## Microswitches MK Series

General purpose microswitches for heavier duty applications

- High precision snap action mechanism
-16A 250V AC resistive rating ( (lth)
-Wide range of actuator styles
- Screw terminals with self lifting plate
-10 million mechanical operation cycles

【Protection degree IP20, IP40 or IP65
-Versions with positive opening

- Mechanically interchangeable with previous
products (see cross reference section)

Options \& Ordering Codes


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## Introduction



The MK series of microswitches has been developed with added features to replace the existing MV range. The main features of the new range have been kept the same as the existing MV range to allow for interchangeability. However, extra features have increased the application field where these switches can be used.

The innovative feature of this series is the tripping device which has evolved with the use of modern technology, allowing added features that offer a higher number of solutions when compared with similar devices currently present in the market.

The contacts of the new MK range have a higher reliability factor which has been achieved with the use of double contacts and with the possibility of use where positive opening of the contact is required.

The housing has been designed so a gasket can be added as an option in order to seal the device against fine dust or liquids up to IP65.

The terminals are more practical and allow for connection of a wider range of cable diameters. There are also options available with Fast-On terminals, with the choice of three different terminal exit angles

## Contact block reliability

In the following table we refer to the typical microswitch contact structure (type A) normally used in the industry, compared with the innovative solution that IMO Precision Controls uses in new MK series microswitches: movable contact with single interruption and double contacts (type B). As you can see from the table below, this last structure (type B) offers half of the contact resistance ( $R$ ) than the simple mobile contact (type A) and a lower probability of failure ( fe).

In fact, defined $x$ the probability of a commutation failure of a single interruption, it results that in the type $A$ the failure probability fe $=x$, in the type $B$ the probability $\mathrm{fe}=\mathrm{x}^{2}$. This means that if in a certain situation the failure probability x is equal, for instance, to $1 \times 10^{-4}$ ( 1 failed interruption every 10.000 ), we will have:

- in type A one failed commutation every 10.000
- in type B one failed commutation every 100.000.000



## Extended temperature range



On request the new MK series are also available with an extended temperature range. Where the IMO standard MK microswitches have a temperature range of $-25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to , these special versions can be used in places where the ambient temperature changes from $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ leading to possible installation inside cold stores, sterilizers or other equipment using very low ambient temperatures. Special materials have been used to realize these versions and these allow the specifications and features to remain unchanged under these conditions, thereby widening the installation possibilities.

Microswitches for safety applications


All microswitches that have $\Theta$ beside the part number are with a positive opening mechanism therefore suitable for safety applications.

These microswitches are provided with a rigid connection between the actuating plunger and the NC contacts, which means these are opened by force through a strong/sturdy internal safety lever.

The positive opening is in conformity with the IEC 60947-5-1 standard and as such these microswitches are suitable for installation in protection application.

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Protection degree IP20
By installing microswitches type MKV11xxx with terminal cover VFC01 it is possible to obtain a microswitch that is IP20.

## Protection degree IP40

By installing microswitch types MKV11xxx with terminal cover VFC02 it is possible to obtain a microswitch that is IP40.

Protection degree IP65
By installing microswitch types MKV12xxx (not stocked) with terminal covers VFMKCV22 or VFMKCV23 it is possible to obtain a microswitch that is dustproof and waterproof and hence achieve IP65.


Clamping screw terminal for different size cable


The clamping mechanism of the MK microswitches has been designed to allow for connection of different diameter cables. The clamping plate is designed in such a way to force the cable towards the screw hence achieving the most robust termination possible for all cable sizes within its specification.

## Terminal covers with cable gland entry

Terminal covers can be supplied that incorporate a trap cable gland to achieve a protection level up to IP65.

These terminal covers are snap-in assembled and when used they will increase the size of the microswitch. The use of these covers can also be extended to installations where a number of microswitches are clamped together.


Rotating actuators


The microswitches have been designed to allow the user to rotate the actuator head (roller plunger types only) by $90^{\circ}$ steps and this is possible by removing the holding screws, rotating the head and then refitting the screws back.

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## Technical data

Housing


Made of glass-reinforced polymer, self-extinguishing, shock-proof thermoplastic resin.
Protection degree:
IP20 (with protection VF C01 -VF C03) IP40 (with protection VF MKC • 1• - VF C02) IP65 (with protection VF MKC $\cdot 22$ - VF MKC •23) according to EN 60529

## General data

Ambient temperature: $\quad$ from $-25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\left(-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ option)
Max operating frequency: 3600 operations cycles ${ }^{1 / h o u r}$ Mechanical end 10 million operations cycles ${ }^{1}$ see pages 6/1-6/10
Driving torque for installation:
(1) One operation cycle means two movements, one to close and one to open contacts, as foreseen by EN 60947-5-1 standard.

Cross section of the conductors (flexible copper wire)

## Main data

- Polymer housing
- High reliability contacts
- Protection degree IP20, IP40 or IP65
- 4 terminal types available
- 47 actuators available
- Versions with positive opening
- Silver contacts gold plated versions
- Terminal covers with wire trap cable gland
- Mechanically interchangeable with previous products (see cross reference section)


## Markings and quality marks:

| MK series : | $\min$. | $1 \times 0,34 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ | $(1 \times$ AWG 22) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\max$ | $2 \times 1,5 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ | $(2 \times$ AWG 16) |  |

In conformity with standards: IEC 60947-5-1, EN 60947-5-1, IEC 60529, EN 60529.
Approvals:
UL 508

In conformity with requirements requested by:
Low Voltage Directive 2006/95/EC, Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC and Electromagnetic Compatibility 2004/108/EC.
Positive contact opening in conformity with standards: IEC 60947-5-1, EN 60947-5-1, EN 60947-5-1, VDE 0660-206.
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## Installation for safety applications:

Use only switches marked with the symbol $\Theta$.The safety circuit must always be connected with the NC contacts (normally closed contacts) as stated in the standard EN 60947-5-1, encl. K, par. 2. The switch must be actuated by a travel length that is at least up to the positive opening travel (POT) value of which is lister near the code article. The switch must be actuated at least with the positive opening force (POT), value of which is listed near the code article.

## Electrical data

Thermal current (lth):
Rated insulation voltage (Ui):
Conditional shot circuit current:
Protection against short circuits:
Pollution degree:
Dielectric strength

16 A
250 Vac 300 Vdc
1000 A according to EN 60947-5-1
fuse 10 A 500 V type gG
3
$2000 \mathrm{Vac} / \mathrm{min}$.

## Utilization categories

| Alternate current: AC15 ( 50 ... 60 Hz ) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ue (V) | 250 | 120 |  |
| le (A) | 6 | 6 |  |
| Direct current: DC13 |  |  |  |
| Ue (V) | 24 | 125 | 250 |
| le (A) | 5 | 0,6 | 0,3 |

Data type approved by UL

Utilization categories

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## Terminals outline dimension



Screw terminals V with plate

## Wire diagram



Contacts with single interruption and double contacts

With direct and back direct action (F. D)



OF operating force
RF releasing force
POF positive opening force

With inverted action (R)



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$0,76 \mathrm{~N}$
$0,58 \mathrm{~N}$


MK V11D37

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\begin{array}{llll} 
& 1 \mathrm{NO}+1 \mathrm{NC} & \mathrm{PT} & 19 \mathrm{~mm} \\
& \mathrm{OT} & 9,5 \mathrm{~mm} & \mathrm{OF} \\
& \mathrm{MD} & 23 \mathrm{~mm} & \mathrm{RF}
\end{array}
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\begin{aligned}
& 0,08 \mathrm{~N}
\end{aligned}
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$0,04 \mathrm{~N}$


Cross reference (all new parts are stocked)

| Old |  |  |  |  |  | New |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | N |  | mm |  |  |  | N |  |  | mm |  |  |  |
| P/N | OF | RF | PT | OT | MD | P/N | OF | RF | POF | PT | OT | MD | P0 |
| MV17 | 3.57 | 2.04 | 0.5 | 5.5 | 0.05 | MKV11D17 | 4 | 3 | 20 | No change | No change | No change | 2 |
| MV15 | 3.57 | 2.04 | 0.5 | 5.5 | 0.05 | MKV11D15 | 4 | 3 | 20 | No change | No change | No change | 2.2 |
| MV40 | 0.61 | 0.41 | 8 | 5 | 1 | MKV11D40 | 0.86 | 0.66 | N/A | 6.7 | 7.8 | 0.8 | V/A |
| MV10 | 3.57 | 2.04 | 0.5 | 5.5 | 0.05 | MKV11D10 | 4 | 3 | 20 | No change | No change | No change | 2.2 |
| MV35 | 0.33 | 0.27 | 20 | 15 | 4 | MKV11D35 | 0.28 | 0.22 | N/A | 19 | 16.7 | 2.5 | N/A |
| MV06 | 3.57 | 2.04 | 0.5 | 2 | 0.05 | MKV11D06 | 4 | 3 | 20 | No change | 3 | No change | 2.2 |
| MV45 | 1.12 | 0.71 | 3.5 | 2.5 | 0.6 | MKV11D45 | 1.66 | 1.28 | N/A | No change | 4.5 | 0.4 | N/A |
| MV05 | 3.57 | 2.04 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 0.05 | MKV11D05 | 4 | 3 | 20 | No change | 2 | No change | 2.2 |
| MV42 | 0.82 | 0.51 | 6 | 3 | 0.8 | MKV11D42 | 1.09 | 0.84 | N/A | 5.3 | 5.7 | 0.6 | N/A |
| MV01 | 3.57 | 2.04 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.05 | MKV11D01 | 4 | 3 | N/A | No change | 1.5 | No change | V/A |
| MV12 | 5.61 | 4.08 | 1 | 5 | 0.05 | MKV11D12 | 4.5 | 3 | 20 | 0.5 | 5.5 | No change | 2.2 |
| MV30 | 0.51 | 0.31 | 10 | 6 | 1.5 | MKV11D30 | 0.65 | 0.5 | N/A | 9 | 1.1 | No change | V/A |
| MV09 | 3.57 | 2.04 | 0.5 | 5.5 | 0.05 | MKV11D09 | 4 | 3 | 20 | No change | No change | No change | 2.2 |
| MV37 | 0.1 | 0.05 | 20 | 10 | 4 | MKV11D37 | 0.08 | 0.04 | N/A | 19 | 9.5 | 2.3 | N/A |

OF=Operating Force (maximum)
$R F=$ Releasing Force (minimum)
$\mathrm{PT}=$ Pre-travel (maximum)

OT= Over-travel MD = Movement Differential $\mathrm{PO}=$ Positive Opening

POF = Positive Opening Force N/A = Not Applicable

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## Protections Terminals Covers 10 pcs packs



Protection terminal cover for screw terminals snap-in assembled and with wire trap cable gland. It allows the installation of more switches side by side.

| Article | Description | Protection <br> degree |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| VF MKCV12 | Protection terminal cover without gasket for <br> multipolar cables from $\varnothing 4$ to $\varnothing 7,5 \mathrm{~mm}$ | IP40 |
| VF MKCV22 | Protection terminal cover with gasket for <br> multipolar cables from $\varnothing 4$ to $\varnothing 7,5 \mathrm{~mm}$ | IP65 |
| VF MKCV23 | Protection terminal cover with gasket for <br> multipolar cables from $\varnothing 2$ to $\varnothing 5 \mathrm{~mm}$ | IP65 |



| Article | Description |  | Protection <br> degree |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| VF C01 | Protection <br> terminals | terminal cover for screw |  |
| IP20 |  |  |  |



Protection terminal cover for vertical faston terminals snap-in assembled and with wire trap cable gland. It allows the installation of more switches side by side.

| Article | Description | Protection <br> degree |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| VF MKCH12 | Protection terminal cover without gasket for <br> multipolar cables from $\varnothing 4$ to $\varnothing 7,5 \mathrm{~mm}$ | IP40 |



| Article | Description | Protection <br> degree |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| VF C02 | Protection terminal cover for screw <br> terminals with cable gland PG9 for <br> multipolar cables from $\varnothing 5$ to $\varnothing 7 \mathrm{~mm}$ | IP40 |

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