

MarTek Ltd.
RAKTEK™
User's Manual
Model RLR1

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1.0 Arc-blast Hazards

The hazards associated with electrical arc-blasts are well documented. Studies conducted by numerous industries and professional organizations have sought to quantify the intensity of arc-blast, the risks to personnel, and various methodologies for mitigating the risks.

Without doubt, increasing the distance between the arc and a human is the single greatest favorable factor in reducing injuries.

Remote racking is not a panacea, but rather one more tool available for protecting workers while they are performing electrical switching.

Using the RLR1 remote racking device may not negate the need for additional personal protective measures. The user is ultimately responsible for evaluating each situation to determine if additional protective measures are needed.



WARNING

Breaker racking may present risk of serious injury or death. This device should only be used by qualified persons after careful analysis of the hazards.

2.0 Application Information

The RLR1 is suitable for most 'RL' circuit breakers sold by Siemens and Siemens-Allis.

The same internal racking mechanism was utilized for all RL breakers, regardless of the frame size. The RLR1 should work with all RL breakers, 800 amp frame through 5000 amp frame.

DO NOT attempt to use the RLR1 with any breaker other than a RL.

3.0 General Safety Information

Carefully read and comply with all safety instructions listed below.

The RLR1 contains sealed lead-acid (SLA) batteries. In the unlikely event of a battery rupture, treat all liquids and vapors as potentially hazardous (sulphuric acid).

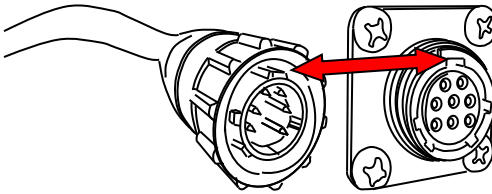
Whenever the RLR1 is powered from an AC source, always use the (included) GFCI-equipped power cord. If the GFCI trips two consecutive times, discontinue AC-powered use and contact the factory.

Whenever the lid is open the unit must be protected from water intrusion.

Never close the carrying case while the unit is powered on.

4.0 Cables

4.1 Connecting and disconnecting the control cable



1. Align the keyway on the cable connector with the key on the power supply connector.
2. Push in and engage the thread on the coupling nut and turn clockwise.
3. Use a similar technique to connect the cable to the controller.

4.2 AC Power Cable / GFCI

ALWAYS use the GFCI-equipped power cable that was supplied with the RLR1. The *automatic* GFCI does not require resetting upon initial power-up. However, the GFCI should be tested prior to use by depressing the white TEST button. The GFCI should then trip. It is necessary to press the red Reset button before proceeding.

If the GFCI fails to trip when the Test button is depressed, DISCONTINUE AC-powered USE immediately and contact the factory.

If the GFCI tests properly without a load, but trips when a load is applied, a ground fault exists. A REAL SHOCK HAZARD EXISTS!

Immediately discontinue use and contact the factory.

If the RLR1 is supplied from an extension cord, the GFCI cannot sense an upstream ground fault, i.e. a fault in the extension cord. For this reason, extension cords should be connected to a GFCI outlet or portable GFCI.

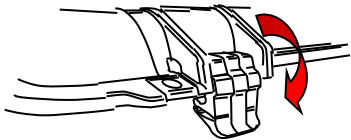
4.3 Racking Head Cable

The racking head cable is a high-quality, super-flexible, multiple conductor cable, with an overall braided shield. The racking head cable can easily be coiled and stored in the pocket toward the front of the carrying case.

Care should be taken to ensure the carrying case lid does not crush any of the cables.

5.0 Carrying Case

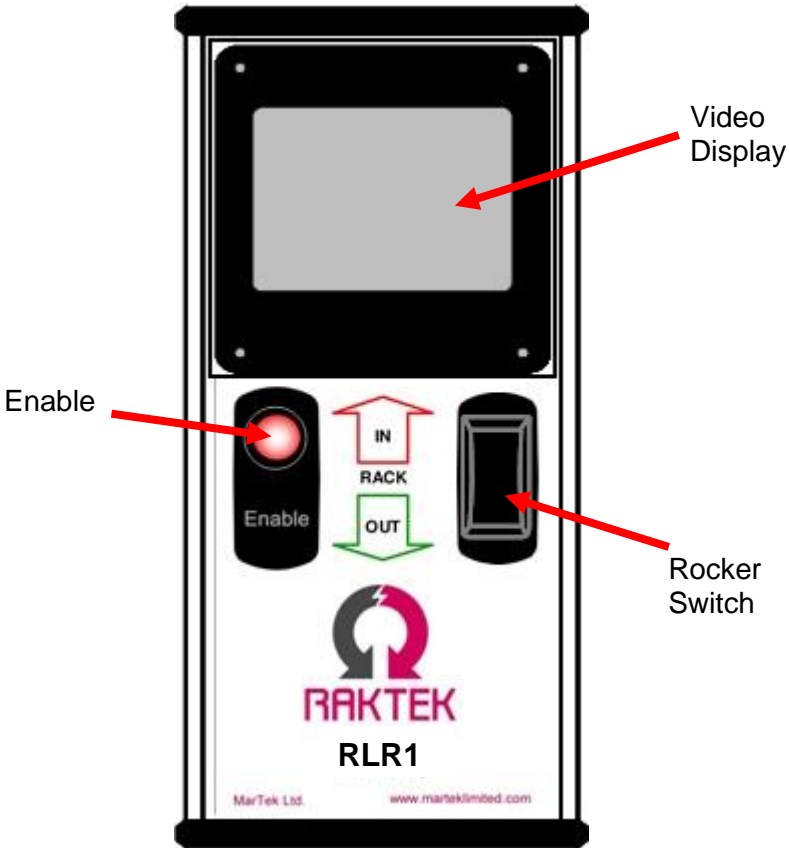
To lessen the chances of a tip over, the telescoping tag-along handle should be completely collapsed whenever the RLR1 is in use.



To safeguard against the case lid breaking the control cable connector, the lid latches should always be left in the 'down' position whenever the lid is open.

6.0 The Controller

The controller is designed for two-hand operation for the purpose of preventing inadvertent operation of the racking motor. See the following section for a detailed description of the controller features and function.



6.1 The ENABLE button:

Upon initial power-up, the Enable button must be depressed for at least one second in order to advance to the next video screen.

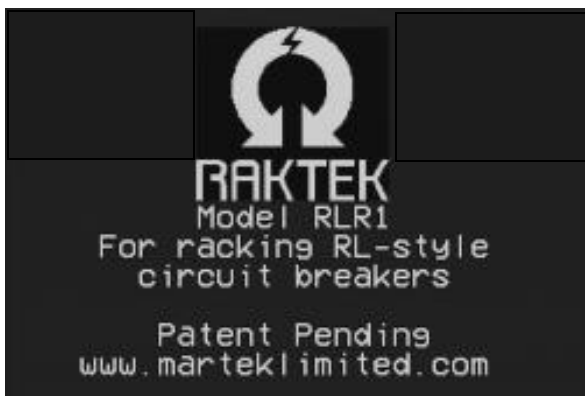
6.2 The Rack IN / Rack OUT rocker switch:

The rocker switch is used to select whether the racking motor racks the breaker IN or OUT. The rocker switch is spring return to center, OFF.

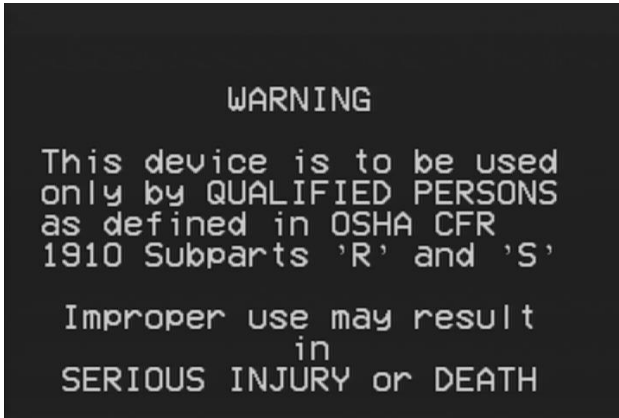
The Enable button and rocker switch must **BOTH** be **HELD CONTINUOUSLY** in order to run the racking motor.

6.3 Startup Screens

The video screen serves multiple functions.

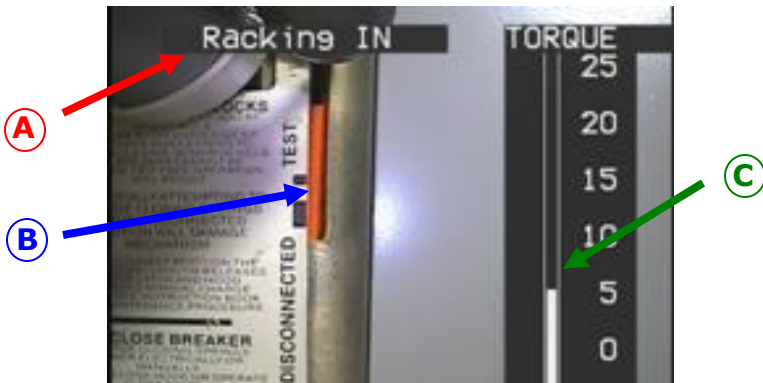


Upon powering-up the RLR1, the introductory screen will appear. Pressing the Enable button for one second will advance the display to the next screen.



After reading the warning screen, once again depress the Enable button for one second to advance to the normal operating screen.

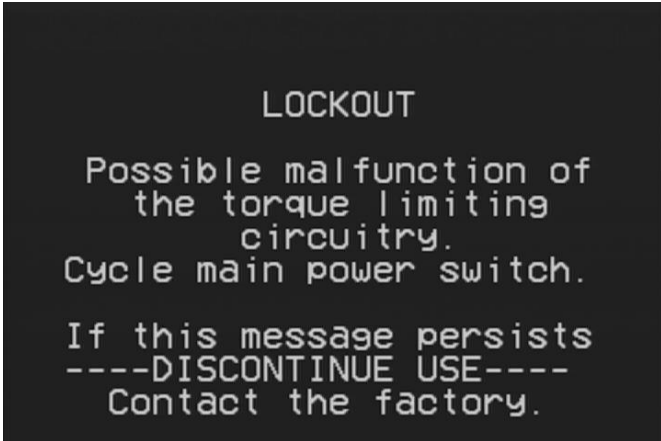
6.4 Operating Screen



The operating screen allows the user to constantly monitor:

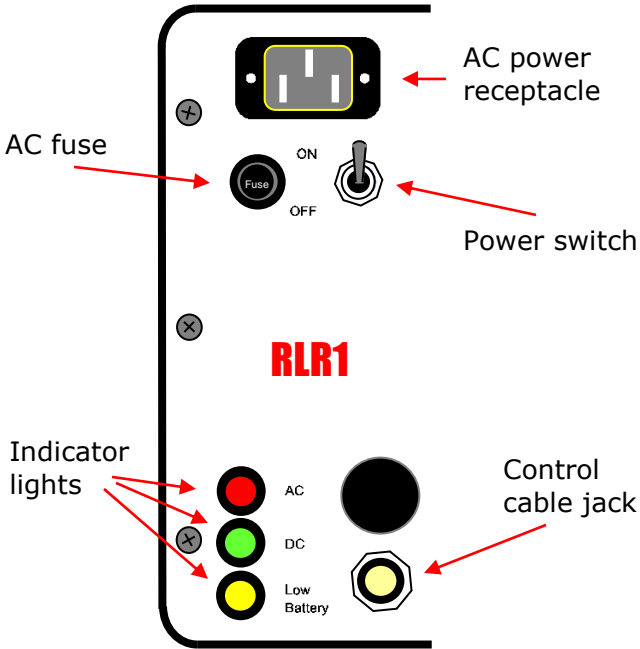
- A** Direction of breaker movement (in/out)
- B** Breaker position indicator
- C** Instantaneous torque being applied

6.5 Torque Limiter Failure



- The control circuitry is designed to allow a pre-determined maximum current to flow to the racking motor, thereby precisely controlling torque.
- An independent circuit, utilizing a Hall-effect current sensor, continuously monitors the amount of current flowing to the motor. This is used for the torque bargraph that is displayed on the video screen.
- If the motor current exceeds a certain value the control system will inhibit ALL operations and display the message shown above.
- It is possible that a spurious current has falsely triggered this response. Simply turn the main power switch OFF and back ON. If the message appears again, discontinue using the device until the factory has been consulted.
- CONTINUED USE MAY RESULT IN BREAKER DAMAGE.

7.0 Power Supply



7.1 Power Supply Indicators

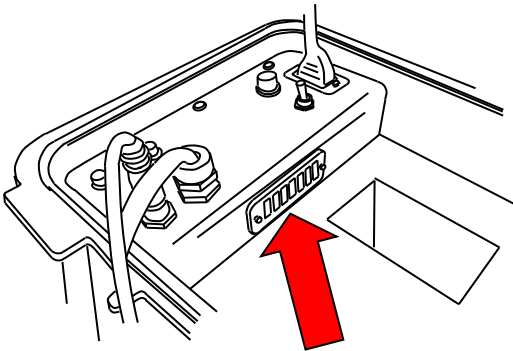
RED indicates that AC power is present.

GREEN indicates DC power is present.

YELLOW indicates that DC voltage has fallen to approximately 21 volts and that the unit should be supplied from AC power as soon as possible. See section 7.4.

7.2 Power Supply Function

The RLR1 may be powered from either, the on-board batteries or from a 115 volt, 60 hz, AC source. If AC power is present, the power supply will automatically switch from batteries to the AC source and begin recharging the batteries.



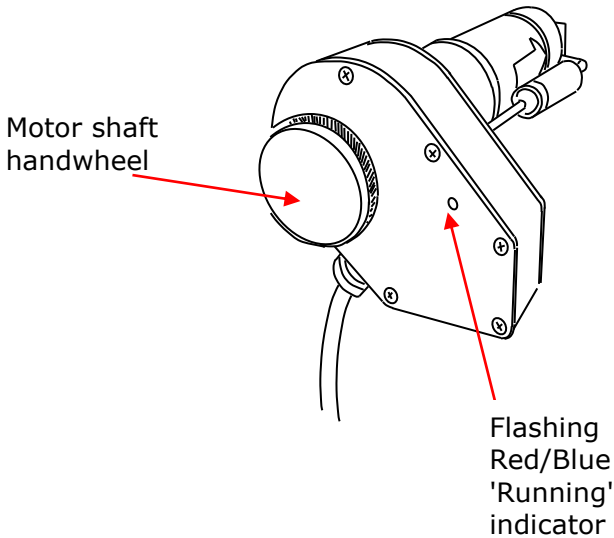
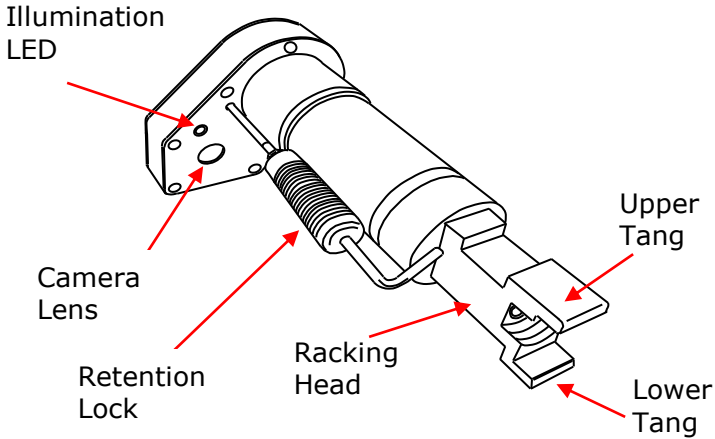
Ensure the cooling fan exhaust is never restricted while the unit is powered on. NEVER completely close the case lid with power switch in the ON position.

7.3 Recharging the Battery

In order to recharge the batteries, simply provide AC power and turn the power switch ON. The red AC indicator and green DC indicator should be illuminated and the cooling fan should be running. The control cable does not need to be plugged-in. Although the power supply regulates the charging voltage and current, it is preferred that the unit not be continuously charged for more than 24 hours.

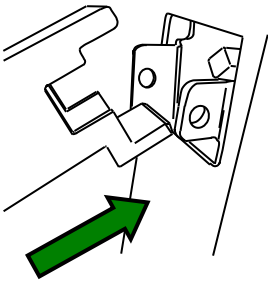
8.0 The Racking Head

8.1 Key components of the Racking Head are as follows:



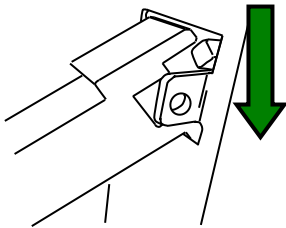
8.2 Engaging the Racking Head to the Breaker Racking Mechanism

The racking head of the RLR1 MUST be installed using the technique described below.



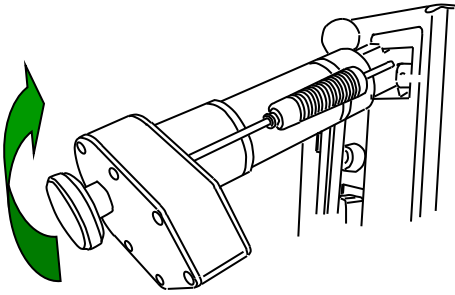
STEP 1:

Insert the racking head at approximately 45 degrees.



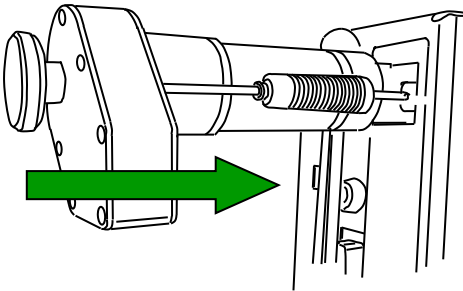
STEP 2:

Insert the racking head until the lower tang drops down past the edge of the racking screw window.



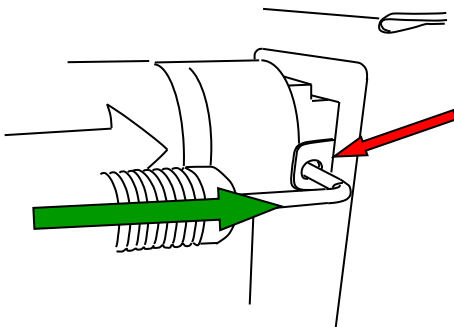
STEP 3:

Rotate the rear of unit upward.



STEP 4:

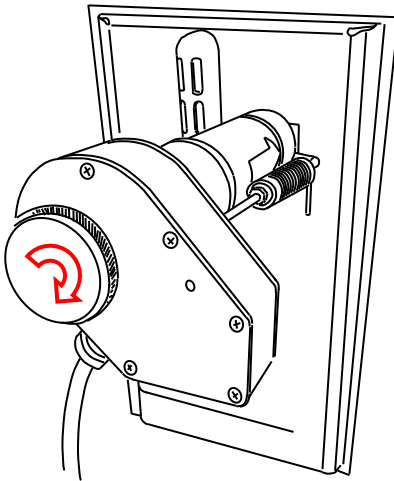
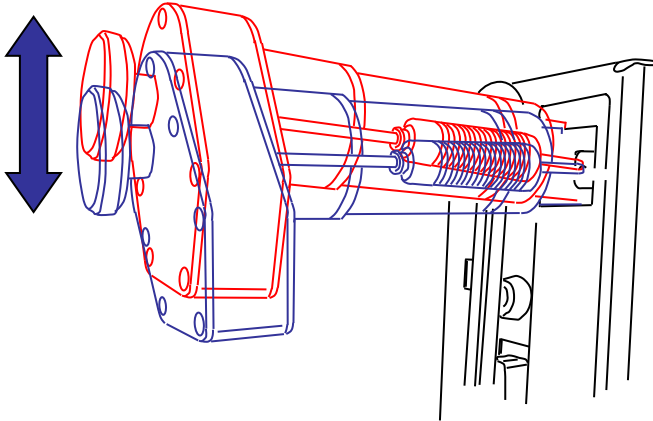
Push the unit toward the breaker, engaging the racking screw.



STEP 5:

Pull the spring-loaded retention lock forward and insert the end into the lockout device.

Note: the angle of the racking screw changes as the breaker is racked-in or racked-out. It is normal for the angle of the racking motor to move accordingly. This must also be taken into account when installing the racking device.



If engaging the drive socket is difficult, the handwheel can be rotated to reposition the drive socket slightly.

Typically, no more than 4 or 5 turns should be required.

8.3 Racking to 'full in' or 'full out' Limits

The RLR1 electronically limits the amount torque that is applied to the racking mechanism. By observing the torque bargraph on the right side of the video display, the operator should notice an increase in torque as the breaker stabs are engaging the switchgear bus, as well as when the breaker is racked to either extreme limit (racked in or racked out).

Anytime the racking motor drives to a stalled condition, the control system will stop the motor and then reverse direction to back-off the racking mechanism by approximately 1/2 turn of the racking mechanism -- provided both, the Enable button and Racking rocker switch are held. The video display will then indicate "Complete".

Additionally, the racking motor is equipped with a stall-sensor to sense motor stall. DO NOT be hesitant to run the racking motor to 'full stall' in either direction. To protect the racking motor, the control system limits the amount of time the motor can remain in a stalled condition, as well as limiting the motor current to a safe level

9.0 Sequence of Operation:

Steps	See Section
Connect the control cable to the power supply and handheld control unit.	4.1
If AC power is used, test the GFCI.	4.2
Power-up the power supply by turning toggle switch ON. The green 'DC' light should illuminate. If the unit is plugged into AC power, the red 'AC' should illuminate too. The cooling fan should be running. If the yellow 'Low DC' light comes on, plug the unit into an AC power source.	7.0
Observe the screen on the handheld controller. Press the Enable button to acknowledge you have read the warnings and to advance to the next screen.	6.0
Engage the racking head to the breaker racking mechanism.	8.0
Standing outside the arc-flash boundary zone, depress the Enable button while simultaneously depressing the Racking rocker switch in the desired direction, i.e. Rack IN or Rack OUT.	6.0
Observe the video display to monitor the breaker position indicator as well as the torque that is being applied.	6.4
Release either, the Enable button or the Racking rocker switch to stop the racking motor at any time.	6.1-6.2
If the Enable button and Racking rocker switch are held continuously, once the motor drives to a stalled condition, it will automatically stop, and reverse directions until the racking nut (socket) turns approximately 1/2 turn. The display will then say "Complete".	8.2

10.0 Care and Storage

The RLR1 contains no user-serviceable parts. **The sealed lead-acid batteries should be replaced at 24-month intervals.** Contact the factory.

10.1 Storage

- Never store the batteries where the ambient temperature might exceed 110° F, i.e. inside a vehicle with the windows up, on a sunny day.
- Avoid getting the unit wet or storing it in a high humidity location. It should be stored in a dry location.
- The hand-held controller, racking head, and cabling should be stored together in the carrying case.

11.0 Specifications

MECHANICAL

Gearmotor theoretical max torque	36 ft. lbs.
Gearmotor torque limit factor	22 ft. lbs.
Total unit weight	35 lbs.

ELECTRICAL

AC Input voltage	115 volts, 60 Hz
AC Fuse type	3 amp, 4AG
Battery voltage	24 volts
Gearmotor voltage	24 volts
Max battery charging current	500 ma
Battery capacity	3.2 Ahr
Battery type	sealed lead-acid
Video camera lens	8mm, 40 deg FOV
Video camera light sensitivity	0.1 lux

12.0 Troubleshooting Guide

Symptom	Action
Video display doesn't startup properly.	Turn power supply switch OFF, wait 3-seconds, turn power supply switch ON.
Video image is not clear.	Clean camera lens with a soft, clean towel or lens cleaner.
Unit goes into "Lockout" and displays a message saying the "torque limiting circuitry" may have failed.	Cycle power OFF/ON If "Lockout" recurs, discontinue use, and contact the factory.
GFCI trips.	Disconnect power cable from the RLR1. Reset GFCI. If the GFCI will not reset, either the GFCI or the power cord is defective. If the GFCI only trips when the power cord is plugged into the RLR1, there is an internal fault. Contact the factory.

13.0 Warranty

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