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SK2000 FUSES

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1. SCOPE

1.1 Scope. This specification establishes the requirements for high current, solid body fuses. Fuses described in this document are designed and manufactured for high reliability applications based on guaranteed blow and no-blow limits. These fuses are intended for use in direct (DC) circuits and are capable of operation over a temperature range of -25°C to +85°C ambient including high vacuum environments.

2. LOT ACCEPTANCE TESTING

2.1 Lot Acceptance Testing. This specification provides for two acceptance levels for the procurement of fuses. The degree of testing and associated documentation can be specified as appropriate to the end use of the fuses. Regardless of the acceptance level specified, the inherent quality and reliability of the fuses will remain constant. The acceptance levels with the applicable inspection required are indicated in Table I.

TABLE I. LOT ACCEPTANCE LEVEL.

LOT ACCEPTANCE LEVEL	INSPECTION TO BE PERFORMED		
	GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C
LAT 2	X	X	
LAT 1	X	X	X

3. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

3.1 Issues of Documents. The following specifications, standards and handbooks form a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. In the event of a conflict between the documents referenced herein and this specification, this specification governs.

SPECIFICATIONS

- MIL-G-45204: Gold Plating Electrodeposited.
- MIL-PRF-23419: General Specification for Instrument Type Fuses.
- MIL-F-14256: Flux, Soldering, Liquid (Rosin Base).

STANDARDS

- MIL-STD-202: Test Methods for Electronic and Electrical Component Parts.
- MIL-STD-790: Reliability Assurance Program for Electronic Parts Specifications.
- MIL-STD-1285: Marking of Electrical and Electronic Parts.
- MIL-STD-45662: Calibration System Requirements.

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OTHERS

- SK2000-PA: Internal Visual Examination (Precap) for SK2000 Fuses.
- SK2000-R: Radiographic Inspection for SK2000 Fuses.
- ASTM E595: Materials from Outgassing in a Vacuum Environment, Total Mass Loss and Collected Volatile Condensable, Standard Test Method for.

4. REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Qualification. Fuses manufactured in accordance with this document shall be capable of passing the qualification requirements specified in Table V and section 4 of this document.

4.2 Materials, Design and Construction. The materials, design and construction of the fuses shall be as specified herein.

4.2.1 Terminals. The lead material shall be CDA-101 copper, plated with gold per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C, with nickel underplate of 50 micro-inches. Exposed leads shall be solder coated with Sn 60 / Pb 40 solder.

4.2.2 Housing. The housing material shall be polyphenylene sulfide (PPS). The PPS material shall be insert molded to form the body of the fuse.

4.3 Voltage Rating. The voltage rating for the fuse specified herein is 12 volts DC.

4.4 Current Rating. The current rating is the maximum amperes that the fuse will carry at a case temperature of +25°C without degradation. The applicable current rating is specified in Table VI.

4.5 Temperature Rating. The temperature rating for fuses specified herein is -55°C to +125°C nonoperating. The maximum allowable operating temperature is a function of the percent of rated current running through the fuse. The temperature derating curve is given in Figure 3.

4.6 Resistance Rating. The cold resistance of the fuses shall be as specified in Table VI when measured in accordance with 5.8.2.

4.7 Marking. Fuses shall be marked in accordance with Method I of MIL-STD-1285. The following information shall be marked on each fuse:

- a) SK2000 (Series Number)
- b) Voltage rating (VDC)
- c) Current rating in amperes
- d) Manufacture lot code (C-Lot)
- e) AEM logo

Note: For marking example, please refer to Figure 1.

4.8 Performance.

4.8.1 Thermal Shock. When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.3 herein, they shall show no electrical or mechanical damage and there shall be no loosening of the terminals. Their cold resistance shall not change by more than 10 percent from the pre-thermally shocked values.

4.8.2 Dielectric Strength. When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.4, the leakage current shall not exceed 1 milliamperere.

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4.8.3 X-Ray Inspection. When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.5, there shall be no rejections.

4.8.4 Current-Carrying Capacity (Group C / Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.6, they shall show no evidence of mechanical damage and shall carry the current as specified without electrical failure.

4.8.5 Terminal Strength. When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.7, the lead terminals shall not break or loosen. The cold resistance values shall not change by more than 10 percent.

4.8.6 Thermal Vacuum (Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.16, they shall not open circuit during the application of derated DC current nor shall there be evidence of arcing or mechanical damage after the test. Fuses that are subjected to the 400 percent overload current test shall "blow" within the time period specified (see Table VI). The cold resistance values of those fuses not subjected to the overload current shall not change by more than 10 percent when measured after thermal vacuum exposure.

4.8.7 Overload Current.

4.8.7.1 Overload Current Characterization. Each fuse lot shall be sampled to assure that the blow times fall within the limits of Table VI. Each lot shall be truncated to form an inspection lot based upon the final cold resistance after thermal shock. The manufacturer shall blow samples (a minimum of 20 samples total) selected from the extremes of the truncated population to insure that their blow times are within the specification. The results of this procedure shall be provided in the "Group A Data" with the lot data package.

4.8.7.2 Overload Current. Fuses selected from a truncated distribution shall be tested in accordance with 5.8.14. The clearing times and the maximum I^2t shall be as specified in Table VI. After clearing, the circuit shall remain open without closing again during a one-minute period. The let through energy during the one-minute period shall be included in the calculation of I^2t . The blown fuses shall meet the resistance after firing test of 4.8.8.

4.8.8 Resistance after Firing. When blown fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.15, the minimum resistance shall be 1K ohm.

4.8.9 Moisture Resistance (Group C / Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.8, there shall be no evidence of cracking or peeling of the fuse body, loosening of the terminals or excessive corrosion of the leads. The resistance of the fuses shall not change by more than 15 percent as a result of the moisture exposure.

4.8.10 Shock (Group C / Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.9, there shall be no evidence of mechanical damage and the fuse resistance shall not change by more than 10 percent.

4.8.11 Vibration (Group C / Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.10, there shall be no evidence of mechanical damage and the fuse resistance shall not change by more than 10 percent.

4.8.12 Low Temperature Operation (Group C / Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.12, they shall not open circuit and the fuse resistance shall not change by more than 10 percent.

4.8.13 Life (2000 Hours, Group C / Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.13, they shall not open circuit and the fuse resistance shall not change by more than 10 percent.

4.8.14 Resistance to Soldering Heat (Group C / Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.11, there shall be no mechanical damage and the fuse resistance shall not change by more than 10 percent.

4.8.15 Solderability. Fuses shall meet the solderability requirements specified in MIL-STD-202, Method 208.

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4.8.16 Salt Spray (Group C / Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.17, there shall be no evidence of excessive corrosion. Excessive corrosion is defined as that which interferes with the electrical or mechanical performance. There shall be no warping or cracking of the fuse body and the fuse resistance shall not change by more than 10 percent.

4.8.17 Outgassing (Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.18, the materials shall meet the following requirements:

- a) Total mass loss (TML) - Shall not exceed 1.0 percent.
- b) Collected volatile condensable material (CVCM) - Shall not exceed 0.1 percent.

4.8.18 Short Circuit Interrupt (Group C / Qualification Only). When fuses are tested in accordance with 5.8.19, the resistance after short circuit testing shall be at least 1K ohms.

4.9 Workmanship. Fuses shall meet the visual and mechanical criteria outlined in AEM Process Instructions P70617 and P70765 when inspected per 5.8.1.

4.9.1 Precap Inspection. Prior to molding all fuses shall be visually inspected with a minimum of 10 power magnification. Inspection criteria are outlined in the AEM Precap Document SK2000-PA.

5. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

5.1 Classification of Inspection. The inspection of fuses procured to the requirements of this specification shall be classified as follows:

- a) Qualification Inspection (paragraph 5.6) when specified on the purchase order.
- b) Acceptance Inspection (paragraph 5.7).

5.2 Reliability Assurance Program. AEM shall ensure that a reliability assurance program is established and maintained in accordance with MIL-STD-790.

5.3 Test Equipment and Inspection Facilities. AEM shall establish and maintain a calibration system in accordance with MIL-STD-45662.

5.4 Acceptance Inspection Reports. AEM shall supply with each shipment of fuses the following minimum data:

- a) All variables data accumulated during Group A and Group B inspections. Group C data, if required on the purchase order, shall be shipped at the completion of Group C inspection.
- b) Customer specified test reports.
- c) Certification of Conformance signed by Quality Assurance Manager.

5.5 Inspection Conditions and Methods. Unless otherwise specified in this document, inspections shall be conducted at room ambient environments of +25°C +/- 5°C and the maximum relative humidity shall be 75 percent.

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5.6 Qualification Inspection.

5.6.1 Qualification Samples. Samples submitted to qualification inspection shall be representative of the normal high reliability production. A sample of 36 fuses representing the lowest, middle and highest cold resistance values within the truncated distribution shall be submitted for qualification inspection. At the completion of Subgroup I inspection, the 36 samples shall be divided into the subgroups and quantities shown in Table V. Each subgroup shall have approximately equal representation of the fuse cold resistance values.

5.7 Acceptance Inspection.

5.7.1 Inspection of Fuses for Delivery. Inspection of fuses for delivery against a purchase order shall consist of the tests listed in Table I.

5.7.2 Inspection Lot. An inspection lot shall consist of one lot date code and one C-Lot.

5.7.3 Group A Inspection. Group A inspection shall consist of the tests listed in Table II and shall be conducted in the order indicated.

5.7.4 Group B Inspection. Group B inspection shall consist of the tests listed in Table III and shall be conducted in the order indicated. All fuses submitted to Group B inspection shall have successfully met all electrical requirements of the Group A inspection (Visual rejects and X-Ray rejects may be utilized for Group B inspection).

5.7.5 Group C Inspection. Group C inspection, when required by the purchase order, shall consist of the tests listed in Table IV. The fuses submitted for Group C inspection shall have met Group A and Group B inspection requirements as part of the inspection lot from which they were taken. Group C inspection must be completed within 150 days after the completion of Group B inspection.

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TABLE II. GROUP A INSPECTION.

EXAMINATION OR TEST	REQUIREMENT PARAGRAPH	METHOD PARAGRAPH	NUMBER OF UNITS SPECIFIED	NUMBER OF DEFECTIVES ALLOWED
PRECAP INSPECTION	4.9.1		100%	N/A
VISUAL AND MECHANICAL EXAMINATION	4.9	5.8.1	100%	N/A
RESISTANCE	4.6	5.8.2	100%	N/A
THERMAL SHOCK	4.8.1	5.8.3	100%	/1
RESISTANCE	4.6	5.8.2	100%	N/A
OVERLOAD CURRENT CHARACTERIZATION	4.8.7.1	5.8.14	AS REQUIRED	N/A
X-RAY INSPECTION	4.8.3	5.8.5	100%	N/A
VISUAL AND MECHANICAL EXAMINATION	4.9	5.8.1	100%	N/A
DIELECTRIC STRENGTH	4.8.2	5.8.4	MIL-PRF-23419 (APPENDIX)	0

1/ THE MAXIMUM PDA FOR THERMAL SHOCK IS 5%.

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TABLE III. GROUP B INSPECTION.

EXAMINATION OR TEST	REQUIREMENT PARAGRAPH	METHOD PARAGRAPH	NUMBER OF SAMPLES <u>1/</u>	NUMBER OF DEFECTIVES ALLOWED
SOLDERABILITY	4.8.15		12	0
TERMINAL STRENGTH	4.8.5	5.8.7	12	0
OVERLOAD CURRENT (+25C)	4.8.7.2	5.8.14	12	0
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	12	0

1/ OVERLOAD CURRENT SAMPLES SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

250% OVERLOAD CURRENT – 4 SAMPLES
400% OVERLOAD CURRENT – 4 SAMPLES
600% OVERLOAD CURRENT – 4 SAMPLES

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TABLE IV. GROUP C INSPECTION.

EXAMINATION OR TEST	REQUIREMENT PARAGRAPH	METHOD PARAGRAPH	NUMBER OF UNITS SPECIFIED	NUMBER OF DEFECTIVES ALLOWED
<u>SUBGROUP I (16 UNITS)</u>				
LOW TEMP. OPERATION	4.8.12	5.8.12	12	0
LIFE (2000 HOURS)	4.8.13	5.8.13	12	0
OVERLOAD CURRENT	4.8.7.2	5.8.14	12	0
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	12	0
SHORT CIRCUIT INTERRUPT	4.8.18	5.8.19	4	0
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	4	0
<u>SUBGROUP II (6 UNITS)</u>				
TERMINAL STRENGTH	4.8.5	5.8.7	6	0
OVERLOAD CURRENT	4.8.7.2	5.8.14	6	0
MAX. CLEARING 600%	4.8.7.2	5.8.14		
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	6	0
<u>SUBGROUP III (4 UNITS)</u>				
VIBRATION	4.8.11	5.8.10	4	0
SHOCK	4.8.10	5.8.9	4	0
RES. TO SOLDERING HEAT	4.8.14	5.8.11	4	0
<u>SUBGROUP IV (4 UNITS)</u>				
SALT SPRAY	4.8.16	5.8.17	4	0
OVERLOAD CURRENT (+25C)	4.8.7.2	5.8.14	4	0
MAX. CLEARING 600%	4.8.7.2	5.8.14		
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	4	0
<u>SUBGROUP V (4 UNITS)</u>				
MOISTURE RESISTANCE	4.8.9	5.8.8	4	0
THERMAL SHOCK	4.8.1	5.8.3	4	0
CURRENT-CARRYING CAP. AT ROOM TEMP (+25C)	4.8.4	5.8.6	4	0

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TABLE V. QUALIFICATION INSPECTION.

EXAMINATION OR TEST	REQUIREMENT PARAGRAPH	METHOD PARAGRAPH	NUMBER OF UNITS SPECIFIED	NUMBER OF DEFECTIVES ALLOWED
<u>SUBGROUP I (36 UNITS)</u>				
VISUAL AND MECHANICAL EXAMINATION	4.9	5.8.1	ALL	0
RESISTANCE	4.6	5.8.2	ALL	0
<u>SUBGROUP II (6 UNITS)</u>				
TERMINAL STRENGTH	4.8.5	5.8.7	6	0
OVERLOAD CURRENT (HIGH/LOW TEMPS. AND MAX. CLEARING AT 600%)	4.8.7.2	5.8.14	6	0
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	6	0
SOLDERABILITY	4.8.15		6	0
<u>SUBGROUP III (14 UNITS)</u>				
LOW TEMP. OPERATION	4.8.12	5.8.12	6	0
LIFE (2000 HOURS)	4.8.13	5.8.13	6	0
OVERLOAD CURRENT (+25C)	4.8.7.2	5.8.14	6	0
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	6	0
THERMAL VACUUM	4.8.6	5.8.16	4	0
OVERLOAD CURRENT (400%)	4.8.7.2	5.8.14	2	0
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	2	0
SHORT CIRCUIT INTERRUPT	4.8.18	5.8.19	4	0
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	4	0
<u>SUBGROUP IV (4 UNITS)</u>				
VIBRATION	4.8.11	5.8.10	4	0
SHOCK	4.8.10	5.8.9	4	0
<u>SUBGROUP V (4 UNITS)</u>				
SALT SPRAY	4.8.16	5.8.17	4	0
OVERLOAD CURRENT (+25C)	4.8.7.2	5.8.14	4	0
(MAX. CLEARING AT 600%)	4.8.7.2	5.8.14		
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	4	0
<u>SUBGROUP VI (4 UNITS)</u>				
OUTGASSING	4.8.17	5.8.18	4	0
MOISTURE RESISTANCE	4.8.9	5.8.8	4	0
THERMAL SHOCK	4.8.1	5.8.3	4	0
RES. TO SOLDERING HEAT	4.8.14	5.8.11	4	0
CURRENT CARRYING CAP. AT ROOM TEMP. (+25 C)	4.8.4	5.8.6	4	0
OVERLOAD CURRENT (+25C)	4.8.7.2	5.8.14	4	0
RESISTANCE AFTER FIRING	4.8.8	5.8.15	4	0
<u>SUBGROUP VII (4 UNITS)</u>				
CURRENT-CARRYING CAP.	4.8.4	5.8.6	4	0

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TABLE VI. ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL REQUIREMENTS.

FUSE PART NUMBER / RATINGS			COLD RESISTANCE (OHMS) 1/		FIGURE	OVERLOAD INTERRUPT TIME (SECONDS)			MAXIMUM I ² T (AMPERE ² SECONDS)		
SK2000 PART NO.	MAXIMUM VOLTAGE (VDC)	CURRENT RATING (AMPS)	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM		250% NOMINAL RATING	400% NOMINAL RATING	600% NOMINAL RATING	250% NOMINAL RATING	400% NOMINAL RATING	600% NOMINAL RATING
SK2000-12-150	12	150	.000280	.000390	1	.025 to 60	.001 to .015	.00025 to .005	8,437,500	5,400	4,050
SK2000-12-200	12	200	.000180	.000230	1	.025 to 60	.001 to .015	.00025 to .005	15,000,000	9,600	7,200
SK2000-12-300	12	300	.000110	.000160	1	.025 to 20	.005 to .050	.001 to .010	11,250,000	72,000	32,400

1/ Cold Resistance is measured at from 0.1 to 10 milliamperes of current or calculated from the measured Voltage Drop at a current not exceeding 10% of the rated current of the fuse.

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5.8 Methods of Examination and Test.

5.8.1 Visual and Mechanical Inspection. Fuses shall be visually and mechanically examined per AEM Process Instruction P70617 following the molding operation. Fuses shall be visually and mechanically examined per AEM Process Instruction P70765 following the final assembly marking and sealing operations.

5.8.2 Resistance. The resistance of the fuse shall be measured using a constant current DC source having an open circuit voltage not greater than the voltage rating of the fuse. The measurement current shall be from 0.1 to 10 milliamperes and provide a measurement accuracy of +/- 1%. A Keithley Model 580 or equivalent is recommended for these measurements. Measurements shall be taken at room ambient conditions as close to the fuse element as is possible.

5.8.3 Thermal Shock. Fuses shall be tested in accordance with Method 107, Test Condition B, of MIL-STD-202. A total of five cycles shall be run without interruption. The cold resistance of the fuses shall be measured before and after the five cycles in accordance with 5.8.2.

5.8.4 Dielectric Strength. Fuses shall be tested in accordance with Method 301 of MIL-STD-202. Fuses shall be mounted in a test fixture capable of exposing all major surfaces of the fuse body and leads to the test voltage. The test voltage shall be applied to the terminals electrically tied together and to the test fixture. The following details shall apply:

- a) Test voltage - 500 VRMS.
- b) Duration - 5 seconds for acceptance tests.
- 60 seconds for qualification tests.
- c) Leakage current - 1 milliampere maximum.
- d) Measurements - DC resistance of the fuse after the dielectric strength exposure in accordance with 5.8.2.

5.8.5 X-Ray Inspection. Fuses shall be subjected to radiographic inspection in accordance with Method 209 of MIL-STD-202. The following details shall apply:

- a) The radiograph shall be of sufficient quality to render a clear, sharp image of the penetrometer.
- b) The source-object distance shall ensure a sharply defined image.
- c) Two views of each fuse (0° and 90°) shall be provided.
- d) A radiograph penetrometer shall be included on each radiographic film.
- e) Radiographs shall be examined at 10X magnification for the defects specified in AEM SK2000-R Specification.

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5.8.6 Current-Carrying Capacity (Group C / Qualification Only). Fuse samples shall be apportioned and submitted to the following DC test currents at -55°C to -60°C, at +20°C to +35°C (room ambient temperature), and at +125°C to +130°C:

<u>Test Temperature</u>	<u>DC Test Current</u>
- 55°C	110% of Rated
+ 25°C	100% of Rated
+ 125°C	80% of Rated

The test current shall be maintained for 30 minutes after the temperature of each fuse has stabilized, but shall not be applied for less than 1.5 hours. It may be assumed that the temperature has stabilized when three consecutive temperature readings taken at 10 minute intervals show no rise in temperature. The temperature of the fuse body shall be measured by thermocouples (see Figure 1 for location of 28 to 32 AWG thermocouple).

5.8.7 Terminal Strength. Fuses shall be tested in accordance with Method 211 of MIL-STD-202. The following exceptions shall apply:

- a) Test Condition - Test Condition A (5 lb pull) applying the force axially to each lead wire individually (solder .026 inch diameter wires to leads prior to testing).
- b) Method of Holding - The fuse body shall be held by means other than rigid clamping to prevent stresses from being transferred to the fuse element.
- c) Measurements - DC resistance measurements shall be taken before and after exposure in accordance with 5.8.2.

5.8.8 Moisture Resistance (Group C / Qualification Only). Fuses shall be tested in accordance with Method 106 of MIL-STD-202. The following exceptions shall apply:

- a) Mounting - Normal mounting means on a noncorrosive metal panel positioned 15 degrees from the vertical with the terminals down.
- b) Polarizing voltage shall be 100 volts DC.
- c) Steps 7a and 7b are not applicable.
- d) Measurements - DC resistance measurements shall be taken before and after the exposure in accordance with 5.8.2.

5.8.9 Shock (Group C / Qualification Only). Fuses shall be tested in accordance with Method 213 of MIL-STD-202. The following details and exceptions shall apply:

- a) Mounting - Fuses shall be securely fastened to the table of the shock machine to prevent relative motion between the fuses and the table.
- b) Test Condition - F (except 1500G, 0.5 milliseconds, half-sine)
- c) Loading during Test - Rated DC current on half of the samples tested.
- d) Number of Shocks - Three shocks in each direction of three mutually perpendicular axes (18 shocks total).
- e) Measurements - DC resistance measurements shall be taken before and after the shock exposure in accordance with 5.8.2.

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5.8.10 Vibration (Group C / Qualification Only). Fuses shall be tested in accordance with Method 204 of MIL-STD-202. The following details and exceptions shall apply:

- a) Mounting - Fuses shall be securely fastened to the table of the vibration machine to prevent relative motion between the fuses and the table.
- b) Test Level - Sinusoidal vibration from 5 to 3000 hertz, 0.4 inch double amplitude or 30G's peak, whichever is less.
- c) Sweep Rate - Approximately 1/2 octave per minute.
- d) Test Duration - 12 hours total (4 hours in each of three major axes).
- e) Loading during Testing - Rated DC current on half of the samples tested.
- f) Measurements - DC resistance measurements shall be taken before and after the vibration exposure in accordance with 5.8.2.
- g) Forced air may be blown across powered fuses during testing if fuse case temperature rises above +125°C due to mounting conditions.

5.8.11 Resistance to Soldering Heat (Group C / Qualification Only). Fuses shall be tested in accordance with Method 210 of MIL-STD-202. The following exceptions shall apply:

- a) The solder shall be maintained at 260°C +/- 5°C. The leads shall be immersed to within .005 inches of the body of the fuse (repeat process for both leads).
- b) Test Condition B.
- c) Cooling Time - Five minutes minimum.
- d) Measurements - DC resistance measurements shall be taken before and after soldering heat exposure in accordance with 5.8.2.
- e) Examination after Test - Fuses shall be examined at a 7X magnification for evidence of mechanical damage.

5.8.12 Low Temperature Operation (Group C / Qualification Only). Fuses shall be mounted by their terminals in sockets and placed in a low temperature chamber. The chamber temperature shall be lowered gradually to -55°C +0/-3°C within a period of 1 hour. After stabilizing at the low temperature for a period of 1 hour, rated DC current shall be applied to the fuses for a period of 4 +1/-0 hours while at the low temperature. The chamber shall then be gradually raised to room temperature within a 4 hour period and maintained at room temperature for a period of 8 hours minimum. After this time, the DC current shall be removed from the fuses and the fuses removed from the chamber. The DC resistance of the fuses shall be measured before and after the test in accordance with 5.8.2.

5.8.13 Life (2000 Hours, Group C / Qualification Only). Fuses shall be mounted by their terminals in sockets and placed in a chamber at +85°C +3/-0°C ambient. The fuses shall be electrically connected to a DC source supplying 64 percent of the +25°C rated current. The current source shall supply an open circuit voltage equal to the voltage rating of the fuses. The fuses shall remain in the chamber at the specified current for 2000 +/- 8 hours. The electrical circuit shall provide a suitable indicator, which shall be monitored daily during the length of the life test, to identify failure (blowing) of any fuse. The time of failure shall be recorded to the nearest +/-12 hours and the blown fuse replaced with a short circuit for the remainder of the test. The DC resistance of the fuses shall be measured before and after the test in accordance with 5.8.2.

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5.8.14 Overload Current. Fuses shall be subjected to the applicable percent of DC current (250%, 400% or 600%) specified in Table VI. For Group A, Group B and Group C inspections, the fuses shall be tested while at case temperatures of +25°C to +35°C. For Qualification inspection (Subgroup II, Table V) and Group C inspection (Subgroup II, Table IV) the fuses shall be divided equally and tested at -25°C to -30°C, at +25°C to +35°C, and at +85°C to +90°C. The low impedance source shall be adjusted to supply an open circuit voltage equal to the rating of the fuse. The time to "blow" (the interval measured from the application of the current to the time the current drops below the rating of the fuse) shall be measured for each fuse. Each fuse shall remain in the test circuit for 1 minute after the fuse opens to check for restrike conditions. The maximum clearing I²T shall be determined using an oscillogram showing the current trace. The determination shall be made by application of Simpson's rule. A recommended test circuit is shown in Figure 2.

5.8.15 Resistance after Firing. The open resistance of the "blown" fuse shall be measured by applying rated DC voltage across the terminals of the fuse. The resistance value shall be taken after a one-minute application of the test voltage.

5.8.16 Thermal Vacuum (Qualification Only). Fuses shall be mounted in suitable mount sockets. The fuses shall then be placed in a vacuum chamber and the chamber evacuated to a pressure of 5 X 10⁻⁵ torr maximum. The temperature of the fuse mount shall be controlled such that the temperature of the fuses, measured with a thermocouple mounted on the fuse body, is maintained at +85 +/- 3°C for a period of 48 +/-0 hours, while 90% of the +25°C rated current is flowing through each fuse. At the end of the 48 hour exposure and while the fuses are at the test temperature and pressure, half of the samples shall be given an overload current at 400 percent of their rated current using the procedure specified in 5.8.15. The fuses shall then be removed from the chamber and the remaining fuses (not blown) measured for DC resistance in accordance with 5.8.2.

5.8.17 Salt Spray Corrosion (Group C / Qualification Only). Fuses shall be tested in accordance with Method 101 of MIL-STD-202. The following details shall apply:

- a) Five percent salt solution.
- b) Test Condition B.
- c) Following the drying period, the fuses shall be subjected to 100 percent of rated current for 1 hour.
- d) Following the test the fuses shall be examined for compliance with 4.8.17.

5.8.18 Outgassing (Qualification Only). The fuses or fuse materials shall be tested as specified in ASTM E595.

5.8.19 Short Circuit Interrupt (Group C / Qualification Only). Fuses shall be placed in a DC test circuit capable of supplying a minimum of 2000 amperes. The test circuit shall be made using appropriate generating equipment as a source of power and with the rate of current rise for the test circuit adjusted for at least 3.25 X 10⁶ amperes per second. The open circuit voltage of the test circuit shall be adjusted to a value equal to the maximum rating of the fuse to be tested.

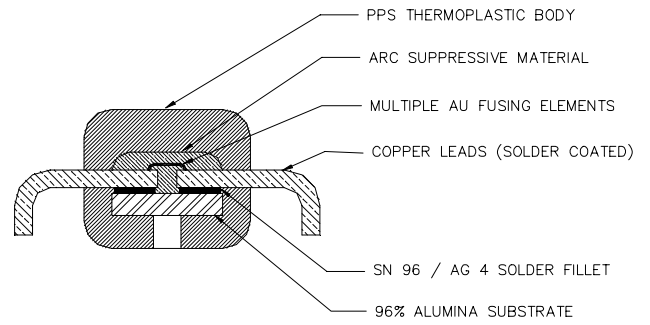
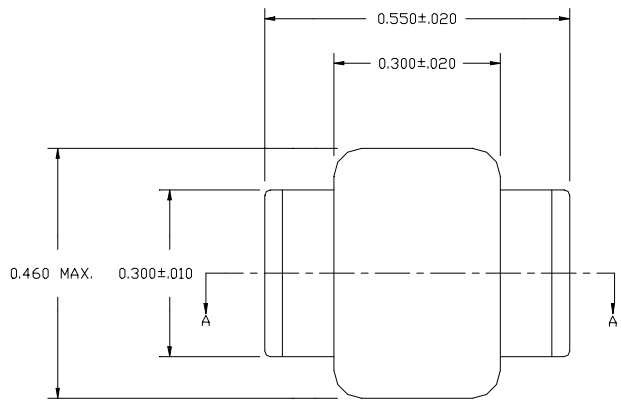
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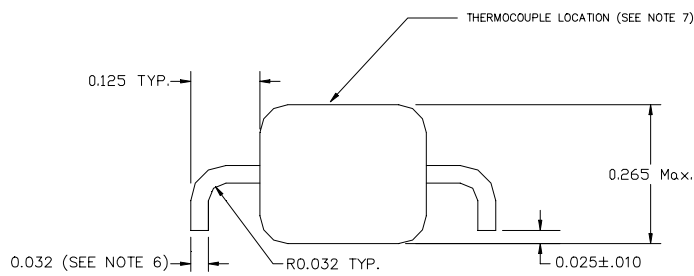
6.1 Parallel Operation. Fuses may be used in parallel operation to gain current-carrying capability. When fuses are to be utilized in parallel configurations, the fuses shall be procured as matched sets. The requirements for matched set fuses are indicated below.

- a) Each matched set shall consist of two or more fuses.
- b) Matched set fuses shall be from the same manufacturing lot (same C-Lot).
- c) Matched set fuses shall be created by matching individual cold resistance values within the set to within 1% (highest to lowest within individual set). The cold resistance values used for matching shall be extracted from the resistance values measured following the thermal shock test.
- d) Matched set fuses shall be marked in accordance with paragraph 4.7 except that the part number shall be modified to indicate the set amperage value and the number of fuses within the set (see matched set examples below). Additionally, matched set serial label shall be placed on the side of each part. Matched set serial labels shall consist of a unique number for each fuse set, followed by a unique letter for each fuse within the set (i.e., 001A, 001B, 001C, 001D; 002A, 002B, 002C, 002D; etc.). Matched fuses may exceed the maximum width dimension by .010 inches as a result of the match set label.
- e) Matched set fuses shall be packaged together, separate from other matched set fuses.
- f) Data generated by the matching requirement shall be included with fuse shipment.
- g) The number of fuses within the matched set shall be specified on the purchase order.

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SECTION A-A
CONSTRUCTION / SECTIONAL VIEW



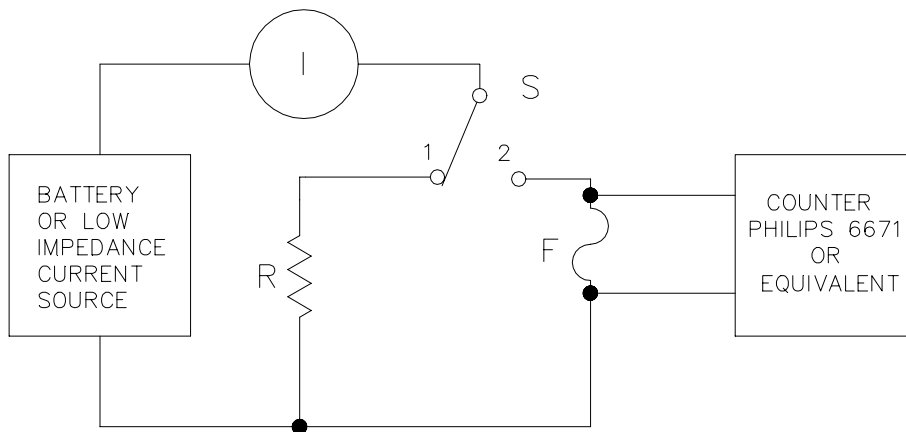
1. Dimensions are in inches.
2. Contour optional within dimensional limits.
3. Lead terminals shall be copper.
4. Maximum weight shall be 2.50 grams.
5. Minimum marking shall be abbreviated:
6. Base lead thickness .032 Typ. prior to hot solder dip in Sn 60 / Pb 40 solder.
7. 32 AWG thermocouple to be mounted on this surface during Current-Carrying Capacity Testing.

Marking Example:

Pin No.: SK2000
 Voltage Rating: 12 VDC
 Current Rating: 300A
 Lot Code: C-XXXX

FIGURE 1. DIMENSIONS, CONSTRUCTION AND MARKING.

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NOTES:

- R = Non-inductive resistor equal to the ohmic value of the fuse being tested.
- S = Non-bounce high current switch.
- I = Current adjusted to percent overload with switch in position 1.
- F = Current limiting fuse under test.

FIGURE 2. OVERLOAD CURRENT TEST CIRCUIT.

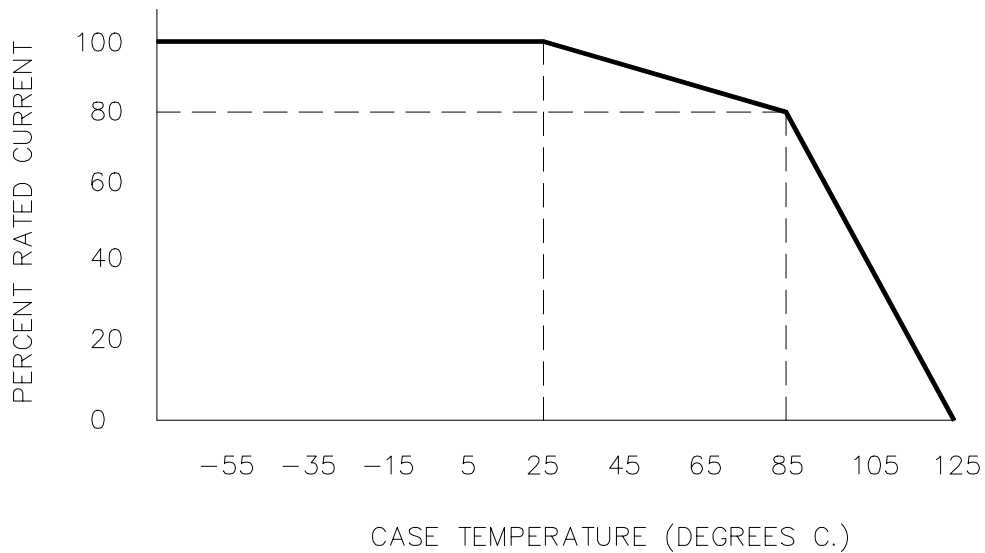


FIGURE 3. CURRENT DERATING LIMITS.

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REV. LETTER	REV. DATE	PAGE	CHANGE ITEM	APPROVAL
A (ECN 2126)	6/01	N/A	Issued new drawing	
B (ECN 2127)	10/01	3	Para. 4.7: Revised "a" to indicate SK2000 (Series Number)	
		11	Table VI: Revised 250% maximum clearing time from 30 to 20 seconds for 300 amp fuse. Maximum let-thru energy reduced from 16,875,000 to 11,250,000.	
		14	Para. 5.8.10: Added "g)" to allow for forced air cooling to maintain fuse case temperature at +125°C.	
		14	Para. 5.8.13: Revised test temperature from "+125°C" to "+85°C".	
		15	Para. 5.8.14: Revised test temperature from "+50°C to +55°C" to "+85°C to 90°C".	
		15	Para. 5.8.16: Revised test temperature From "+53°C" to "+85°C".	

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