High-voltage contactor

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Series/Type:	**HVC300A-24S**
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Product description

The HVC series has been especially designed to meet the requirements of high-voltage DC switching applications. The optimized hermetically sealed design exhibits excellent reliability performance against harsh environments. HVC series can be used in a wide range of applications.

Features

- Gas-filled and hermetically sealed
- No EMI, low operating power
- No polarity of contact terminals
- RoHS compatible

Applications

- Battery charge/ discharge systems
- Renewable energy storage systems
- DC high-voltage/ high-current applications
- DC fast charging stations

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Characteristics

Contact arrangement Inner contact material Internal contact gap (full disconnection)	1A Cu alloy 3.0 (2 × 1.5)	 mm
Recommended connection cable cross section [1]	> 100	mm²
Coil wires - length - cross section - material	 300 0.5 Cu	 mm mm²
Auxiliary contact - max. voltage - max. current - max. switching power - max. resistance - cross section	 36 250 3 200 0.125	 V mA W mΩ mm²
Vibration in closed state, xyz-axis - shock, 11 ms ½ sine, peak - vibration, sine 100 … 2000 Hz, peak - wideband random vibration, 10 ... 1000 Hz [2]	 20 20 5	 g g g_{eff}
Operation and storage [3] - temperature - humidity - air pressure	 −40 ... +85 5 … 85 69 … 106	 °C % kPa
Climatic category (IEC 60068-1)	40/085/21	
Weight	~ 500	g
Certifications	UL 60947-4-1 (E491412) CE	

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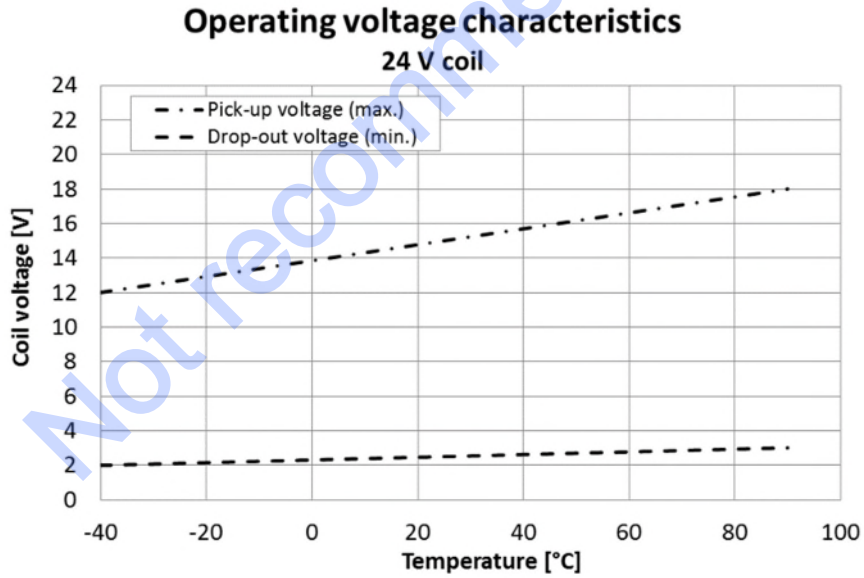
Specification [4]

Contact			
Maximum operating voltage		900	V_{DC}
Continuous carry current	I_{th}	300	A
Temporary overcurrent (10 min)	I_{CW1}	400	A
Temporary overcurrent (1 min)	I_{CW2}	400	A
Rated operational voltage [5]	U_e	450	V
Rated operational current [5]	I_e	100	A
Mechanical life time [6]		1 000 000	switchings
Minimum make and break current		1	A
Maximum cut-off current (1 operation) [7 8]		2000	A
Contact resistance typical (> 100 A)		< 0.4	mΩ
Insulation resistance at 1000 V (initial)			
contact to contact / contact to coil		> 1	GΩ
Dielectric strength			
contact to contact / contact to coil [9]		> 3800	V_{AC}
Operating time			
make		< 35	ms
break		< 15	ms
Coil [10]			
Rated operation voltage	U_c	24	V_{DC}
Operating voltage range	U_1 … U_2	18 … 32	V_{DC}
Pick-up voltage (max.)	U_1	18	V_{DC}
Drop-out voltage (min.)		2	V_{DC}
Minimum holding current		0.08	A
Power at nominal voltage [11]		6	W
Nominal resistance		96	Ω



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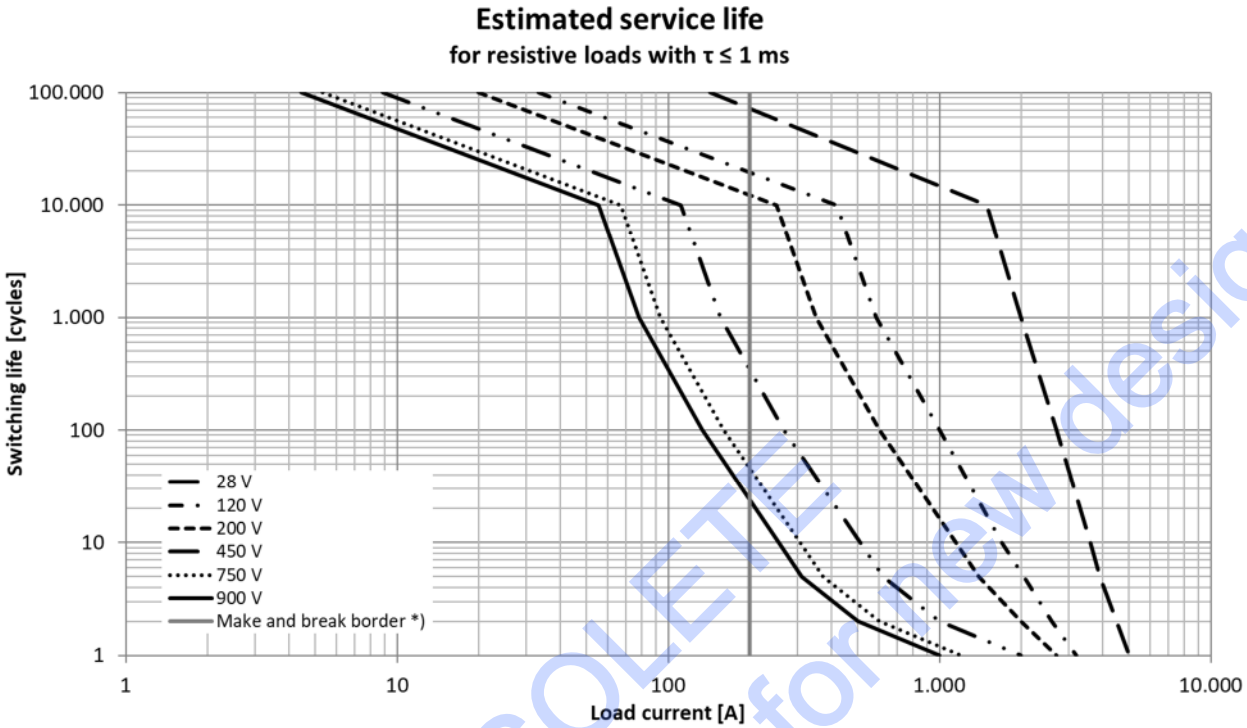
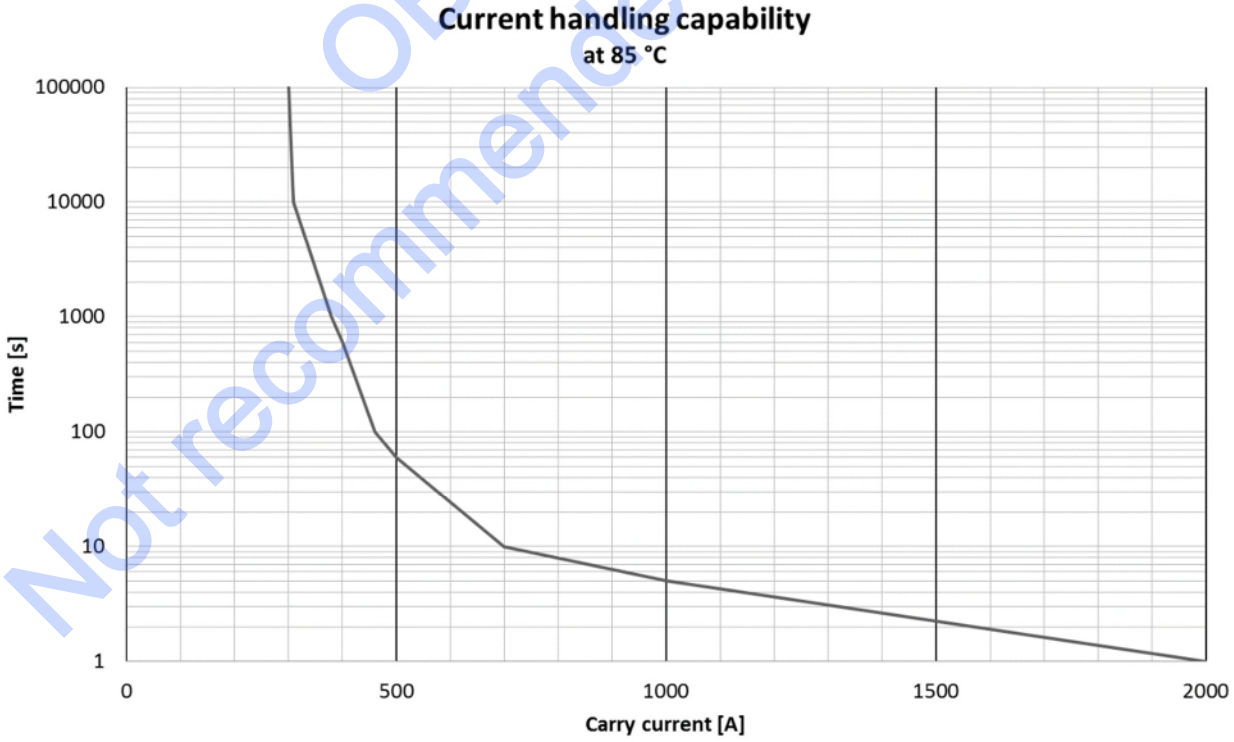


*) For currents > “make and break border” only break is permitted to avoid tack welding, duty cycle 1%, 600 s cycle duration.
For currents < “make and break border” make and break is permitted duty cycle 10%, 10 s cycle duration.



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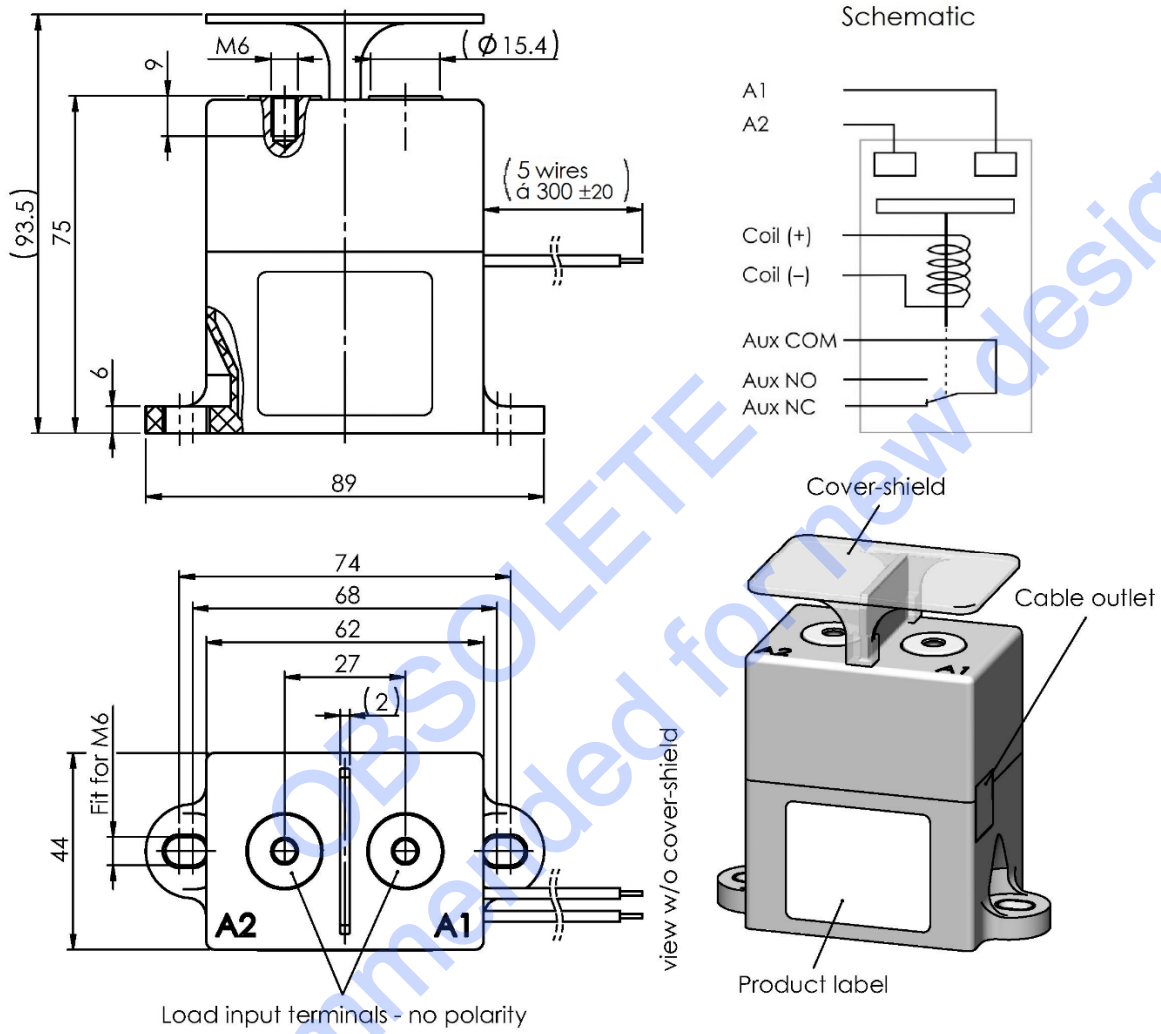
Dimensional drawings in mm



In case of no tolerance shown in dimensional drawing, general tolerances apply:
dimension ≤ 10 mm: ± 0.3 mm; dimension 10 to 50 mm: ± 0.6 mm; dimension > 50 mm: ± 1 mm

The cover over the main contacts is optional. It can be removed and reapplied if needed.

Connection name	Type	Marking	Finishing	Remarks
A1	Main terminal	A1	copper contact surface	tightening torque 6…8 Nm
A2	Main terminal	A2		
Coil (+)	Coil wire	red	stripped and tinned	
Coil (–)	Coil wire	black		
Aux COM	Auxiliary contact wire	white	stripped and tinned	
Aux NC	Auxiliary contact wire	green		
Aux NO	Auxiliary contact wire	blue		
Notes: Auxiliary contacts “blue” and “white” are normally open. When the contacts are short and the coil voltage is “0 V”, the part is stuck.				

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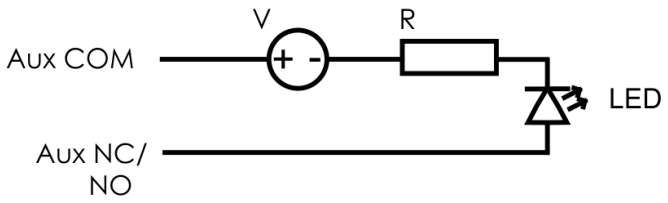
Auxiliary contacts

Example circuit to realize stuck detection:



In case the contactor is stuck, the Aux COM and Aux NO wires will be short, hence the circuit is closed and the LED will be on. The AUX COM and AUX NC wires will be have the opposite way: the LED will be off when the contactor is stuck.

Packing unit

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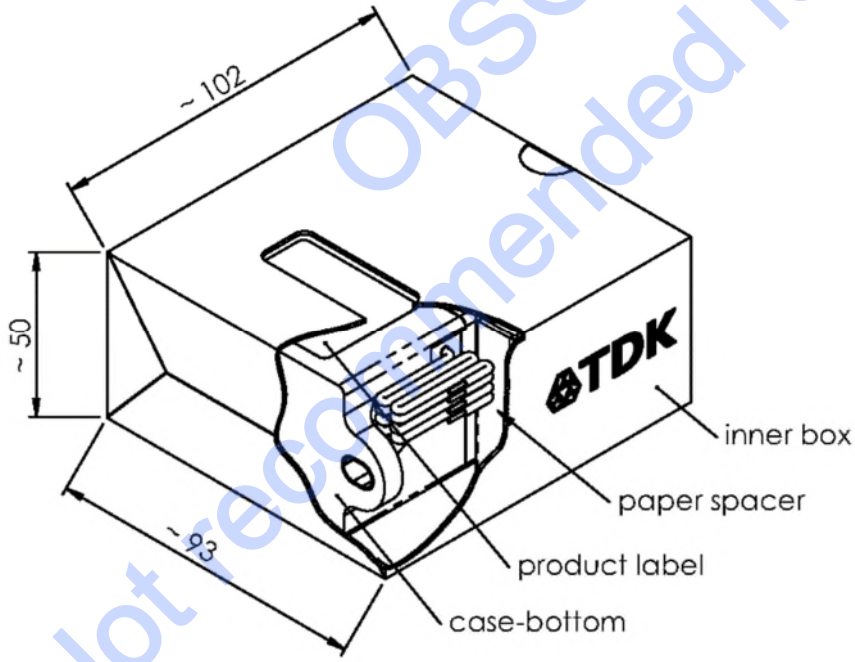

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Notes:

1 The diameter must be matched to actual current and operation temperature (see: Cautions and warnings).
2 Acc. to IEC 60068-2-64
3 Freezing or condensing must be avoided.
4 Acc. to IEC/EN 61810-1
5 Acc. to IEC 60947-4-1, 6000 operations make & break
6 Duty cycle 50%, cycle duration 1 s, value represents B10 life time acc. to Weibull analysis.
7 Tested at 450 V for resistive loads with $\tau \leq 1$ ms
8 No fire and no explosion will occur after this break. Afterwards, the dielectric strength and insulation resistance may not meet initial data sheet specification.
9 Detection limit 10 mA
10 Specified according to JIS C 5442 (temperature 15 °C to 35 °C, humidity 25% to 85% RH).
11 Tolerance ±10% at thermal equilibrium
12 End of life is reached when insulation resistance is < 50 MΩ at 1000 V.

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Cautions and warnings

- To guarantee a satisfying performance of this contactor in the application we strongly recommend to implement redundancy, take measures to prevent the spread of fire, take the possibilities of malfunction into account, and perform regular maintenance.
- It is also required to always use a suitable backup fuse for the contactor.
- It is not allowed to use the contactor outside of the parameter range specified in this datasheet. This also includes temperature and humidity. Overloading the contactor may destroy the component.
- The lifetime is dependent on several factors: e.g. load type, driving circuit and ambient conditions. We recommend checking the performance of the part under actual conditions.
- For capacitive loads, the inrush current through the contactor should not exceed the specified limit (see make and break border), otherwise tack welding and permanent failure will occur.
- In the event of inductive loads with $\tau > 1$ ms the lifetime will be shortened and break failure may occur.
- In order to ensure safe operation, the voltage at the connection terminals of the contactor must not exceed the nominal operating voltage by more than 10% in the event of a break under load. (inductive load)
- For continuous high current operation make sure that the temperatures of the connection terminals do not exceed 120 °C by selecting an appropriate connection cable cross section or active cooling.
- The leads to the contactor must be securely tightened to the terminals (check torque specification in data sheet), otherwise current stress may generate sparks and heating. Use only suitable screws or bolts and nuts for all mechanical connections to the contactor and verify their functionality in the application.
- After long-term operation the contactor coil resistance is increased due to the temperature rise. If the contactor is switched on immediately afterwards the coil characteristics may be deteriorated.
- The coil contacts need to be protected from overvoltage when switching off. Therefore a protection device needs to be installed in parallel.

- For successful pick-up, the voltage cannot be ramped up slowly. The voltage needs to be applied instantly to at least the maximum pick-up voltage.
- Simultaneously applied maximum operation parameters for e.g. coil voltage, over currents, temperature, vibration etc. may lead to reduced lifetime. We recommend applying rated settings to achieve optimum life performance.
- For contactors equipped with auxiliary contacts (S type): The auxiliary contact (“stuck detection”) is no real parallel contact and delivers only an indirect source of information about the actual switching status.
- For additional safety, the contactor must be mounted in a way that the vertical axis of the part (Z-axis) is not in line with the main shock axis inside the application.
- Contactors radiate magnetic and electromagnetic fields. Please ensure that other components mounted in close proximity are not affected.
- In case two contactors are mounted in close proximity, a clearance distance of 20 mm has to be kept.
- The operating life of the contactor can be affected by strong magnetic fields. Please ensure that there are no magnetic field sources in close proximity and avoid nearby installed heat sources.
- The contactor must not be operated without any load, as this may increase the contact resistance.
- Contactors may become hot during extended periods of current overload (burn hazard).
- Contactors must be handled with care and must not be dropped.
- Damaged contactors must not be re-used.
- The manufacturer cannot be held liable for failures caused by condensation or icing. The customer has to apply suitable measures to avoid these circumstances.
- This contactor is not waterproof.
- It is forbidden to use this contactor in atmospheres loaded with organic solvents (alcohol, petroleum, etc.) or strong alkaline substances (ammoniac, acids in general, etc.).
- It must be ensured that during installation and operation no kind of foreign matter adheres to the main contact. Especially oils and silicones must be avoided.
- It is forbidden to attach any kind of additional construction to or on the contactor.
- This contactor is tested and classified according to UL as an open-type device. This means the contactor is intended to be installed in an ultimate enclosure provided by a third party.

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