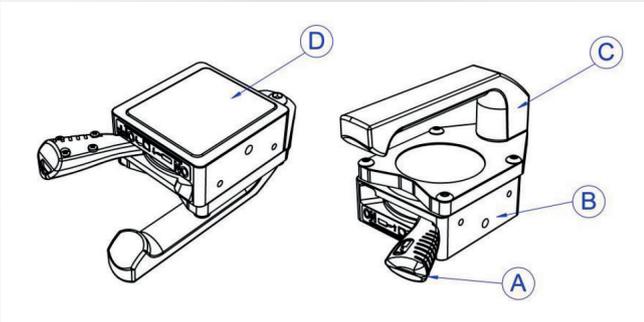
The TMH 50 is a hand-operated permanent lifting magnet designed to lift ferromagnetic, metallic loads. It may only be used according to its technical data and determination. Proper use includes adherence to the start-up, operating, environment and maintenance conditions specified by the manufacturer. The user bears sole responsibility for understanding the operating manual as well as for proper use and maintenance of the lifting magnet.

## DEVICE DESCRIPTION

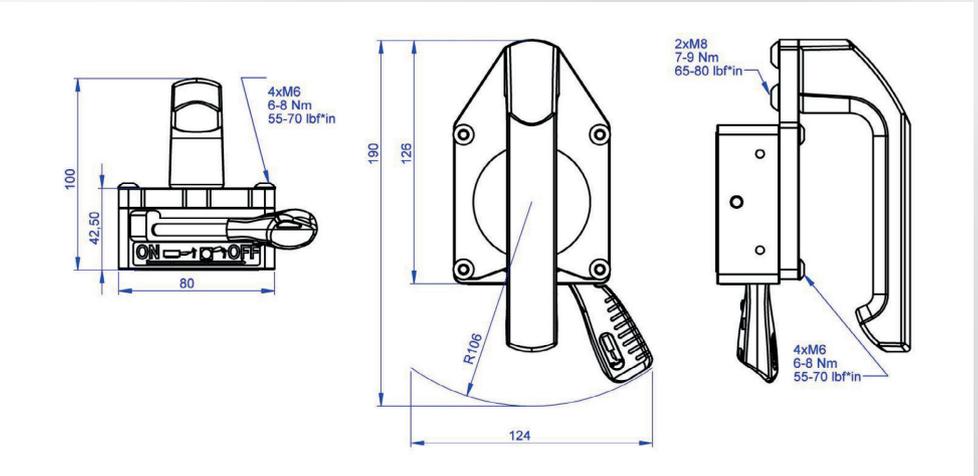
The TMH50 (Thin Material Handlifter) is a switchable lifting magnet with manual actuation designed to lift and transport ferromagnetic materials. To activate the magnet, push the activation lever (A) into the ON position until it audibly latches into place. The installed permanent magnet (B) generates a magnetic field in the lower magnetic plate area (D). Owing to the special design of the TMH 50, this magnetic field is very compact and develops excellent adhesive force especially on thin materials of less than 10 mm.

The activation lever must be lifted slightly at its end and returned by 60° into the OFF position in order to deactivate the magnet. Care must be taken that the lever springs back when working on thin materials.

A stable carrying handle (C) made of aluminium can be found on the upper side of the hand-operated lifting magnet. The load-bearing capacity of the lifting magnet is equivalent to at least 1/3 of the maximum pull-off strength of the magnet.



- A) Activation lever
- B) TMC 300 Magnetic base (41100)
- C) Carrying handle
- D) Magnetic surface



Be sure to read the operation instructions completely before using the magnet for the first time!

## TECHNICAL DATA

Prod.-No.:	<b>41100.H</b>	
Designation	TMH 50 Hand-operated lifting magnet	
Pull-off strength	>300 kg from 6 mm S235	>660 lbs from 0.25"
Max. load-bearing capacity: (on flat material with safety factor >1:3)	50 kg from 3 mm S235	110 lbs from 0.12"
Max. load-bearing capacity: (at 90° inclination of the load with safety factor >1:3)	35 kg from 3 mm S235	75 lbs from 0.12"
Dead weight of the unit	1,6 kg	3,6 lbs
Storage temperature	-30°C to +60°C	-22°F to +140°F
Operating temperature	-30°C to +60°C	-22°F to +140°F

## MARKINGS ON THE HAND-OPERATED LIFTING MAGNET

Detailed descriptions for handling and operating conditions of the TMH 50 can be found on the upper side of the lifting magnet. This labeling must not be modified, damaged or removed. Otherwise the manufacturer cannot be held responsible for any personal injuries, property damage or accidents resulting from this fact. New labels must be ordered from the manufacturer if necessary.

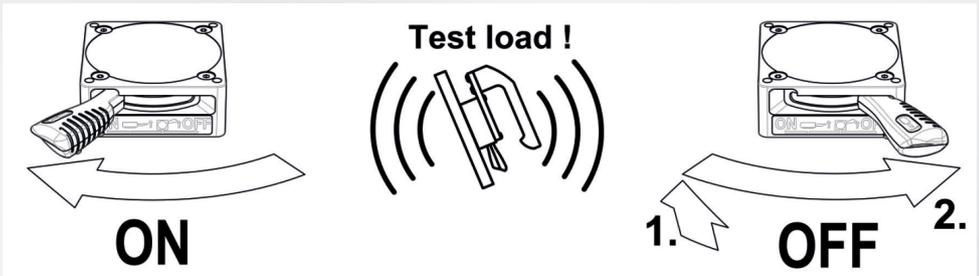


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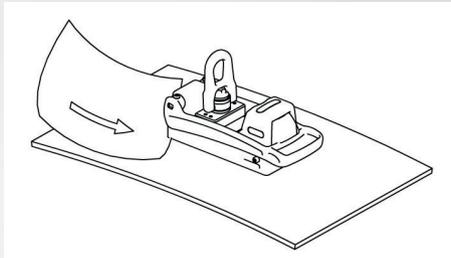
## START-UP

You receive a completely assembled lifting magnet and a detailed operating manual. Please check the condition of the goods upon receipt for any damage incurred during transport, and make sure the delivery is complete. If you have any problems, please contact the manufacturer immediately.

1. Follow the safety instructions. Clean the workpiece and the lower magnetic plate of the lifting magnet.
2. Position the lifting magnet at the centre of gravity of the load. The lifting magnet is pre-tensioned slightly in order to avoid inadvertent slipping and dropping of the magnet (e.g. when used in a vertical or other forced position).
3. Align the lifting magnet according to the desired application.
4. Turn the activation lever by  $60^\circ$  into the ON position until it audibly latches into place (with a slight tilting).
5. Lift the load slightly and check its secure hold by shaking.
6. Now move your load slowly and smoothly. Avoid swinging or jarring.
7. After the load has been set down completely and safely, you can deactivate the lifting magnet. To do this, push the activation lever at its far end upwards (1.) and move it into the OFF position (2.).



The maximum dimensions of the loads to be lifted depend to a large extent on the geometry and flexural stiffness of the work pieces. This is due to the fact that, in case of bending, an air gap (view page 15) forms under the magnetic surface resulting in a significant decrease of the load-bearing capacity. During each lift, watch for any deformation of the work piece that might occur. If necessary, check for any air gap developing at the edges of the TiN-coated magnetic surface (e.g. with a sheet of paper;  $80\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ ).



**Immediately stop the lifting operation if there is any excessive deformation or an air gap.**



**Never exceed the dimensions and/or the load-bearing capacity of the material thickness given in table 2.**

## BASIC INFORMATION CONCERNING THE HANDLING OF MAGNETIC LIFTING GEAR – IN PARTICULAR TML / TMH

The magnetic surface is located on the underside of the lifting magnet incorporating different magnetic poles which generate the magnetic holding force through magnetic flux when activated. The maximum holding force that can be achieved depends on different factors which are explained below:

### Material thickness

The magnetic flux of the lifting magnet requires a minimum material thickness to flow completely into the load. Below this minimum thickness of material, the maximum holding force is reduced subject to material thickness. Conventional switchable permanent magnets have a deeply penetrating magnetic field similar to tree tap roots, and require a large material thickness to achieve maximum holding force. The compact magnetic field of TML and TMH magnets is similar to a shallow root and achieves maximum holding force even when used on thin materials (see performance data in table 2).

### Material

Every material reacts in a different way to penetration of the magnetic field lines. The load-bearing capacity of the lifting magnets is determined using an S235 material. Steels with high carbon content or whose structure has been changed by heat treatment have a low holding force. Foamed or porous cast components also have a lower holding force, so that the given load-bearing capacity of the lifting magnet can be downgraded on the basis of the following table 1.

Table 1

Material	Magnetic force in %
Non-alloyed steel (0.1-0.3% C content)	100
Non-alloyed steel (0.3-0.5% C content)	90-95
Cast steel	90
Grey cast iron	45
Nickel	11
Stainless steel, aluminium, brass	0

### Surface quality

The maximum holding force of a lifting magnet can be achieved in case of a closed magnetic circuit in which the magnetic field lines can connect up freely between the poles, thus creating a high magnetic flux. In contrast to iron, for example, air has very high resistance to magnetic flux. If an air gap is formed between the lifting magnet and the work piece, the holding force will be reduced. In the same way, paint, rust, scale, surface coatings, grease or similar substances all constitute a space (i.e. an air gap), between work piece and lifting magnet. Furthermore, an increase in surface roughness or unevenness has an adverse effect on the magnetic holding force. Reference values for your TMH 50 can be found in table 2.

### Load dimensions

When working with large workpieces such as girders or plates, the load can partly become deformed during the lift. A large steel plate would bend downwards at the outer edges and create a curved surface which no longer has full contact with the bottom of the magnet. The resulting air gap reduces the maximum load-bearing capacity of the lifting magnet. In contrast to this, nor should objects be hollow or smaller than the magnetic surface, as otherwise the entire power of the lifting magnet will not be used.

### Load alignment

During load transport care must be taken that the lifting magnet is always at the centre of gravity of the work piece and that load, or lifting magnet respectively, is always aligned horizontally. In this case, the magnetic force of the lifter acts with its full pull-off strength at right angles in relation to the surface and the maximum rated load-bearing capacity is achieved through the 1:3 standard safety factor. If the position of work piece and lifting magnet changes from horizontal to vertical, the lifting magnet is operated in shear mode and the work piece can slip away to the side. In shear mode, the load-bearing capacity decreases dependent upon the coefficient of friction between the two materials.

### Temperature

The high-power permanent magnets installed in the lifting magnet irreversibly lose their magnetic properties from a temperature of more than 80°C, so that the full load-bearing capacity is never reached again even after the magnet has cooled down. Please note the specifications on your product and in the operating manual.

## MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION OF THE HAND-OPERATED LIFTING MAGNET

The user is obliged to maintain and service the hand-operated lifting magnet TMH 50 in compliance with the specifications in the operating manual and according to the country-specific standards and regulations (e.g. ASME B30.20B, DGUV-Information 209-013; AMVO).

### Before every use...

- visually inspect the hand-operated lifting magnet for damage
- clean the surface of the workpiece and the underside of the magnet
- free the underside of the magnet of rust, chips or unevenness

### Weekly...

- inspect the lifting magnet and activation lever for deformation, cracks or other defects
- make sure the activation lever is working properly and latches correctly into place
- inspect the bottom of the magnet for scratches, pressure points or cracks. Have the magnet repaired by the manufacturer if necessary

### Monthly...

- check the markings and labelling on the lifting magnet for legibility and damage and replace them if necessary

### Annually...

- have the load-bearing capacity of the lifting magnet checked by the supplier or an authorised workshop



**Unauthorised repairs or modification to the lifting magnet are not permitted.  
If you have any questions, contact the manufacturer.**

## DETAILED PERFORMANCE DATA FOR THE HAND-OPERATED LIFTING MAGNET TMH 50

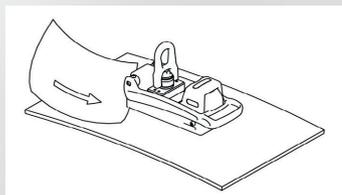
Values shown for load capacity of the TMH 50 are based on material S235 JR for the maximum, vertical tractive force with 0° deviation from the load axis and additionally under a 90° inclined load. The safety factor corresponds to at least 1:3 in all cases. This manual does not contain any instructions for use on round material, as the TMH 50 is designed for flat material and round material or arched objects may not be lifted.

**Table 2**

Load capacity in kg						
Load capacity in kg Thickness of material	Clean, flat, ground surface		Rusty, slightly scratched surface		Irregular, rusty or rough surface	
	Air gap < 0,1 mm		Air gap = 0,25 mm		Air gap = 0,5 mm	
mm	0°	90°	0°	90°	0°	90°
2	30	10	25	8	22	7
3	50	25	40	12	35	10
4	50	30	50	20	48	15
>5	50	35	50	25	50	15

Load capacity in lbs						
Thickness of material	Clean, flat, ground surface		Rusty, slightly scratched surface		Irregular, rusty or rough surface	
	Air gap < 0.004 inches		Air gap = 0.01 inches		Air gap = 0.02 inches	
Inches	0°	90°	0°	90°	0°	90°
0.08	66	22	55	17	48	15
0.12	110	55	88	26	75	22
0.16	110	66	110	44	100	33
>0.20	110	75	110	55	110	33

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**Überschreiten Sie niemals die Abmessungen und/oder die Tragfähigkeit der in Tabelle 2 angegebenen Materialstärke.**

# EC DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY AS DEFINED BY THE MACHINERY DIRECTIVE 2006/42/EC

We,

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hereby declare that the switchable permanentmagnet-type lifting magnet  
**TMH 50 with mounted TMC 300**  
from serial number **1583Fo256** onwards

complies with the standard **EN ISO 12100:2010** and fulfills the requirements of the  
**Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC** concerning lifting accessories.

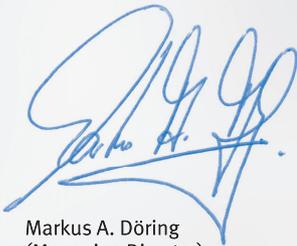
Static test of the magnet at  $\geq 300$  kg ; safety factor = 6  
Max. loading capacity of the carrying handle = 100 kg ; safety factor = 2

This certificate is no longer valid if the product is modified without the manufacturer's consent.  
Furthermore, this certificate is no longer valid if the product is not used properly in accordance with the  
use cases documented in the user manual or if regular maintenance is not carried out in accordance with  
this manual or country-specific regulations.

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