Features

- Radial Leaded Devices
- Cured, flame retardant epoxy polymer insulating material meets UL 94V-0 requirements
- RoHS compliant* and halogen free**
- Agency recognition: c UL us, TÜV

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MF-R Series - PTC Resettable Fuses

Electrical Characteristic

Model	$V_{max.}$	$I_{max.}$	I_{hold}	I_{trip}	Initial Resistance		1 Hour (R_1) Post-Trip Resistance	Max. Time To Trip		Tripped Power Dissipation	Agency Recognition	
			at 23 °C		Ohms at 23 °C		Ohms at 23 °C	at 23 °C		Watts at 23 °C	cUL	TÜV
	Volts	Amps	Amps		$R_{Min.}$	$R_{1Max.}$	Max.	Amps	Seconds	Typ.	E174545	R50366745
MF-R005	60	40	0.05	0.10	7.3	11.1	22.0	0.5	5.0	0.22	✓	✓
MF-R010	60	40	0.10	0.20	2.50	4.50	7.50	0.5	4.0	0.38	✓	✓
MF-R017	60	40	0.17	0.34	2.00	3.20	8.00	0.85	3.0	0.48	✓	✓
MF-R020	60	40	0.20	0.40	1.50	2.84	4.40	1.0	2.2	0.40	✓	✓
MF-R025	60	40	0.25	0.50	1.00	1.95	3.00	1.25	2.5	0.45	✓	✓
MF-R030	60	40	0.30	0.60	0.76	1.36	2.10	1.5	3.0	0.50	✓	✓
MF-R040	60	40	0.40	0.80	0.52	0.86	1.29	2.0	3.8	0.55	✓	✓
MF-R050	60	40	0.50	1.00	0.41	0.77	1.17	2.5	4.0	0.75	✓	✓
MF-R065	60	40	0.65	1.30	0.27	0.48	0.72	3.25	5.3	0.90	✓	✓
MF-R075	60	40	0.75	1.50	0.18	0.40	0.60	3.75	6.3	0.90	✓	✓
MF-R090	60	40	0.90	1.80	0.14	0.31	0.47	4.5	7.2	1.00	✓	✓
MF-R090-0-9	30	40	0.90	1.80	0.07	0.12	0.22	4.5	5.9	0.60	✓	✓
MF-R110	30	40	1.10	2.20	0.10	0.18	0.27	5.5	6.6	0.70	✓	✓
MF-R135	30	40	1.35	2.70	0.065	0.115	0.17	6.75	7.3	0.80	✓	✓
MF-R160	30	40	1.60	3.20	0.055	0.105	0.15	8.0	8.0	0.90	✓	✓
MF-R185	30	40	1.85	3.70	0.040	0.07	0.11	9.25	8.7	1.00	✓	✓
MF-R250	30	40	2.50	5.00	0.025	0.048	0.07	12.5	10.3	1.20	✓	✓
MF-R250-0-10	30	40	2.50	5.00	0.025	0.048	0.07	12.5	10.3	1.20	✓	✓
MF-R300	30	40	3.00	6.00	0.020	0.05	0.08	15.0	10.8	2.00	✓	✓
MF-R400	30	40	4.00	8.00	0.010	0.03	0.05	20.0	12.7	2.50	✓	✓
MF-R500	30	40	5.00	10.00	0.010	0.03	0.05	25.0	14.5	3.00	✓	✓
MF-R600	30	40	6.00	12.00	0.005	0.02	0.04	30.0	16.0	3.50	✓	✓
MF-R700	30	40	7.00	14.00	0.005	0.02	0.03	35.0	17.5	3.80	✓	✓
MF-R800	30	40	8.00	16.00	0.005	0.02	0.03	40.0	18.8	4.00	✓	✓
MF-R900	30	40	9.00	18.00	0.005	0.01	0.02	40.0	20.0	4.20	✓	✓
MF-R1100	16	100	11.00	22.00	0.003	0.01	0.014	40.0	20.0	4.50	✓	✓

WARNING
Cancer and Reproductive Harm
www.P65Warnings.ca.gov

* RoHS Directive 2015/863, Mar 31, 2015 and Annex.
** Bourns considers a product to be "halogen free" if (a) the Bromine (Br) content is 900 ppm or less; (b) the Chlorine (Cl) content is 900 ppm or less; and (c) the total Bromine (Br) and Chlorine (Cl) content is 1500 ppm or less.

Applications

Almost anywhere there is a low voltage power supply and a load to be protected, including:

- Computers & peripherals
- General electronics

Environmental Characteristics

Item	Condition	Criteria
Operating Temperature	-40 °C to +85 °C	
Recommended Storage	+40 °C max. / 70 % RH max.	
Passive Aging	+85 °C, 1000 hours	±5 % typical resistance change
Humidity Aging	+85 °C, 85 % R.H. 1000 hours	±5 % typical resistance change
Thermal Shock	-40 °C to +85 °C, 10 times	±10 % typical resistance change
Solvent Resistance	MIL-STD-202, Method 215	No change (marking still legible)
Vibration	MIL-STD-883C, Method 2007.1 Condition A	No change ($R_{min} < R < R_{1max}$)
Moisture Sensitivity Level (MSL)	See Note	
ESD Classification	Class 6 (per AEC-Q200-2, HBM)	

Test Procedures and Requirements

Item	Test Condition	Accept/Reject Criteria
Visual/Mechanical	Verify dimensions and materials	Per MF physical description
Resistance	In still air @ 23 °C	$R_{min} \le R \le R_{max}$
Time to Trip	At specified current, V_{max}, 23 °C, still air	T ≤ max. time to trip (seconds)
Hold Current	30 min. at I_{hold}	No trip
Trip Cycle Life	V_{max}, I_{max}, 100 cycles	No arcing or burning
Trip Endurance	V_{max}, 48 hours	No arcing or burning
Solderability	245 °C ±5 °C, 5 seconds	95 % min. coverage

Product Dimensions (see next page for outline drawing)

Model	A Max.	B Max.	C		D Min.	E Max.	Physical Characteristics		
			Nom.	Tol. ±			Style	Lead Dia.	Material
MF-R005	8.0 (0.315)	8.3 (0.327)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	4	0.405 (0.016)	Sn/NiCu
MF-R010	7.4 (0.291)	12.7 (0.5)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/NiCu
MF-R017	7.4 (0.291)	12.7 (0.5)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/CuFe
MF-R020	7.4 (0.291)	12.7 (0.5)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/CuFe
MF-R025	7.4 (0.291)	12.7 (0.5)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/CuFe
MF-R030	7.4 (0.291)	13.4 (0.528)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/CuFe
MF-R040	7.4 (0.291)	13.7 (0.539)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/CuFe
MF-R050	7.9 (0.311)	13.7 (0.539)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/Cu
MF-R065	9.7 (0.382)	15.2 (0.598)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/Cu
MF-R075	10.4 (0.409)	16.0 (0.630)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/Cu
MF-R090	11.7 (0.461)	16.7 (0.657)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.1 (0.122)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/Cu
MF-R090-0-9	7.4 (0.291)	12.2 (0.480)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	3	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/CuFe
MF-R110	8.9 (0.350)	14.0 (0.551)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/Cu
MF-R135	8.9 (0.350)	18.9 (0.744)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/Cu
MF-R160	10.2 (0.402)	16.8 (0.661)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/Cu
MF-R185	12.0 (0.472)	18.4 (0.724)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	1	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/Cu
MF-R250	12.0 (0.472)	18.3 (0.720)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	2	0.81 (0.032)	Sn/Cu
MF-R250-0-10	12.0 (0.472)	18.3 (0.720)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	3	0.51 (0.020)	Sn/CuFe
MF-R300	12.0 (0.472)	18.3 (0.720)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	2	0.81 (0.032)	Sn/Cu
MF-R400	14.4 (0.567)	24.8 (0.976)	5.1 (0.201)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	2	0.81 (0.032)	Sn/Cu
MF-R500	17.4 (0.685)	24.9 (0.980)	10.2 (0.402)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	2	0.81 (0.032)	Sn/Cu
MF-R600	19.3 (0.760)	31.9 (1.256)	10.2 (0.402)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	2	0.81 (0.032)	Sn/Cu
MF-R700	22.1 (0.870)	29.8 (1.173)	10.2 (0.402)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	2	0.81 (0.032)	Sn/Cu
MF-R800	24.2 (0.953)	32.9 (1.295)	10.2 (0.402)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	2	0.81 (0.032)	Sn/Cu
MF-R900	24.2 (0.953)	32.9 (1.295)	10.2 (0.402)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	2	0.81 (0.032)	Sn/Cu
MF-R1100	24.2 (0.953)	32.9 (1.295)	10.2 (0.402)	0.7 (0.028)	7.6 (0.299)	3.0 (0.118)	2	0.81 (0.032)	Sn/Cu

DIMENSIONS: MM (INCHES)

Product Dimensions (see previous page for dimensions)

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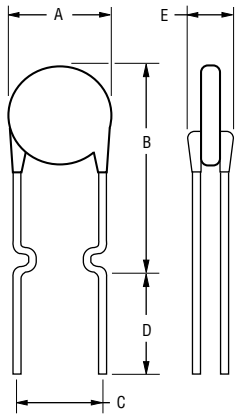

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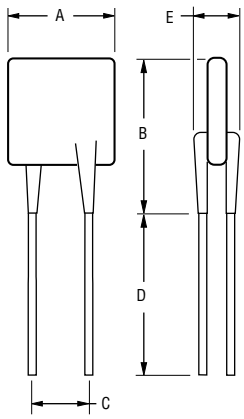

NOTE: Kinked lead option is available for board standoff. (See How to Order.)

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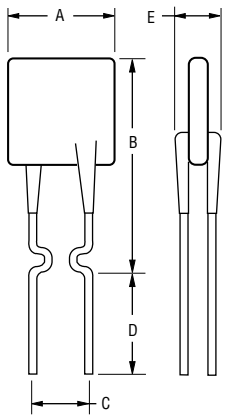

NOTE: Also available with straight leads. (See How to Order.)

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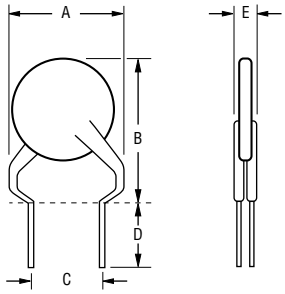
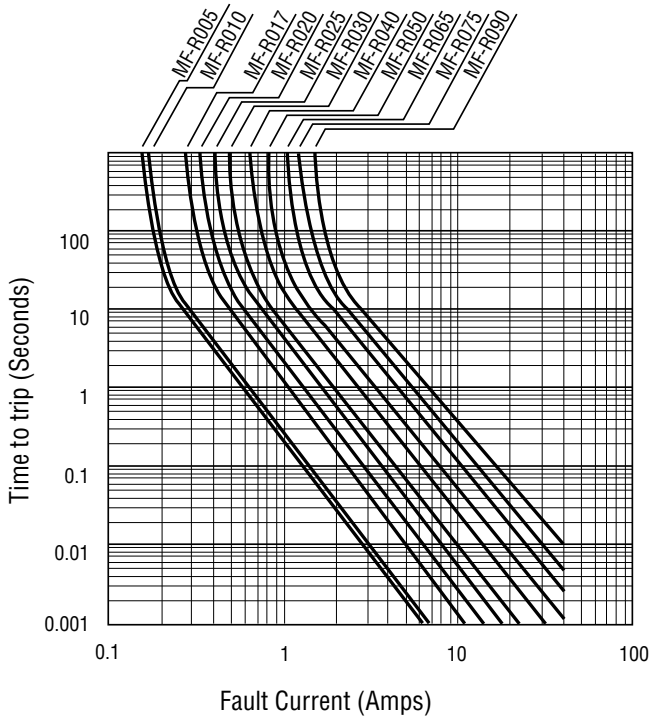


Thermal Derating Table - I_{hold} / I_{trip} (Amps)

Model	Ambient Operating Temperature								
	-40 °C	-20 °C	0 °C	23 °C	40 °C	50 °C	60 °C	70 °C	85 °C
MF-R005	0.08 / 0.16	0.07 / 0.14	0.06 / 0.12	0.05 / 0.10	0.04 / 0.08	0.04 / 0.08	0.03 / 0.07	0.03 / 0.07	0.02 / 0.05
MF-R010	0.16 / 0.32	0.14 / 0.28	0.12 / 0.24	0.10 / 0.20	0.08 / 0.16	0.07 / 0.14	0.06 / 0.12	0.05 / 0.10	0.04 / 0.08
MF-R017	0.26 / 0.52	0.23 / 0.46	0.20 / 0.40	0.17 / 0.34	0.14 / 0.28	0.12 / 0.24	0.11 / 0.22	0.09 / 0.18	0.07 / 0.14
MF-R020	0.31 / 0.62	0.27 / 0.54	0.24 / 0.48	0.20 / 0.40	0.16 / 0.32	0.14 / 0.28	0.13 / 0.26	0.11 / 0.22	0.08 / 0.16
MF-R025	0.39 / 0.78	0.34 / 0.68	0.30 / 0.60	0.25 / 0.50	0.20 / 0.40	0.18 / 0.36	0.16 / 0.32	0.14 / 0.28	0.10 / 0.20
MF-R030	0.47 / 0.94	0.41 / 0.82	0.36 / 0.72	0.30 / 0.60	0.24 / 0.48	0.22 / 0.44	0.19 / 0.38	0.16 / 0.32	0.12 / 0.24
MF-R040	0.62 / 1.24	0.54 / 1.08	0.48 / 0.96	0.40 / 0.80	0.32 / 0.64	0.29 / 0.58	0.25 / 0.50	0.22 / 0.44	0.16 / 0.32
MF-R050	0.78 / 1.56	0.68 / 1.36	0.60 / 1.20	0.50 / 1.00	0.41 / 0.82	0.36 / 0.72	0.32 / 0.64	0.27 / 0.54	0.20 / 0.40
MF-R065	1.01 / 2.02	0.88 / 1.76	0.77 / 1.54	0.65 / 1.30	0.53 / 1.06	0.47 / 0.94	0.41 / 0.82	0.35 / 0.70	0.26 / 0.52
MF-R075	1.16 / 2.32	1.02 / 2.04	0.89 / 1.78	0.75 / 1.50	0.61 / 1.22	0.54 / 1.08	0.47 / 0.94	0.41 / 0.82	0.30 / 0.60
MF-R090	1.40 / 2.80	1.22 / 2.44	1.07 / 2.14	0.90 / 1.80	0.73 / 1.46	0.65 / 1.30	0.57 / 1.14	0.49 / 0.98	0.36 / 0.72
MF-R090-0-9	1.40 / 2.80	1.22 / 2.44	1.07 / 2.14	0.90 / 1.80	0.73 / 1.46	0.65 / 1.30	0.57 / 1.14	0.49 / 0.98	0.36 / 0.72
MF-R110	1.60 / 3.20	1.43 / 2.86	1.27 / 2.54	1.10 / 2.20	0.91 / 1.82	0.85 / 1.70	0.75 / 1.50	0.67 / 1.34	0.57 / 1.14
MF-R135	1.96 / 3.92	1.76 / 3.52	1.55 / 3.10	1.35 / 2.70	1.12 / 2.24	1.04 / 2.08	0.92 / 1.84	0.82 / 1.64	0.70 / 1.40
MF-R160	2.32 / 4.64	2.08 / 4.16	1.84 / 3.68	1.60 / 3.20	1.33 / 2.66	1.23 / 2.46	1.09 / 2.18	0.98 / 1.96	0.83 / 1.66
MF-R185	2.68 / 5.36	2.41 / 4.82	2.13 / 4.26	1.85 / 3.70	1.54 / 3.08	1.42 / 2.84	1.26 / 2.52	1.13 / 2.26	0.96 / 1.92
MF-R250	3.63 / 7.26	3.25 / 6.50	2.88 / 5.76	2.50 / 5.00	2.08 / 4.16	1.93 / 3.86	1.70 / 3.40	1.53 / 3.06	1.30 / 2.60
MF-R250-0-10	3.63 / 7.26	3.25 / 6.50	2.88 / 5.76	2.50 / 5.00	2.08 / 4.16	1.93 / 3.86	1.70 / 3.40	1.53 / 3.06	1.30 / 2.60
MF-R300	4.35 / 8.70	3.90 / 7.80	3.45 / 6.90	3.00 / 6.00	2.49 / 4.98	2.31 / 4.62	2.04 / 4.08	1.83 / 3.66	1.56 / 3.12
MF-R400	5.80 / 11.6	5.20 / 10.4	4.60 / 9.20	4.00 / 8.00	3.32 / 6.64	3.08 / 6.16	2.72 / 5.44	2.44 / 4.88	2.08 / 4.16
MF-R500	7.25 / 14.5	6.50 / 13.0	5.75 / 11.5	5.00 / 10.0	4.15 / 8.30	3.85 / 7.70	3.40 / 6.80	3.05 / 6.10	2.60 / 5.20
MF-R600	8.70 / 17.4	7.80 / 15.6	6.90 / 13.8	6.00 / 12.0	4.98 / 9.96	4.62 / 9.24	4.08 / 8.16	3.66 / 7.32	3.12 / 6.24
MF-R700	10.1 / 20.3	9.10 / 18.2	8.05 / 16.1	7.00 / 14.0	5.81 / 11.6	5.39 / 10.7	4.76 / 9.52	4.27 / 9.44	3.64 / 7.28
MF-R800	11.6 / 23.2	10.4 / 20.8	9.20 / 18.4	8.00 / 16.0	6.64 / 13.2	6.16 / 12.3	5.44 / 10.8	4.88 / 9.76	4.16 / 8.32
MF-R900	13.0 / 26.1	11.7 / 23.4	10.3 / 20.7	9.00 / 18.0	7.47 / 14.9	6.93 / 12.7	6.12 / 12.2	5.49 / 10.9	4.68 / 9.36
MF-R1100	16.1 / 32.0	14.6 / 29.2	13.1 / 26.2	11.0 / 22.1	9.40 / 18.4	8.80 / 17.6	7.80 / 15.6	6.90 / 13.8	5.20 / 10.4

Typical Time to Trip at 23 °C



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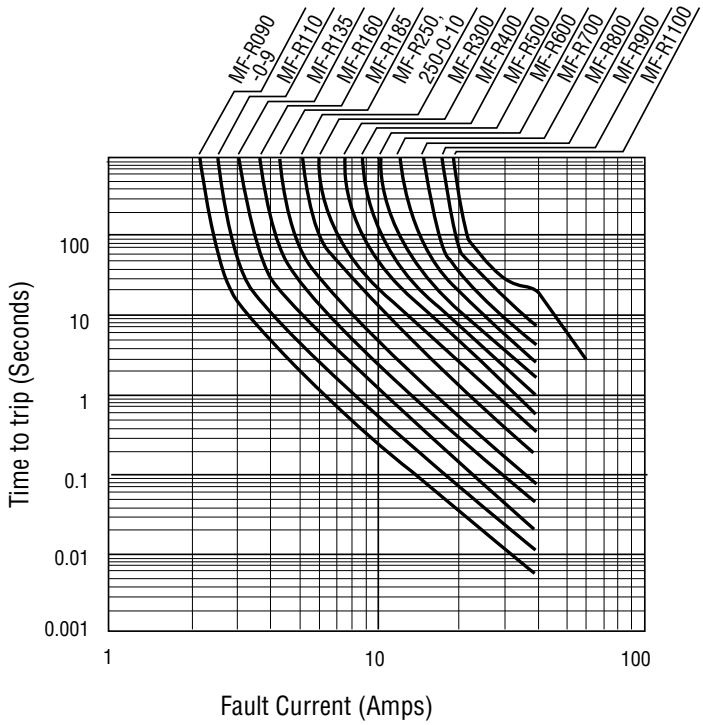

How to Order

MF - R 110 - 0 - 14

Multifuse® Product Designator

Series
R = Radial Leaded Component

Hold Current, I_{hold}
005-1100 (0.05 Amps - 11.0 Amps)

Packaging Options
- __ = Bulk Packaging without part number suffix option
- 0 = Bulk Packaging with part number suffix option
- 2 = Tape and Reel*
- AP = Ammo-Pak*

Part Number Suffix Option
- 14 = Kinked leads where straight leads are standard
- 17 = Straight leads where kinked leads are standard
- 99 = RoHS Compliancy
  As of date code April 1, 2005 all MF-R models are RoHS compliant. The suffix "-99" was originally provided to help customers distinguish between RoHS compliant and non-RoHS compliant products, but the -99 suffix option is no longer necessary. The -99 suffix option will no longer be available starting January 1, 2020. See Note for more details.

*Packaged per EIA-468

Typical Part Marking: MF-R005 - R025

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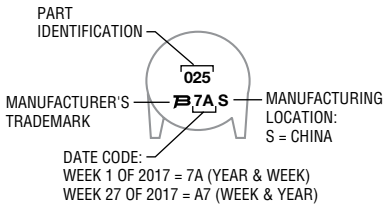

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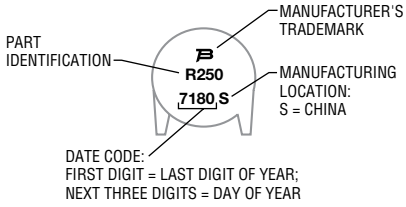

Packaging Quantity

Packaging Options	Models	Unit Quantity (Pcs.)	Unit
Bulk	All models	500	Bag
Tape & Reel	MF-R005 ~ MF-R160	3000	Reel
	MF-R185 ~ MF-R400	1500	
	MF-R500 ~ MF-R1100	1000	
Ammo-Pack	MF-R005 ~ MF-R160	2000	Pack
	MF-R185 ~ MF-R400	1000	
	MF-R500 ~ MF-R1100	500	

MF-R Series Tape and Reel Specifications

BOURNS®

Devices taped using EIA-468/IEC 60286-2 standards. See table below and figures for details.

Dimension Description	IEC Mark	EIA Mark	Dimensions	Tolerance
Carrier tape width	W	W	18 (.709)	+1.0/-0.5 (+.039/-.020)
Hold down tape width	W_0	W_0	5 (.197)	min.
Hold down tape			No protrusion	
Adhesive tape position	W_2	W_2	3 (.118)	max.
Sprocket hole position	W_1	W_1	9 (.354)	+0.75/-0.5 (+.030/-.020)
Sprocket hole diameter	D_0	D_0	4 (.157)	±0.2 (±.0078)
Height to seating plane (straight lead)	H	H	18 ~ 20 (.709 ~ .787)	
Height to seating plane (formed lead)	H_0	H_0	16 (.630)	±0.5 (±.020)
Overall height above abscissa: MF-R700	H_1	H_1	41 (1.61)	max.
Overall height above abscissa: all other models	H_1	H_1	38.5 (1.516)	max.
Cutout length		L	11 (.433)	max.
Sprocket hole pitch: MF-R005 ~ MF-R400	P_0	P_0	12.7 (.500)	±0.3 (±.012)
Sprocket hole pitch: MF-R500 ~ MF-R1100	P_0	P_0	30 (1.18)	±0.6 (±.024)
Device pitch: MF-R005 ~ MF-R185	P	P	12.7 (.500)	±0.3 (±.012)
Device pitch: MF-R250 ~ MF-R400	P	P	25.4 (1.00)	±0.6 (±.024)
Device pitch: MF-R500 ~ MF-R1100	P	P	30 (1.18)	±0.6 (±.024)
Pitch tolerance			20 consecutive	±1 (±.039)
Composite tape thickness	t	t	0.9 (.035)	max.
Overall tape and lead thickness: MF-R005 ~ MF-R185	t_1	t_1	2.0 (.079)	max.
Overall tape and lead thickness: MF-R250 ~ MF-R1100	t_1	t_1	2.3 (.091)	max.
Splice sprocket hole alignment			0	±0.3 (±.012)
Front-to-back deviation	Δ_h	Δ_h	0	±1.0 (±.039)
Side-to-side deviation	Δ_p	Δ_p	0	±1.3 (±.051)
Ordinate to adjacent component lead: MF-R005 ~ MF-R400	P_1	P_1	3.81 (.150)	±0.7 (±.028)
Ordinate to adjacent component lead: MF-R500 ~ MF-R1100	P_1	P_1	9.9 (.390)	±0.7 (±.028)
Lead spacing: MF-R005 ~ MF-R400	F	F	5.08 (.200)	+0.6/-0.2 (+.024/-.008)
Lead spacing: MF-R500 ~ MF-R1100	F	F	10.2 (.400)	+0.6/-0.2 (+.024/-.008)

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MF-R Series Tape and Reel Specifications

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Devices taped using EIA-468/IEC 60286-2 standards. See table below and figures for details.

Dimension Description	IEC Mark	EIA Mark	Dimensions	Tolerance
Reel width including flanges and hub	W_4	w_2	62.0 (2.44)	max
Dimension between flanges (measured at hub)	W_3	w_1	allow proper reeling and unreeling	
Reel diameter	A	a	370.0 (14.57)	max.
Space between flanges (at hub, excluding device)			4.75 (.187)	±3.25 (±.128)
Arbor hole diameter	C	c	26.0 (1.024)	±12.0 (±.472)
Core diameter	N	n	80 (3.15)	min.
Box dimensions			62 x 372 x 372 (2.44 x 14.6 x 14.6)	max.
Consecutive missing places			3	max.
Empty places per reel			Less than 0.1 %	

Taped Component Dimensions - per EIA Mark - Figure 1

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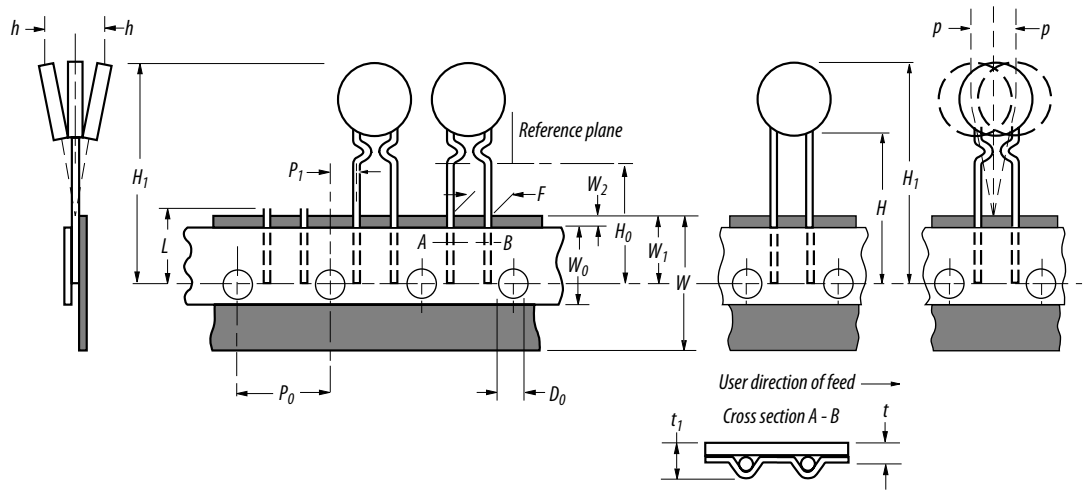
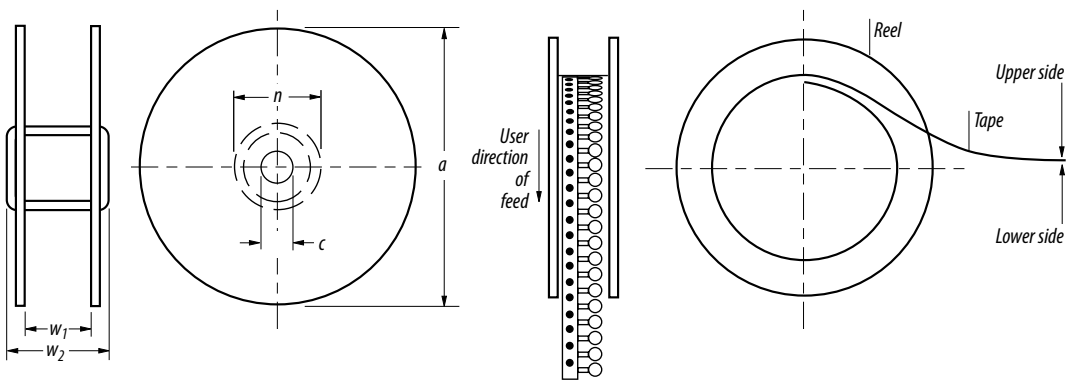


Reel Dimensions - per EIA Mark - Figure 2



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