OFFSHORE & SUBSEA TECHNOLOGY
The Company

Carl Kurt Walther GmbH & Co. KG was founded in 1931 as a mechanical engineering company in Wuppertal. Since 1951, the WALther PRÄZISION division has been developing and producing mono-couplings, multi-couplings and docking systems used wherever there are liquids, steam, gases, electrical or optical signals and electrical power to be transferred and disconnected safely.

Our engineers develop solutions which fulfil the very strictest demands, prove their worth in adverse conditions and protect the environment in the automotive industry, aerospace and aviation, chemical and pharmaceutical sectors, offshore, medical technology, transportation technology, mechanical and plant engineering and defence technology.

This extensive variety means that today we offer the world’s largest programme of mono-couplings, multi-couplings and docking systems with more than 400,000 variations. Nearly every application can be served with our standard programme, and for special cases we offer individual custom designs.

The offshore industry has benefitted for over 30 years from this existing experience and our will to move on.

Since 1992, the certification of our quality management systems according to DIN EN ISO 9001 is a self-evident consequence to WALther-PRÄZISION for our high quality demand. We manufacture quick self sealing couplings for the aerospace and aviation industry as well as nuclear technology according to DIN EN 9100 and KTA 1401. Our production for medical technology meets all requirements of DIN EN 13485. Cleanliness classes to SAE AS4059 can be met.

Material selections range from coated carbon steels, over bronze to stainless steels of the 316 class and super duplex kinds. New materials to optimize performance are being tested as they become available.

Pressure ratings starting at 345 bar (5,000 psi) years ago constantly increase. 690 bar (10,000 psi) has become a common standard and is taken beyond to 1400 bar (20,000 psi) in some cases.

As sea water depths increase the coupling designs follow. The inhouse pressure chamber verifies correct function of couplings up to 5000 m water depth.
Mono-Couplings

**Quick release version**

- Rugged and reliable design
- Wide choice of end connections
- Various material versions available
- Both sides self sealing

**Series HP**

- Additional safety lock by axial safety sleeve (50 g shock proof)
- Non interchangeable versions by keying rings
- Pressure venting valves
- Dirt - or pressure retaining protection caps

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**Diver screw type version**

- Both sides self sealing
- Rugged connectors with screw sleeve to connect by screwing action under pressure
- Round connection thread for easy action under adverse conditions
- End connections to customer specification
- Standard material AISI 316 L and bronze or other stainless steel / duplex combinations
- Sizes: 3/8", 1/2" and 3/4"
- Working pressure: depending on material combination up to 15,000 psi

**Series SH + SM**

- Non-interchangeable versions by different keying components
- Sealing technique dual o-ring or metal seal with resilient back up
- Connectable under pressure up to 1,500 psi
- Metal seals
- Also available as hose extension

See also brochure „Series SH“
# Coupling elements - Plate mounted

## Standard solution

![Diagram of standard solution coupling element]

**Characteristics:**
- Rugged and reliable design
- Both sides self sealing
- Wide choice of end connections
- Various material versions available (standard = 316 L)
- Redundant seals
- Metal static seals

**Optional features:**
- Shallow water design with dual o-ring seal (-Z04) up to 1000 m water depth
- Deep sea design with polymer seal plus resilient back up (-Z05) down to 5000 m water depth
- Pressure venting valves
- External pressure resistant valves
- Front or rear mounting variants
- Metal primary seal (c-ring)
- Other mounting variants available on request

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## Series OM

![Diagram of Series OM coupling element]

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## Pressure balanced

![Diagram of Pressure balanced coupling element]

**Characteristics:**
- Free of separation forces when connected
- Both sides self sealing
- Wide choice of end connections
- Various material versions available (316 L, Nitronic 50)
- Redundant seals

**Optional features:**
- Venting valve in disconnected position
- Customised mounting geometry

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**Coupling elements - Cavity mounted with high angle release**

### Metal sealed

**Type 84-006**

**Characteristics:**
- Metal to metal primary seal
- 100 and more connection cycles with the same metal seal
- Metal seal reusable up to 10 connection cycles
- Coupling halves self-sealing
- Valves resistant to external pressure
- Design approved for 5000 m water depth
- Max. working pressure 5,000 psi
- Size: 1/4"

**Optional features:**
- High angle connectability
- PTFE seal instead of metal seal
- 1/2" size also available (0E-010 / 10,000 psi)

### ROV exchangeable seals

**Type 0E-006**

**Characteristics:**
- Metal to metal sealing cone situated in separate seal carrying plate between 2 hubs
- Seal plate ROV exchangeable
- Metal seal reusable up to 10 connection cycles
- Coupling halves self-sealing
- Valves resistant to external pressure
- Design approved for 5000 m water depth
- Max. working pressure 5,000 psi
- Wide angle connectability
- Size: 3/8"

**Optional features:**
- High angle connectability
- PTFE seal instead of metal seal
- 1/2" size also available (0E-010 / 10,000 psi)

### Polymer sealed

**Type 82-007**

**Characteristics:**
- Cavity mounted coupling element
- Both sides self-sealing
- Max. working pressure 5,000 psi
- Conical face seal in PTFE
- Possibility to connect with strong angular inclination 10° with hinge point distance 90 mm
- Max. water depth 3400 m
- Size: 1/4"

**Optional features:**
- Version to suit standard Petrobras cavity
- Flush face version
- Thru type versions (without valves)
- Max. working pressure 10,000 psi
Workover stab plates

Cam locking (small)  
- Cam action assisted 8-way plate
- Populated with: 7 coupling elements type OM-006-Z04, 3/8”
  1 coupling element type OM-010-Z04, 1/2”
- Working pressure: 10,000 psi
- Secured position for handles in connected position

Optional features:  
- Super duplex materials
- Protection covers
- Variation in element population
- Strain relief

Cam locking (medium)  
- Cam action assisted 17-way plate
- Populated with: 17 coupling elements type OM-006-Z04, 3/8”
- Working pressure: 10,000 psi for each single element
- Secured position for handles in connected position

Optional features:  
- Super duplex materials
- Protection covers
- Variation in element population
- Strain relief

Cam locking (large)  
- Cam action assisted 30-way plate
- Populated with: 30 coupling elements type HP-006-Y0A, 3/8”
- Working pressure: 5,000 psi for each single element
- Secured position for handles in connected position

Optional features:  
- Super duplex materials
- Protection covers
- Variation in element population
- Strain relief

See also brochure “Manual Stabplates”
Workover stabplates

**Swing bolt locking**

![Swing bolt locking diagram](image)

**e.g.** Type 91547 / Type 915539

**Characteristics:**
- 6 swing bolts to lock up to 36 coupling elements.
- Populated with:
  - 30 coupling elements type OM-006-Y7C, 3/8" for 5,000 psi
  - 4 coupling elements type OM-006-Y6C, 3/8" for 10,000 psi
  - 2 coupling elements type OM-010-Y90, 1/2" for 5,000 psi

**Optional features:**
- Super duplex materials
- Protection covers
- Variation in element population
- Strain relief

See also brochure „Manual Stabplates“

**Central screw locking**

![Central screw locking diagram](image)

**e.g.** Type 91579

**Optional features:**
- Central locking bolt
- Populated with:
  - 8 OM-006-Z04, 3/8" for 10,000 PSI
  - 3 OM-010-Z04, 1/2" for 10,000 PSI

**Optional features:**
- Super duplex materials
- Protection covers
- Variation in element population
- Strain relief

See also brochure „Manual Stabplates“
ROV single couplings

**ROV single couplings for hydraulic controls and chemical injection**

**Series 87**

**Characteristics:**
- Manipulator make and break, no special tooling required
- Connects under full working pressure. Make up torque only 40 Nm.
- Max. working pressure 15,000 psi
- Sizes 6, 10 and 16 mm
- Cv value 0.56 - 5.34
- All primary seals and moving components on retrievable half
- Metallic primary seal with resilient backup
- Metal seal good for +100 connection cycles
- Max. water depth 3000 m

**Optional features:**
- ROV interface as T-bar, D-handle or other profile
- 2 non-interchangeable versions by mechanical profile
- Supplied as complete tested system with jumper hose (HFL)
- Versions for steel hoses available

**See also brochure „Series 87“**

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**ROV single couplings for gas lift**

**Type 87-G50**

**Characteristics:**
- ROV operated API class 4 torque tool
- Thru bore design
- Metal primary seal with double resilient backup
- Temperature rating -29° to 121° C
- Weight: approx 50 kg fixed half; 70 kg free half
- Max. working pressure 10,000 psi

**Optional features:**
- Pressure sealing caps
- Pressure caps with relief valves
- Break away function
- Various tube interfaces e.g. flange, weld stub, threads
- Material class FF or HH, to Norsk M-630 and NACE MR-0175
ROV Stabplates

**ROV operated stab plate (light weight)**

**Type 91568**

Small umbilical or bundle solution:
91568 – is being operated by the ROV manipulator, or in case of heavily amored and stiff umbilicals also by API 17D torque tools. The central locking mechanism is orientated on the central funnel, pushed forward until metal end stop and then turned until final stop is reached. Locking balls radially lock into the funnel and the carrier plate moves forward to make final connection with the subsea plate. This locking principle has been used and proven in many subsea projects.

Characteristics:
- Easy operation by ROV claw
- Population with up to 6 coupling elements for 10,000 psi
- Unique anti rotation termination between coupling elements and umbilical tubes
- Reliable locking mechanism
- Gripping interface to API-17D class 2 alternative torque tool bucket to ISO 13628-8 class 2

Optional features:
- More coupling elements with reduced working pressure
- Umbilical termination flange acc. to project requirement
- Full systems (stab plate + umbilical) available as complete tested HFL
- Parking stations and covers

**ROV operated stab plates (heavy duty)**

**Type 91548**

Large umbilical solution:
- 91561 - which requires an API 17D class 4 tool or similar to handle the increased total mass.
- The ROV drops the unit on to the catching arms of the fixed half. It will rest prepositioned in the cut outs.
- From there the torquing action of the torque tool will move the plate with the coupling elements in a controlled manner to final engagement.

Characteristics:
- Easy operation of stiff umbilicals by very forgiving prealignment process and secured final engagement
- ROV carrying mode is sufficient for operation
- Umbilical termination as all welded solution or with unique anti-rotation fitting
- Population with up to 17 coupling or electrical elements

Optional features:
- Umbilical termination flange acc. to project requirement
- Full systems (stab plate + umbilical) available as complete tested HFL
- Parking stations and covers

See also brochure „ROV stabplates“

**Type 91561**
## Emergency Disconnect Units

EDUs are coupling systems which separate in a planned and controlled way on special command. Mostly used on BOPs the separation sequence can be initiated by pulling force or a hydraulic signal coming from a remote control. Various mechanical or hydraulic solutions are possible. Systems which do not use shear bolts are superior and cost saving as they can be brought back into operation without component replacement thus bringing the system back to money making operation much faster. This allows to test them at any time to verify the function.

### e.g. Type 91355

**Characteristics:**
- Movement by single or double action cylinder
- Connected position secured by WALR (mechanical lock, hydraulic release) unit
- Hydraulic power can be switched off in connected position
- ALR opens lock on hydraulic command
- Either cylinder action or retraction springs will separate coupling halves
- Operates under full system pressure
- Mechanical override by shear pin in case of hydraulic failure
- Upper interface plate for easy termination of umbical
- Max. misalignments on make up: +/- 3mm

**Population:**
- 18 self sealing coupling elements 3/8" size, type HP-006
- Elements optional with deep sea check valves to avoid water ingress
- 1 x Electro connector, 4-way
- Free half optional with jumper hoses between interface and carrier plate

**Optional:** other populations

### e.g. Type 91571

**Characteristics:**
- Manual make up by central screw element
- Emergency separation by breaking shear pin in the locking element
- The use of pressure balanced coupling elements ensures that no reaction force of the working pressure will influence the break away result

**Optional features:**
- 6 pressure balanced coupling elements, type 63-006, working pressure 10,000 psi
- Size 3/8"

**Optional:** other populations
Docking systems FPSO Buoy connectors

FPSOs can be threatened by a number of environmental conditions such as icebergs or hurricanes. It is then of utmost importance to separate the FPSO from the riser buoy to avoid disastrous damage. After letting the threat pass, speedy repositioning and reconnection limits production loss to a minimum.

Walther QCDC (quick connect, disconnect) systems allow to separate hydraulic control lines, chemical injection lines, and electro cables within a few minutes by remote control only. This is done safely at any pressure situation. Reconnection is facilitated by manually pulling the halves together again.

Example 1
- 28 coupling elements, type OM-006-Z03, wp 10,000 psi
- 1 coupling element, type OM-016-Z03, wp 7,500 psi
- 7 electro connectors, type 95290-Z03, 4 way, 20 V
- 3 electro connectors, type 95290-Z03, 4 way, 690 V
- All wet mateable, ex-protected, PTB and CSA approved
- Self sealing adaptor elements (buoy side) with external pressure resistant valves
- Fire protected hoses
- System DNV approved

Optional: other populations

Example 2
- 2 coupling elements type HP-006-Y9C, wp 10,000 psi
- 10 coupling elements type HP-010-Y92, wp 7,500 psi
- 3 coupling elements type HP-016-Y44, wp 5,000 psi
- 13 electro connectors, type 95290, 4 way, wet mateable, ex-protected fully potted with Draka or Duco cable
- Electro connectors with PTB and CSA approval

Optional: other populations

Characteristics:
- Manual connection by ratchet and chain.
- Automatic release by hydraulic unlocking signal to WALR and subsequent automatic separation by gravitational counter weights
- Hanging arrangement of upper ship half to tolerate misalignments between buoy and ship +/- 12 mm side to side and 2° angular