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Pressure switch
Type KP

The KP pressure switches can be used as safety switches against too low a suction pressure and/or too high a discharge pressure in refrigeration and air conditioning systems. They can also be used to start/stop compressors and fans for air-cooled condensers.

They are available in both single and dual versions and include a single pole double throw (SPDT) switch.

Features

- Ultra-short bounce time thanks to snap-action function (reduces wear to a minimum and increases reliability)
- Available with gold-plated contacts
- SPDT switch design
  Offers open or close switching action on pressure rise or fall
- Fail safe double bellows
  Prevent refrigerant loss and system contamination - standard on KP 7 and KP 17 pressure controls
- Convenient manual trip feature
  To test electrical contact function - no tools needed
- Pressure wire connectors
  For easy electrical wiring
- No spade or lug terminals required
- Integral ½ NPSM swivel cable connector
  Allows direct attachment of ½ in. male pipe thread connector
- Lockplate
  Prevents tampering with range and differential settings
- Universal mounting hole patterns

Approvals
UL listed for USA and Canada, file E31024
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Technical data

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Cable entry

Integral ¼ in. female NPSM swivel cable connector allows direct attachment of ¼ in. male pipe thread connector.

Enclosure

~NEMA 1
This grade of enclosure is obtained when the units without top cover are mounted on a flat surface or bracket. The bracket must be fixed to the unit so that all unused holes are covered.

~ NEMA 2
This grade of enclosure is obtained when the units with top cover are mounted on a flat surface or bracket. The bracket must be fixed to the unit so that all unused holes are covered.

Materials in contact with the medium

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Electrical wiring

Low or high pressure

Dual (low and high) pressure, LP signal

Dual (low and high) pressure, LP and HP signal

Low pressure, LP: KP 1 and KP 2

High pressure, HP: KP 5, KP 7W and KP 7B

Dual (low and high) pressure:

KP 15, KP 17W, KP 17B and KP 25

Metric conversions

1 psi = 0.07 bar

\( \frac{9}{5}(t_1 - 32) = t_2 \ °C \)
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#### Ordering

For HCFC and non-flammable HFC refrigerants

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1) With dial knob
2) With fail safe double bellows

### Metric conversions

1 psi = 0.07 bar

\[ \frac{5}{9} (t_1 ^{\circ}F - 32) = t_2 ^{\circ}C \]
Design

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KP 1, KP 2, KP 5

KP 15, KP 25 flare

KP 1, KP 2, KP 5, KP 15, KP 25, KP 7W, KP 78, KP 17W, capillary tube

The switch in the KP has a snap-action function where the bellows move only when the cut-in or cut-out value is reached.

The bellows are connected to the low or high pressure side of the system through connection (10) or (11).

The design of the KP gives the following advantages:
- high contact load
- ultra-short bounce time
- high resistance to pulsation
- vibration resistance up to 4 g in the range 0 – 1000 Hz
- long mechanical and electrical life
The KP with designations W or B have been tested and approved by TÜV (Germany) in accordance with EN 12263.

Versions with designation W will cut in automatically when the pressure has fallen to the setpoint minus the differential.

Versions with designation B can be cut in manually using the external reset button when:

KP 1 – the pressure has increased to 10 psi above the setpoint.

KP 7 – the pressure has fallen 58 psi below the setpoint.

KP 7 and KP 17 are equipped with fail-safe double bellows; a regulation bellows and an outer bellows. The double bellows system protects against loss of system charge in the event of a bellows rupture.

A rupture in the outer bellows will cause the control to trip approximately 43 psi lower than the actual control setting. This feature provides a warning without a loss of charge.

All KP pressure switches, including those which are PED-approved, operate independently of changes in the ambient temperature around the control housing. Therefore the set cut-out pressure and differential are kept constant provided the permissible ambient temperatures are not exceeded.
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Terminology

Reset
1. Manual reset:
   Units with manual reset can only be reset during operation by activation of the reset button.
2. Automatic reset:
   After operational stop, these units reset automatically.

Maximum working pressure
The Maximum working pressure is determined by the pressure that can be safely allowed in the refrigerating system or any of the units within it. The maximum working pressure is designated MWP.

Test pressure
The test pressure is the pressure used in strength tests and/or leakage tests on refrigerating systems or individual parts in systems. The test pressure is designated Pe.

Snap function
A certain contact force is maintained until irrevocable “snap” is initiated. The time during which the contact force approaches zero is thus limited to a very few milliseconds. Therefore contact bounce cannot occur as a result of, for example, slight vibrations, before the cut-out point. Contact systems with “Snap function” will change over even when micro-welds are created between the contacts during cut-in. A very high force is created during cut-out to separate the contacts. This force immediately shears off all the welds. Thus the cut-out point of the unit remains very accurate and completely independent of the magnitude of the current load.

Setting

Pressure switches with automatic reset – LP:
Set the LP start pressure on the “CUT-IN” scale (range scale). One rotation of the low pressure spindle ~10 psi. Set the LP differential on the “DIFF” scale. One rotation of the differential spindle ~ 3 psi. The LP cut-out pressure is the LP cut-in pressure minus the differential.

Note:
The LP cut-out pressure must be above absolute vacuum $p_e = 30$ in. Hg.
If compressor will not stop at low cut-out pressure, check whether the differential value is set at too high a value!

Pressure switches with automatic reset – HP:
Set the HP cut-out pressure on the “CUT-OUT” scale. One rotation of the HP spindle ~ 33 psi.
Set the HP differential on the “DIFF” scale. One rotation of the differential spindle ~ 4 psi. The HP cut-in pressure is the HP cut-out pressure minus the differential. Pressure switches with manual reset. Set the cut-out pressure on “CUT-OUT” scale (range scale). Low pressure controls can be manually reset when the pressure is equal to the cut-out pressure plus the differential.

High pressure switches can be manually reset when the pressure is equal to the cut-out pressure minus the differential.

Cut-in and cut-out pressures for both the LP and HP sides of the system should always be checked with an accurate pressure gauge.

Metric conversions
1 psi = 0.07 bar
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Dimensions [in.] and weight [lb]

### Flare connection

- **KP 1, KP 2 and KP 5**

- **KP 15 and KP 25**

- **KP 7W and KP 7B**

- **KP 17W and KP 17B**

### Capillary tube connection

**Net weight:**
- KP 1, KP 2, KP 5 and KP 7: approx. 0.7 lbs.
- KP 15, KP 17 and KP 25: approx. 1.1 lbs.

**Metric conversions**
- 1 in. = 25.5 mm
- 1 lb = 0.454 kg
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Dimensions [in.]

KP single switches, rear side

KP dual switches, rear side

Wall bracket

Angle bracket

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