



## Features

- RoHS compliant\*
- Conductive plastic or cermet
- Linear and audio tapers
- PC board and bushing mount
- Gangable
- Metal bushing and shaft
- Sealed for board washing



## 51/53 - Sealed 1/2" (12.5 mm) Square Control

| Electrical Characteristics <sup>1</sup>   | Conductive Plastic   | Cermet                                    |
|---|--|---|
| Standard Resistance Range   |  |   |
| Linear .....  | 1 K ohms to 1 megohm.....  | 150 ohms to 1 megohm                      |
| Audio .....   | 1 K ohms to 1 megohm.....  | 1 K ohms to 1 megohm                      |
| Total Resistance Tolerance  |  |   |
| Linear Tapers .....   | ±10 % or ±20 % .....   | ±10 % or ±5 %                             |
| Audio Tapers .....  | ±10 % or ±20 % .....   | ±10 %                                     |
| Independent Linearity .....   | ±5 % .....   | ±5 %                                      |
| Absolute Minimum Resistance .....   | 2 ohms maximum .....   | 2 ohms maximum                            |
| Effective Electrical Angle .....  | 270 ° ±5 ° .....   | 270 ° ±5 °                                |
| Contact Resistance Variation .....  | 2 % .....  | 2 %                                       |
| Dielectric Withstanding Voltage (MIL-STD-202 – Method 301)  |  |   |
| Sea Level .....   | 1,500 VAC minimum .....  | 1,500 VAC minimum                         |
| 70,000 .....  | 500 VAC minimum .....  | 500 VAC minimum                           |
| Insulation Resistance .....   | 1,000 megohms minimum .....  | 1,000 megohms minimum                     |
| Power Rating At 70 °C (Derate To 0 At 125 °C)<br>(Voltage Limited By Power Dissipation or 350 VAC, Whichever Is Less) |  |   |
| Linear Tapers .....   | 0.5 watt .....   | 1.0 watt                                  |
| Audio Tapers .....  | 0.25 watt .....  | 0.5 watt                                  |
| Theoretical Resolution .....  | Essentially infinite .....   | Essentially infinite                      |
| <b>Environmental Characteristics<sup>1</sup></b>  |  |   |
| Operating Temperature Range .....   | +1 °C to +125 °C .....   | +1 °C to +125 °C                          |
| Storage Temperature Range .....   | -55 °C to +125 °C .....  | -55 °C to +125 °C                         |
| Temperature Coefficient Over Storage Temperature Range .....  | ±1,000 ppm/°C .....  | ±150 ppm/°C                               |
| Vibration (Single Section) .....  | 15 G .....   | 15 G                                      |
| Total Resistance Shift .....  | ±2 % maximum .....   | ±2 % maximum                              |
| Voltage Ratio Shift .....   | ±5 % maximum .....   | ±5 % maximum                              |
| Shock (Single Section) .....  | 30 G .....   | 30 G                                      |
| Total Resistance Shift .....  | +2 % maximum .....   | +2 % maximum                              |
| Voltage Ratio Shift .....   | ±5 % maximum .....   | ±5 % maximum                              |
| Load Life .....   | 1,000 hours .....  | 1,000 hours                               |
| Total Resistance Shift .....  | ±10 % TRS maximum .....  | ±5 % TRS maximum                          |
| Rotational Life (No Load) .....   | 50,000 cycles .....  | 25,000 cycles                             |
| Total Resistance Shift .....  | ±10 % TRS maximum .....  | ±10 % TRS maximum                         |
| Contact Resistance Variation @ 25,000 Cycles .....  | ±2 % .....   | ±4 %                                      |
| Moisture Resistance (MIL-STD-202, Method 103, Condition B)  |  |   |
| Total Resistance Shift .....  | ±10 % TRS .....  | ±5 % TRS                                  |
| IP Rating   |  |   |
| Entire Unit .....   | IP64 .....   | IP64                                      |
| Shaft/Bushing .....   | IP65 .....   | IP65                                      |
| <b>Mechanical Characteristics</b>   |  |   |
| Stop Strength .....   |  | 56 N-cm (5 lb.-in.)                       |
| Mechanical Angle .....  |  | 290 ° ±5 °                                |
| Torque  |  |   |
| Starting (Dual Sections) .....  |  | +0.35 N-cm (+0.5 oz.-in.) maximum         |
| Running (Single Section) .....  |  | 0.15 to 1.4 N-cm (0.2 to 2.0 oz.-in.)     |
| Running (Dual Section) .....  |  | 0.35 to 1.8 N-cm (0.5 to 2.5 oz.-in.)     |
| Detent (Single Section) .....   |  | 1.94 N-cm (2.75 oz.-in.) minimum          |
| Mounting (Torque on Bushing) .....  |  | 1.7 to 2.0 N-m (15 to 18 lb.-in.) maximum |
| Weight (Single Section) .....   |  | 5.5 grams                                 |
| (Additional Section) .....  |  | 3.0 grams                                 |
| Terminals .....   |  | PC pin or solder lug                      |
| Soldering Condition .....   | Recommended hand soldering using Sn95/Ag5 no clean solder, 0.025" wire diameter.<br>Maximum temperature 399 °C (750 °F) for 3 seconds. No wash process to be used with no clean flux.<br>Part can be wave soldered at 260 °C (500 °F) for 5 seconds, no wash process with no clean flux. |   |
| Marking .....   | Manufacturer's trademark, part number, resistance value and date code.   |   |
| Ganging (Multiple Section Potentiometer) .....  | 2 sections maximum**   |   |
| Hardware .....  | One lockwasher and one mounting nut is shipped with each potentiometer, except where noted in the part number.   |   |

<sup>1</sup>At room ambient: +25 °C nominal and 50 % relative humidity nominal, except as noted.

\*\* Additional sections available on special request with higher minimum order quantities.



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# BOURNS®

## Shaft/Bushing Styles



| A Style Bushing |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| STD. LENGTH 'L' |         |
| .500            | (12.7)  |
| .625            | (15.88) |
| .750            | (19.05) |
| .875            | (22.23) |
| 1.000           | (25.4)  |



| C Style Bushing |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| STD. LENGTH 'L' |         |
| .375            | (9.53)  |
| .500            | (12.7)  |
| .625            | (15.88) |
| .750            | (19.05) |
| .875            | (22.23) |
| 1.000           | (25.4)  |



| A Style Bushing - Flatted Shaft |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| STD. LENGTH 'L'                 |         |
| .625                            | (15.88) |
| .750                            | (19.05) |
| .875                            | (22.23) |
| 1.000                           | (25.4)  |



| S Style Bushing |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| STD. LENGTH 'L' |        |
| .630            | (16.0) |
| .866            | (22.0) |
| .984            | (25.0) |



| U Style Bushing |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| STD. LENGTH 'L' |        |
| .630            | (16.0) |
| .866            | (22.0) |
| .984            | (25.0) |



| R Style Bushing |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| STD. LENGTH 'L' |        |
| .630            | (16.0) |
| .866            | (22.0) |
| .984            | (25.0) |

DIMENSIONS:  $\frac{\text{MM}}{\text{(INCHES)}}$

## How To Order

51 A A D - B 28 - A 15 / A15 L

Part number for multiple section potentiometers must have a taper and resistance value for each section.

RoHS IDENTIFIER  
L Compliant

| MOUNTING BRACKET/<br>ANTI-ROTATION LUG |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| Code                                   | Description            |
| A                                      | AR Lug 90° CW          |
| D                                      | No AR Lug or Bracket   |
| L                                      | Front Bracket          |
| M                                      | Rear Bracket           |
| N                                      | Front and Rear Bracket |

| # SECTIONS/DETENTS |                        |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Code               | Description            |
| A                  | Single No Detent       |
| B                  | Double No Detent       |
| E                  | Single w/Center Detent |
| F                  | Double w/Center Detent |

| BUSHING CONFIGURATION |                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Code                  | Description        |
| A                     | 3/8" D x 3/8" L    |
| C                     | 1/4" D x 1/4" L    |
| R                     | 10 mm D x 9.5 mm L |
| S                     | 6 mm D x 8 mm L    |
| U                     | 7 mm D x 8 mm L    |

| MODEL |                         |
|-------|-------------------------|
| Code  | Description             |
| 51    | PC Pins (.100" centers) |
| 53    | Solder Lugs             |

| ELEMENT TAPER<br>TYPE/TOLERANCE |                               | RESISTANCE<br>(CODE) |              |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Code                            | Description                   | VALUE IN OHMS        |              |
| (A)                             | Linear Cermet ±10 %           | (28) - 150           | (14) - 7.5 K |
| (H)                             | Linear Cermet ±5 %            | (06) - 200           | (15) - 10 K  |
|                                 |                               | (07) - 250           | (30) - 15 K  |
|                                 |                               | (08) - 500           | (16) - 20 K  |
|                                 |                               | (09) - 750           | (17) - 25 K  |
|                                 |                               | (10) - 1 K           | (18) - 50 K  |
|                                 |                               | (29) - 1.5 K         | (19) - 75 K  |
|                                 |                               | (11) - 2 K           | (20) - 100 K |
|                                 |                               | (12) - 2.5 K         | (21) - 500 K |
|                                 |                               | (13) - 5 K           | (25) - 1 M   |
| (B)                             | Linear C-P ±20 %              | (10) - 1 K           | (18) - 50 K  |
| (E)                             | Linear C-P ±10 %              | (12) - 2.5 K         | (20) - 100 K |
|                                 |                               | (13) - 5 K           | (22) - 250 K |
|                                 |                               | (15) - 10 K          | (23) - 500 K |
|                                 |                               | (16) - 20 K          | (25) - 1 M   |
|                                 |                               | (17) - 25 K          |              |
| (C)                             | CW Audio Cermet ±10 %         | (10) - 1 K           | (18) - 50 K  |
| (F)                             | CCW Audio Cermet ±10 %        | (12) - 2.5 K         | (20) - 100 K |
|                                 |                               | (13) - 5 K           | (23) - 500 K |
|                                 |                               | (15) - 10 K          | (25) - 1 M   |
|                                 |                               | (17) - 25 K          |              |
| (D)                             | CW Audio C-P ±20 %            | (10) - 1 K           | (18) - 50 K  |
| (S)                             | CW Audio C-P ±10 %            | (12) - 2.5 K         | (20) - 100 K |
|                                 |                               | (13) - 5 K           | (22) - 250 K |
|                                 |                               | (15) - 10 K          | (23) - 500 K |
|                                 |                               | (17) - 25 K          | (25) - 1 M   |
| (G)                             | CCW Audio C-P ±20 %           | (10) - 1 K           | (18) - 50 K  |
| (T)                             | CCW Audio C-P ±10 %           | (12) - 2.5 K         | (20) - 100 K |
|                                 |                               | (13) - 5 K           | (22) - 250 K |
|                                 |                               | (15) - 10 K          | (23) - 500 K |
|                                 |                               | (17) - 25 K          | (25) - 1 M   |
| (Y)                             | CW Dual Audio Taper C-P ±20 % | (10) - 1 K           | (18) - 50 K  |
|                                 |                               | (12) - 2.5 K         | (20) - 100 K |
|                                 |                               | (13) - 5 K           | (22) - 250 K |
|                                 |                               | (15) - 10 K          | (23) - 500 K |
|                                 |                               | (17) - 25 K          | (25) - 1 M   |

| SHAFT TYPE |                       | AVAILABLE ONLY IN |                |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Code       | Description           | BUSHINGS          | LENGTHS        |
| B          | Single Slotted 1/4" D | A                 | 24,28          |
| C          | Single Flatted 1/4" D | A                 | 20,24,28,32    |
| E          | Single Slotted 1/8" D | C                 | 12,16,20,24,28 |
| R          | Single Slotted 6 mm D | R                 | 16,22,25       |
| T          | Single Slotted 4 mm D | U                 | 16,22,25       |
| U          | Single Slotted 3 mm D | S                 | 16,22,25       |

| SHAFT LENGTH (FMS) |             | AVAILABLE ONLY IN BUSHING |
|--------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| Code               | Description | Code                      |
| 12                 | 3/8"        | C                         |
| 16                 | 1/2"        | A, C                      |
| 20                 | 5/8"        | A, C                      |
| 24                 | 3/4"        | A, C                      |
| 28                 | 7/8"        | A, C                      |
| 32                 | 1"          | A, C                      |
| Metric             |             |                           |
| 16                 | 16 mm       | R, S, U                   |
| 22                 | 22 mm       | R, S, U                   |
| 25                 | 25 mm       | R, S, U                   |

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