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SCHUKO® IP68

MENNEKES expands its portfolio with exceptionally robust solutions for demanding Environments

Kirchhundem, March 2026 – MENNEKES is introducing new SCHUKO® plugs and connectors with IP68 protection rating. These products have been developed specifically for applications that place the highest demands on robustness, reliability and resistance to moisture, dust and mechanical stress. They provide secure protection during submersion and ensure a consistently stable power supply – even under extreme conditions.

The new SCHUKO® IP68 plugs and connectors are the ideal solution for challenging outdoor environments. They deliver reliable performance in rain, snow and direct exposure to the elements. On construction sites, they prove their durability thanks to their high resistance to dirt, moisture and intensive mechanical stress. In industrial environments – including production facilities, workshops or dusty manufacturing areas – they ensure safe and stable power delivery at all times.

Organizations such as the German Federal Agency for Technical Relief (THW) and the German Armed Forces benefit from the exceptional robustness of the new devices. During operations in flood situations, in rain or in muddy terrain, the products support a safe and dependable energy supply. For maritime applications – including boats, ports, shipyards or sea rescue units – they provide maximum safety even under the harshest conditions. In agricultural environments, SCHUKO® IP68 solutions demonstrate their strengths in irrigation systems or modern stables, where dirt and moisture are present every day.

A key feature of the new product line is the fast and uncomplicated installation. The innovative universal sealing element eliminates the need for adjusting or exchanging different seal inserts. One single silicone seal covers cable diameters from 6.4 to 16.5 millimeters, offering maximum flexibility during installation. The optimized assembly process enables quick and efficient installation. Captive screws increase safety and prevent housing or contact screws from falling out accidentally. A standard PZ2 screwdriver is sufficient for the entire installation process.

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Relevant information is placed directly on the insert: a marked stripping length and an integrated template for conductor stripping ensure precise worksteps without additional measuring tools.

The SCHUKO® IP68 products are equipped with a bayonet ring and a protective cap. In the plugged-in state, they remain watertight even when submerged. The nubbed grip surfaces and the rubberized, nubbed cable gland allow for secure handling – even in wet conditions.

With this new product line, MENNEKES sets a clear focus on enhanced safety and efficiency in harsh environments. Reduced installation time and minimized error potential result in lower assembly costs and improved economic efficiency across various fields of application.

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SCHUKO® devices from MENNEKES – protected, durable and engineered for operation under extreme weather conditions.

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Watertight even when submerged while plugged in – SCHUKO® IP68 plug and connector from MENNEKES.



SCHUKO® IP68 plug from MENNEKES featuring a rubberized bayonet ring and tethered protective cap.

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The MENNEKES Group is a leading manufacturer of industrial plugs and eMobility charging solutions. Since 2014 our “Type 2” charging system with the well-known plug has been the EU standard for electric vehicles throughout Europe. Founded in 1935 our medium-sized family business from the Sauerland region is represented in more than 90 countries through subsidiaries and agencies, and employs around 1,600 people worldwide.

We produce plugs, connectors, sockets and receptacle combinations in a wide variety of designs. Our robust, long-lasting solutions are used wherever electricity must flow safely and reliably – for example in various industrial sectors, in tunnels and railway stations, in mining and shipbuilding, in container ports, data centres, wind farms, by fire departments and disaster relief units and at events of all kinds.

In the field of electromobility MENNEKES offers intelligent charging solutions for the transportation of the future: Our portfolio includes charging cables with “Type 2” plugs, intelligent charging stations and wallboxes – for private homes, industry, commercial applications and public parking areas run by municipalities. We also offer matching software solutions: apps for electric-vehicle drivers and electricians, a billing service and charge point management. We provide our customers with a trained network of electrical trade partners. For the automotive industry and its suppliers, we manufacture charging inlets and charging cables for electric vehicles. The MENNEKES Group recently generated revenues of around 300 million euros.

Further information can be found at www.MENNEKES.org as well as on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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