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Tech Talk 46: Wiring for Liquip Road Tanker Electronics.

This tech talk should be read in conjunction with tech talk 37: Wiring wisdom.

General Guidelines for Liquip Electronics on Vehicles.

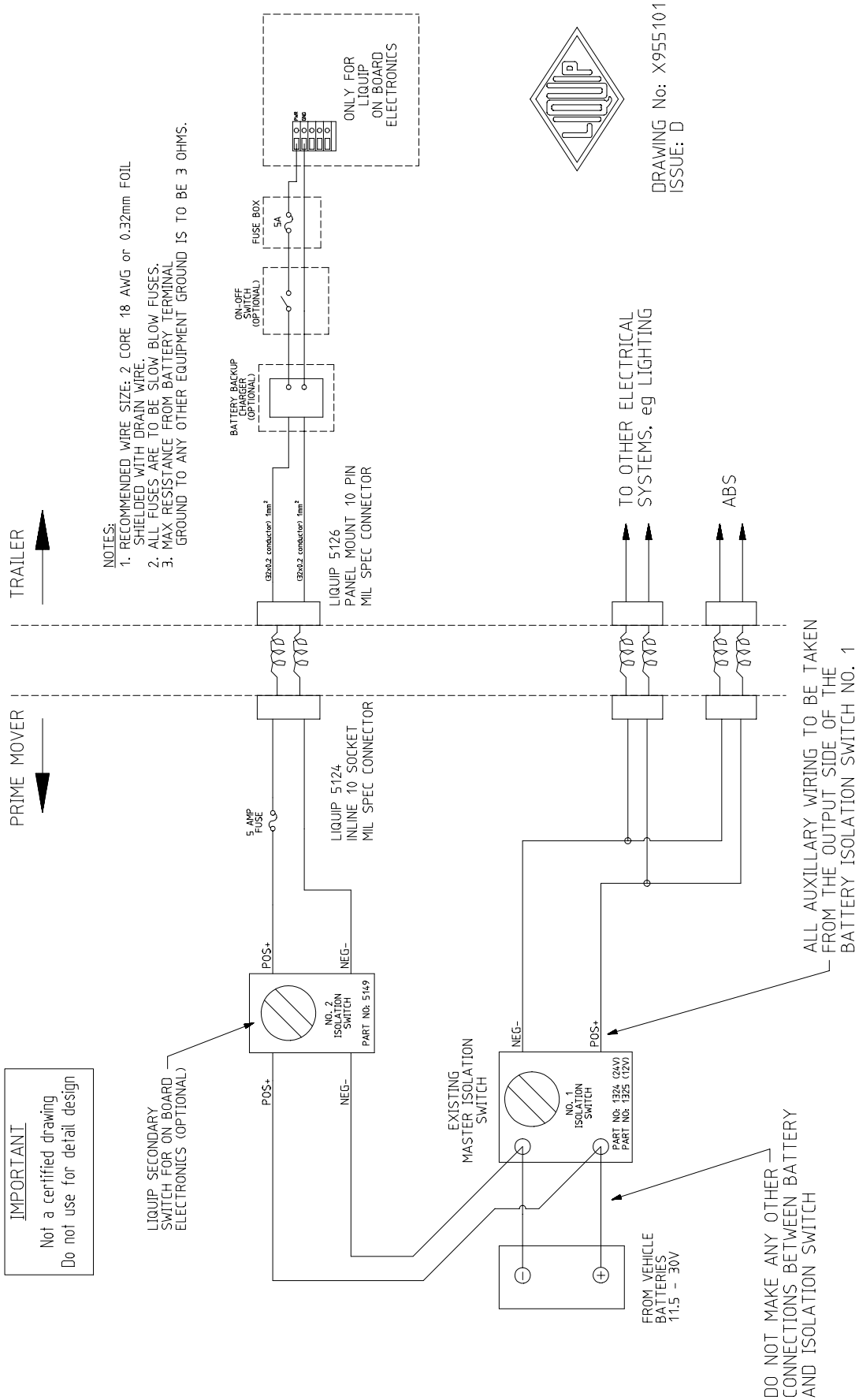
- Ensure tanker and vehicle are gas free.
- Ensure tanker and vehicle are in a non-hazardous area.
- Use anti-seize lubricant or water-proof grease on all screw-in equipment and fasteners.
- Never weld on a vehicle unless all electronic equipment is completely disconnected electrically from both the tanker and other equipment.
- Use high quality water-proof conduit and fittings to IP66 minimum for all wiring and junction boxes.
- Use water-proofing flexible compound such as silastic in all glands and joints not available as water-proof by design.
- Mount all equipment away from direct spray areas such as behind the tyres and out of direct sunlight. Always select the most sheltered aspect.
- Coat all terminals and cable end and joints with non-conducting grease or vasoline after final testing.
- Check entire electrical circuit and housings for potential water entry prior to sign off.
- Cable ends may be crimped with ferrules for better connection but do not just solder cable end (fatigues and corrodes). or, as a poor second choice, bend the bared wire back over itself to provide more clamping bulk.
- Common grounding of a system is most important. Do not rely on common chassis grounding at various points, run a full-length dedicated ground cable. Max resistance, battery-ground to any ground-point to be 1 ohms.
- Crimp joints are preferred to solder joints. Pre-coat with grease for corrosion protection.
- Always fit as much loose cable length into junction boxes and housings as practicable to allow for future servicing.
- When pulling multiple cables through conduit, always consider using cable with one or two extra conductors to allow for any future requirements.
- Always completely segregate power and intrinsically safe wires into completely separate conduit and in accordance with I.S. wiring rules.
- Carry out complete wiring check for accuracy and continuity before connecting power to any device.
- Observe International and local legal requirements. In the event of conflicting instructions seek qualified advice before proceeding.
- Apply cable relief inside all housing entries.
- All equipment to be supplied from a fused power supply.
- If no power, first check battery charge and fuses in supply line.
- Bags of desiccant are not effective - good water proofing is.
- Do not route communication cables past 'noisy' electrical apparatus such as solenoids and alternators.
- Check instruction manuals for recommended cable type.
- Use specialised, genuine tools for all electrical work.



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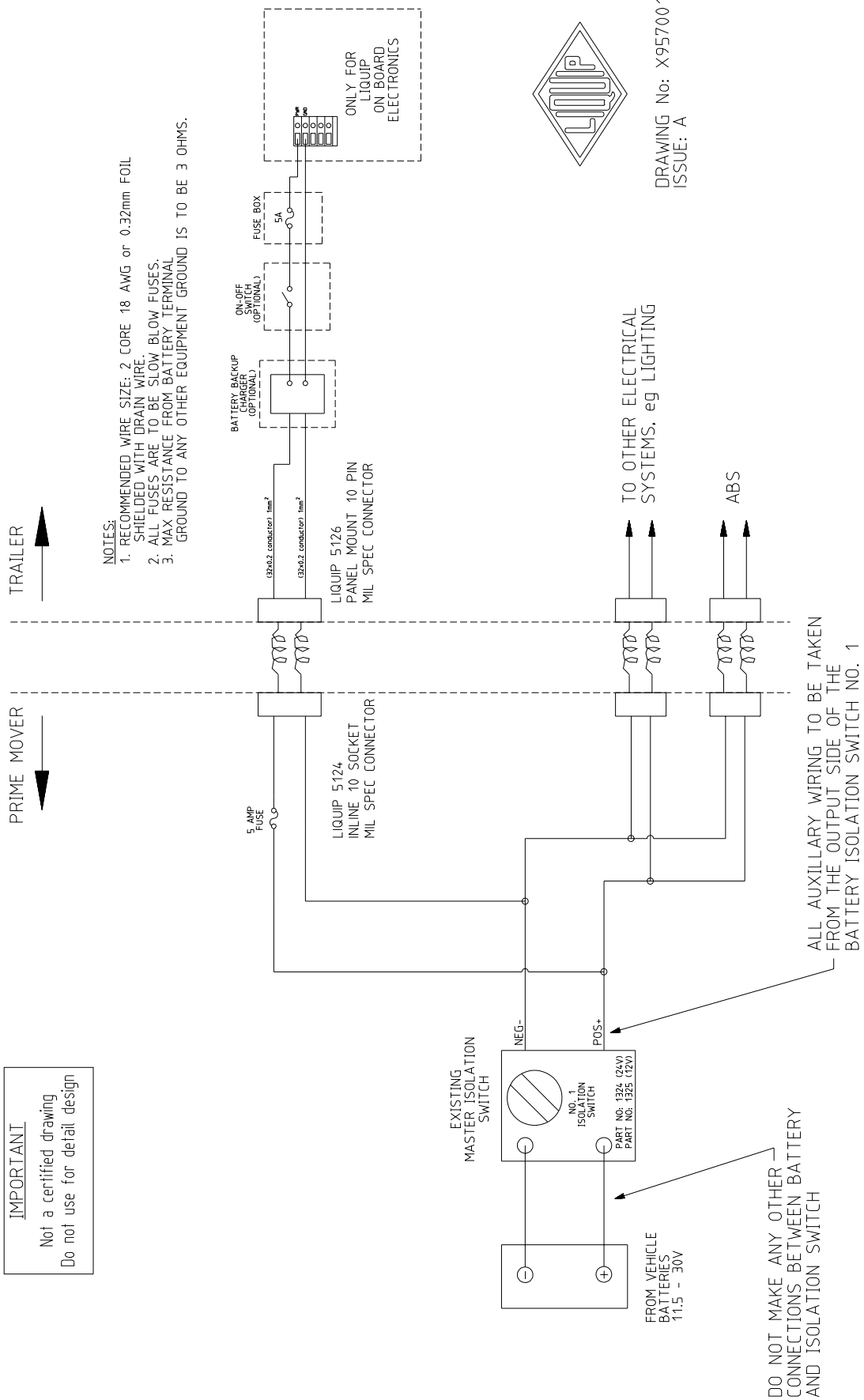


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RECOMMENDED WIRING WHEN VEHICLE MAIN ISOLATION SWITCH IS ALWAYS 'ON' DURING TRANSFER OPERATIONS.

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 Not a certified drawing
 Do not use for detail design



- NOTES:
1. RECOMMENDED WIRE SIZE: 2 CORE 18 AWG or 0.32mm FOIL SHIELDED WITH DRAIN WIRE.
 2. ALL FUSES ARE TO BE SLOW BLOW FUSES.
 3. MAX RESISTANCE FROM BATTERY TERMINAL GROUND TO ANY OTHER EQUIPMENT GROUND IS TO BE 3 OHMS.

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