SIMPLE AND RUGGED. STICK, TIG AND ARC GOUGING.

Big Red™ 500

KEY FEATURES
Built for operation in remote locations, the Big Red™ 500 is a simple, rugged diesel engine-driven welder for stick welding, TIG and arc gouging. The design features no PC boards, proven reactor technology and the popular Deutz® D2011L3i oil/air-cooled industrial diesel engine for high reliability in jungles, deserts and other extreme environments.

- Simple, Rugged Design
- High-Output Welding and Arc Gouging
- Desert Duty™ Rated
- Versatile Receptacle Connections for AC Generator Power
- Popular Deutz® Industrial Diesel Engine

Processes »
Stick, TIG, Gouging

Output »

Input »

Product Number »
K2810-1
FEATURES

- **Simple, Rugged Design**
  - Proven reactor technology.
  - No PC boards.
  - Heavy gauge steel base, frame, case sides and roof.

- **High-Output Welding and Arc Gouging**
  - 600 Amps DC stick and DC TIG welding.
  - 8 mm (5/16 in.) carbon arc gouging.

- **Desert Duty™ Rated**
  - Tested for extreme temperature operation up to 55°C.

- **Versatile Receptacle Connections for 60 Hz AC Generator Power**
  - Operate common construction tools:
    - 2,400 watts, 120V NEMA receptacles.
    - 1,800 watts, 120V EURO receptacle.
    - 120V receptacles are GFCI protected.
  - 3,600 watts, 240V EURO receptacle, with a port for easily adding an RCD (Residual Current Device).

- **Popular Deutz® Industrial Diesel Engine**
  - Deutz® D2011L3i, 32 HP, 1800 RPM.
  - 3-cylinder, oil/air-cooled.
  - EPA Tier 4i
  - Engine protection for low oil pressure and high temperature.
  - Low maintenance and long life.

**PERFORMANCE**

- 500 amp rated output DC arc constant current welding power source for construction and maintenance stick welding.
- Weld mode selector switch to select either stick/arc gouging mode or TIG mode.
- 4 taps and fine control for selecting a wide range of output from 65 to 500 amps.
- Built-in “hot” start for easier starts and restrikes minimizing the electrode “sticking” to the work.
- Arc gouging with up to a 8 mm (5/16 in.) carbon.
- Scratch start DC TIG welding.
- Delivers up to 2,400 watts of 120V generator AC power for a grinder, or lights and 3,600 watts of 240V AC generator power for other power tools.
- Nominal 120V and 240V AC generator voltage is independent of any weld dial setting.
- Get multiple arcs from the Big Red™ 500 constant current DC welding output by adding the Multi-Weld® 350 system. Available power is 8,100 watts at 60V DC (10,200 watts at 58V DC). See the Multi-Weld® 350 bulletin E5.302.

**SIMULTANEOUS WELDING AND POWER LOADS**

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**FEATURES**

- Simple Controls - Keeps training time to a minimum.
- Powered by a heavy duty, industrial Deutz® diesel engine.
- Pressure lubrication system with replaceable filter assures lubrication to all critical areas of the engine.
- Engine gauges indicate oil pressure, temperature and fuel level.
- All day welding with 76 liter (20 gallon) plastic fuel tank. Pre-filter water separator and a filter in the fuel line help keep the fuel clean.
- Single-side engine access with lockable sliding door.

- NEMA and European style receptacles with RCD-ready port.

- Oil drain system includes ball valve and hose to direct oil beyond the base of the machine.
- Engine hour meter for scheduling maintenance.
- Scratch-resistant Lexan® nameplate.

**QUALITY AND RELIABILITY**

- Designed especially for welding in remote locations, Lincoln Electric’s Big Red™ 500 offers reliable DC arc welding performance.
- The Big Red™ 500 is built in a heavy gauge steel case and is designed for durability on the job site. Rugged construction withstands rough field handling while protecting internal parts.
- Deutz® oil/air-cooled industrial diesel engine offers low maintenance and long life. No radiator and radiator hoses to maintain. EPA Tier 4i.
- Engine Protection System includes automatic shutdown for low oil pressure or high engine temperature.
- Indicator light turns on for low oil pressure or high engine temperature. A second indicator light turns on if the engine battery charging system malfunctions.
- Circuit breaker on the 12V battery circuit provides added component protection.

- Dependability and long life aided by all-copper windings in rotors, stators and reactor with high quality insulation.
- Standard environmental protection includes coatings on stators, rotors, reactor, rectifier stack and exposed electrical connections.
- The following components are T-Plus™ coated for additional environmental protection, especially for tropical climates: machined ID (inside diameter) of stators, inside of stator tie bars, and machined OD (outside diameter) of rotors.
- Manufactured under a quality system certified to ISO 9001 requirements and ISO 14001 environmental standards.
- IP23 enclosure protection.
- Three-year Lincoln Electric warranty (engine is warranted separately by the manufacturer).
**MACHINE SPECIFICATIONS**

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<td>500 Amp DC Arc Welder with 3,600 Watts of AC Power</td>
<td>DC Constant Current at 40º C 500A/30V/40% 450A/34V/60% 400A/36V/100% 65-500A 90V DC Max OCV @ 1,890 RPM</td>
<td>Up to 3,600 Watts 60 Hz 120V Duplex NEMA Receptacle w/ Sealed GFCI Module 20A 120V European Receptacle w/ Sealed GFCI Module Shared with NEMA Duplex Receptacle 15A 240V 1-Phase European Receptacle 15A</td>
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[^1]: Based on a 10 minute period. High Altitude: For maximum rating, derate the output 5% for every 300 m (984 ft.) above 1,500 m (4,920 ft.).

[^2]: 120V will operate either 60 Hz or 50/60 Hz power tools, lights, etc.

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**KEY CONTROLS**

1. Current Range Selector
2. Breaker for 12V Battery Circuit
3. Start Push Button
4. Run/Stop Switch
5. Fuel Gauge/Hour Meter
6. RCD-Ready Port Cover
7. 240V AC Circuit Breaker for European Receptacle
8. 240V AC European Receptacle
9. Covered Weld Output Terminals + and -
10. 120V AC Circuit Breaker for NEMA Receptacles
11. 120V AC NEMA Receptacles
12. 120V AC Circuit Breaker for European Receptacle
13. 120V AC European Receptacle
14. Ground Stud
15. Sealed GFCI Module
16. Local/Remote Control Switch
17. Remote Control Connector
18. Engine Battery Charging Light
19. Engine Protection Light
20. Fine Output Control
21. Engine Temperature and Oil Pressure Gauges
22. Weld Mode Selector Switch
23. Access for Optional Analog Weld Meters
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<td>Deutz® Diesel® (2)</td>
<td>3 Cylinder, 4 Cycle Oil/Air-Cooled Diesel Engine with Dry Cartridge Air Filter MSHA Approved</td>
<td>32 HP @ 1800 RPM</td>
<td>Fuel: 20.0 gals (76 ltrs) Oil: 6.3 qts (6.0 ltrs)</td>
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(2) Deutz® is 2 years/2,000 hours for all components, 3 years/3,000 hours for major components.

### RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES

#### GENERAL OPTIONS

**Medium Welder Trailer**
For heavy-duty road, off-road, plant and yard use. Includes pivoting jack stand, safety chains, and 10 in. (250 mm) wheels. Stiff 120 in. (3.0 m) welded rectangular steel tube frame construction is phosphate etched and powder coat painted for superior rust and corrosion resistance. Low sway suspension gives outstanding stability with manageable tongue weight. Wheel bearings are packed with high viscosity, high pressure, low washout Lubriplate® grease. Includes a Duo-Hitch™ — a 2 in. (51 mm) Ball/Lunette Eye combination hitch. Overall width 66 in. (1676 mm). Overall length 124 in. (3149 mm).

Order: K2636-1 Trailer
K2639-1 Fender & Light Kit
K2640-1 Cable Rack

**Four-Wheeled Steerable Yard Trailer**
For off-road, plant and yard use. Includes an automatically engaging drawbar lock when the drawbar is raised to the vertical position. 10 in. (250 mm) wheels. Wheel bearings are packed with high viscosity, high pressure, low washout Lubriplate® grease. Stiff 13 ft. (4.1 m) welded rectangular steel frame construction is phosphate etched and powder coat painted for superior rust and corrosion resistance. Also includes a Duo-Hitch™ — a 2 in. (51 mm) Ball/Lunette Eye combination hitch. Overall width 95 in. (2413 mm). Overall length 134.5 in. (3422 mm).

Order: K2641-2

**Analog Weld Meters Kit**
Easy to read analog meters for volts and amps. Easy to install.
Order K2863-1

**Spark Arrestor Kit**
Mounts to muffler exhaust tube. Virtually eliminates spark emissions.
Order K2864-1

**Multi-Weld® 350**
For multiple arcs from the DC output of a welding power source. See bulletin E5.302 for Multi-Weld® 350 and distribution system.
Order K735-1

**Recomended Accessories**

**TIG OPTIONS**

**Pro-Torch™ PTA-26V TIG Torch**
Air-cooled 200 amp torch equipped with valve for gas flow control. 25 ft. (7.6 m) length.
Order K738-9

**Magnum® Parts Kit for PTA-26V TIG Torch**
Magnum® Parts Kit provides all the torch accessories you need to start welding. Parts kit provides collets, collet bodies, a back cap, alumina nozzles and tungstens in a variety of sizes, all packaged in an easy to carry reclosable sack.
Order KP509

**STICK OPTIONS**

**Accessory Kit**
For stick welding. Includes 35 ft. (10.7 m) 2/0 electrode cable with lug, 30 ft. (9.1 m) 2/0 work cable with lugs, headshield, filter plate, work clamp and electrode holder. 400 amp capacity.
Order K704

**Remote Control**
Remote control rheostat permits machine output changes up to 100 ft. (30.5 m) from the machine. Plugs into receptacle on control panel.
Order K2860-1

### ANALOG WELD METER KIT

- Easy to read analog meters for volts and amps.
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### SPARK ARRESTOR KIT

- Mounts to muffler exhaust tube.
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### MULTI-WELD® 350 KIT

- Multi-arc from the DC output of a welding power source.
- See bulletin E5.302 for Multi-Weld® 350 and distribution system.

### RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES

#### GENERAL OPTIONS

- **Medium Welder Trailer**
  - For heavy-duty road, off-road, plant and yard use.
  - Includes pivoting jack stand, safety chains, and 10 in. (250 mm) wheels.
  - Stiff 120 in. (3.0 m) welded rectangular steel tube frame construction.
  - Phosphate etched and powder coat painted for superior rust and corrosion resistance.
  - Low sway suspension.
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  - Air-cooled 200 amp torch.
  - Valve for gas flow control.
  - 25 ft. (7.6 m) length.

- **Magnum® Parts Kit for PTA-26V TIG Torch**
  - Provides all torch accessories.
  - Collets, collet bodies, back cap, alumina nozzles, and tungstens.
  - Reclosable sack.

#### STICK OPTIONS

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  - 400 amp capacity.

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  - Remote control rheostat.
  - Machine output changes up to 100 ft. (30.5 m).
  - Receptacle on control panel.
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**Engine Model:** Deutz® D2011LiL

**Output Range:**
- Welding: 65-500A DC
- AC Power: 3600 watts

**Engine Model:** Deutz® D2011LiL

**EPA Tier 4i**

**Number of Cylinders:** 3

**HP @ Speed (RPM):** 32 @ 1800

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