

multimec® 3C/3E

Technical Data

- through-hole or SMD
- 50mA/24VDC
- single pole/momentary
- 10.000.000 operations life time
- IP67 sealing
- temperature range:
 - low temp: -40/+115°C
 - high temp: -40/+160°C
- actuator:
 - in PPS: -40/+160°C
 - in polycarbonate: -40/+85°C



Standard 3C		Variable heights 3E	
Dimensions (through-hole)	Dimensions (SMD)	Dimensions (through-hole)	Dimensions (SMD)
PCB layout	PCB layout	PCB layout	PCB layout

How to order

3 C
Switch

Mounting
T through-hole
S surface mount

L 6 low temp. white
L 9 low temp. black
H 9 high temp.

3 E
Switch

Mounting
T through-hole
S surface mount

L low temp.
H high temp.

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 Black
 Actuator made of PPS

☐ ☐ ☐
Standard overall height
08.0
09.5
10.4
11.0
12.0
15.0

Custom heights:

 3E is available in any height from 08.0 to 15.0mm.
 Min. order qty. for custom heights is 2.000 pcs.

3 E
Switch

Mounting
T through-hole

L low temp.

20 blue
23 grey
24 yellow
28 red
29 black
 Actuator made of
 polycarbonate

☐ ☐ ☐
Standard overall height
08.0
09.5
10.4
11.0
12.0
15.0

Switch and 3E actuator can be delivered unassembled.

 The actuators made of polycarbonate can also be used for high temperature switches,
 however they must be mounted after soldering and the temp. range will be reduced to 85°C.

Ordering example: 3CTL6 and 3ETL9-09.5 or 3ETL23-08.0

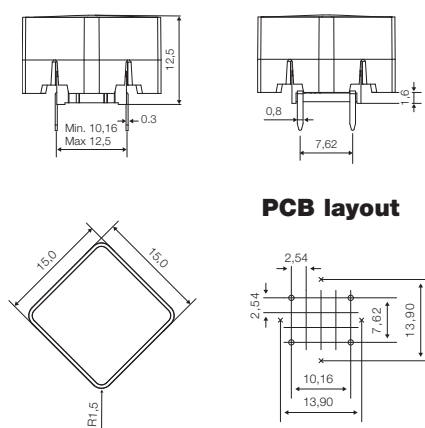
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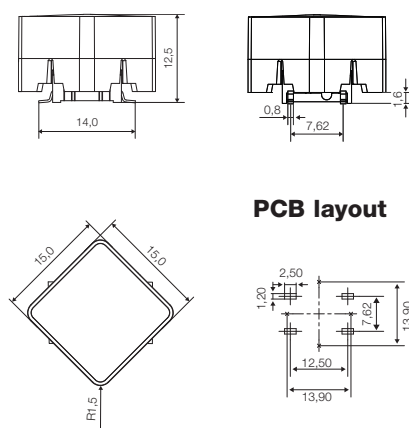
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keycap: -40/+85°C



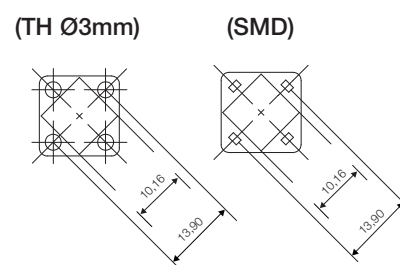
Dimensions (through-hole)



Dimensions (SMD)



Recommended placement of LEDs



LED Recommendation

SMD: 1206 - 0805 - 0603 - 0402
TH: 3 mm - Ø max. 3,2 - Height Max. 6,5 mm

How to order

3 E

Switch

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Mounting

T through-hole
S surface mount

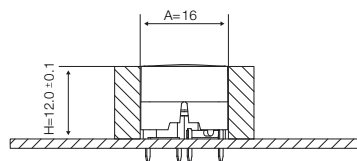
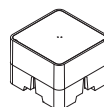
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L 6 low temp.
H 9 high temp.

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1 Y 0 6 1 6

Cap white



A: We recommend you to allocate enough space for travel of the foil and leave the area free from adhesive. Switch travel = 1 mm.

H: We recommend embossing the foil to follow the curve of the keycap.

The best tactile feeling is obtained with a small pretravel.

The dimension H is based on a flat foil. With an embossed foil the dimension will have to be adjusted.

Dimensions (mm) Unless otherwise specified, all tolerances $\pm 0,2$

Ordering example: 3ESH9 +1Y0616

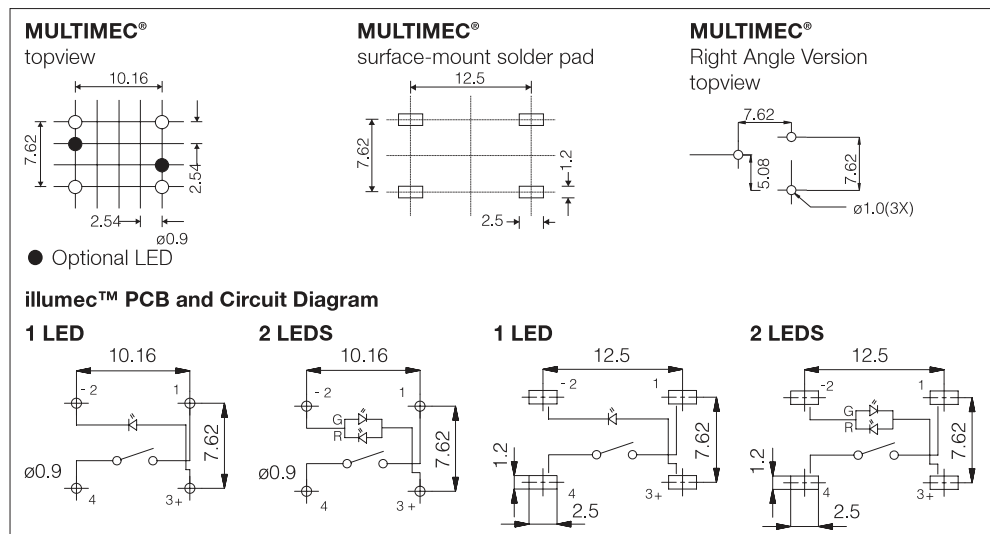
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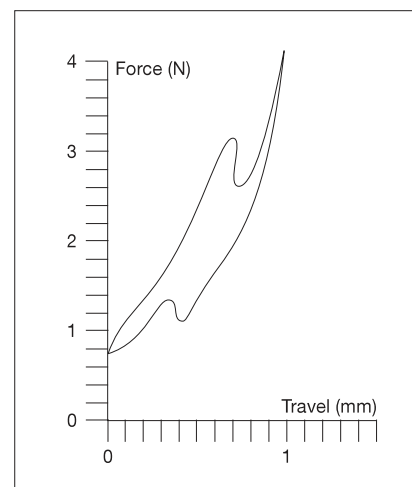
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multimec® basic switches and tape & reel

Recommended PCB layout



Operating Force (typical example)



Tape and reel is available for the parts listed and has the following specifications:

Reel diameter ø330mm
Tape width 24mm
Pitch see list
Tape and reel material antistatic or better
Quantity per reel see list

3A/3C/3E/3F multimec® tape & reel

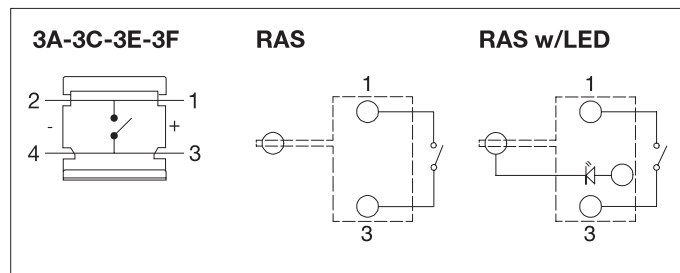
Part No.	Ordering Code	Pitch	Quantity per reel
3ASH9	3ASH9R	16	500
3CSH9	3CSH9R	16	500
3ESH9	3ESH9R	16	500
3ESH9-08.0	3ESH9R08.0	20	250
3ESH9-09.5	3ESH9R09.5	20	250
3ESH9-10.4	3ESH9R10.4	20	250
3ESH9-11.0	3ESH9R11.0	20	250
3ESH9-12.0	3ESH9R12.0	20	250
All varimec below 12.5	R after the part no.	20	250
3FSH9	3FSH9R	20	250

4F illumec™ tape & reel

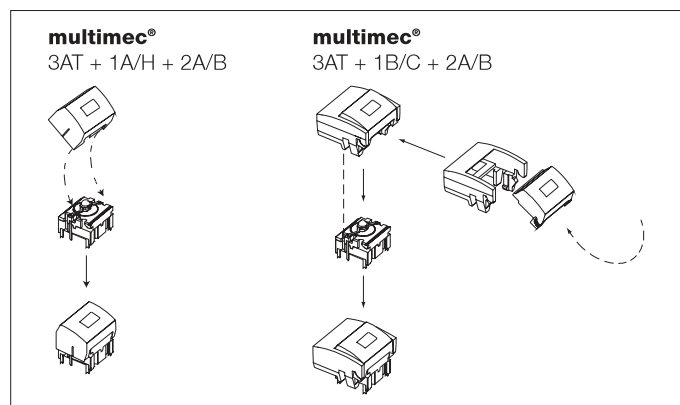
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4FSH901	4FSH901R	20	250
4FSH922	4FSH922R	20	250
4FSH942	4FSH942R	20	250
4FSH961	4FSH961R	20	250
4FSH982	4FSH982R	20	250
4FSH92242	4FSH92242R	20	250
4FSH98222	4FSH98222R	20	250
4FSH98242	4FSH98242R	20	250

Specifications are according to EIA 600481-3 and IEC 60286-3

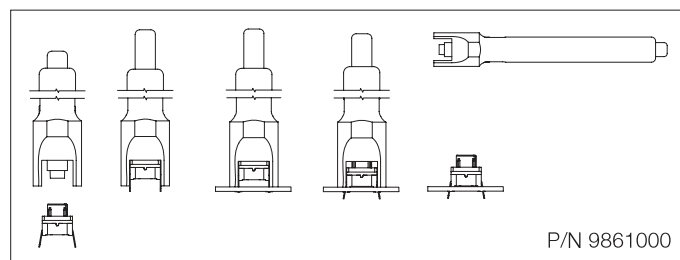
Circuit Diagram



How to Assemble



Mounting Tool for Through-hole versions



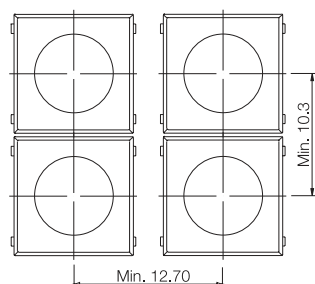
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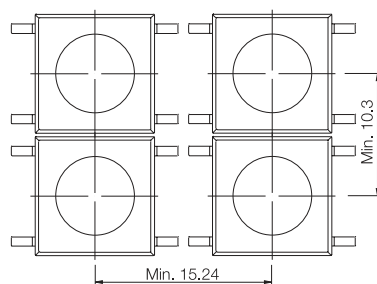
multimec® spacing

Basic switch spacing

through-hole

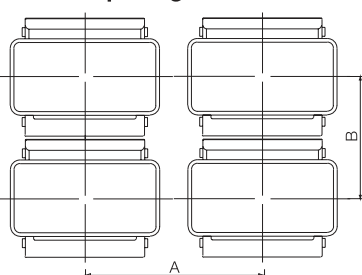


surface-mount

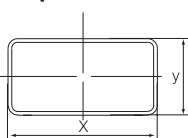


Recommended switch/cap spacing

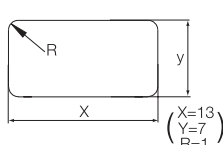
Switch spacing



Cap dimension



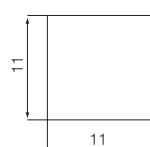
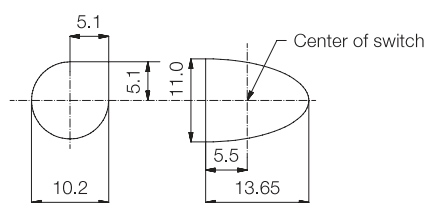
Panel cut-out



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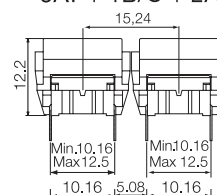
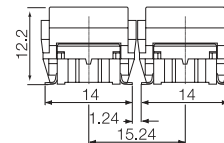
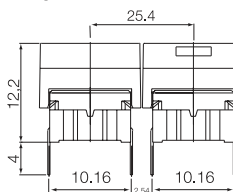
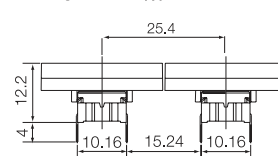
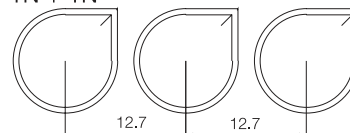
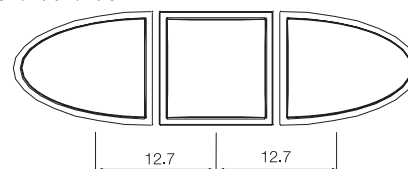
1N 1V

1T



Spacing in mm

Spacing examples

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3AT + 1B/C + 2A/Bmultimec®
3AS + 1B + 2A/B
4AS + 1B/1C + 2C/2Dmultimec®
3AT + 1A/Hmultimec®
3AT + 1Mmultimec®
1N + 1N + 1Nmultimec®
1V + 1T + 1V

Cap series	Recommended* min. switch spacing AxB	Nominal cap dimension W x H	Recommended min. panel cut-out
1A	12.7 x 10.16	12.6 x 10.1	13.0 x 10.5
1B/1C+2A/2B	15.24 x 15.24	15.1 x 15.1	15.5 x 15.5
1D/1E/1F	12.7 x 12.7	ø9.6	ø10.0
1K	15.24 x 15.24	14.3 x 14.3	14.7 x 14.7
1M	25.4 x 10.16	25.0 x 10.1	25.7 x 10.5
1N	12.7 x 12.7	ø9.8/□4.9	ø10.2/□5.1
1P/1Q/1R	15.24 x 10.16	6.5 x 12.5	7.0 x 13.0, R Max. 1.0
1S	12.7 x 10.16	ø6.5	ø7.0
1T	12.7 x 12.7	10.6 x 10.6	11.0 x 11.0
1U	12.7 x 12.7	ø10.6	ø11.0
1V (pointing outwards)	12.7 x 12.7	10.6 x 13.25	11.0 x 13.65
1X	12.7 x 12.7	9.4 x 7.4	9.8 x 7.9

*A dimension with surface mount version is min. 15.24. Depending on manufacturing technology it may be necessary either to reduce pad dimension, or to increase spacing.

In all applications the total assembly tolerance must be analysed by the user (board tolerance, front panel, assembly accuracy), to secure enough room for a free switch movement in the final product. The specifications on this page are to be considered as an aid only. MEC cannot be held responsible for the final assembly.

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technical specifications

RoHS Compatible

	3A-3C-3E-3F Low Temperature Versions SilverGold		3A-3C-3E-3F High Temperature Versions SilverGold		illumec™ 4A - 4F High Temperature Versions SilverGold	
Electrical Specifications						
Contact resistance	<30m Ω - typ. 10m Ω		<30m Ω - typ. 10m Ω		<30m Ω - typ. 10 m Ω	
Insulation resistance	>10M Ω		>10M Ω		>10M Ω	
Recommended load	0.5-50mA 24VDC	0.5μ-50mA 24VDC	0.5-50mA 24VDC	0.5μ-50mA 24VDC	0.5-50mA 24VDC	0.5μ-50mA 24VDC
Contact bounce	<2mS - typically 0.5mS		<2mS - typically 0.5mS		<2mS - typically 0.5mS	
Mechanical Specifications						
Standard actuation force (switch)	3.0N typ.		3.0N typ.		3.0N typ.	
Max. actuation force without cap	100N for 10 sec.		100N for 10 sec.		100N for 10 sec.	
Key travel (switch)	1 mm		1 mm		1 mm	
Life time (switch)	>10.000.000 cycles		>10.000.000 cycles		>10.000.000 cycles	
Temperature Range						
Working temperature	Min. -40°C Max. +115°C		Min. -40°C Max. +160°C		Min. -30°C Max. +85°C*	
Storage temperature	Min. -40°C Max. +115°C		Min. -40°C Max. +160°C		Min. -30°C Max. +85°C*	
Soldering IEC 68-2-20	Wave - max. 260°C for max. 10 sec., please refer to usage guidelines. Soldering iron - max. 350°C for max. 3 sec. Flux tight.		Infrared, vapour phase, wave - max. 240°C for max. 40 sec. or max. 260°C for max. 30 sec. Soldering iron - max. 350°C for max. 3 sec. Flux tight.		Infrared, vapour phase, wave - max. 240°C for max. 40 sec. or max. 260°C for max. 30 sec. Soldering iron - max. 350°C for max. 3 sec. Flux tight.	
Environmental Endurance IEC 68-2-3						
Temperature	+40°C		+40°C		+40°C	
Humidity	93% RH		93% RH		93% RH	
Duration	56 Days		56 Days		56 Days	
Temperature Cycling IEC 68-2-14						
Temperature limit	Min. -40°C - Max. +125°C		Min. -40°C - Max. +125°C		Min. -40°C - Max. +125°C	
Number of cycles	10		10		10	
Exposure time at each temperature	30 min.		30 min.		30 min.	
Recovery time before measurements	16 hrs.		16 hrs.		16 hrs.	
Sealing IEC 529	IP-67		IP-67		IP-67	
Cleaning	Standard methods - see usage guidelines		Standard methods - see usage guidelines		Standard methods - see usage guidelines	
Vibration Test IEC 68-2-6						
Cycles					10	
Cycles time					2 hrs.	
Material Specifications - Switches						
Housing	PBT UL94VO		PPS UL94VO		PPS UL94VO	
Actuator	PBT UL94VO		PPS UL94VO		PPS UL94VO	
Sealing + spring	Silicone rubber		Silicone rubber		Silicone rubber	
Contact spring	Stainless steel + 3μAg	Stainless steel + 1μAu	Stainless steel + 3μAg	Stainless steel + 1μAu	Stainless steel + 3μAg	Stainless steel + 1μAu
Fixed contacts	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μAg	SnCu + 2μNI + 1μAu	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μAg	SnCu + 2μNI + 1μAu	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μAg	SnCu + 2μNI + 1μAu
Terminals	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μSn100	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μSn100	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μSn100	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μSn100	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μSn100	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μSn100
Material Specifications - Caps & Bezels						
Material	Parts			Temp limit	UL rating	
ABS	1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, 1H, 1K, 1M, 1N, 1P, 1Q, 1R, 1T, 1U, 1V, 1WA, 1WD, 1WP, 1X, 1ZA, 1ZB, 1ZC.			Max. 65°C	UL94HB	
Polycarbonate	All lenses, 3E coloured actuators			Max. 85°C	UL94V1	
LCP	Black actuator of 3E			Max. 160°C	UL94VO	
PPS	1S, 2S			Max. 160°C	UL94VO	
Polyamide	Actuator of Varimec™, 1GA/1GC			Max. 160°C	UL94VO	
Legends Adhesion ISO Class: 1/ASTM Class: 4B DIN EN ISO 2409						

* LED max. working temperature

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