

3MP Motor Protector/Thermal Cut-out

As world leader in appliance motor protection, Sensata Technologies has developed the 3MP for 120 and 250 Vac applications to operate in wider temperatures and current ranges than offered by existing protection solutions. In providing consistent performance characteristics and excellent reliability, its features anticipate future technical protection requirements on the AC motor market.

Design & operating principles

The 3MP consists of a metal housing with an integrated terminal. The housing holds the pre-set Klixon® snap action bimetal disc. The split plate carries a resistive S-shaped wire which provides additional current sensitivity. The advanced contact system - one on the bimetal disc and one on the plate - in combination with the strong disc guarantees a long life and reliable cycling. The combination of a variety of standard terminal configurations and carefully selected materials provides easy handling and mounting. Customized terminal configurations are available on request. Wires including connectors can be automatically attached to the standard crimp terminal. Sensata Technologies supplies a range of standard lead configurations; customized solutions are available on request. In construction where the 3MP device is contacting conductive parts of the motor assembly. Sensata Technologies can deliver the devices with a Mylar[™] insulation sleeve. Customized coding and colouring of the coding tape is an option on request.

The operating principle of the 3MP is both simple and effective. The protector is actuated by current passing through it and by the heat received from the surrounding parts. The electrical circuit is interrupted when the disc reaches its pre-set temperature. As the device cools down to a safe temperature, the contacts will automatically reset. The bimetal disc provides excellent thermal and current sensitivity in an overload situation. Under locked rotor conditions the integrated heater in combination with the bimetal disc provide very accurate trip times for maximum protection.

Technologies

Applications

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The 3MP is widely used throughout the world in electric motors for washing machines, dishwashers, dryers, vacuum cleaners and industrial applications in the 120 and 250 Vac applications. 3MP features permit to move the motor protector location outside the winding, providing the motor manufacturer extra flexibility during the manufacturing process. The recent certification as a thermal cut-out device combined with its unique current sensitivity, positions the 3MP as an advanced and cost effective solution to protect toroidal transformers.



KEY BENEFITS

Minimizes the total cost of the motor protection function

Maximum protection under locked rotor conditions

Provides extra flexibility during the motor manufacturing process

Reduces the total need of motor protector type; one code for several applications

Provides mounting flexibility

Low cost solution for transformer protection

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Dimensions (mm)





The curves of First Cycle Tripping time and Ultimate trip current are meant to be for selecting samples to perform verification tests only. In the figures two curves of a wide range of possibilities are shown. The level and slope can be varied by making an other selection for the pre-set temperature, bimetal disc and/or heater.

Declarations to EN60730-2-9	Declarations to EN60730-2-2	
Purpose of the controlThermal cut-out	Purpose of the controlThermal Motorprotector	
ConstructionIncorporated, non-electronic		
Degree of protectionIP00		
Terminals for ext. conductors.For internal conductors only		
Method of (dis) connection		
of terminalsSoldering, spotwelding		
Temperature limits of the		
switchhead170°C		
PTI of insulation materialsPTI 175	PTI of insulation materialsPTI 175	
Method of mounting Off-winding, fixed position, no mounting limitation	Method of mounting Off-winding, fixed position, no mounting limitation	
Operating timeFor continuous operation		
Type of actionType 2B	Type of actionType 3C	
Reset characteristicAutomatic	Reset characteristicAutomatic	
Extent of sensing elementWhole control		
Control pollution degreeDegree 1	Control pollution degreeDegree 2	



Ultimate Trip Current vs. Ambient



Certifications		
Agency	File number	Standard
ENEC	2014531.07	EN60730-2-2 Thermal motor protector
ENEC	2014531.07	EN60730-2-9 Thermal cut-out
UL / C-UL	E15962	UL2111/ CSA-C22.2 No. 0-M91

 Specifications

 Standard operating temperature range
 from 80°C - 170°C (Increments 5K)

 Tolerance on open temperature
 ± 5K

 Peak temperature (5 min)
 200°C

 Max. Ambient temperature
 T-open +20°C

 Time check at T-ambient 25°C
 4 to 10 seconds

 Contact rating
 27.5 A @cos 1 / 250Vac / 500 cycles

 18 A @cos 0.6 / 250Vac / 1.000 cycles
 18 A @cos 0.6 / 120Vac / 15.000 cycles



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