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Medium duty interlocks independently certified to PLd







Introduction to Fortress:

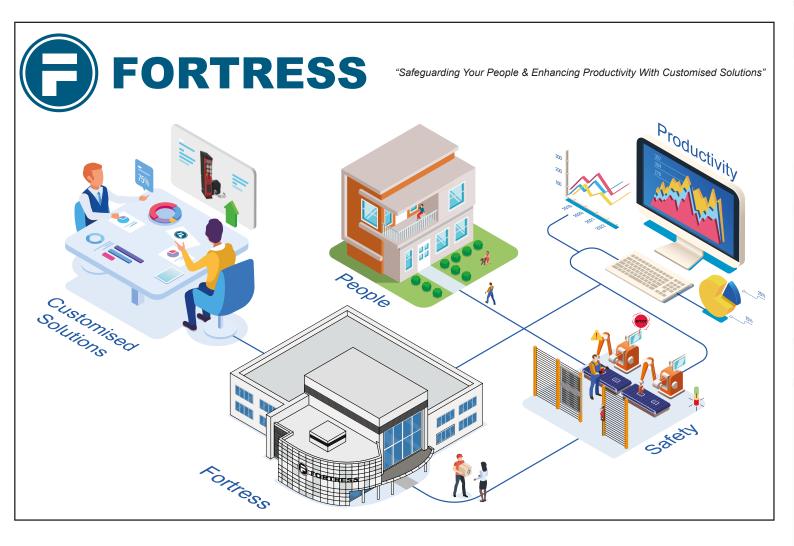
Fortress designs and manufactures customised safety equipment, protecting lives in hazardous workplaces. Our reputation is as a global provider of robust safety specifications for manufacturing environments.

Why Interlocks? Interlocking is a method of controlling two or more interdependent operations which must take place in a predetermined sequence, if necessary remotely controlled or time delayed. The need for this sequence may be safety to personnel and equipment, or it may be to control processes and productivity.

Over the last 40 years, Fortress has become well known in the industry for innovative design, robust engineering and reliability. Headquarters are in Wolverhampton (UK), with supporting offices and manufacturing facilities in the USA, Netherlands, Australia and China, further supported by a global network of trusted distributors and channel partners.

Fortress' current product portfolio includes:

- mGard The only range of mechanical interlocks independently certified to PLe
- amGardpro Heavy duty safety gate switches with connectivity and trapped key integration certified to PLe
- amGardS40 Stainless steel IP69K safety gate switches independently certified to PLe
- tGard Medium duty interlocks with configurable built-in control functionality independently certified to PLd
- ncGard A range of safety switches with non-contact technology



Introduction to 🕄 Gard

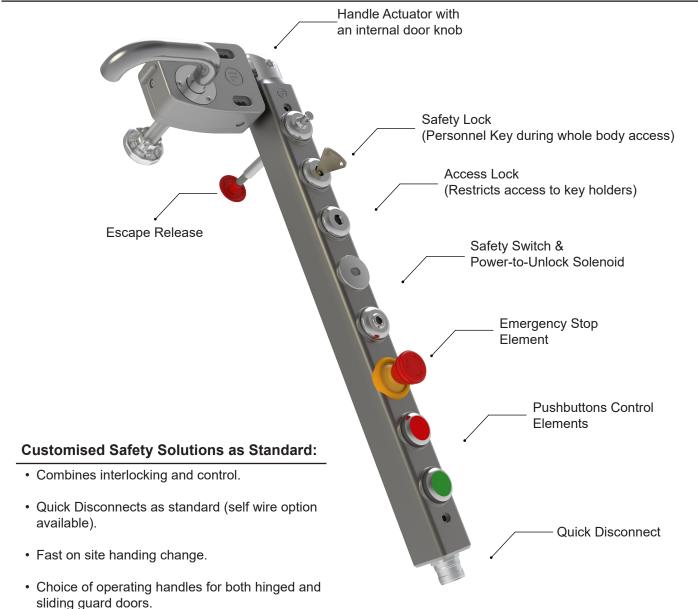
tGard is a compact metal bodied system that enables the configuration of various safety products including electrical safety gate switches (with or without guard locking), mechanical trapped key interlocks, and electrical operator controls either as separate devices or any combination of these three functions in one unit.

tGard offers "a customised safety solution, as standard". Each order is defined by a range of tGard elements that include selector switches, safety switches (solenoid and non-solenoid), personnel keys, emergency release, pushbuttons, E-Stops, indicator lamps and a choice of operating handles for both hinged and sliding guard doors.

tGard's metal body includes through-holes for quick installation on aluminium profiles, flat surfaces, doors and even back of panels without the need for mounting plates.

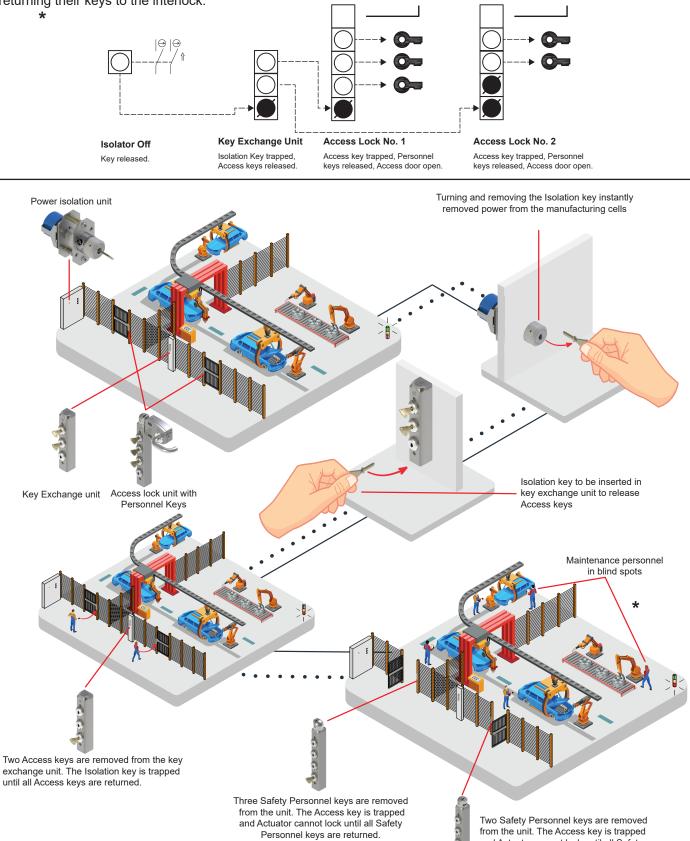
It is IP65 as standard and has been designed to be fully compliant with the machinery safety standards.





Application Requirement:

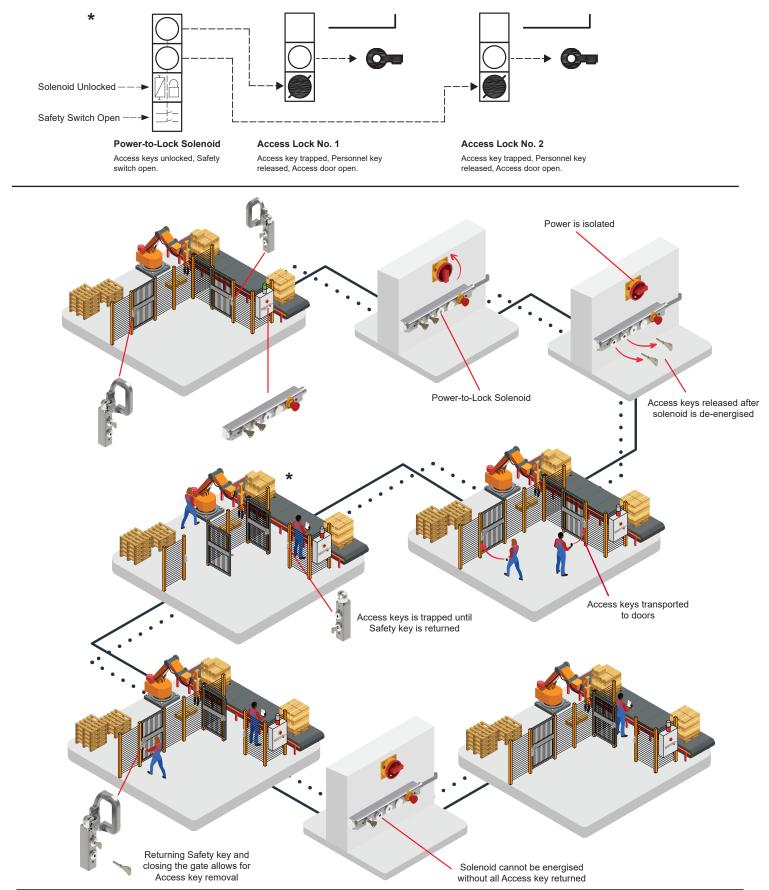
Due to the size of the safeguarded space surrounding body transfer lines in an automotive plant, there are blind spots where a maintenance personnel could be performing work unknowingly to a line operator requesting the line to run. This could lead to the line running while maintenance personnel are still working within the cell. Therefore, the transfer line must be safeguarded to ensure access into the line can only be permitted while power to the line has been isolated and the safety circuits remain open until all personnel have exited the safeguarded space returning their keys to the interlock.



FORTRESS INTERLOCKS and Actuator cannot lock until all Safety Personnel keys are returned.

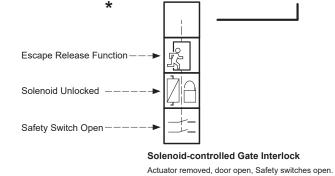
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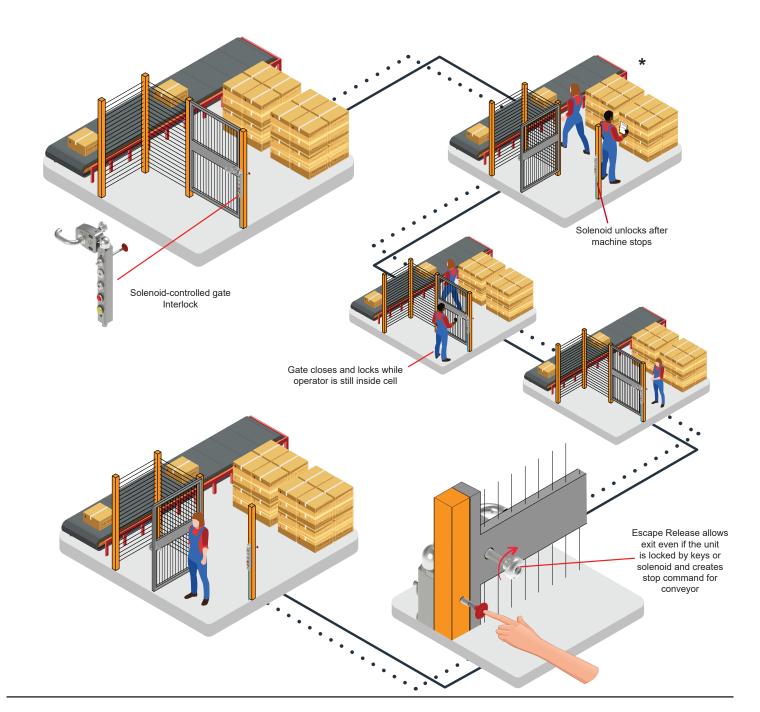
Robot arms require safeguarding measures during operation and when carrying loads. The robot pallet stacker below has two access points and a single central control panel. When mains power is isolated to the system, the Power-to-Lock solenoid is de-energised and Access keys for the access points are released. Mechanical only interlocks at the guard can be opened with an Access key whilst also providing a personnel key for the operator to take inside the cell to prevent restart.



Application Requirement:

The conveyor system in an automated warehousing application below is safeguarded by interlocked guards. Access is required to remove incorrect packages or clear blockages on the conveyor. The solenoid interlock keeps the guard locked until the conveyor stops, pushbutton functionality for additional control is included. The inclusion of an escape release mechanism allows any operator who finds them self behind a locked guard to override the keys and / or solenoid to exit.







Guard Switch

2NC, 1NO Safety Switch



Guard Lock with Integrated Machine Control

Personnel key available for operator to carry



Guard Lock

Power-to-Unlock solenoid with safety switch



THFSMDUQ5

Guard Lock with Trapped Key Integration

Access restricted to key holders, personnel key available for operator to carry



Guard Lock with Escape Release

Power-to-Unlock solenoid with safety switch. Escape release overrides locking mechanism and creates stop command



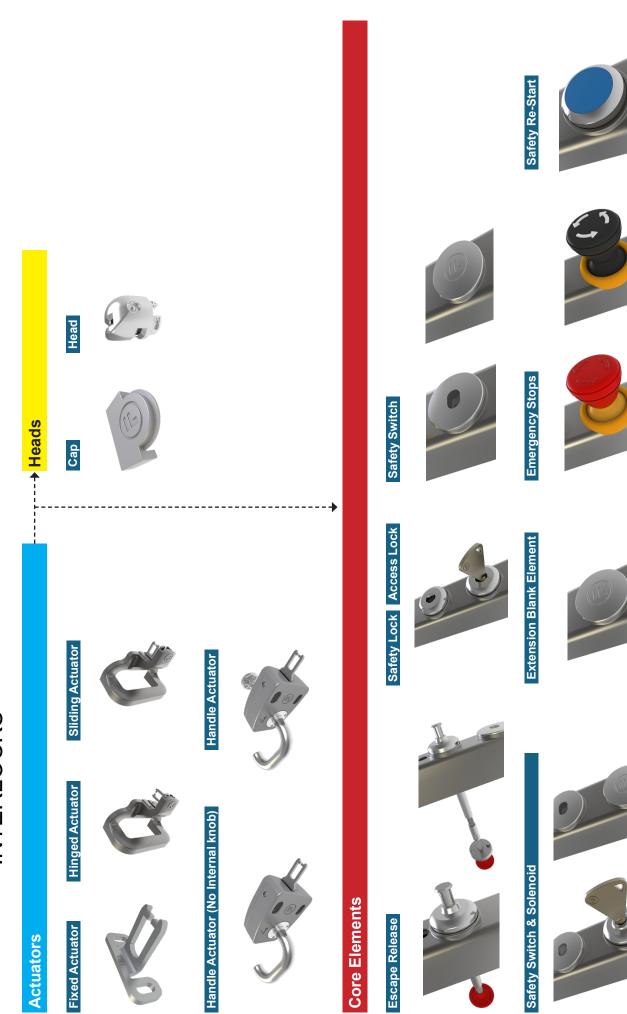
Control Station

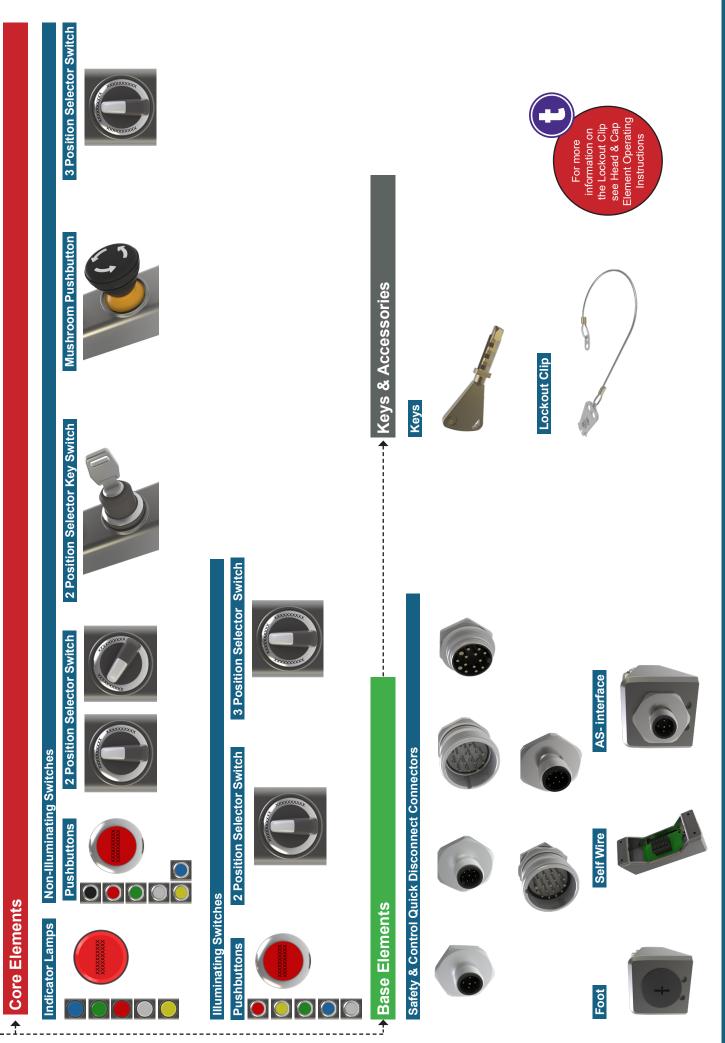
Control Station with emergency stop, indicator lamp and pushbuttons







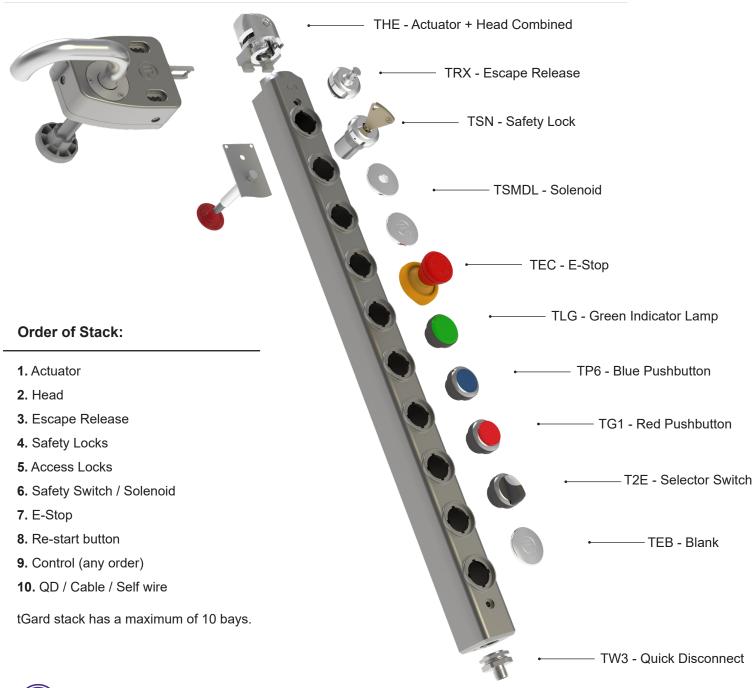




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How to Configure **CGard**

Configuration tools are available on the Fortress website, www.fortressinterlocks.com/tgard-configurator



Gard Configuration Guideline

At the end of the selection process, the part numbers drop their "T", except the first item. Example:

THE + TRX + TSN +TSMDL + TEC + TLG + TP6 + TG1 + T2E + TEB + TW3 = THERXSNSMDLECLGP6G12EEBW3

When creating a tGard stack, the wiring of connections follow these rules:

- 1. Safety circuits are in fixed positions on each connector and comprise of volt free circuits.
- 2. Inputs / outputs are allocated from the bottom of the stack, ascending.
- **3.** On any one element, the input is assigned first, then the output(s).
- 4. Outputs are +24v, taken from the +24v supply.
- 5. Selection of the connector depends upon the wiring requirements for inputs / outputs / safety circuit of the total stack.

Actuators

Step 1: Actuators



TAF Fixed Actuator



TAH Handle Actuator -Hinged Door



TAS Handle Actuator -Sliding Door





THB Blank Handle **TEN** Handle Actuator -(no internal knob)



TEH Handle Actuator The internal knob on TEH handle doesn't override the solenoid or lock, A TRX/Z (emergency release element) must be used to deliver that functionality

Heads

Actuators

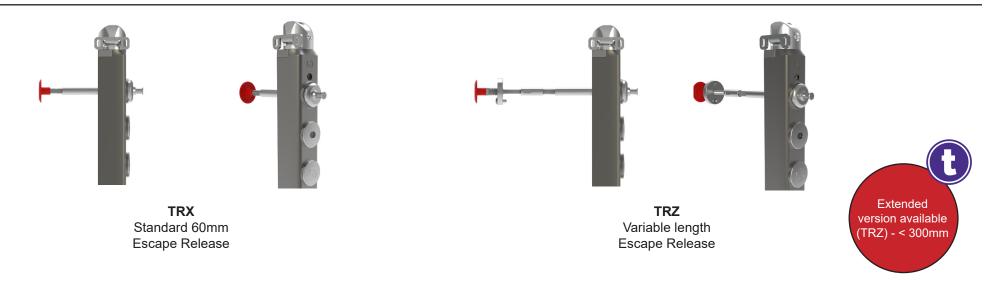
to be used in combination with a THM head

Step 2: Head Modules





Step 3: Escape Release



Step 4: Safety & Access Lock Element

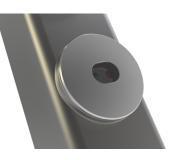


TSNTGNStandard SafetyMaster SafetyLock (No Key)*Lock (No Key)*

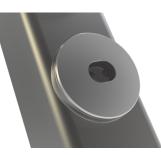




Step 5: Safety Switches



TSM Safety Switch



TSP Safety Switch with extra retention force



TSS Safety Switch -No N/O monitor contact

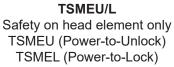


Step 6: Solenoid Controlled Lock & Safety Switch Elements





TSMDU/L Head & solenoid safety in series TSMDU (Power-to-Unlock) TSMDL (Power-to-Lock)





TSSEL Safety on head element only (no monitoring contact on head) TSSEL (Power-to-Lock)



Step 7: Extension Blank Element



TEB Extension Blank Element



Step 8: Emergency Stop Element



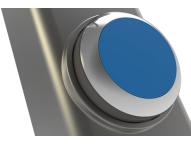
TEC, TET, TEM, TEP, TEI Emergency stop element, version available with a monitoring contact or illumination



TES TES is Black version of the TET E-Stop always mounted at the top of any control elements, but below solenoid/head/ safety switches/locks. TEM & TEI E-Stops can be positioned at the bottom of the stack



Step 9: Safety Re-Start Switch



TSR Safety Re-Start Switch - Blue



Step 10: Indicator Lamp Element



TLB Indicator Lamp Element -Blue



TLG ement - Indicator Lamp Element -Green



TLR Indicator Lamp Element -Red

TLW Indicator Lamp Element -White



TLY Indicator Lamp Element -Yellow



Core Elements

Step 11a: Non-Illuminating Switches



TPB 1 N/O Pushbutton -Black



TPR 1 N/O Pushbutton -Red

T₂V

2 Position Selector



TPG 1 N/O Pushbutton -Green

TK5

2 Position Selector Key

Switch - Latching



TPW 1 N/O Pushbutton -White



TMB 1 N/O Mushroom Pushbutton - Black



TPY 1 N/O Pushbutton -Yellow



T3D 3 Position Selector Switches - Momentary



TPZ 1 N/O Pushbutton -Blue



T3H 3 Position Selector Switches - Momentary/Latching



T2A 2 Position Selector Switch - Latching

witch - Latching Switch - 1 N/O & 1 N/C

Step 11b: Illuminating Switches



TP1 Pushbutton - Red



TP2 Pushbutton - Yellow



TP3 Pushbutton - Green **TP6** Pushbutton - Blue



TP7 Pushbutton - White





T2E 2 Position Selector Switch - Latching



T3F 3 Position Selector Switches - Momentary



Step 12a: Safety & Control Connectors



Step 12b: Foot, Self Wire Connectors, AS-interface



Step 13: Mating Cables for Quick Disconnect Connectors

	Pin Assignr	nents	for	Quick	Disconr	ect & N	lating	g Cab	ole Pin Ass	signm	ents									Cable Length	Cable Part No.
Pin Assignments	Pins																			2M	
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2	Key SC = Safety Circuit I/O = Input or Output	White (Blue		SC 2	Aux -		+24V	+24V	Brown/White 📚	1/0 0	SC 1	White/Green	➢ I/O 2	Red	SC 2	SC 2	Brown Green	+24V	+24V	5M	Cable-5M-TQ3
3				SC 1	AS-i -		Earth	Earth		0V	0V	White/ Yellow) I/O 1	Grey	SC 1	SC 1		Earth	Earth		
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6							I/O 3	SC 2	Yellow	I/O 3	SC 2	Blue	0V	Blue	0V	0V	Pink 🛑	I/O 3	SC 2		
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8	QD = Quick Disconnect					Red	I/O 4	I/O 0	Pink	I/O 5	I/O 1	Green	I/O 5	White/Green	I/O 2	I/O 2	Red 🧲	I/O 4	I/O 0	5M	Cable-5M-TQ5
9	(connector at base)							Red	I/O 6	I/O 2	Pink	I/O 4	White/Yellow	I/O 3	I/O 3	Orange	I/O 5	I/O 1	10M	Cable-10M-TQ5	
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14												Red	Earth	Brown/Green	I/O 7	I/O 7				5M	Cable-5M-TQ7
15														White	I/O 8	SC 3				10M	Cable-10M-TQ7
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Step 15: Accessories









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