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**Operating Instructions for the  
Disk Mill Model DM200**

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## Information on these Operating Instructions

The present operating instructions for the laboratory model DM200 disk mill provides you with all of the necessary information on the areas specified in the table of contents.

It is an instruction for the target group(s) defined for each of these areas in the safe and intended use of the **DM200**. The prerequisite of each of the target group(s) being able to use it safely and as intended is having a knowledge of the relevant sections.

The present technical documentation is a reference work and instructions for learning and each of the sections is closed in and of itself.

These operating instructions are not instructions for repair. If repairs should be necessary, please consult your vendor or get in contact with Retsch GmbH directly.

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# Safety

The DM200 laboratory disk mill is a highly modern high-performance product from Retsch GmbH and is state-of-the-art. If the machine is used as intended and if the user has a knowledge of the technical documentation here, it is completely safe when operated.

## Safety Information

You as the operator have to ensure that the persons entrusted with working at the **DM200**:

- have taken notice of and understood all of the regulations in the area of safety,
- know all of the instructions for use and regulations of the target group relevant for them before commencing work,
- have access to the technical documentation of this machine at any time and without any problems.

Before work is commenced on the **DM200**, ensure that new personnel has been made familiar with its safe and intended use either by having a competent person introduce it to them orally and / or based upon the present technical documentation.

Improper operation may lead to personal injury, property damage or injury. You are responsible for your own safety and that of your employees.

Ensure that no unauthorised persons have access to the DM200 laboratory disk mill.

For your own protection, have your employees confirm that they have been instructed in the operation of the **DM200**. You will find the draft of the appropriate form after the section on safety.



We will not be liable for any claims to compensation whatsoever for property damage or personal injury that were caused by not observing the following safety information.

## Warning Signs

we give warnings with the following signs:



**personal injury**



**property damage**

## Repairs

These operating instructions are not instructions for repair. For your own safety, repairs may only be done by Retsch GmbH or an authorised agency or service technicians.

### In this case, please notify:

The Retsch agency in your country
your vendor
Retsch GmbH directly

### your service address:

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## Confirmation

I have taken notice of the foreword and the section on safety.
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the signature of the operators
_____
the signature of the service technician

# Technical Data

## machine model designation: DM200

### Use as intended

The **DM200** laboratory disk mill is suited for finely milling soft to hard materials (up to 8 Mohs) in sets or continuously from the fields of mining and metallurgy, rocks and earth, the glass industry or soil research.

Our applications laboratory would be glad to give you further information upon request.

The **DM200** is designed for quantities from 20 to approximately 150 Kg/h depending upon the setting of the discharge gap and the piled density and crushing behaviour of the sample. The feed size may not exceed an edge length of a maximum of 20 mm.



The DM200 is not designed to be explosion protected and therefore it is not suited to milling explosive self-igniting or fire-promoting substances.



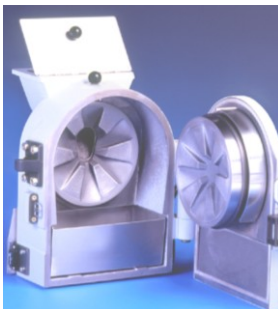
If oxidised materials are milled such as metals, organic materials, wood, plastics, etc., there is the danger of self-ignition (dust explosion) if the proportion of fines exceeds a certain percentage. It is necessary to observe the appropriate safety guidelines when materials such as these are crushed.



Do not modify the machine and only use the spare parts and accessories approved by Retsch.

**Otherwise the conformity with European directives declared by Retsch shall be rendered invalid.**

**Furthermore, this leads to a loss of all warranty claims.**

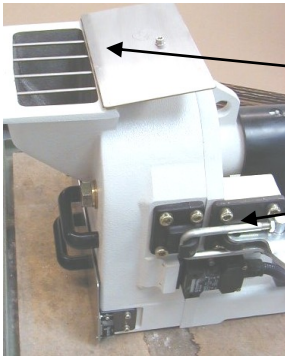


### Functional Description

The material sample is crushed by two milling discs coarsely meshed on the inside working against one another in a milling space sealed against dust from the outside. One of these is driven by a powerful and slow moving gear motor.

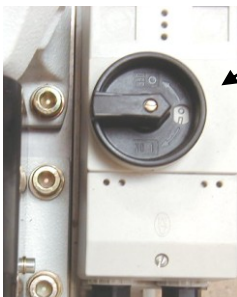
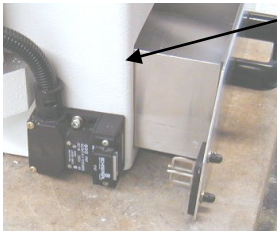
The material to be milled is filled into the centre of the stationary milling disc through a closable funnel and it escapes from the gap between the two disks after being crushed by compressing and shearing force. The width of the gap can be adjusted and controlled from outside and determines the mean granulation of the material to be milled.

## Protective Equipment



The following safety equipment reliably prevents persons from unintentionally putting their hands in the machine when it is running.

- funnel tube designed in conformity with EN 294. This prevents persons from putting their hands into the milling space when the flap is opened
- safety limit switch. This prevents the machine from starting up when the milling space is open. It also stops the motor within a safe period of time when the milling space is opened during operation
- safety limit switch. This prevents the machine from starting up when the collecting container is drawn out. It also stops the motor within a safe period of time when drawing out the collecting container.
- protective motor switch, ON/OFF switch. This switches off the machine automatically if there is a defect or if the motor is overloaded. position [ **I** ] the machine starts. position [ **0** ] the machine stops. This prevents the machine from starting up independently if there is an electrical defect or power failure.



## Drive

standard three-phase gear motor

## Motor Output

1,500 Watt

## Rated Voltages

3~ 230 V	50 / 60Hz	approx. 5.7 A
3/N~ 400 V	50 / 60Hz	approx. 3.3 A
3~ 115 V	50 / 60Hz	approx. 11.4 A
3~ 200 V	50 / 60Hz	approx. 6.5 A

## Rpm's

50Hz = Rpm's 440 min<sup>-1</sup>

60Hz = Rpm's 528 min<sup>-1</sup>

## Protective Types

gear motor	IP 55
safety limit switch for the door	IP 67
safety limit switch for the collecting container	IP 67
protective motor switch, ON-OFF switch	IP 55

## **Emissions**

### **Characteristic Noise Values :**

Noise measurement in conformity with DIN 45635-031-01-KL3

The properties of the material to be crushed also has an effect upon the characteristic noise values.

sound level  $L_{WA} = 81 \text{ dB(A)}$

emission read at the workpiece  $L_{pAeq} = 69,4 \text{ dB(A)}$

### **Machine Dimensions**

height: 400 mm, 500 mm with the vertical flap on the funnel.

width: 430 mm, 900 mm with door opened at 180°.

depth : 890 mm, 1,000 mm with door opened at 90°

weight: approximately 140 kg

### **Floor Space Required**

430 mm x 1000 mm; a safety distance is not necessary.



# Transportation and Installation

## Packaging

Packaging is in accordance with the transportation path and satisfies the generally recognised packaging guidelines.

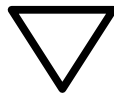


Please store the packaging for the duration of the warranty period because your warranty claim would be endangered if there were a complaint and it were returned in insufficient packaging.



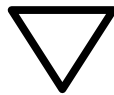
## Transportation

In order to be able to transport the **DM200** in a crane of a minimum load-bearing capacity of 250 kp, it should be hoisted with the hoisting equipment as shown in the adjacent figure.



The DM200 may not be shocked, shaken or thrown during transportation. Otherwise, the electronic and mechanical component parts could be damaged.

## Temperature Fluctuations



If there are strong temperature fluctuations (for instance, when being transported by aeroplane), the DM200 should be protected from condensation water. Otherwise, there could be damage to the electronic component parts.

## Intermediate Storage

Please also ensure that the DM200 is stored dry if it is placed in intermediate storage.

## The Parameters for the Place of Installation

### ambient temperature :

5°C to 40°C



If the temperature is above or below the ambient temperature, the electronic and mechanical component parts may be damaged changing the performance data in an unpredictable fashion.

### humidity :

The maximum relative humidity is 80% at temperatures up to and including 31°C, decreasing linearly to 50% relative humidity at 40°C



If the humidity is higher, the electronic and mechanical component parts may be damaged changing the performance data in an unpredictable fashion.

### Installation Altitude:

a maximum of 2,000 m above sea level

## Installation

Only place the DM200 on a solid and sturdy foundation.

## Electrical Connection

The mains fusing should be designed as follows:

at 3~ 230 and 3/N~ 400V = 16A

at 3~ 115 and 3~ 200V = 20A

- you may find the voltage and frequency of the **DM200** on the nameplate.
- please ensure that the values agree with the existing power mains.
- only connect the DM200 to the power mains with the aid of the cable connector supplied.

You may have the connection made directly with a change-over switch to avoid having to call in an electrician. This has the benefit that the milling disc teeth may be used by both sides. This is described in the section "**Changing the Direction of Rotation and Replacing the Milling Disc**".



Electrical and mechanical component parts may be damaged if the values on the nameplate are not complied with.

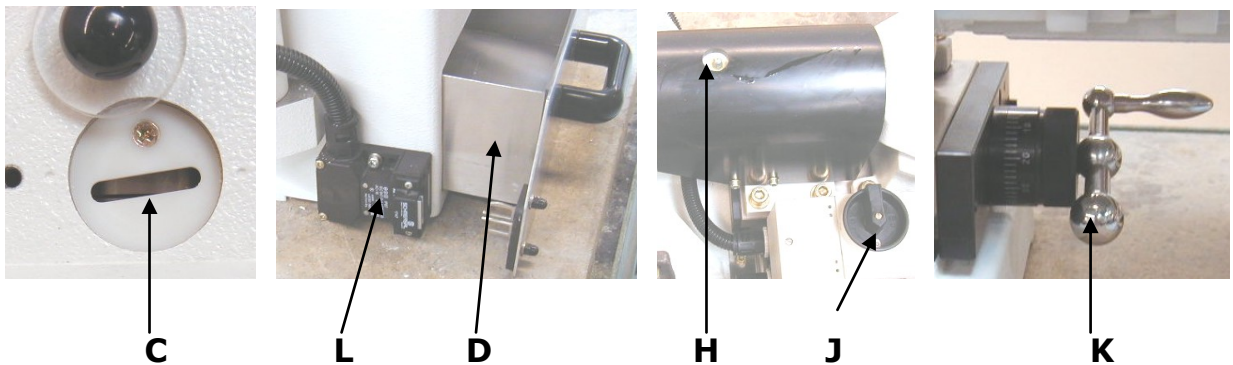
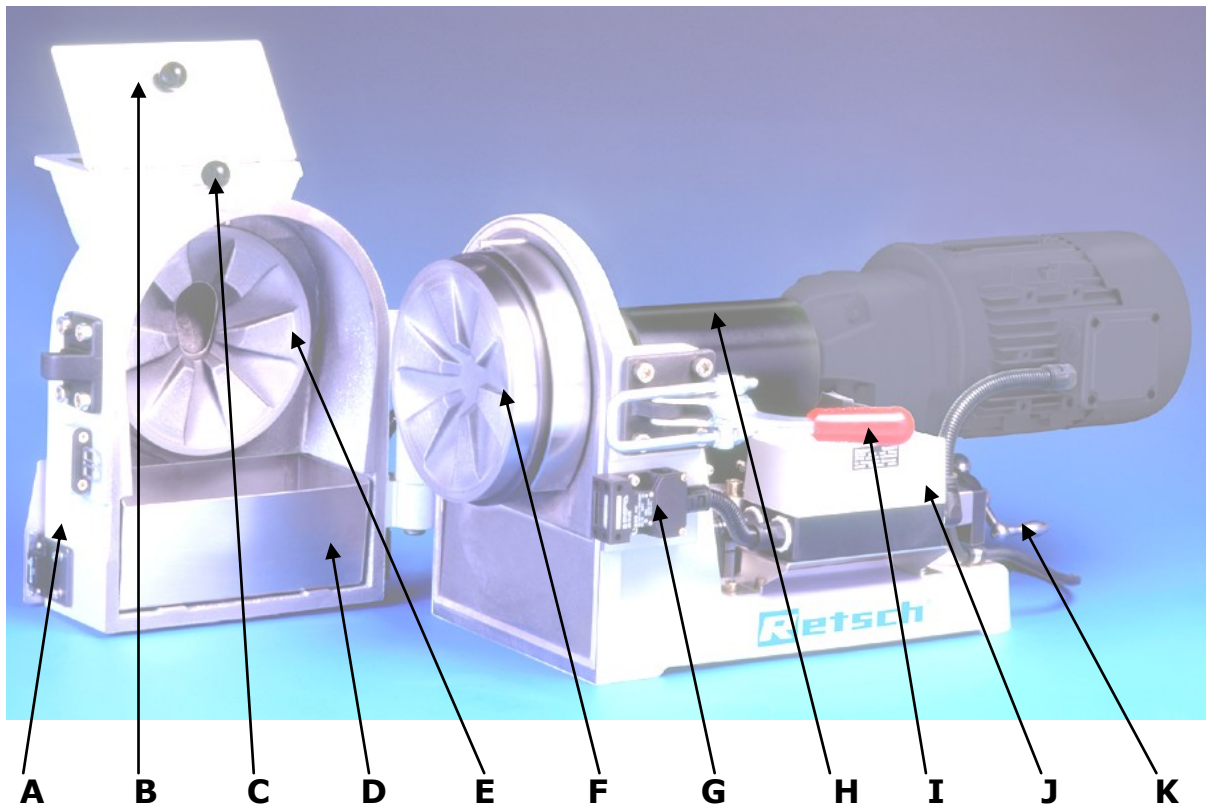


Modifications or rebuilding it to a supply voltage other than stated on the machine nameplate should only be done by an electrician.

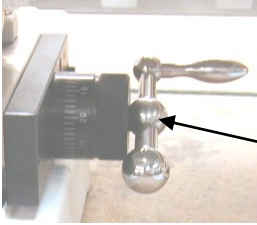
**Danger of Current Surge!**

# Operation

## The Operating Elements and Operation



item	element	function
<b>A</b>	door	seals the milling space dustproof
<b>B</b>	funnel tube	receives the material to be milled
<b>C</b>	window milling gap	enables you to check the milling gap by means of blade gauge
<b>D</b>	collecting container	receives the crushed material to be milled
<b>E</b>	milling disc doors	crushes the material to be milled fed into it together with <b>F</b>
<b>F</b>	milling disc housing	crushes the material to be milled fed into it together with <b>E</b>
<b>G</b>	safety switch for the door	prevents the machine from starting up when the door is open
<b>H</b>	lubrication point	enables you to relubricate the coupling
<b>I</b>	door lock	enables you to open and safely close the doors
<b>J</b>	protective motor switch	disconnect the motor from the mains if there is an overload position [ <b>I</b> ] the machine is switched on position [ <b>0</b> ] the machine is stopped
<b>K</b>	gap adjustment crank	enables you to adjust the gap together with <b>C</b> graduation line = 0.01 mm
<b>L</b>	safety switch for the collecting container	prevents the machine from starting up when the collecting container is drawn out



## Adjusting the Gap Width

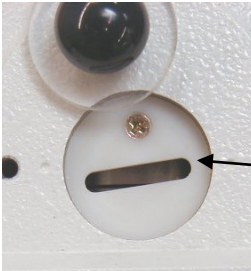
You may adjust the gap width between the milling disc in the housing and in the door just by adjusting the graduated rotating crank mounted below the motor. 1 graduation line = 0.01 mm.

You may adjust the gap from 0.1 to approximately 5 mm.

- **Rotating Crank**

**Caution!** Do not go below the minimum gap width of 0.1 mm.

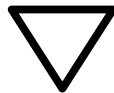
You may control check the gap width setting through a window behind the funnel tube by means of a sensing gauge.



- **Window**

You may also adjust the gap width when the machine is running.

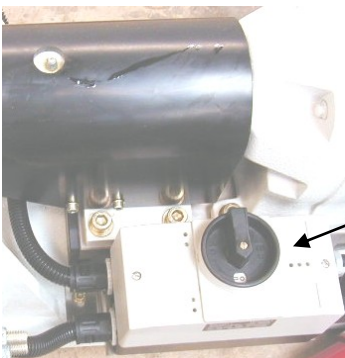
Material that is difficult to mill should be milled at least twice. Select a larger gap width as pre-crushing for the first pass and then you achieve the desired final fineness with the small gap in the second milling pass.



**Caution !**

The smallest gap width is 0.1 mm.

The milling discs may not touch one another because otherwise this could damage the milling discs.



## Starting the Machine

It is only possible to start the DM200 when the door is closed and the collecting container has been inserted.

The ON-OFF switch is on the right-hand side of the **DM200**.

- **ON-OFF switch**

position [I] **DM200** starts

position [0] **DM200** stops

The ON-OFF switch also acts as a protective motor switch.

If the motor is overloaded or if there is another electrical fault, this switch disconnects the DM200 from the mains. The **DM200** can only start up when the **DM200** is manually started with the ON-OFF switch.

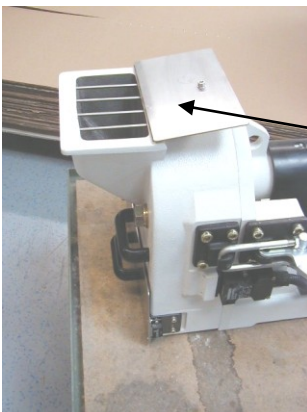
## Feeding the Material to be Crushed

After the gap has been set and the DM200 has been started, you commence material feed. Do not exceed a maximum edge length 20 mm. Open the lid of the funnel tube for this purpose.

- **the lid of the funnel tube**

When feeding the material to be crushed, please ensure that the funnel tube lid is closed because otherwise the material to be crushed could fall back.

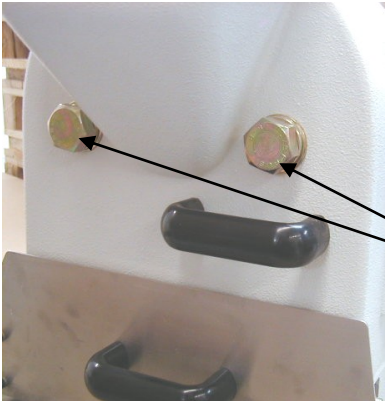
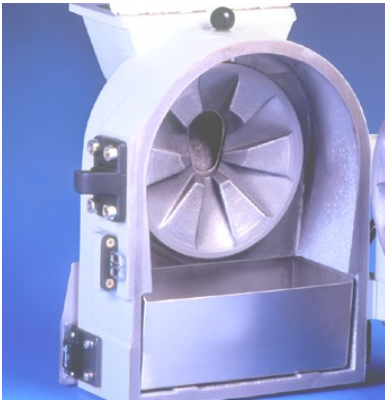
Furthermore, the quantity of fed material to be crushed depends upon its millability. Therefore, note the decreasing intensity of the milling sound to ascertain the optimum feed quantity.



**Caution!**

Only feed the material to be crushed after having started the DM200.

If the **DM200** starts up filled with material to be crushed, this may lead to damage in the mechanical component parts.



## Changing the direction of rotation, replacing the milling disks

The milling disks are subject to natural wear after use over a long period.

However, before they need to be replaced by new ones the direction of rotation of the motor can be changed so that the opposite side of the gear teeth can be used. By this means the service life of the milling disks can be extended.

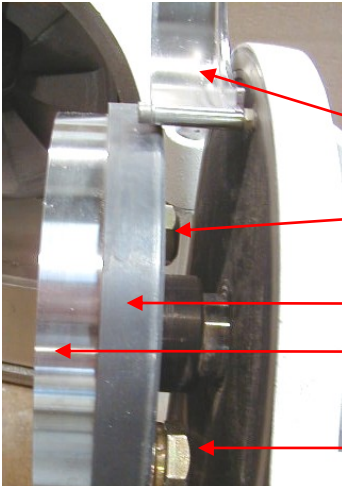
### Changing the direction of rotation:

By reversing the phases of the mains supply the direction of rotation of the motor can be changed. Since this necessitates intervention in the electrical connecting line of the **DM200** the change in direction of rotation should be carried out only by a qualified electrician.

However, it is possible to install a direction of rotation change-over switch when connecting up to the mains supply for the first time. It is then no longer necessary for an electrician to intervene when the the direction of rotation has to be changed again.

### Replacing the milling disk in the door:

- Disconnect the mains plug
- Remove the collecting vessel
- Keep the door closed
- Slightly unscrew the hexagon bolts or hexagon nuts with an open-jawed spanner
- Open the door
- Keep a firm hold on the milling disk while unscrewing both hexagon bolts with washers
- Remove the milling disk
- Clean the mounting of the milling disk in the door
- Insert a new milling disk so that its contact surface is level
- Screw in the hexagon bolts again – for zirconium oxide hexagon nuts are used



### Replacing the milling disk in the housing:

- Disconnect the mains plug
- Remove the collecting vessel
- Open the door
- Lift up the cover
- Unscrew the hexagon bolts or hexagon nuts with an SW 30 open-jawed spanner
- Remove the milling disk
- Clean the mounting of the milling disk
- Place a new milling disk in position
- The milling disk must have a level contact surface
- Screw in the hexagon bolts with washers – for zirconium oxide hexagon nuts are used.



**GS**      **SS**

### Caution

It is essential that the milling disks have a level contact surface.

There should be no unevenness or other components under the milling disk.

For zirconium oxide disks it is absolutely necessary that the rubber washer **GS** is placed under the steel washer **SS**.



### Caution

Milling disks of zirconium oxide should be tightened with a torque of only 20-30 Nm. Do not forget the rubber washer **GS**.

Milling disks of steel and tungsten carbide are tightened with a torque of 50-100 Nm.



# General Information

## Accessories

### Cleaning

You may pull out the collecting container for cleaning purposes.

Open the door to clean the milling discs, the milling space and the funnel tube.

You may now conveniently clean the entire area that has come into contact with the material to be crushed with the aid of a brush or vacuum cleaner.



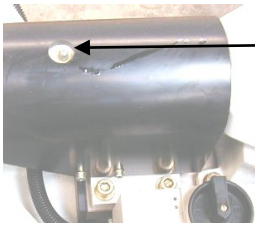
Do not clean the DM200 with flowing water.

#### **Danger from Current Surge**

Only use moistened rags.

Solvents are not permitted.

The protection type of **DM200** is IP 55



### Service

The DM200 does not require service, although it should be relubricated on the lubricating nipple of the shifting sled.

Conventional lubricating grease may be used for this purpose.

A grease gun is also available as an accessory under the order no. 05.185.0006.

### Necessary Safety Tests

The safety limit switches on the door and the collecting container should be checked on a monthly basis to see if they are in perfect working order:

- open the door:

It may not be possible to switch on the DM200 any more with the ON/OFF switch.

- close the door:

It must be possible to start the DM200 with the ON/OFF switch again.

- pull out the collecting container:

It may not be possible to switch on the DM200 any more with the ON/OFF switch.

- push in the collecting container:

It must be possible to start the DM200 with the ON/OFF switch again.



If the machine is not functioning properly, do not continue to operate it and get in contact with our customer service.

### Copyright

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Non-compliance engages the obligation of compensation for damage.

### Modifications

We reserve the right to make technical modifications.

**Safety Regulations (Table)** for the **DM200** from the sections

<b>process</b>	<b>action</b>	<b>hazards</b>
<b>safety information</b>	property damage and personal injury may be incurred if the safety information is not observed.	no claims to compensation for damage shall be accepted whatsoever
<b>intended use</b>	do not mill any explosive self-igniting or fire-promoting materials	danger to life and limb because of explosion because the DM200 is not designed to be explosion protected.
	do not mill materials whose fine proportion at a certain percentage may lead to an explosion.	danger to life and limb because of explosion because the DM200 is not designed to be explosion protected.
	do not modify the machine and only use the spare parts and accessories approved by Retsch.	otherwise the conformity with European directives declared by Retsch shall be rendered invalid. Furthermore, this leads to the loss of all warranty claims.
<b>packaging</b>	please store the packaging for the warranty period.	if there is a complaint and it is returned in insufficient packaging, this may jeopardise your warranty claims.
<b>temperature fluctuations</b>	protect the DM200 from condensate water forming if there are temperature fluctuations.	electronic component parts may be damaged.
<b>transportation</b>	do not shock, shake or throw the DM200 during transportation	electronic and mechanical component parts may be damaged.
<b>scope of delivery</b>	if the delivery is incomplete and / or if there is damage from transportation, you have to inform the transporter and Retsch GmbH without delay (within 24h).	under certain circumstances later complaints may not be recognised.
<b>ambient temperature</b>	should not fall below 5°C should not go above 40°C	electronic and mechanical component parts may be damaged and performance data may change unpredictably.
<b>humidity</b>	do not exceed a relative humidity of 80% at 31°C or 50% (descending linearly) at 40°C.	higher humidity may damage the electronic and mechanical component parts and performance data may change unpredictably.
<b>electrical connection</b>	the network does not agree with the values on the nameplate.	electronic and mechanical component parts may be damaged.
<b>adjusting the gap width</b>	do not adjust a gap width < 0.1 mm	if the milling discs come into contact with one another, they may be damaged.
<b>feeding the material to be crushed</b>	only feed material to be crushed when the <b>DM200</b> is operating.	if the <b>DM200</b> starts up filled with material to be crushed, this may damage the mechanical component parts.
<b>cleaning</b>	do not clean the DM200 with flowing water.	danger from current surge. the protection type of the <b>DM200</b> is IP55
<b>safety tests</b>	get in contact with customer service if the safety equipment functions improperly..	if defects are improperly repaired, this may lead to danger to life and limb.



## DISC MILL DM 200

### THIS MACHINE CONFORMS TO THE FOLLOWING STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS AND DIRECTIVES:

The EC Directive for Machines „Directive 89/392/EEC“, Appendix 1, Subsection 1 Fundamental Safety and Health Requirements for Machine Design and Construction,

The EC Directive for Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) „Directive 89/336/EEC (May 3, 1989) of the Council for Alignment of the Laws of the Member States for Electromagnetic Compatibility“ (including modifications till July 22, 1993),

The Requirements on „Electrical Equipment of Machines“ (IEC 204-1 1992, modified)  
German Version EN 60 204-1 : 1992.

**In case of a modification to the machine not previously discussed with us as well as the use of not licensed spare parts and accessories this certificate will lose its validity.**

We affirm herewith that the certification process was conducted exclusively in accordance with Directive 89/392/EEC (Jun. 14, 1989), Amendment 91/368/EEC (Jun. 20, 1991), Modification 93/44/EEC (Jun. 14, 1993), Modification 93/68/EEC (July 22, 1993), Directive of the Council for Alignment of the **Laws of the** Member States for Machines.

### Authorized person for the compilation of technical documents:

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Detailed records of engineering development, construction plans, study (analysis) of the measures required for conformity assurance, analysis of the residual risks involved and operating instructions in due form according to the approved regulations for preparation of user information data.

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