MI Cable Thermocouple Assemblies

Temperature Sensing

Style MTA2 Plug Termination (Stock)

Ordering a Stock MTA2 Thermocouple

(Thermocouples not available from stock can be custom manufactured—see page 14-17)

TEMPCO stocks MTA2 style Thermocouples in type J and K in the standard lengths listed in the following two tables. These thermocouples have a standard Male Plug Termination.

Order a stock unit from the tables after completing the ordering code with the Junction Type Code from Box 4 and Optional Compression Fitting Code from Box 5 below.

Type J — 316 SS Sheath

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<tr>
<th>Diameter</th>
<th>6”</th>
<th>“L” Dimension 12”</th>
<th>18”</th>
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<tr>
<td>0.063&quot;</td>
<td>ST2-JD06</td>
<td>ST2-JD12</td>
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<td>ST2-JF06</td>
<td>ST2-JF12</td>
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Type K — Alloy 600 Sheath

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<th>Diameter</th>
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<td>ST2-KD06</td>
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<td>ST2-KD24</td>
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<td>0.125&quot;</td>
<td>ST2-KF06</td>
<td>ST2-KF12</td>
<td>ST2-KF18</td>
<td>ST2-KF24</td>
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</table>

Stock Modification for Fast Delivery

Above stocked items can be cut to desired length and junctioned for fast delivery. To order a probe length not listed in the tables above, complete the Code Number below.

Ordering Code: ST2

Calibration BOX 1
ANSI Standard Tolerances J K

“L” Dimension BOX 3
06”, 12”, 18”, 24” Stock Lengths For other lengths specify in inches.

Diameter BOX 2
D = .063”
F = .125”

Junction BOX 4
G = Grounded
U = Ungrounded
E = Exposed

Optional Compression Fitting BOX 5
1 = 1/8” NPT SS
2 = 1/4” NPT SS
3 = 1/2” NPT SS
4 = 1/8” NPT Brass
5 = 1/4” NPT Brass
6 = 1/2” NPT Brass
0 = None Required

Optional Installation Compression Fitting See Box 5

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**Style MTA2 Plug or Jack Termination (Custom Manufactured)**

### Design Features
- Pins are made with matching thermocouple alloys.
- Standard plugs come with hollow pins as standard and solid pins as an option.
- Standard size and miniature plugs and jacks have a 350°F (177°C) continuous and 400°F (204°C) intermittent temperature rating.
- High temperature plugs and jacks are rated for 500°F (260°C) continuous operation and 550°F (288°C) intermittent (brown only).
- Ultra high temperature plugs and jacks are rated for 800°F (427°C) continuous operation and 1000°F (538°C) intermittent (all are reddish-brown in color).
- Dual element available for sheath O.D. of 0.063" to 0.375".
- 0.020" to 0.250" use crimp insert—0.313" and 0.375" use tube adapters.
- Miniature plugs have solid flat pins.

### Ordering Information
Thermocouples are offered with the options listed in the work-sheet below. Create an ordering code by filling in the boxes with the appropriate number and/or letter designation for your requirements, and a part number will be assigned.

### Ordering Code:

#### Calibration Code
**BOX 1**
- **ANSI Standard Tolerances**
  - J = 0.003" ± 0.001
  - K = 0.005" ± 0.0001
  - T = 0.009" ± 0.001
  - N = 0.015" ± 0.001
  - R = 0.020" ± 0.001
  - S = 0.025" ± 0.001
  - B = 0.032" ± 0.001

#### Number of Conductors
**BOX 2**
- 2 = Single (Standard)
- 4 = Duplex

#### Insulation
**BOX 3**
- M = 96% min. MgO (Standard)
- H = 99.4% min. MgO

#### Sheath Material
**BOX 4**
- A = Alloy 600
- B = 304 SS
- C = 316 SS

#### Sheath O.D.
**BOX 5**
- A = .020" ± .001
- B = .032" ± .001
- C = .040" ± .001
- D = .063" ± .001
- E = .092" ± .001
- F = .125" ± .002
- G = .188" ± .002
- H = .250" ± .010
- J = .313" ± .003
- K = .375" ± .003
- L = 1.00 mm ± .03
- M = 1.00 mm ± .03
- N = 1.50 mm ± .03
- P = 2.00 mm ± .03
- Q = 3.00 mm ± .03
- R = 4.50 mm ± .05
- S = 6.00 mm ± .07
- T = 8.00 mm ± .07
- U = 9.00 mm ± .07

#### Sheath Length “L”
**BOX 6**
- Whole inches
- 01 to 99
- For lengths over 99 in. consult TEMPCO.

#### Sheath Length “L”
**BOX 7**
- Fractional inches
  - 0 = 0"
  - 1/8" = 3/32"
  - 3/32" = 6/64"
  - 1/4" = 5/32"
  - 5/32" = 10/64"
  - 3/16" = 9/32"
  - 1/2" = 15/32"
  - 5/16" = 31/64"

#### Junction
**BOX 8**
- Single
  - G = Grounded
  - U = Ungrounded
  - E = Exposed
- Dual, common
  - 4 = Single
  - 5 = Dual
  - 6 = None
- Dual, isolated
  - 7 = Single
  - 8 = Dual

#### Pin Option
**BOX 11**
- S = Solid pins
- O = For Jack Termination

#### Connector Type
**BOX 9**
- Standard Plugs and Jacks
  - P = Standard Plug
  - J = Standard Jack
  - K = Standard Plug w/Mating Jack
- Miniature Plugs and Jacks (.188" max O.D.)
  - D = Miniature Plug
  - E = Miniature Jack
  - F = Miniature Plug w/Mating Jack

#### Connector Temp Rating
**BOX 10**
- S = Standard 350°F (177°C)
- H = High Temperature 500°F (260°C)
- U = Ultra-High Temperature 800°F (427°C)
- (Miniature not available)

#### Optional Compression Fitting
**BOX 12**
- 1 = 1/8" NPT SS
- 4 = 1/8" NPT Brass
- 2 = 1/4" NPT SS
- 5 = 1/4" NPT Brass
- 3 = 1/2" NPT SS
- 6 = 1/2" NPT Brass
- 0 = None Required

#### Special Requirements
**BOX 13**
- X = Specify
- 0 = None

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Mineral Insulated Metal-Sheathed Cable

Thermocouple Assemblies are made from TEMPCO’s high quality Tempco-Pak and will incorporate all the same outstanding features.

Important Features:

* Accurate
* High Temperature Rating
* Fast Response
* Moisture Proof
* Thermal Shock Resistant
* Can Be Formed
* Weldable
* High Pressure Rated
* Compact
* Durable

Hot Junctions

(Hot or Measuring Junctions available on single or dual element cable)

Choose the measuring junction that best suits your particular needs:

Exposed Junction (E)

Thermocouple wires are butt-welded. Insulation is sealed against liquid or gas penetration prior to use. This junction style provides the fastest possible response time but leaves the thermocouple wires unprotected against corrosive or mechanical damage.

Grounded Junction (G)

The sheath and thermocouple wires are welded together, forming a completely sealed integral junction. Recommended in presence of liquids, moisture, gas or high pressure. The wire is protected from corrosive or erosive conditions. In the Grounded Junction, response time approaches that of the Exposed Junction.

Ungrounded Junction (U)

Thermocouple junction is fully insulated from welded sheath end. Excellent for applications where stray emf’s would affect the reading and for frequent or rapid temperature cycling. With the Ungrounded Junction, response time is slightly longer than for the Grounded Junction.

Typical Applications

➻ Bearing Temperature
➻ Diesel Engines
➻ Food Processing
➻ Furnaces
➻ Glass Manufacturing
➻ Heat Treating
➻ Kilns
➻ Metal Processing
➻ Oil Processing
➻ Ovens
➻ Petrochemicals
➻ Power Stations
➻ Refineries
➻ Research Laboratories
➻ Steam Generators
➻ Turbines

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Selecting the Correct Tempco-Pak Thermocouple Assembly

Thermocouples must be selected to meet the conditions of each particular application. The environment, operating temperature and atmosphere, response time and length of service must be considered when selecting the sheath, insulation, calibration, junction and termination of the thermocouple assembly.

Sheath Materials
The most commonly used sheath materials and their maximum continuous operating temperatures in an oxidizing atmosphere are as follows:

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<th>Sheath Material</th>
<th>Max. Operating Temperature</th>
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<tr>
<td>Alloy 600</td>
<td>2150°F (1177°C)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>304 Stainless Steel</td>
<td>1650°F (899°C)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>316 Stainless Steel</td>
<td>1650°F (899°C)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>310 Stainless Steel</td>
<td>2100°F (1150°C)</td>
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Note: For temperatures exceeding 2200°F (1204°C), Noble or Refractory metal sheaths are normally used.

Calibrations
The table shows the standard temperature ranges for the various ANSI thermocouple calibrations:

<table>
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<th>ANSI Letter</th>
<th>Thermocouple Type</th>
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<tr>
<td>J</td>
<td>Iron-Constantan</td>
<td>32-1400°F (0-760)</td>
<td>32-1400°C (0-760)</td>
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<tr>
<td>K</td>
<td>CHROMEL P®-ALUMEL®</td>
<td>32-2300°F (0-1260)</td>
<td>32-2300°C (0-1260)</td>
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<tr>
<td>N</td>
<td>Nicrosil-Nisil</td>
<td>32-2300°F (0-1260)</td>
<td>32-2300°C (0-1260)</td>
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<tr>
<td>T</td>
<td>Copper-Constantan</td>
<td>32-660°F (0-350)</td>
<td>32-660°C (0-350)</td>
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<tr>
<td>E</td>
<td>CHROMEL P®-Constantan</td>
<td>32-1600°F (0-871)</td>
<td>32-1600°C (0-871)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R</td>
<td>Pt 13% Rhodium-Platinum</td>
<td>32-2700°F (0-1482)</td>
<td>32-2700°C (0-1482)</td>
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<tr>
<td>S</td>
<td>Pt 10% Rhodium-Platinum</td>
<td>32-2700°F (0-1482)</td>
<td>32-2700°C (0-1482)</td>
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<tr>
<td>B</td>
<td>Pt 30% Rh-Pt 6% Rh</td>
<td>1600-3100°F (871-1704)</td>
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Assembly Tolerances:
Sheath Length Dimensions

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<th>“L” Tolerance Up to 24”</th>
<th>“L” Tolerance Over 24”</th>
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<td>Up to .038”</td>
<td>±1/8”</td>
<td>±2%</td>
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<tr>
<td>.038” to .065”</td>
<td>±3/8”</td>
<td>±11/2%</td>
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<td>Larger than .065”</td>
<td>±1/4”</td>
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Flexible Lead Dimensions

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<th>Lead Length (ft.)</th>
<th>Tolerance</th>
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<tr>
<td>Up to 5</td>
<td>+6”, -1”</td>
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<tr>
<td>5 to 10</td>
<td>+6”, -2”</td>
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<tr>
<td>over 10</td>
<td>+5%, -2%</td>
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Refer to the Mineral Insulated Thermocouples and Cable section regarding sheath, insulation and calibration (pages 14-114 through 14-118).

TEMPCO’s engineering staff will be happy to assist you with the design and selection of your thermocouple requirements.

Formability
Because Tempco-Pak is fully annealed it can normally be formed around a mandrel 4 times the sheath diameter. Consult TEMPCO if special forming is required.

Weldability
The thermocouple sheath can be brazed, soldered or welded. Welding the thermocouple sheath in the field is not recommended on diameters less than .093 in. All welding should be done in an inert atmosphere.