

Name 1	SWITCH – AUTOMOTIVE
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ID number	002.373.Idrija
Manager / Administrator	Idrija Municipal Museum, Prelovčeva 9, SI-5280 Idrija
Ownership	Public
Owner	Municipality of Idrija, Mestni trg 1, SI-5280 Idrija
Local / Original ID Number	510:IDR;RZ-421
Type of Object	Mine

DESCRIPTION

Short description	The automotive switch is black and has the shape of a rectangular cuboid. The housing is plastic, the bottom side has four connectors. The bottom side has an inscription of the manufacturer: BOSCH, STEUERRELAIS, 0280 230 006, 12 V.
Measures	Length 3.5 cm, width 3 cm, height 6 cm.
Materials	Plastic, mercury.
Dating	End of the 20th century
Author / Producer	Robert Bosch GmbH, Germany.

**Picture
attachments**

Original use	The switch served for the even flow of petrol during the operation of automotive petrol engine. It is the improved version of technology, which the manufacturer Robert Bosch GmbH developed and produced from the 1960s onwards.
Present use	The described object is being preserved, secured and presented as important mining heritage of Idrija with exceptional universal values. It is a part of the mining collection of the Idrija Municipal Museum. Visitors can view it within the permanent museum display “Tracing Mercury: Idrija-Almadén”. The described object represents the characteristics and the versatile use of mercury in science, technology, medicine, culture and every day life. It can also be used for different types of mercury heritage promotions.
Original location	Private use (Idrija surroundings).
Present location	Idrija Municipal Museum, Gewerkenegg Castle (Tracing Mercury: Idrija-Almadén, showroom 4).

STATE OF CONSERVATION

History of conservation:	The described object is being appropriately preserved. Therefore, no additional interventions are necessary. Security of the premises is ensured.
Present state	good
Necessary activities:	Regular seasonal maintenance.

DOCUMENTATION

Addresses /

collections / links etc. where further in-depth information is accessible:	- Inventory Book of the Idrija Municipal Museum.
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