



# HARWIN

## Component Specification

**C12514**

Gecko  
G125 Series 1.25mm Pitch High-Rel Connectors  
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1. **DESCRIPTION OF CONNECTOR**

Gecko connectors are 1.25mm pitch high-reliability rectangular connectors, with part numbers starting G125. There are three variants of the range; the variants are not intermateable:

- **Gecko-SL**  
Screw-Lok: one connector has floating screws for secure, robust interconnection to the counterpart. Screw-Loks can also have board or panel mount studs for secure PCB or enclosure retention.
- **Gecko-MT**  
Mixed Technology: connectors are equipped with both signal and power contacts and are available in cable or throughboard configurations. The same Screw-Lok fixing variations as Gecko-SL are available.
- **Gecko Latch (original design)**  
Male connectors can be equipped with easy to release locking latches for secure interconnection to the female. Latches can be specified with through board locking features or surface mount pads for additional security.

The ranges generally comprise of cable barrel crimp contacts and housings available in Male and Female genders; Vertical and Horizontal Throughboard PC Tail Connectors and Vertical Surface Mount Connectors. Connectors are fully shrouded, unsealed connectors for interconnecting cable-to-cable, cable-to-board, and board-to-board applications.

The Gecko cable connectors are supplied as connector housings and separately ordered replaceable contacts. They are designed for interconnecting cable-to-cable and cable-to-board. The housings have a low profile potting wall to allow backpotting for additional strain relief and improved sealing. All ready-made cable assemblies are supplied backpotted for customer convenience, and individually pre-cabled contacts are also available.

All contacts are gold plated for high performance and long service life; the contact plating is hard acid gold of 98% purity.

The Gecko-SL and Latch ranges cover various sizes from 6 to 50 total number of contacts in a dual row configuration. Connector housings are polarised to prevent mis-mating and have contact number one indicated on the outside of the housings. Metal backshells are available that are compatible with both Gecko-SL and Gecko-MT ranges, to provide mechanical, RF and EMC protection. Gecko-MT connectors are available in a variety of signal (double row) and power (single row) contact configurations – check the website for the latest contact variations available.

2. **RATINGS**

2.1. **Materials**

*All materials are listed on individual drawings.*

|                                |                                                  |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Power Contact .....            | Beryllium Copper, Gold over Nickel               |
| Female Signal Contact.....     | Beryllium Copper, Gold over Nickel               |
| Male PCB Signal Contact.....   | Phosphor Bronze, Gold over Nickel                |
| Male Cable Signal Contact..... | Brass, Gold over Nickel                          |
| Housing .....                  | 30% Glass Filled Thermoplastic, UL94 V-0         |
| Latches.....                   | Copper-Nickel-Tin alloy, Tin over Nickel finish  |
| Screw-Lok fixings .....        | Stainless Steel                                  |
| Metal Backshells .....         | Aluminium 6061-T6, High Phosphorus Nickel finish |
| Potting Compound.....          | Stycast 2651MM with Catalyst 9                   |

2.2. Electrical Characteristics

2.2.1. Current Rating (EIA-364-70A: 1998)

|                                                                     |           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Signal Contact:                                                     |           |
| One contact per connector is electrically loaded, 25°C ambient..... | 2.8A max  |
| Current per contact through all contacts, 25°C ambient .....        | 2.0A max  |
| Signal Contact on Flex Circuit:                                     |           |
| One contact per connector is electrically loaded, 25°C ambient..... | 0.4A max  |
| Power Contact:                                                      |           |
| Current per contact through all contacts, 25°C ambient .....        | 10.0A max |

2.2.2. Other Electrical Characteristics

|                                                            |                     |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Working Voltage:                                           |                     |
| At 1,006mbar, sea level.....                               | 450V DC or AC peak  |
| At 44mbar, 21,336m/70,000ft .....                          | 250V DC or AC peak  |
| Voltage Proof (EIA-364-20C: 2004):                         |                     |
| At 1,013mbar, sea level .....                              | 600V DC or AC peak  |
| At 44mbar, 21,336m/70,000ft .....                          | 350V DC or AC peak  |
| Contact Resistance (EIA-364-06C: 2006):                    |                     |
| Initial .....                                              | 20mΩ max            |
| After conditioning .....                                   | 25mΩ max            |
| Insulation Resistance (EIA-364-21C: 2000):                 |                     |
| Initial .....                                              | 10GΩ min at 500V DC |
| After conditioning (excluding Salt Mist conditioning)..... | >1GΩ min at 500V DC |
| Creepage Distance (contact-to-contact) .....               | 0.15mm min          |
| Clearance Distance (contact-to-contact).....               | 0.15mm min          |

2.3. Environmental Characteristics

|                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Humidity (EIA-364-31B: 2000) .....                                                                                 | 96 hours at 93% RH                                                                                |
| Temperature Range (EIA-364-32C: 2000 Test Cond. IV) .....                                                          | 30mins dwell, 5 cycles at -65°C to +150°C                                                         |
| Temperature Life (EIA-364-17B: 1999 Test Cond. X Method A) .....                                                   | +150°C±5°C without load                                                                           |
| Salt Mist (EIA-364-26B: 1999 Test Condition B) .....                                                               | 48 hours continuous exposure                                                                      |
| Vibration Severity ♦● (EIA-364-28D: 1999 Test Cond. IV) .....                                                      | 10Hz to 2,000Hz, 1.5mm, 198m/s <sup>2</sup> (20G),<br>2 hour duration                             |
| Shock Severity ♦❖● (EIA-364-27B: 1996 Test Cond. E) .....                                                          | 981m/s <sup>2</sup> (100G) for 6ms in Z axis,<br>490m/s <sup>2</sup> (50G) for 11ms in X & Y axes |
| Bump Severity ♦ .....                                                                                              | 390m/s <sup>2</sup> (40G), 4,000±10 Bumps                                                         |
| Acceleration Severity (EIA-364-01A: 2000) .....                                                                    | 490m/s <sup>2</sup> (50G)                                                                         |
| ♦ Latches or Screw-Loks fully utilized.                                                                            |                                                                                                   |
| ❖ X & Y tested at lower levels due to shaker limitations.                                                          |                                                                                                   |
| ● It is recommended that back-potting compound is applied to crimp assemblies for vibration at higher frequencies. |                                                                                                   |

2.4. Mechanical Characteristics

|                                                                            |                  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Durability (contacts)                                                      | 1,000 operations |
| Durability (latches)                                                       | 100 operations   |
| <i>By hand or with Z125-926XX00 tools; minimum added retention of 20N.</i> |                  |
| Insertion Force (per contact, using mating contact):                       |                  |
| Signal                                                                     | 2.8N max         |
| Power                                                                      | 7.0N max         |
| Withdrawal Force (per contact, using mating contact)                       | 0.2N min         |
| Contact Retention in Housing (all contact types)                           | 6.0N min         |
| Screw-Lok Retention in Housing                                             | 20.0N min        |
| Latch Retention in Housing                                                 | 4.0N min         |
| Screw-Lok Torque                                                           | 16 to 18cmN      |
| Contact Wipe:                                                              |                  |
| Signal                                                                     | 0.1mm min        |
| Power                                                                      | 0.63mm min       |

2.5. Wire Termination Information

2.5.1. Signal Contacts

|                              |                                                                                    |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wire Type (recommended)      | BS 3G 210 type A, MIL-W-16878/6 type ET or NEMA HP3 type ET                        |
| Maximum Insulation Diameter  | Ø0.84mm                                                                            |
| Insulation Strip Length      | 1.50-1.75mm                                                                        |
| Recommended Tooling          | Hand Crimp Tool Z125-900<br>Positioner Z125-901<br>Insertion/Removal Tool Z125-902 |
| Recommended potting compound | Stycast 2651MM with Catalyst 9                                                     |

| AWG Wire Size | Qty & Nominal diameter (mm) of strands | Conductor Diameter (mm) | Area (mm²) | Circular MIL Area (CMA) | Crimp Tool Setting | Crimp Height (mm) | Minimum Pull-Off Force (N) |
|---------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 26            | 7/0.15                                 | 0.533                   | 0.128      | 253                     | 6                  | 0.95-1.10         | 18                         |
| 28            | 7/0.13                                 | 0.381                   | 0.072      | 159                     | 5                  |                   | 13                         |
| 30            | 7/0.10                                 | 0.305                   | 0.057      | 100                     | 5                  |                   | 12                         |
| 32            | 7/0.08                                 | 0.203                   | 0.035      | 62                      | 5                  |                   | 6                          |

For information on crimping Gecko signal contacts refer to [Tooling Instruction Sheet IS-37](#). For information on insertion/removal of Gecko signal cable contacts refer to [Tooling Instruction Sheet IS-38](#). There is also a Video on crimping and inserting Gecko contacts: [harwin.com/harwintv](https://www.harwin.com/harwintv).

2.5.2. Power Contacts

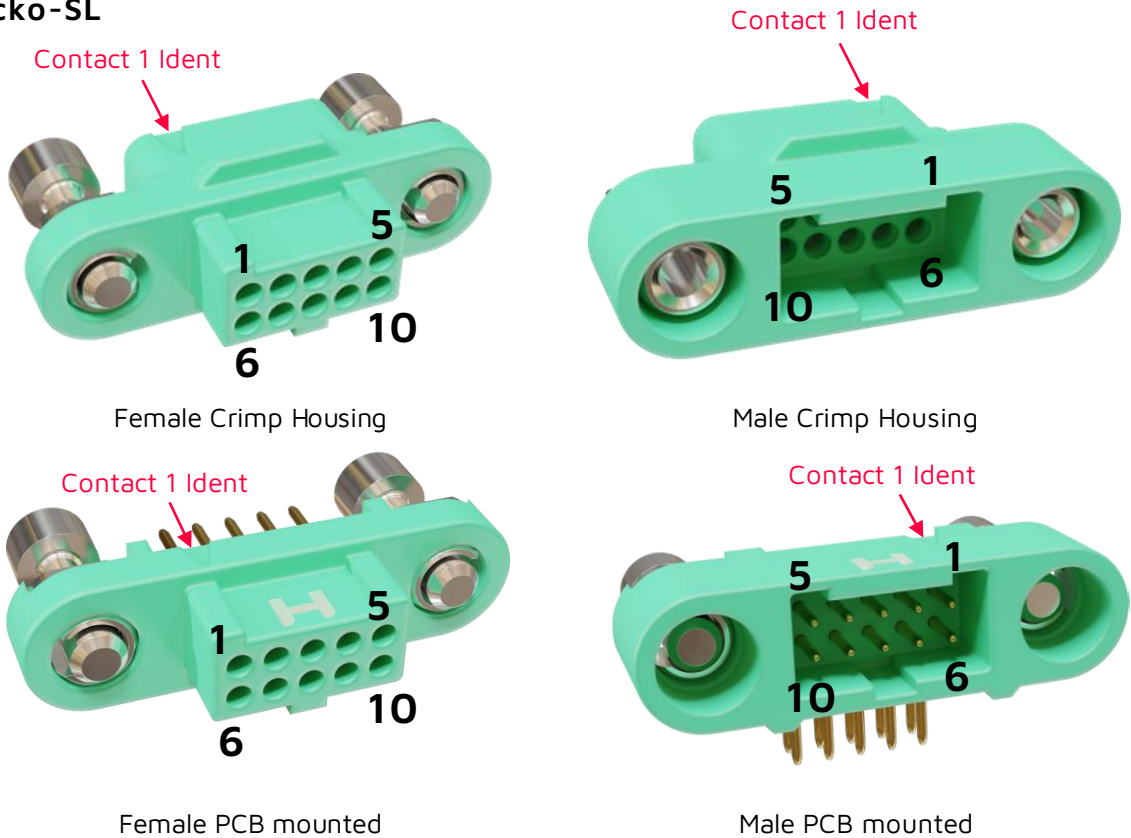
Wire Type (recommended).....M22759/11-18 PTFE (MIL-W-22759/11)  
Maximum Insulation Diameter .....Ø1.35mm  
Insulation Strip Length .....1.90-2.30mm  
Recommended Hand Crimp Tooling.....Hand Crimp Tool Z125-903  
Positioner Z125-904  
Insertion/Removal Tool Z125-905  
Recommended potting compound .....Stycast 2651MM with Catalyst 9

| AWG Wire Size | Qty & Nominal diameter (mm) of strands | Conductor Diameter (mm) | Area (mm²) | Circular MIL Area (CMA) | Crimp Tool Setting | Minimum Pull-Off Force (N) |
|---------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 18            | 19/0.25                                | 1.250                   | 0.930      | 1624                    | 8                  | 85                         |

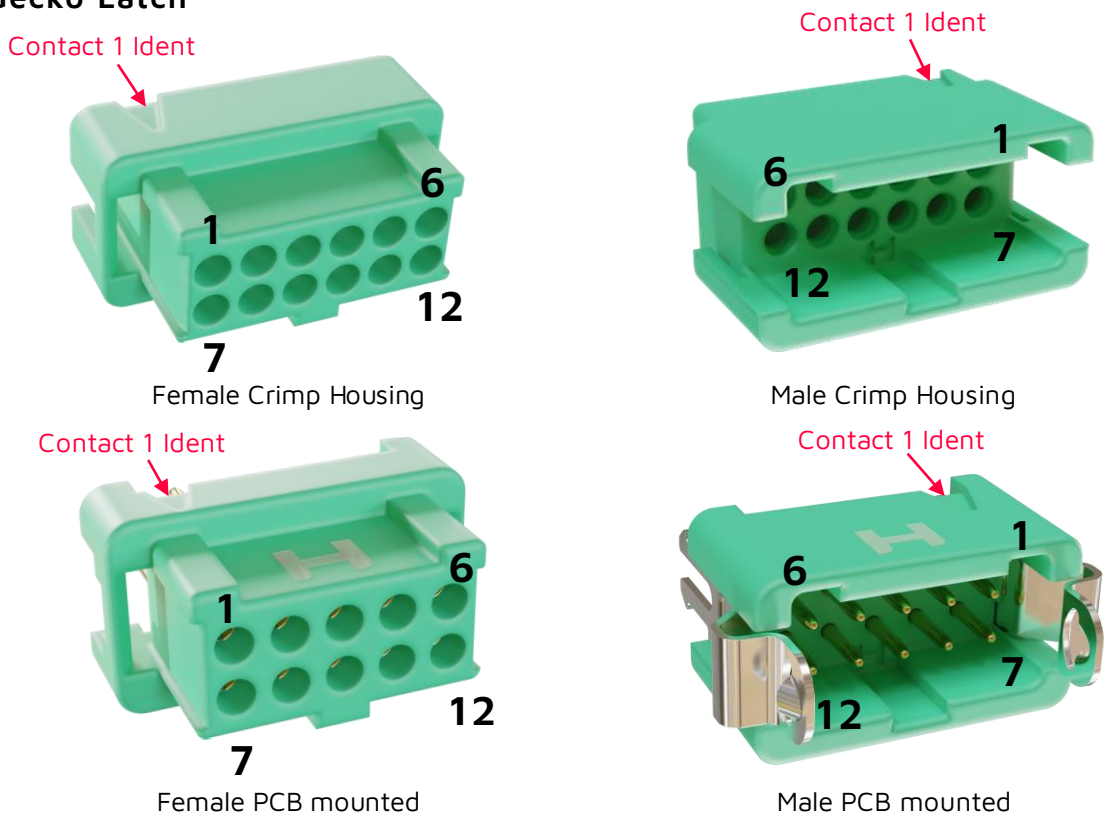
For information on crimping Gecko-MT power contacts refer to [Tooling Instruction Sheet IS-44](#). For information on insertion/removal of Gecko power contacts refer to [Tooling Instruction Sheet IS-47](#). There is also a Video on crimping and inserting Gecko contacts: [harwin.com/harwintv](http://harwin.com/harwintv).

APPENDIX 1 – CONTACT NUMBERING

A1.1. Gecko-SL



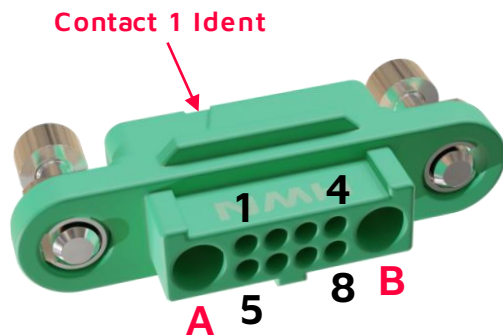
A1.2. Gecko Latch



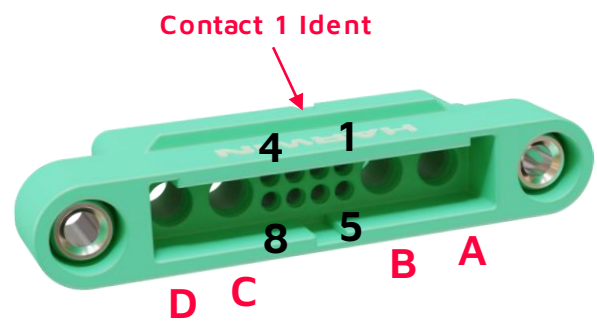
### A1.3. Gecko-MT (non-standard layout)

The following variants adhere to this convention where special contacts are both sides of the signal contacts only:

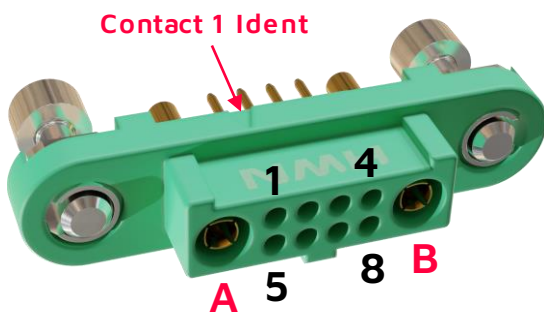
- G125-22496FX-0X-08-0X - Female Crimp Housing
- G125-32496MX-0X-08-0X - Male Crimp Housing
- G125-FV1XXFX-XABXABP - Female PCB Mounted
- G125-MH1XXMX-XADXADP - Male PCB Mounted



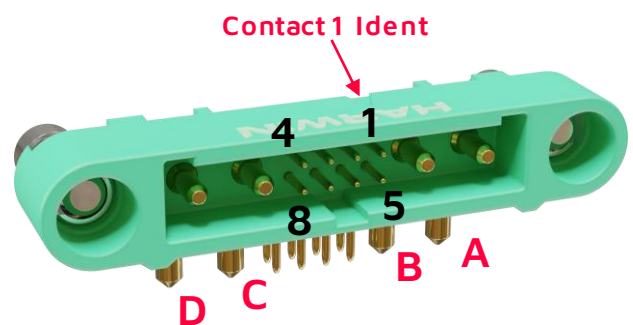
Female Crimp Housing



Male Crimp Housing



Female PCB mounted

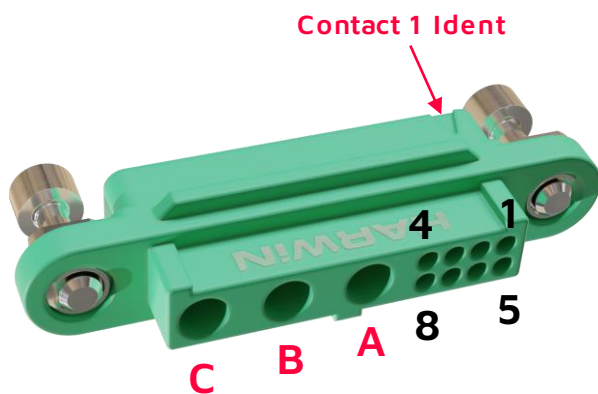


Male PCB mounted

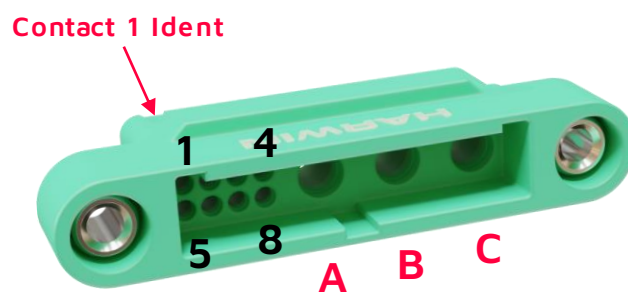
### A1.3. Gecko-MT (standard layout)

Variants shown have 8 signal contacts and 3 power contacts. This convention is true for the following part numbers where special contacts are on one side of the signal contacts only:

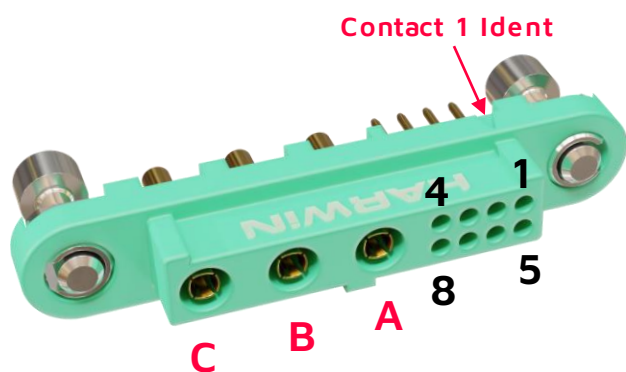
- G125-22496FX-XX-XX-00 - Female Crimp Housing
- G125-32496MX-XX-XX-00 - Male Crimp Housing
- G125-FV1XXFX-XXAB000P - Female PCB Mounted
- G125-MH1XXMX-XXAD000P - Male PCB Mounted



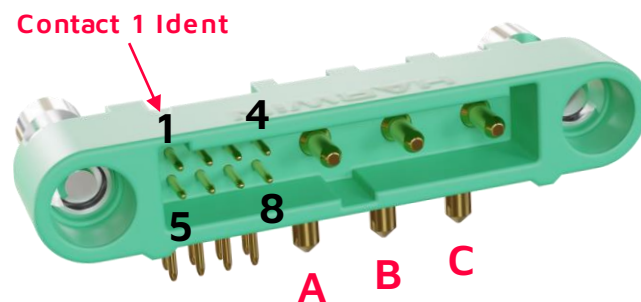
Female Crimp Housing



Male Crimp Housing



Female PCB mounted



Male PCB mounted