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## **Electric Large Actuator (ELA) 21 and ELA 28 Lubrication Procedure**

**Installation and Operation Manual**



### General Precautions

Read this entire manual and all other publications pertaining to the work to be performed before installing, operating, or servicing this equipment.

Practice all plant and safety instructions and precautions.

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## Warnings and Notices

### Important Definitions



This is the safety alert symbol used to alert you to potential personal injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.

- **DANGER** - Indicates a hazardous situation, which if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.
- **WARNING** - Indicates a hazardous situation, which if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.
- **CAUTION** - Indicates a hazardous situation, which if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.
- **NOTICE** - Indicates a hazard that could result in property damage only (including damage to the control).
- **IMPORTANT** - Designates an operating tip or maintenance suggestion.

### **WARNING**

**Overspeed /  
Overtemperature /  
Overpressure**

The engine, turbine, or other type of prime mover should be equipped with an overspeed shutdown device to protect against runaway or damage to the prime mover with possible personal injury, loss of life, or property damage.

The overspeed shutdown device must be totally independent of the prime mover control system. An overtemperature or overpressure shutdown device may also be needed for safety, as appropriate.

### **WARNING**

**Personal Protective  
Equipment**

The products described in this publication may present risks that could lead to personal injury, loss of life, or property damage. Always wear the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) for the job at hand. Equipment that should be considered includes but is not limited to:

- Eye Protection
- Hearing Protection
- Hard Hat
- Gloves
- Safety Boots
- Respirator

Always read the proper Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for any working fluid(s) and comply with recommended safety equipment.

### **WARNING**

**Start-up**

Be prepared to make an emergency shutdown when starting the engine, turbine, or other type of prime mover, to protect against runaway or overspeed with possible personal injury, loss of life, or property damage.

## Electrostatic Discharge Awareness

### NOTICE

#### Electrostatic Precautions

Electronic controls contain static-sensitive parts. Observe the following precautions to prevent damage to these parts:

- Discharge body static before handling the control (with power to the control turned off, contact a grounded surface and maintain contact while handling the control).
- Avoid all plastic, vinyl, and Styrofoam (except antistatic versions) around printed circuit boards.
- Do not touch the components or conductors on a printed circuit board with your hands or with conductive devices.

To prevent damage to electronic components caused by improper handling, read and observe the precautions in Woodward manual **82715**, *Guide for Handling and Protection of Electronic Controls, Printed Circuit Boards, and Modules*.

Follow these precautions when working with or near the control.

1. Avoid the build-up of static electricity on your body by not wearing clothing made of synthetic materials. Wear cotton or cotton-blend materials as much as possible because these do not store static electric charges as much as synthetics.
2. Do not remove the printed circuit board (PCB) from the control cabinet unless absolutely necessary. If you must remove the PCB from the control cabinet, follow these precautions:
  - Do not touch any part of the PCB except the edges.
  - Do not touch the electrical conductors, the connectors, or the components with conductive devices or with your hands.
  - When replacing a PCB, keep the new PCB in the plastic antistatic protective bag it comes in until you are ready to install it. Immediately after removing the old PCB from the control cabinet, place it in the antistatic protective bag.

## Regulatory Compliance

***IMPORTANT***

Regulatory Compliance and Declaration information is contained in Manual 35033 for the ELA 28 and Manual 35107 for the ELA 21.

# Chapter 1.

## Lubrication Procedure

### Introduction

The only maintenance required for the ELA is lubricating the roller screw, gears, and bearings every 32,000 hours in accordance with the descriptions below.

#### **WARNING**

Do not remove covers or connect/disconnect electrical connectors unless power has been switched off or the area is known to be non-hazardous

Explosion Hazard

Substitution of components may impair suitability for Class 1, Division 2 or Zone 2 applications.

#### **WARNING**

To prevent possible serious personal injury, or damage to equipment, be sure all electric power, hydraulic pressure, and gas pressure have been removed from the actuator before beginning any maintenance.

#### **WARNING**

Lift or handle the actuator only by using the specific lifting locations as noted on the installation drawing. The product weight is stated in the specifications section.

#### **WARNING**

Due to typical noise levels in turbine environments, hearing protection should be worn when working on or around the electric actuator.

#### **WARNING**

Never put your hands near the output shaft. There are moving components with sharp edges, tight clearances, and large closing forces. Actuator position should only be verified by using the visual position indicator on the side of the actuator clevis.

#### **WARNING**

The surface of this product can become hot enough or cold enough to be a hazard. Use protective gear for product handling in these circumstances. Temperature ratings are included in the specification section of this manual.

#### **NOTICE**

Use only Woodward-approved grease to lubricate the roller screw, gears and bearing in this actuator. Use of any other grease will reduce performance and reliability. Woodward lubrication kits are available.

This procedure contains instructions on the proper techniques and equipment for proper lubrication of the Electric Linear Actuator (ELA). Images illustrate where the grease ports are located and the adaptor properly installed in the actuator to ensure efficient and effective application of adequate lubricants to keep the ELA working according to manufacturer's specifications. Prior to beginning the procedure, Figures 7-2 and 7-3 show you where the grease ports are located.

## Grease Kit

This kit will arrive in a bag with a part number and revision number printed on the outside of the bag. Each kit contains multiple syringes with a premeasured amount of grease. Do not refill the syringes.

Please refer to the product manual for the correct grease kit part number or contact your Woodward service provider to confirm the recommended grease kit. The correct grease kit should be used for each corresponding actuator, ensuring that grease is not cross contaminated.

For the shallow grease ports represented in Figures 1-1 and 1-2, insert the syringe with the adapter attached and depress the plunger until the recommended volume of grease is dispensed into the grease port. Reuse the adaptor for each syringe during the greasing operation.

## Grease Port Locations

The ELA has six grease ports: two ports on the side, two ports on top, and one port on the bottom of the actuator base. Use these to lubricate the gear and bearing assembly. One port (Grease Port 6, Fig. 1-2) is located on the actuator body and is where to lubricate the roller screw assembly.

Figure 1-2 shows the locations of these ports. All of the plugs require a 1/4-inch hex wrench to remove them prior to installing the re-greasing adaptor 1249-1338.

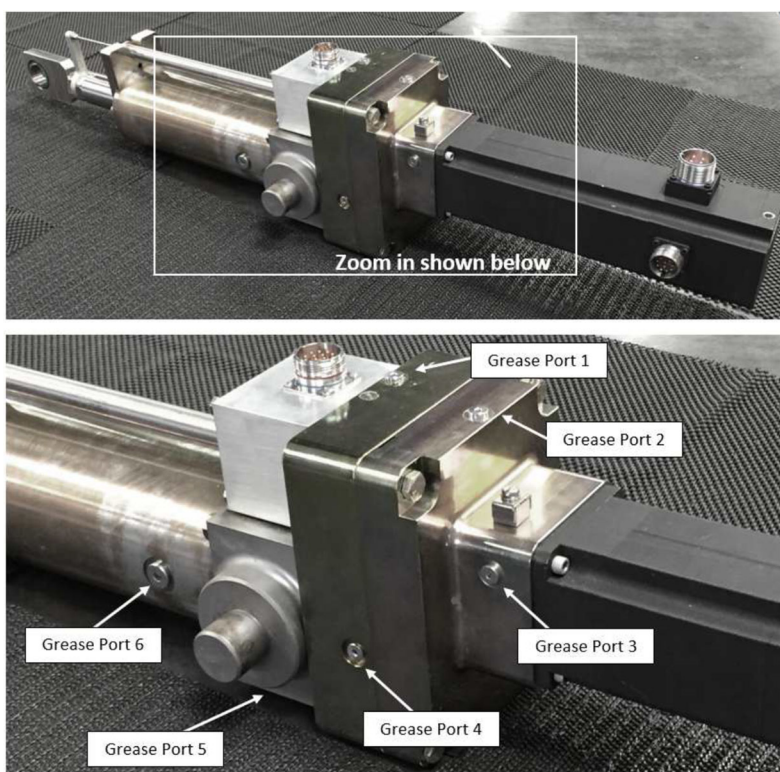


Figure 1-1. Grease Port Locations

There are two different procedures to lubricate the ELA. One is lubricating the gear and bearing assembly and two is lubricating the roller screw assembly.



## Gear and Bearing Lubrication Procedure (Ports 1-5)

### Lubricating the Gear and Bearing Assembly (See Fig. 1-2)

1. Clean the outside of the actuator to ensure that no debris gets inside the actuator during the lubrication process. Any debris in the gears and bearings will reduce its life.
2. Remove the plugs and inject grease into each port using the Grease Syringe 8923-2283 as displayed in Figure 7-3 below.
3. Set the plugs aside and keep clean, ensuring that the inside plug surface is not scratched or marred.
4. Attach the thread connector of the grease syringe to the threaded bearing grease port. Fully seat the fitting.
5. Inject 4 cm<sup>3</sup> of Woodward approved grease into the bearing grease port.
6. Remove the grease syringe from the bearing port and install the port plug. Torque to 2.5–3.2 N·m / 22–28 lb.-in.
7. Repeat this process for all five gear/bearing access ports.

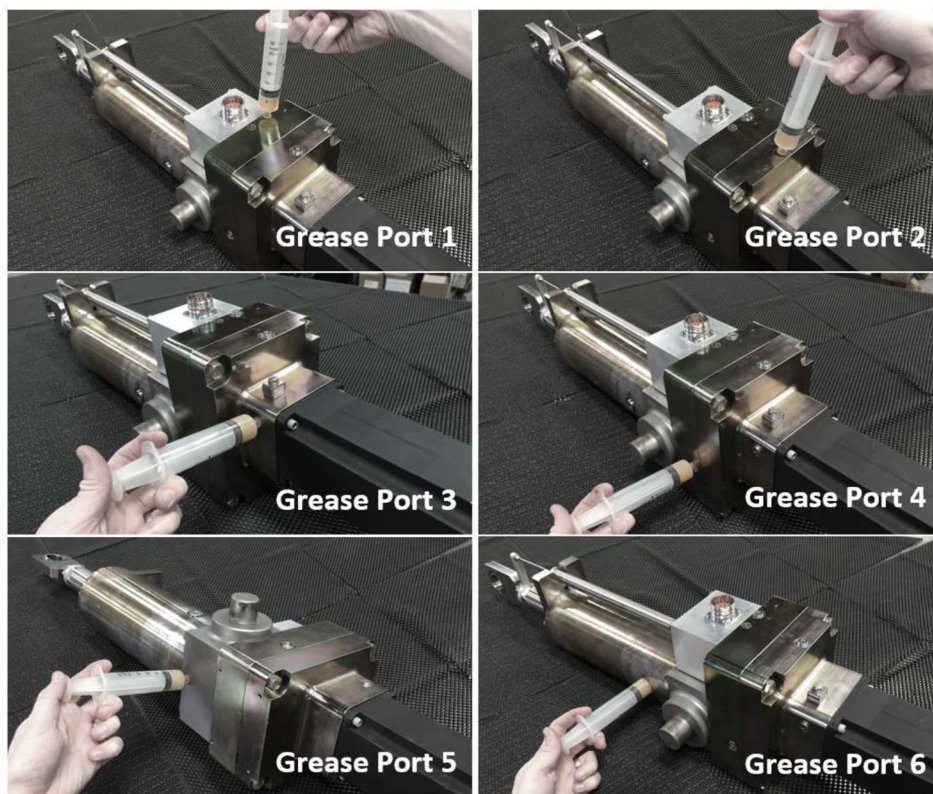


Figure 1-2. Greasing Technique



**WARNING** Wear protective eyewear and gloves during this maintenance procedure.

## Roller Screw Lubrication Procedure (Port 6)

### Lubricating the Roller Screw Assembly (See Fig. 1-3)

1. Clean the outside of the actuator to ensure that no debris gets inside the actuator during the lubrication process. Any debris on the internal components will reduce its life.
2. Command the actuator to the 0% position so that the Roller Screw Port Plug will align with the Roller Screw Grease Port per Figure 7-3.
3. Remove the roller screw port plug with a 1/4 inch hex wrench.
4. Set the plugs aside and keep clean, ensuring that the inside plug surface is not scratched or marred.
5. Attach the thread connector of the grease syringe to the threaded grease port of the roller screw. Fully seat the fitting.
6. Inject 4 cm<sup>3</sup> of Woodward approved grease (3901-1003) into the roller screw grease port.
7. Remove the grease syringe from the roller screw grease port and install the roller screw port plug and torque the port plug to 2.5–3.2 N·m / 22–28 lb.-in (Figure 7-1).

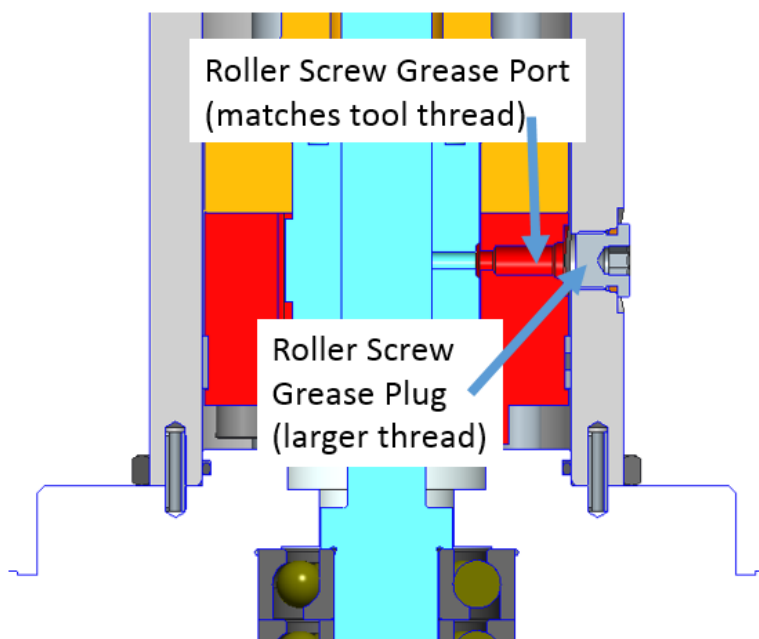


Figure 1-3. Roller Screw Assembly Lubrication

## Chapter 2.

# Product Support and Service Options

### Product Support Options

If you are experiencing problems with the installation, or unsatisfactory performance of a Woodward product, the following options are available:

- Consult the troubleshooting guide in the manual.
- Contact the manufacturer or packager of your system.
- Contact the Woodward Full Service Distributor serving your area.
- Contact Woodward technical assistance (see “How to Contact Woodward” later in this chapter) and discuss your problem. In many cases, your problem can be resolved over the phone. If not, you can select which course of action to pursue based on the available services listed in this chapter.

**OEM or Packager Support:** Many Woodward controls and control devices are installed into the equipment system and programmed by an Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) or Equipment Packager at their factory. In some cases, the programming is password-protected by the OEM or packager, and they are the best source for product service and support. Warranty service for Woodward products shipped with an equipment system should also be handled through the OEM or Packager. Please review your equipment system documentation for details.

**Woodward Business Partner Support:** Woodward works with and supports a global network of independent business partners whose mission is to serve the users of Woodward controls, as described here:

- A **Full Service Distributor** has the primary responsibility for sales, service, system integration solutions, technical desk support, and aftermarket marketing of standard Woodward products within a specific geographic area and market segment.
- An **Authorized Independent Service Facility (AISF)** provides authorized service that includes repairs, repair parts, and warranty service on Woodward's behalf. Service (not new unit sales) is an AISF's primary mission.

A current list of Woodward Business Partners is available at [www.woodward.com/local-partner](http://www.woodward.com/local-partner)

### Product Service Options

The following factory options for servicing Woodward products are available through your local Full-Service Distributor or the OEM or Packager of the equipment system, based on the standard Woodward Product and Service Warranty (5-01-1205) that is in effect at the time the product is originally shipped from Woodward or a service is performed:

- Replacement/Exchange (24-hour service)
- Flat Rate Repair
- Flat Rate Remanufacture

**Replacement/Exchange:** Replacement/Exchange is a premium program designed for the user who is in need of immediate service. It allows you to request and receive a like-new replacement unit in minimum time (usually within 24 hours of the request), providing a suitable unit is available at the time of the request, thereby minimizing costly downtime. This is a flat-rate program and includes the full standard Woodward product warranty (Woodward Product and Service Warranty 5-01-1205).

This option allows you to call your Full-Service Distributor in the event of an unexpected outage, or in advance of a scheduled outage, to request a replacement control unit. If the unit is available at the time of the call, it can usually be shipped out within 24 hours. You replace your field control unit with the like-new replacement and return the field unit to the Full-Service Distributor.

Charges for the Replacement/Exchange service are based on a flat rate plus shipping expenses. You are invoiced the flat rate replacement/exchange charge plus a core charge at the time the replacement unit is shipped. If the core (field unit) is returned within 60 days, a credit for the core charge will be issued.

**Flat Rate Repair:** Flat Rate Repair is available for the majority of standard products in the field. This program offers you repair service for your products with the advantage of knowing in advance what the cost will be. All repair work carries the standard Woodward service warranty (Woodward Product and Service Warranty 5-01-1205) on replaced parts and labor.

**Flat Rate Remanufacture:** Flat Rate Remanufacture is very similar to the Flat Rate Repair option with the exception that the unit will be returned to you in "like-new" condition and carry with it the full standard Woodward product warranty (Woodward Product and Service Warranty 5-01-1205). This option is applicable to mechanical products only.

## Returning Equipment for Repair

If a control (or any part of an electronic control) is to be returned for repair, please contact your Full-Service Distributor in advance to obtain Return Authorization and shipping instructions.

When shipping the item(s), attach a tag with the following information:

- Return authorization number
- Name and location where the control is installed
- Name and phone number of contact person
- Complete Woodward part number(s) and serial number(s)
- Description of the problem
- Instructions describing the desired type of repair

## Packing a Control

Use the following materials when returning a complete control:

- Protective caps on any connectors
- Antistatic protective bags on all electronic modules
- Packing materials that will not damage the surface of the unit
- At least 100 mm (4 inches) of tightly packed, industry-approved packing material
- A packing carton with double walls
- A strong tape around the outside of the carton for increased strength

### NOTICE

To prevent damage to electronic components caused by improper handling, read and observe the precautions in Woodward manual 82715, *Guide for Handling and Protection of Electronic Controls, Printed Circuit Boards, and Modules*.

## Replacement Parts

When ordering replacement parts for controls, include the following information:

- The part number(s) (XXXX-XXXX) that is on the enclosure nameplate
- The unit serial number, which is also on the nameplate

## Engineering Services

Woodward offers various Engineering Services for our products. For these services, you can contact us by telephone, by email, or through the Woodward website.

- Technical Support
- Product Training
- Field Service

**Technical Support** is available from your equipment system supplier, your local Full-Service Distributor, or from many of Woodward's worldwide locations, depending upon the product and application. This service can assist you with technical questions or problem solving during the normal business hours of the Woodward location you contact. Emergency assistance is also available during non-business hours by phoning Woodward and stating the urgency of your problem.

**Product Training** is available as standard classes at many of our worldwide locations. We also offer customized classes, which can be tailored to your needs and can be held at one of our locations or at your site. This training, conducted by experienced personnel, will assure that you will be able to maintain system reliability and availability.

**Field Service** engineering on-site support is available, depending on the product and location, from many of our worldwide locations or from one of our Full-Service Distributors. The field engineers are experienced both on Woodward products as well as on much of the non-Woodward equipment with which our products interface.

For information on these services, please contact one of the Full-Service Distributors listed at [www.woodward.com/local-partner](http://www.woodward.com/local-partner).

## Contacting Woodward's Support Organization

For the name of your nearest Woodward Full-Service Distributor or service facility, please consult our worldwide directory at <https://www.woodward.com/support>, which also contains the most current product support and contact information.

You can also contact the Woodward Customer Service Department at one of the following Woodward facilities to obtain the address and phone number of the nearest facility at which you can obtain information and service.

### Products Used in Electrical Power Systems

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
Brazil	+55 (19) 3708 4800
China	+86 (512) 8818 5515
Germany	+49 (711) 78954-510
India	+91 (124) 4399500
Japan	+81 (43) 213-2191
Korea	+82 (32) 422-5551
Poland	+48 (12) 295 13 00
United States	+1 (970) 482-5811

### Products Used in Engine Systems

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
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## Technical Assistance

If you need to contact technical assistance, you will need to provide the following information. Please write it down here before contacting the Engine OEM, the Packager, a Woodward Business Partner, or the Woodward factory:

### General

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Site Location \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

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### Prime Mover Information

Manufacturer \_\_\_\_\_

Turbine Model Number \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Fuel (gas, steam, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Power Output Rating \_\_\_\_\_

Application (power generation, marine,  
etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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### Control/Governor Information

#### Control/Governor #1

Woodward Part Number & Rev. Letter \_\_\_\_\_

Control Description or Governor Type \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Control/Governor #2

Woodward Part Number & Rev. Letter \_\_\_\_\_

Control Description or Governor Type \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Control/Governor #3

Woodward Part Number & Rev. Letter \_\_\_\_\_

Control Description or Governor Type \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

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### Symptoms

Description \_\_\_\_\_

*If you have an electronic or programmable control, please have the adjustment setting positions or the menu settings written down and with you at the time of the call.*

## Revision History

**Revision A—**

- Replaced Table 1-1 with new content about grease kit
- Revised regreasing adapter from 1249-1301 to 1249-1338

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