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**AUTOMOTIVE POWER
RELAYS — SMALL SIZE,
LIGHT WEIGHT**

CA RELAYS



FEATURES

1. Small size and light weight

For space saving, the outside dimensions of the main body are reduced to be 21.5 mm (length) × 14.4 mm (width) × 37 mm (height) (.846 × .567 × 1.457 inch) and the weight is also reduced to be approx. 19 g .67 oz (direct coupling 1 Form A, 1 Form B type)

2. Low operating power (1.4W) type is available (1 Form A, 1 Form B)

3. Since the terminal arrangement complies with JIS D5011 B4-M1, commercial connectors are available for these types of relays.

SPECIFICATIONS

Contact

Type		12 V DC		24 V DC		
Arrangement		1 Form A	1 Form B	1 Form C		
Initial contact resistance (By voltage drop 6 V DC 1A)		Max. 50 mΩ				
Contact material		AgSnO ₂ type				
Contact voltage drop		Max. 0.3 V After electrical life test, by voltage drop 12 V DC 20 A (1.4 W type), 12 V DC 30 A (1.8 W type)	Max. 0.3 V After electrical life test, by voltage drop 12 V DC 20 A	Max. 0.4 V After electrical life test, by voltage drop 12 V DC 20 A		
Rating	Nominal switching capacity (resistive load)	20 A 12 V DC (1.4 W type) 30 A 12 V DC (1.8 W type)	20 A 12 V DC		10 A 24 V DC (ON: 2s, OFF: 2s)	
	Max. switching voltage	16 V		15 V	30 V	
	Max. switching current	120 A (1.4 W type) 150 A (1.8 W type)	120 A	100 A	50 A (Inrush current)	
	Max. carrying current	20 A continuous (1.4 W type) 30 A for 1 min (1.8 W type)	20 A continuous	20 A continuous	10 A continuous	
	Min. switching capacity ^{#1}	1 A 12 V DC			1 A 24 V DC	
Nominal operating power		1.4 W / 1.8 W		1.8 W		
Expected life (min. operations)	Mechanical (at 120 cpm)		10 ⁶		5×10 ⁵	
	Electrical	20 A (1.4 W, 1.8 W type)	10 ⁵ (ON: 2s, OFF: 2s)	10 ⁵ (ON 2s, OFF 2s)		10 ⁵ (ON 2s, OFF 2s)
		30 A (1.8 W type)	2×10 ⁴ (ON: 3s, OFF: 15s)			

#1 This value can change due to the switching frequency, environmental conditions, and desired reliability level, therefore it is recommended to check this with the actual load.

Characteristics (at 20°C 68°F)

Type	12 V DC		24 V DC
Max. operating speed	15 cpm (1.4 W type: at nominal load) 1.8 W type: at 20 A)		15 cpm (at nominal load)
Initial insulation resistance	Min. 10 MΩ at 500 V DC		
Initial breakdown voltage*1	Between open contacts	500 V rms for 1 min.	
	Between contacts and coil	500 V rms for 1 min.	
Operate time*2 (at nominal voltage)	Max. 10 ms at 20°C (initial)		Max. 10 ms (initial)
Release time (without diode)*2 (at nominal voltage)	Max. 10 ms at 20°C (initial)		Max. 10 ms (initial)
Shock resistance	Functional*3	Min. 200 m/s ² {20 G}	Min. 100 m/s ² {10 G}
	Destructive*4	Min. 1,000 m/s ² {100 G}	
Vibration resistance	Functional*5	Rubber bracket A type: Min. 100 m/s ² {10 G}, 50 Hz to 500 Hz Direct coupling type or Screw-mounting type: Min. 44.1 m/s ² {4.5 G}, 33Hz	Min. 44.1 m/s ² {4.5 G}, 33 Hz
	Destructive*6	Rubber bracket A type: Min. 100m/s ² {10 G}, 50 Hz to 500 Hz Direct coupling type or Screw-mounting type: Min. 44.1 m/s ² {4.5 G}, 33Hz	Min. 44.1 m/s ² {4.5 G}, 33 Hz
Conditions for operation, transport and storage*7 (Not freezing and condensing low temperature)	Ambient temp.	-30°C to +80°C -22°F to +176°F	
	Humidity	5% R.H. to 85% R.H.	
Water-proof standard	Plastic sealed type: JIS DO203S2, Dust cover type: JIS DO203R2		JIS DO203S2
Mass	Rubber bracket A type: 23 g .81 oz Direct coupling type or Screw-mounting type: 19 g .67 oz		31 g 1.09 oz

Electrical life (min. operation)

	Nominal coil voltage, V DC	Motor load (operating frequency ON: 2 s, OFF: 2 s)	Halogen lamp load (operating frequency ON: 1 s, OFF: 14 s)
1 Form A, 1 Form B	12	10 ⁵ , 20 A 12 V DC	10 ⁵ , 20 A 12 V DC
1 Form C	12	10 ⁵ , 20 A 12 V DC	10 ⁵ , 20 A 12 V DC
	24	10 ⁵ , 10 A 24 V DC	10 ⁵ , 6 A 24 V DC

Remarks
 *1 Detection current: 10 mA
 *2 Excluding contact bounce time
 *3 Half-wave pulse of sine wave: 11ms; detection time: 10μs
 *4 Half-wave pulse of sine wave: 6ms
 *5 Detection time: 10μs
 *6 Time of vibration for each direction; X, Y, direction: 2 hours, Z direction: 4 hours
 *7 Refer to 6. Conditions for operation, transport and storage mentioned in [AMBIENT ENVIRONMENT \(p. 19, Relay Technical Information\)](#).

ORDERING INFORMATION

CA [1a] [F] [S] — 12 V — [A] — [5]

Contact arrangement	Protective construction	Nominal operating power	Coil voltage (DC)	Mounting method	Classification by type
1a: 1 Form A 1b: 1 Form B 1 : 1 Form C	Nil: Plastic sealed type F: Dust cover type	Nil: Standard type (1.8 W) S: Low operating power type (1.4 W) (1 Form A, 1 Form B)	12 V 24 V (1 Form C only)	A: Rubber bracket A type (1 Form A, 1 Form B) N: Screw mounting type C: Direct coupling type	Nil: 1 Form C 5: 1 Form A or 1 Form B

Notes: 1. Type with resistor/diode inside are available as options. Please consult our sales office.
 2. Standard packing: Carton: 20 pcs. Case: 200 pcs.

COIL DATA

1) Standard type

Contact arrangement	Mounting type	Plastic sealed type	Dust cover type	Nominal voltage, V DC	Pick-up voltage, V DC (at 20°C 68°F)	Drop-out voltage, V DC (at 20°C 68°F)	Nominal operating current, mA (at 20°C 68°F)	Coil resistance, Ω (at 20°C 68°F)	Nominal operating power, mW (at 20°C 68°F)	Usable voltage range, V DC
1 Form A	Rubber bracket A	CA1a-12V-A-5	CA1aF-12V-A-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	150±10%	80±10%	1.8	10 to 16
	Screw-mounting	CA1a-12V-N-5	CA1aF-12V-N-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	150±10%	80±10%	1.8	10 to 16
	Direct coupling	CA1a-12V-C-5	CA1aF-12V-C-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	150±10%	80±10%	1.8	10 to 16
1 Form B	Rubber bracket A	CA1b-12V-A-5	CA1bF-12V-A-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	150±10%	80±10%	1.8	10 to 16
	Screw-mounting	CA1b-12V-N-5	CA1bF-12V-N-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	150±10%	80±10%	1.8	10 to 16
	Direct coupling	CA1b-12V-C-5	CA1bF-12V-C-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	150±10%	80±10%	1.8	10 to 16
1 Form C	Screw-mounting	CA1-DC12V-N	-	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6	150±10%	80±10%	1.8	10 to 15
	Direct coupling	CA1-DC12V-C	-	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6	150±10%	80±10%	1.8	10 to 15
	Screw-mounting	CA1-DC24V-N	-	24	Max. 16	Min. 1.2	75±10%	320±10%	1.8	20 to 30
	Direct coupling	CA1-DC24V-C	-	24	Max. 16	Min. 1.2	75±10%	320±10%	1.8	20 to 30

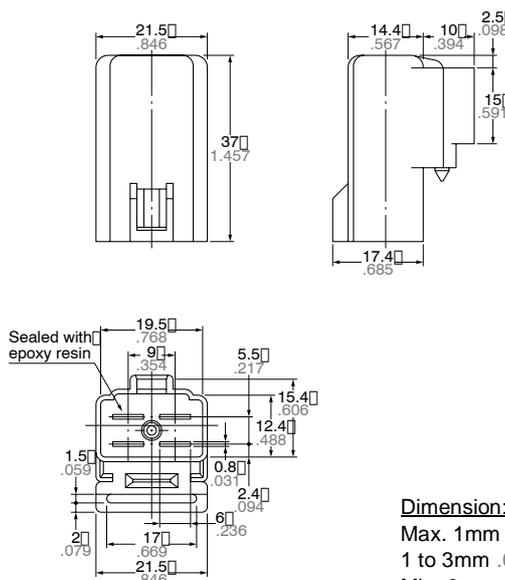
2) Low operating power type

Contact arrangement	Mounting type	Plastic sealed type	Dust cover type	Nominal voltage, V DC	Pick-up voltage, V DC (at 20°C 68°F)	Drop-out voltage, V DC (at 20°C 68°F)	Nominal operating current, mA (at 20°C 68°F)	Coil resistance, Ω (at 20°C 68°F)	Nominal operating power, mW (at 20°C 68°F)	Usable voltage range, V DC
1 Form A	Rubber bracket A	CA1aS-12V-A-5	CA1aFS-12V-A-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	120±10%	100±10%	1.4	10 to 16
	Screw-mounting	CA1aS-12V-N-5	CA1aFS-12V-N-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	120±10%	100±10%	1.4	10 to 16
	Direct coupling	CA1aS-12V-C-5	CA1aFS-12V-C-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	120±10%	100±10%	1.4	10 to 16
1 Form B	Rubber bracket A	CA1bS-12V-A-5	CA1bFS-12V-A-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	120±10%	100±10%	1.4	10 to 16
	Screw-mounting	CA1bS-12V-N-5	CA1bFS-12V-N-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	120±10%	100±10%	1.4	10 to 16
	Direct coupling	CA1bS-12V-C-5	CA1bFS-12V-C-5	12	Max. 8	Min. 0.6 to 6	120±10%	100±10%	1.4	10 to 16

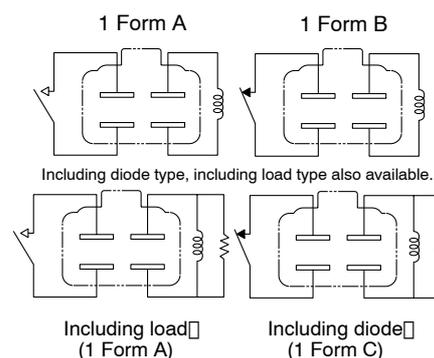
DIMENSIONS

mm inch

1. 1 Form A/1 Form B
Rubber bracket A type



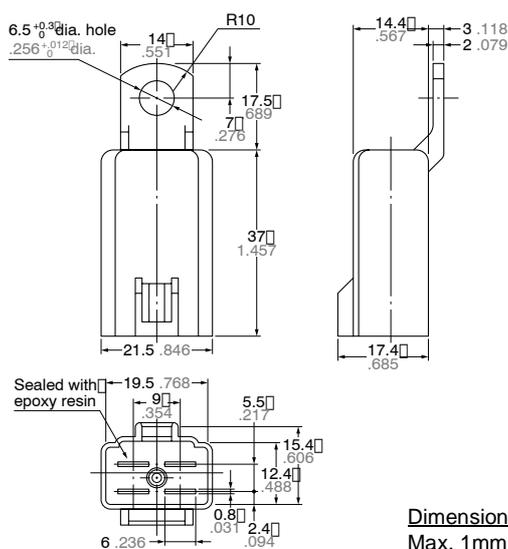
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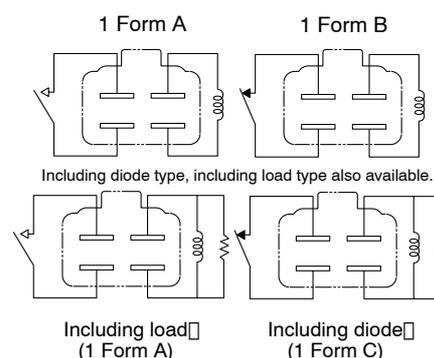
Dimension:
 Max. 1mm .039 inch:
 1 to 3mm .039 to .118 inch:
 Min. 3mm .118 inch:

General tolerance
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 ±0.3 ±.012

2. 1 Form A/1 Form B
Screw-mounting type



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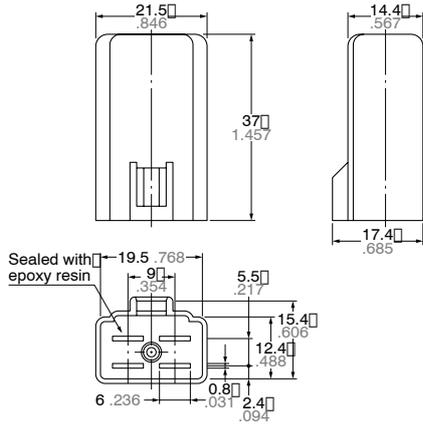


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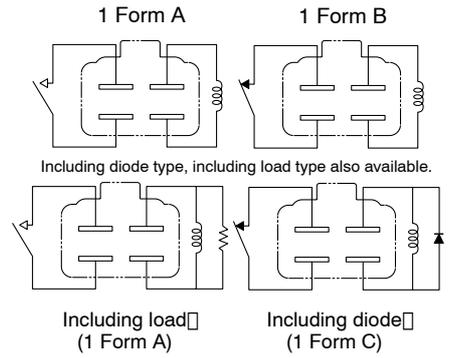
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3. 1 Form A/1 Form B
Direct coupling type

mm inch

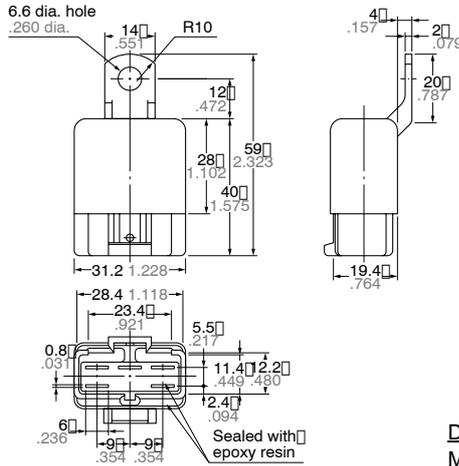


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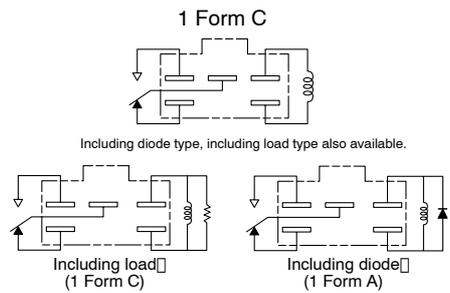


Dimension:	General tolerance
Max. 1mm .039 inch:	±0.1 ±.004
1 to 3mm .039 to .118 inch:	±0.2 ±.008
Min. 3mm .118 inch:	±0.3 ±.012

4. 1 Form C
Screw-mounting type

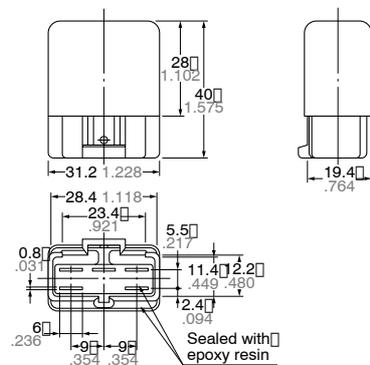


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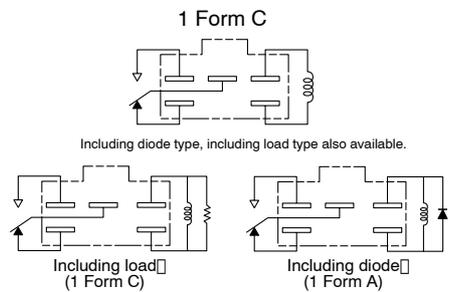


Dimension:	General tolerance
Max. 1mm .039 inch:	±0.1 ±.004
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Min. 3mm .118 inch:	±0.3 ±.012

5. 1 Form C
Direct coupling type



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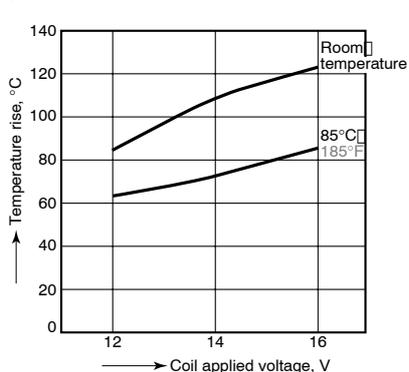


Dimension:	General tolerance
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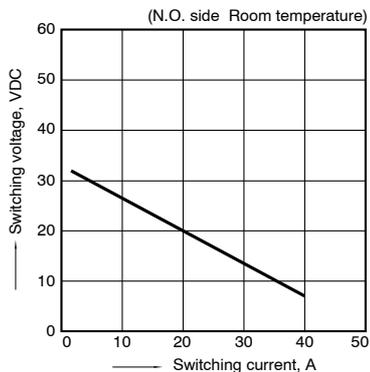
REFERENCE DATA

1. Coil temperature rise

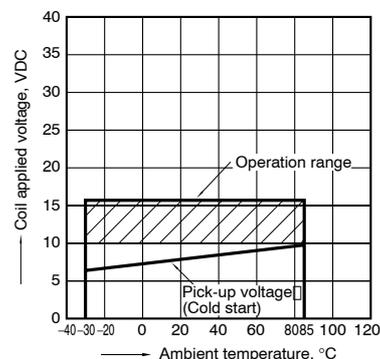
Samples: CA1aS-12V-N-5, 5pcs.
 Measured portion: Inside the coil
 Contact carrying current: 20A
 Ambient temperature: Room temperature, 85°C
 185°F



2. Max. switching capability (Resistive load)

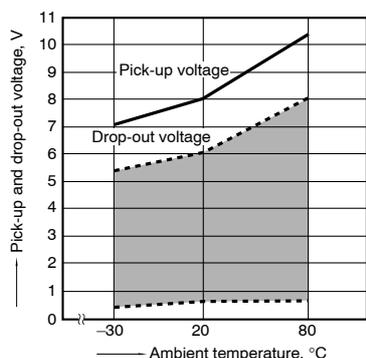


3. Ambient temperature and operating temperature range



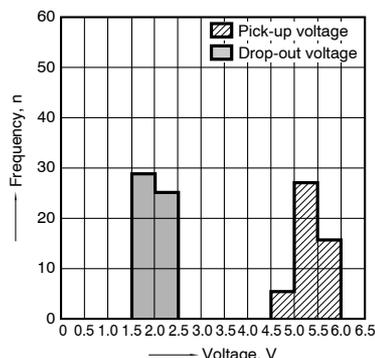
4. Ambient temperature characteristics (Cold start)

Samples: CA1bS-12V-N-5



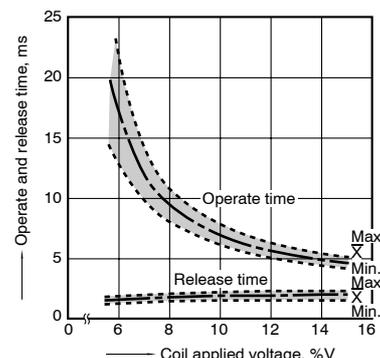
5. Distribution of pick-up and drop-out voltage

Quantity: 50pcs.



6. Distribution of operate and release time

Sample: CA1a-12V-N-5, 10pcs.

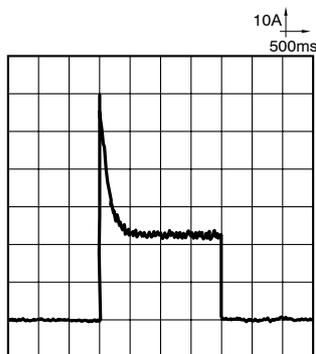


7-(1). Electrical life test (Motor load)

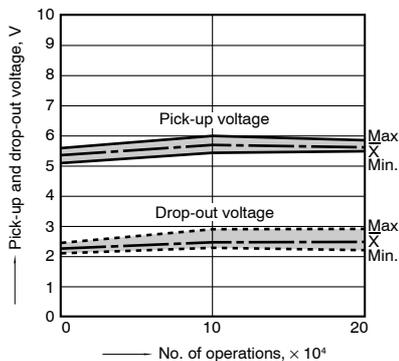
Sample: CA1a-12V-C, 3pcs.
 Load: Inrush current: 63A, steady current: 23A
 Blower fan motor actual load (motor free)
 Switching frequency: (ON:OFF = 2s:2s)
 Ambient temperature: Room temperature

Load current waveform

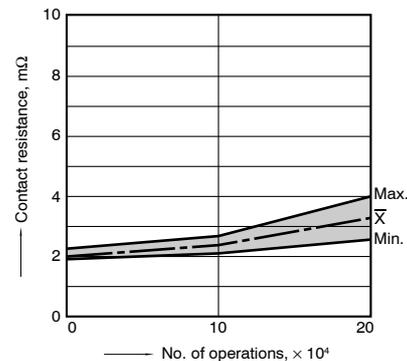
Load: Inrush current: 63A, steady current: 23A,



Change of pick-up and drop-out voltage



Change of contact resistance

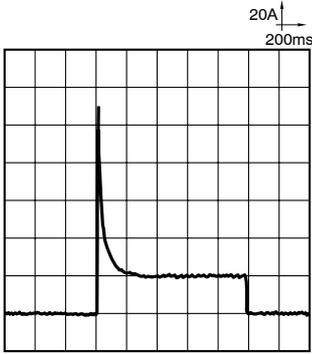


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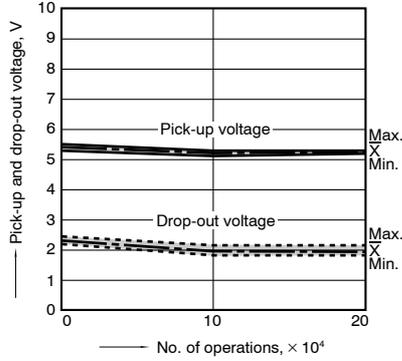
Sample: CA1a-12V-C, 3pcs.
 Load: 60Wx4, Inrush current: 110A, steady current: 20A
 Halogen lamp actual load
 Switching frequency: (ON:OFF = 1s:14s)
 Ambient temperature: Room temperature

Load current waveform

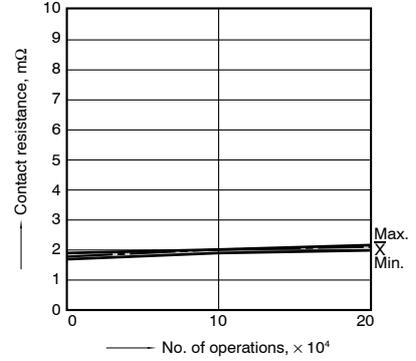
Load: Inrush current: 110A, steady current: 20A,



Change of pick-up and drop-out voltage



Change of contact resistance



Cautions regarding the protection element

1. Part numbers without protection elements

1) 12 V models

When connecting a coil surge protection circuit to these relays, we recommend a Zener diode with a Zener voltage of 24 V or higher, or a resistor (680Ω to 1,000Ω). When a diode is connected to the coil in parallel, the release time will slow down and working life may shorten. Before use, please check the circuit and verify that the diode is not connected in parallel to the coil drive circuit.

2) 24 V models

When connecting a coil surge protection circuit to these relays, we recommend a Zener diode with a Zener voltage of 48 V or higher, or a resistor (2,800Ω to 4,700Ω).

When a diode is connected to the coil in parallel, the release time will slow down and working life may shorten. Before use, please check the circuit and verify that the diode is not connected in parallel to the coil drive circuit.

2. Part numbers with diodes

These relays use a diode in the coil surge protection element. Therefore, the release time is slower and the working life might be shorter compared to part numbers without protection elements and part numbers with resistors. Be sure to use only after evaluating under actual load conditions.

3. Part numbers with resistors

This part number employs a resistor in the coil surge protection circuit; therefore, an external surge protection element is not required. In particular, when a diode is connected in parallel with a coil, the revert time becomes slower which could adversely affect working life. Please check the circuit and make sure that a diode is not connected in parallel with the coil drive circuit.

For Cautions for Use, see [Relay Technical Information](#).