Cartridge Heater Terminations Can be Elusive to Define and Are Often Overlooked

To ensure maximum efficiency and reliable cartridge heater service, evaluate your existing operating conditions and proceed to select the best suited termination(s) for your application.

Failure to evaluate the operating conditions and the environment of a cartridge heater application and/or improper termination selection will compromise the operating reliability and functional life of the cartridge heater, resulting in costly machine downtime and loss of revenue due to lack of productivity.

The synergy between the cartridge heater termination and the application will result in reduced operating cost, increased productivity, optimized performance and improved customer satisfaction.

Take Advantage of Tempco’s Innovative Cartridge Heater Terminations.

We offer a selection of over 40 standard terminations specifically designed to address the operating requirements of a multitude of diverse applications requiring protection against the following conditions:

- Abrasion
- Contamination
- Flexing
- Moisture Resistance
- High Temperatures

In addition, there are many cartridge heater adaptations to facilitate their use:

- Double-End Powerleads
- Mounting Flanges
- Locating Ring or Bushings
- Pull Straps
- NPT or Bulkhead Fittings
- Built-In Thermocouples & Thermostats
- Electrical Boxes

Refer to pages 2-39 through 2-60 for complete specifications and details on all available terminations and options.

A Wise Man Once Said . . .
“A Cartridge Heater is Only As Good as the Termination that Powers It.”

Standard Termination — HDC and HDM Hi-Density Cartridge Heaters

Type N  External Pins with Leads
Available on HDC and HDM cartridge heaters
Flexible stranded lead wires have fiberglass insulation and are connected to 1-1/4” (32 mm) long solid conductors. Silicone rubber coated fiberglass sleeving insulates the pin/lead wire connection.

- Nominal 3/8” unheated section at the lead end is required.
- Standard lead wire temperature rating: 482°F (250°C)
- Standard 10” (254 mm) leads. Specify longer leads.

Standard Termination — LDC Low-Density Cartridge Heaters

Type F  Internally Connected Flexible Leads
Available on HDC, HDM and LDC Cartridge Heaters
The fiberglass lead wires are internally connected to the terminal pins. This lead termination provides flexibility, permitting the lead wires to be sharply bent as they exit the heater.

- Minimum 3/8” up to 1” unheated section at the lead end is required.
- Standard lead wire temperature rating for HDC and HDM cartridge heaters is 842°F (450°C)
- Standard lead wire temperature rating for LDC cartridge heaters is 482°F (250°C)
- Standard 10” (254 mm) leads. Specify longer leads.
For HDC & HDM heaters, leads longer than 60” require a splice.