Disabling a Tool Home or Tool Out Sensor

How to temporarily disable a tool out or tool home sensor in the winMulti control software

8	Difficulty	Easy
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Duration 5 minute(s)

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Introduction

If there is a failure of a tool out or tool home sensor on the Stuga spindle ring, it is important to be able to quickly disable the input so the machine can continue production until the problem can be properly resolved. The software has an inbuilt functionality to do this - this tutorial takes you through the necessary steps

Step 1 - Exit winMulti

A change has to be made to one of the setup files, so you need to exit to the desktop

Step 2 - Open tools.mul

Navigate to the directory containing tools.mul. Depending on the machine type, this could be c:\multi, c:\ddrive or d:\



🤍 sparams.saw	
STDOPS.MUL	
SYSTEMS.MUL	
tools.mul	
toolsLR.mul	
trim.mul	
🤍 userVariables.mul	
xposhold.mul	

Step 3 - Disable the tool reference



...The ioReferences for the spindle home / out inputs are different for various machine types. This is a historical anomaly left over from when the control programs were merged

See Dictionary for more detail on IO inputs For Autoflows:

The ioRefs are in the range 67-86 and begin InB_Spin....

For ZX and Flowline:

The ioRefs are in the range 405-422 and begin SP or DP

To disable the input, change the IOReference code to -1

The spindle software automatically uses a timer instead of the input to control the spindle

FunctionTimerPlunge OutParameter 'toolplunge'Plunge HomeFixed 10msDouble Plunge OutFixed 0.75sDouble Plunge HomeFixed 0.75s

🥘 tools.mul - Notepad	
File Edit Format View Help	
[spindles]	
1,0.0,4,SPIN1,SPPL1,-	1,SPHM1,SPT01,-1,-1,300,-1,0,27048,0
2,314.9,3,SPIN2,SPPL2	,-1,SPHM2,SPT <u>02,-1</u> ,-1,300,-1,0,186464,0
3,270.0,2,SPIN3,SPPL3	,SPDP3,SPHM3,SPTO3,-1,DPTO3,300,7,0,6982,0
4,225.0,7,SPIN4,SPPL4	,-1,SPHM4,SPT04,-1,-1,300,-1,0,456,0
5,179.8,4,SPIN5,SPPL5	,-1,SPHM5,SPT05,-1,-1,300,-1,0,13583,0
6,134.9,3,SPIN6,SPPL6	,-1,SPHM6,SPTO6,-1,-1,300,-1,0,76357,0
7,90.0,2,SPIN7,SPPL7,	SPDP7,SPHM7,SPT07,-1,DPT07,300,3,0,4778,0
8,44.9,3,SPIN8,SPPL8,	-1,SPHM8,SPT08,-1,-1,300,-1,0,0,0
[tools]	
1,3mm Drill	,900,500,30,0,0000
2,10mm Router	,500,500,100,0,0000
3,5mm Router	,1200,800,50,0,0000
4,12.7mm Router	,500,500,127,0,0000
7,16mm Drill	,300,300,160,0,0000

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Step 4 - Save tools.mul

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	Open	Ctrl+O	3.5
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	Page Setup		PHM

Step 5 - Restart winMulti

Step 6 - Disable the Alarm

Depending on the setup of the individual machine, there will probably be an alarm set up to detect if the sensor is active at the correct stroke of the cylinder.

This is easily disabled through the Settings->Alarms screen by unticking the "Enabled" box

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	11	SPT02	~	Off	SPPL2	~	On	~	150	3-Cycle	~	Spindle 2 Tool Not Plunged	MH	~		
	12	SPT03	~	Off	SPPL3	~	On	×	150	3-Cycle	~	Spindle 3 Tool Not Plunged	MH	~		
	13	SPTO4	~	Off	SPPL4	~	On	~	150	3-Cycle	~	Spindle 4 Tool Not Plunged	MH	~	M	
	14	SPT05	~	Off	SPPL5	~	On	~	150	3-Cycle	×	Spindle 5 Tool Not Plunged	MH	~		
	15	SPT06	~	Off	SPPL6	~	On	~	150	3-Cycle	~	Spindle 6 Tool Not Plunged	MH	~	\square	
	16	SPT07	¥	Off	SPPL7	Y	On	Y	150	3-Cycle	¥	Spindle 7 Tool Not Plunged	MH	~		
	17	SPT08	~	Off	SPPL8	~	On	~	150	3-Cycle	~	Spindle 8 Tool Not Plunged	MH	~		
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